Continuing our momentum from 2022, Pilots To The Rescue rang in the new year by recording our busiest January to date. Beginning just five days into 2023, we completed a record-breaking 9 missions and saved 114 souls! If you could use a little warmth during this cold weather, we are happy to report that several of these animals are currently settling into their forever homes.

In this month’s newsletter, you can meet some of the dogs we rescued in January along with their new families. You can also learn a new tip for teaching your adopted dog how to end a game of fetch at your command!

Thank you for your support in making these missions possible!

PTTR Saves a Litter of Chihuahuas from a Kill Shelter

On January 9th, PTTR Pilots in Command Bobby Aaronson and Mike Martins flew to Greenville, South Carolina to rescue 10 beautiful dogs. Due to severe overcrowding at their shelter, some of these dogs had already been placed on a list for euthanasia. Thankfully, Saving Georgia Dogs and The Second Hand Dog Rescue in Rochester, New York stepped in before it was too late and collaborated with PTTR for another life-saving mission.

Among the paw-ssengers for this mission was a loving German Shepherd named Hutch, pictured below with his new mom and dad!
Also onboard for this mission were four adorable Chi-weenie mixes, who were aptly named Eanie, Meanie, Miney and...Moe!
PTTR Flies 4 Dogs into the Arms of New Families

Pictured here with his new mom is Baxter, one of the 11 dogs we rescued from an overcrowded shelter in Georgia on January 17th. Once PTTR Pilots in Command Mike and Sebastian touched down in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, the dogs were received by our good friends at Rylie’s Rescue. Also onboard were two Terrier mixes named Willow and Pixie, both of whom have since found their forever homes as well!

Just three days later, PTTR collaborated with Rylie’s Rescue once again to rescue 11 more dogs, this time from an overcrowded shelter in South Carolina. At least one of these pups, a Black Lab named mix Kaia, has since been adopted! Accompanying Pilot in Command Mike Martins and PTTR Top Dog Michael Schneider in the cockpit was social media influencer and renowned travel personality Kellee Edwards, who is a licensed pilot herself. Below, you can see Willow and Pixie in the arms of their new families!

Adoption Tip of the Month

Some dogs (especially those with lots of energy) love playing fetch so much that it seems like they never want to stop. It’s also hard to tell your dog the game is over when they’re having so much fun.
But as a pet parent, it's important for you to let your dog know that fetch can't last as long as they like.

So, when playing fetch with your dog, set a timer for 5-10 minutes and use a verbal cue like “last one!” when the timer goes off. Then, use another cue like “all done!” before tucking the ball into a bag and heading back inside.

Another way to curb your dog’s obsession with fetch is to keep all fetch toys hidden unless it’s time to play. This will teach your dog to entertain themselves in other ways, breaking this continuous cycle of fetch.

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2023 Mission Stats

- 9 Missions
- 11,989 Miles
- 114 Souls
- 61 Dogs
- 53 Cats
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