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"Giving Basset Hounds a Second Chance"

MY FOSTER DOG'S PERFECT HOME

Instructions: In your opinion, what would be the perfect, ideal home environment for your current foster dog? Please answer the questions below with a Yes/No answer and with a comment of explanation. Please return to us ASAP. Thank you!

Name of Foster Parent: Jeannie Burkett Today's date: 12/18/12

Email of Foster Parent: jeannieburkett@tx.rr.com

Name of Foster Dog: Montana Date of placement in your home: 12/3/12

1. Does your foster exhibit separation anxiety? Yes No If yes, how severe is the anxiety (i.e. what behavior does your dog exhibit when separated)? Comments, please: Montana escaped her foster home twice. She is now on medication and doing much better.
2. What is the dog's requirement for exercise? Comments, please: Looks forward to her morning and afternoon walks.
3. Does your dog have food aggression? (i.e. do they need to be fed in a separate area or room from the other dogs?) Yes No Please explain:
4. Does he/she exhibit resource guarding? (i.e. when they have a toy or chewie, do they growl when you try to take it from them?) Comments: No
5. Is your foster crate trained? Yes No Please describe:
6. Can he/she be left free to roam in the home when the owners leave? Yes No Please explain: When left alone she has access only to a small area of the house.
7. Is your foster good with other dogs? Yes No Please explain:
8. Is he/she good with children? Yes No Don't Know Please explain:
9. Is your foster good with cats? Yes No Don't Know. Please explain:
10. What kind of environment do they need? Please explain.
 - a) Would your foster be okay as an only dog? Yes No
 - b) Quiet or Noisy environment? Either
 - c) Do you feel your foster would be fine in an apartment? Yes No
 - d) Does your foster need a backyard? Yes No
 - e) Please describe other needs:
11. Please describe the dog's personality:

Sociability:
X High/Demanding (must be center of attention)

- ☐ High (loves meeting new people)
☐ Medium (friendly, but enjoys alone time)
☐ Low (independent, not into the mushy stuff)

Boldness/Confidence:

- ☐ High (confident & brave with little making him/her nervous)
☒ Medium (some things make him/her nervous)
☐ Low (timid and shy with new things making him/her nervous)

Excitability:

- ☒ High (gets revved up easily and can have a hard time calming down)
☐ Medium (some things get him/her excited, but calms down easily)
☐ Low (Calm and steady)

Intensity/Drive:

- ☐ High (will play and exercise until he/she drops)
☐ Medium (plays and exercises, but enjoys leisure time)
☒ Low (not into playing; he/she is more of a spectator)

Other:

12. What bad habits does the dog have? (i.e. counter surfing, jumps on furniture, unruly, chews, etc.) Gets into things when left alone, ie trash cans, plastic containers.
13. Does the dog need a structured environment? (meaning the adopters need to know how to obedience train.) ☒ Yes No Please explain: Montana knows how to sit, but needs to know how to control her excitement.
14. Does the dog know how to use a doggie door? ☒ Yes No Don't Know
15. Is the dog housebroken? ☒ Yes No Please comment on housetraining issues
16. What are some of the foster dog's positive traits, tricks, antics? Montana is very loyal and loving.
17. Please describe your ideas of your foster dog's perfect home: Montana needs a home where she can have companionship most of the time and a minimal rule environment until she is completely settled.

18. How does your foster dog react when you offer a treat?

- ☐ Gently takes treat from you
☐ Leary
☐ Rough
☒ Aggressive
☐ Won't touch it

19. When you pet the dog how does s/he react:

- ☒ Eager for attention
☐ Cowers from your touch
☐ Tries to nip
☐ Urinates

20. When you stare at the dog what is his/her reaction?

- ☐ Looks away immediately
☐ Hold stare for short period then looks away
☒ Won't look away
☐ Growls
☐ Licks lips a lot submissively

21. When you step into the dog's "space" how does s/he react?

- ☐ Moved aside easily
- ☐ Moved with some resistance
- ☐ Moved with great reluctance
- ☒ Lets you bump right into it
- ☐ Backs straight up

22. When you touch feet, ears, tail, and open the dog's mouth to look at teeth how does your foster behave?

- ☒ Allows handling
- ☐ Pulls away after short time
- ☐ Pulls away immediately
- ☐ Tries to nip your hand while pulling away
- ☐ Growls
- ☐ Shows teeth

23. What is your foster dog's interest level in toys (ball, squeaky toy, etc.)?

- ☐ Very interested
- ☒ Some interest
- ☐ No interest
- ☐ Stress

24. How well does your foster walk on a leash?

- ☒ Nicely
- ☐ Tugs sometimes
- ☐ Pulls a lot

25. Does your foster have any medical conditions that need to be monitored? Yes No

Condition: Separation Anxiety.

Treatment plan: Medication as needed and knowing her adopters and home are permanent.

Expected date he/she will be ready for adoptions: Ready now.

Montana is a sweet, petite and loving dog. She needs a home where she can have companionship most of the day. Although she would do well in an apartment she loves being in the backyard to lay in the sun. She does very well with my two resident hounds and cats and she is very amiable with children. Her separation anxiety has subsided with our family as she understands we will not abandon her and show her consistent love. She has been allowed to be on the furniture and the bed in our home. If left uncaged she can get into mischief. I believe her adopted family will need to commit to establishing their relationship with Montana during the first two weeks of adoption. She tends to bond with females first, however has no issues with men.