

Paw-some holiday adoptions at RCAS

WEDOWEE - Randolph County Animal Shelter celebrated the adoptions of two long-timer senior dogs this week, Luke (12½) and Mojo (5). What joy these adoptions brought to these 'second chance dogs' and also to the RCAS staff who loved them until their new family arrived for their Freedom Day!

Luke, a 12½-year-old Basset/beagle mix, was a stray who arrived Feb. 16, 2016, with heartworm disease. He has been on treatment since then, yearning for someone who would look past his age and lifetime disease. Tuesday, after 1,000 nights at RCAS, Luke met new Wedowee business owner Lisa Mitsis of Amie's Bohemian Organic Market and wiggled his way into her heart! Luke enjoyed two walks at the park and a spa day. Then he and Ms. Lisa went home to introduce him to Papa Jim, who is spoiling him rotten already with treats and lots of petting. And Luke met his new siblings, three cats and an 8-year-old dog brother! Lisa says, "He has a new spring in his stubby little legs." You can meet Mr. Personality, aka "Cool Hand Luke," during store hours where he spends his days napping and watching through the windows for



The adopter of Mojo, holding him on Adoption Day, is Jacob Arrington.

company.

Mojo, a 5-year-old beagle mix, came to the shelter in May after his owner passed away. He was the heart of the shelter for six months, doted on by the staff. He slept in the office at night, and he was a greeter by day. If a dog got loose at RCAS, Mojo would herd it into a corner until a staff member relieved him! Within six months, he caught the eye of a man from the Alex City area, and the home photos show he is happy on his human's bed! The staff had tears upon both dogs' departures and look forward to their hello visits.



Saying goodbye to their old friend Luke are RCAS operations manager April Richardson, kennel technicians Kristina Bell and Chantelle McCormick and office manager Rhonda Blackstone.

It is sad for some pets who become the last chosen for no particular reason. To encourage adoptions for Christmas, RCAS is offering both cat and dog specials. Remember, pets are a commitment for THEIR life with YOU. The shelter asks that you not gift others with pets they didn't choose themselves or perhaps even want. Size, age, sex, color or shedding may all affect a new owner's choice, so they can care for them within their time and budget.

Pets cost money, and they need time and love from you! Returned pets go into a depression when you take them back because you changed your mind.

December cat special: Adoption fee \$10, including their voucher for spay/neuter.

December long-timer dog special: Adoption fee \$50, including their voucher for spay/neuter.

Any other dog: Adoption fee \$99, including their voucher for spay/neuter.