

THE STORY OF BOATS

This story begins with one little black dog, picked up as a stray and taken to the county animal shelter. He was blind from ulcerated and painful eyes and his tongue hung out of his mouth due to diseased and missing teeth. Infected ears, severe mats and flea infestation caused skin ulcers all over his body. He laid on the shelter floor, knowing no one would want him. He seemed to simply want to die.

This little guy was released from the shelter into the care of RACE with Paws-Ability funds to help him get better. A love story began this day and it will make you smile. Stories don't always end up like this. We, in the rescue community live with reality, but when a story like this happens, it keeps us going on the bad days.

The story of this dog touched the heart of a woman in Southport and she decided he would become part of her family of rescues. On this day, this little black dog that no one wanted WOULD GO HOME! His new mother runs a tugboat tour company and took him to work with her. Seems this little guy LOVED to be on a boat, or maybe he just loved being with her. He was named Boats and it seems he had found a place and a purpose.

Boats recently graduated from doggie kindergarden with a Blue ribbon in Agility, another Blue Ribbon for "Stay" and a 3rd place ribbon for "come". He won the "most Improved" ribbon too. Boats may not care about the ribbons, but he is so happy to make his mom proud!

We see so many who cannot be saved, because they have suffered too much, but Boats as not one of them.

Love can do a lot but reality is that it takes dedication from rescue groups to save dogs like Boats. Simply put, this story makes us proud to be part of this thing called "RESCUE".