

PILOTS TO THE RESCUE NEWS

The weather is getting warmer but there's no spring break for animal shelters, so <u>PTTR</u> remains as busy as ever. Over the past four weeks, we rescued 54 dogs, 22 cats, and flew more than 8,300 miles. Miraculously, it took just a few days for some of our furry paw-ssengers to find their forever homes!

In this month's newsletter, you can meet some of the dogs we rescued in April and get to know one our newest pilots on a deeper level. You can also learn a helpful tip for teaching your adopted dog how to adjust to the arrival of a new family member!

Thank you for your support in making these missions possible! \Box

Cowboy Cooper Finds His New Family in the Northeast!

On April 2nd, PTTR Pilot in Command <u>Paul Mamaug</u> transported five dogs, two pregnant cats and four eight-month-old kittens from South Carolina to Massachusetts, where the animals were received by <u>Live and Let Live Farm Rescue</u> in Chichester, New Hampshire. Among the paw-ssengers was the beautiful Cooper, pictured here getting some well-deserved love from his new mom!



For more than 20 years, Live and Let Live has been rescuing and rehabilitating dogs, cats, horses, goats, and all sorts of farm animals. Live and Let Live also partners with local rehabilitation programs to help troubled youths or prison inmates experience the myriad mental health benefits of equine therapy. PTTR was honored to collaborate with Live and Let Live and we look forward to working together again in the near future!

From a Euthanasia List to a New Home in Nashville

In a collaborative effort with No

Dogs Left Behind, PTTR Pilots in

Command Mike Martins and Jason

Oliver flew three beautiful dogs from

Oshawa, Canada to New York City

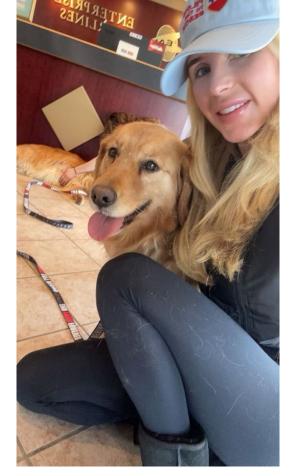
on April 16th. No Dogs Left Behind

had previously rescued the dogs

from the illegal dog meat trade

overseas and saved them from

being euthanized for meat or sold



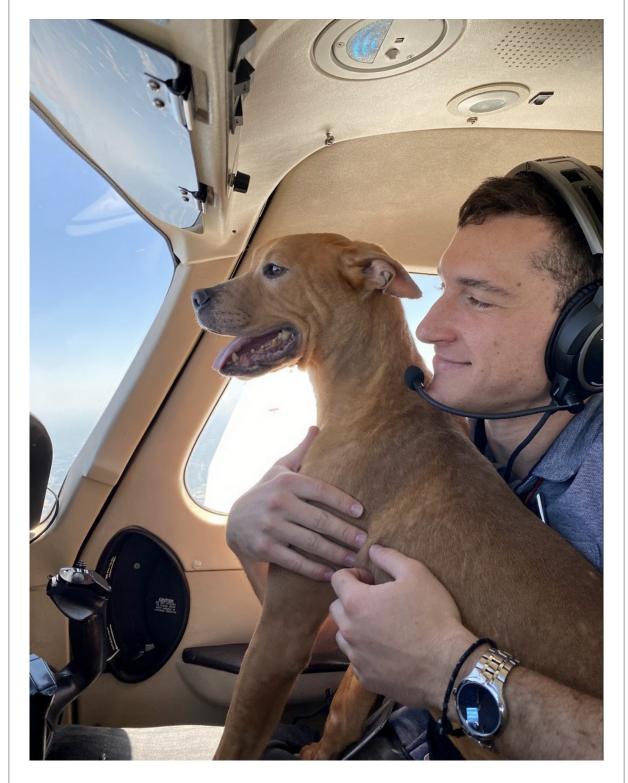
for commercial profit. Accompanying Mike and Jason on this mission was <u>Samantha Harris</u> (pictured here with a very lucky paw-ssenger), a licensed private pilot and regular animal shelter volunteer who currently serves as a sales operations specialist for <u>jetAVIVA</u>.

