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Dear Friends,

Meet our newest addition, Jasper Big Ears! Jasper arrived at Charley's a couple of weeks ago from Coastal Humane Society. He's another dog that "did not make it onto the adoption floor." It is a real shame because Jasper is a sweetheart. He was brought to Coastal Humane all the way from an overcrowded shelter in the South, only to not make it onto the adoption floor.

Lucky for him that Mandy (rescue coordinator/volunteer from Coastal Humane Society) fell in love with him. Mandy is pretty good at bugging us ☺, so we could not refuse to take Jasper, even though we are filled to the top, too. But we made space for Jasper in hopes that we can find adoptive parents for him before winter comes and everybody has to move back into the Shelter buildings. Right now most of the dogs enjoy a very cool and rainy summer in Maine, in the outside runs. But at least these runs are partially covered with roofs, so they can lie in their houses and watch the raindrops falling down without hitting their heads.

Here is what Mandy wrote about Jasper:

Jasper moved out to Charley's Strays today. He hit the ground running, and didn't stop until we left: His tongue was hanging to the ground as he got to stretch his legs and visit Toby, Jake (CHS alumni), and all of the other dogs up at Charley's Strays. Jasper is going to get lots of outside time up there which he loves, and hopefully he'll get adopted out quickly like Taboo did. He's a great little dog with spirit and personality.

Here is some additional information about Jasper: He is a two year-old 40 lb. Doberman pinscher mix. He does well with most other dogs and has been around cats and is fine with them. However, young children, with their unpredictable nature and quick movements, seem to make him uncomfortable. Jasper is an

exuberant little guy with some basic training under his belt, and he knows how to exercise on a treadmill! He's totally amazing!

If you know of anybody who would make the perfect parent for him, please let us know! We need to free up more space before winter comes. We had to refuse taking in several dogs this month; one was a rescue from Miami who was pulled out of a bad situation by one of our supporters, but we could not take her; another 9-year old who will most likely be euthanized because his people had to move out of their home into an apartment and could not take him, and I received many more emails asking to take in animals no longer wanted. We just don't have the space, and pairing up dogs usually works only for a short time, before they start getting into fights, unless they have been together for awhile.

Here is another photo of Jasper on his bed:



Cindy Houston is still looking for items for her fundraiser yard sale for our Shelter in September. If you have some nice items, which bring at least \$1.00 each, please call her at 781-932-3387. The reason I am saying \$1.00 and up is that she just does not have the space to store any five or ten cent flea market items. She has no garage, so she has to store everything in a bedroom closet. Clothes, worn shoes, single drinking glasses, lids without pots and things like that probably should be present at flea markets, but in our case, we just can't store boxes full of stuff which bring in very little money. Thanks for your understanding!

Cindy has also set the date with the Deacon of the Baptist church for our yearly fundraiser: October 15th. I will be enclosing tickets for that event in next month's newsletter.



Once again the following supporters of Charley's Strays deserve a huge **Thank you** for helping our animals through another month:

Cindy and Steve Houston for using their time and gas money, driving to various homes to pick up yard-sale items ☺ and to the people who brought and sent items to her,

- to Jill Tillson and Jay, who cashed in his piggy bank for us, ☺
- to Karen Deady and her 3rd grade Class from Madison who rolled pennies again, and sent us a check. ☺

. . . and to all of you who helped us with money, stamps and goodies:

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Wishing you a wonderful month of July,

Gabriele, Mary, Karen, Ted and Jim





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