AN ITCHY PROPOSITION

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BO IN DESPERATE SHAPE

Every dog who comes to GSRNC is special. But every now and then we meet a dog who desperately needs us and captures our hearts. Bo is that kind rescue. Late in November 2024 our Dog Operations team received an urgent call from Peninsula Humane Society. A very sweet eight month old pup had been surrendered by his owners and was in horrible condition. The volunteers at PHS fell in love with Bo and knew he deserved a second chance.

GSRNC volunteer Doug G. agreed to meet Bo; what he found was shocking. The poor boy was in horrible shape; he had a severe Demodex infestation along with other skin issues. His entire face, neck and forearm were flaking and crusted and there were spots of bleeding skin. Bo was clearly suffering; he was extremely uncomfortable and would rub his face desperately trying to find relief.



RELIEF IS COMING

Despite his discomfort, Bo proved to be a very nice boy. The vets assured us that he would make a full recovery but would have a long road ahead of him; the treatment for his skin would take four to six weeks. During that time he would need a very special home with a patient foster willing to give him the love and attention he so desperately needed.



SLOWLY GETTING BETTER

Bobby A. was waiting for a dog to foster and was contacted to see if he'd be willing to take on Bo's care. Undaunted by the work ahead, he jumped at the opportunity to help! Bobby proved to be the right person for the job and dedicated himself to Bo's recovery. Bobby not only tended to the medical needs--vet visits and very stinky sulfur baths--but he also took care of his emotional well-being as well with lots of love, long walks and play time.

Bo thrived in his foster home and little by little his skin improved. As his condition cleared up, his playful nature emerged. This special boy loves chewing on bones (and hiding them) and playing tug-of-war. He even developed a funny habit of eating persimmons right off the tree!

After putting so much time and love into Bo, Bobby knew he could not let this sweet boy go. Another wonderful foster failure was in the works! This handsome boy had found his home and was re-named Louie. Now he and Bobby spend their time playing, hiking and generally just enjoying each other's company.

If you'd like to make a donation to help dogs like Bo, click here.



WHAT A HANDSOME BOY!