Pictured below is Kiko, who was adopted shortly after his arrival in New York and is currently settling into his forever home in Nashville, Tennessee!

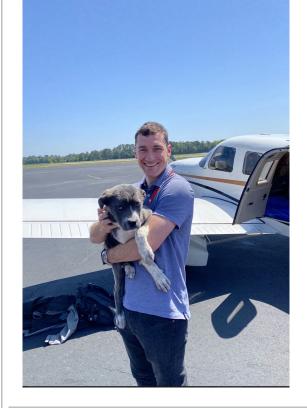


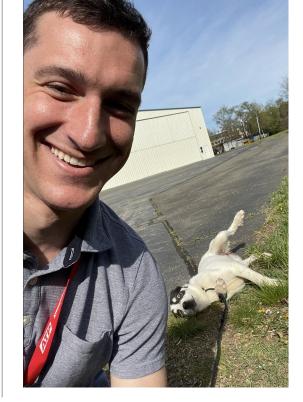
Volunteer Spotlight: Jason Oliver

This month, we'd like to shine some light on one of PTTR's newest pilots, <u>Jason Oliver</u>. Fascinated with aviation since childhood, Jason decided to become a pilot shortly after graduating from college, when he took a discovery flight that changed his life forever. Jason's family also adopted a love Golden Retriever named Maggie, which showed him just how much happiness a rescue animal can bring to a household at a young age.



Since PTTR allows him to combine his passions for animals and aviation, Jason believes that transporting homeless pets to their new families is the best possible use of his piloting skills. In fact, he's fairly certain that his missions with PTTR will be the most meaningful flights of his entire life. In the coming years, Jason plans to build a career in the corporate side of aviation while continuing to rack up those flight hours.





Adoption Tip of the Month



Just like human beings, dogs can have a hard time adjusting to the arrival of a new baby. Thankfully, there are plenty of things you can do to make this process significantly less stressful. Step one is to set up your new baby's crib, rocking chair, and other physical items as soon as possible. This will give your dog more time to adjust to the smell and feel of these new items, so they won't be a complete shock when the baby comes home.

Next, it's important to prepare your dog for the many unfamiliar sounds of a new baby by inviting friends with babies over the house on a regular basis. This way, your dog won't be as startled by the crying and screaming and precious laughter that's about to completely disrupt their calm and quiet house.

Finally, when you bring home your new son or daughter, make sure their first interaction with your dog is relaxed and unforced. Just have a seat on the floor with your baby and slowly let your dog come over to meet their new brother or sister. When your dog exhibits good behavior in this environment, you know what to do: give them a treat so they will begin to associate positive outcomes with the baby.

YOUR GIFT MAKES THESE MISSIONS POSSIBLE

This Friday, Skip the Latte and Donate \$5 🖨 🗆



PTTR is currently gearing up for our busiest summer to date, but we can only continue our life-saving work with your help. So, this Friday, skip the latte and help PTTR rescue more animals instead. If 300 of our followers donated just \$5 each, we'd be able to fill up our plane with a full tank of gas and embark on another life-saving mission. Remember, even the smallest donations can help us spare more homeless pets from euthanasia.

To learn more about how to support PTTR for little or no cost, click <u>here</u>.

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2023 Mission Stats



39 Missions



46,939 Miles



441 Souls



160 Cats

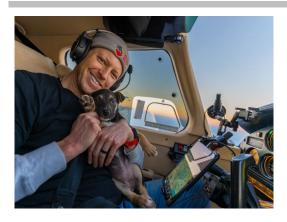


280 Dogs



1 Wolf

2023 Goal: 1000 Souls!



Pilots To The Rescue (PTTR) is a non-profit, volunteer-driven, 501c3 public benefit aviation organization. PTTR's mission is to transport domestic and endangered animals as well as people at risk. PTTR supports its network of trained volunteer pilots so they can focus on their missions and do the greater good.

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