

# JESSIE

## RESCUE OF A GINGER WIRE GIRL

Jessie was rescued from Dallas, Georgia animal control in the summer of 2013 after sitting there 2 weeks. Her elderly owner moved into a nursing home and she spent months with the son's family before being discarded at the AC facility and her fate was to be euthanized. Her vet records showed visits for vaccinations, flea issues, infected ears and allergies that did not seem he ever managed or got under control. Jessie was miserable & itchy yet her personality stayed as sweet as a Georgia peach.



Jessie was a senior Wire Fox girl who may not have had the best of care or treated fairly but no animal deserves to have their last days in a cold cell. Jessie's rescue began and her journey north to WFTRM. Jessie was taken to the vet immediately upon being released from the shelter to receive her exam, testing and certificate for travel. She met many new friends on her journey and stole many hearts. Every volunteer saw that she received care and compassion and was delighted to help her on her way to her final stop in Chicago.



Jessie was a tiny 15 pound girl with a mixture of soft and wiry creamy curls infused with the brightest copper coloring. Jessie was dainty and skipped around quiet as a mouse enjoying your company or finding a nice nook to curl up in. She is a big fan of furniture - chairs, beds, benches, couches, and even tables. That nub tail of hers was always wagging with her happy go lucky personality and is friendly with everyone she encounters.



# JESSIE'S BATH TIME

Ear infections left untreated can spread to other parts of the body. Jessie's ears had both yeast and bacterial infection and yeast crept in between the toes. Jessie's bath starts with a shallow tub filled with warm water and squirted with Chlorhexidine concentrate. Her feet are soaked for at least 5 minutes and then her curls get lathered with Malaseb or Ketoseb shampoo every couple days. Her skin and coat were looking really great. She is an angel to bathe.



Jessie loves the toweling off as she gets a good rub down and gets to act silly and comical. Like most Wire Fox Terriers, she gets the zoomies and jumps around, dances and gets on her back. It feels so good to be clean and it soothes any itchies.





Jessie's bright creamy curls and shiny copper accents are all fluffy, curly and wet and she uses the natural warmth of the sun to lounge and dry a bit. She feels and looks so much better as she is cared for with a little TLC.

Jessie went to Midwest Animal Hospital on arrival and had a full Blood work Panel and Urinalysis. Her ears were very swollen and infected and closed. She received daily cleaning and medication. Her ears were slowly improving but would remain a work in progress. Her hearing was damaged due to the untreated ears for probably many years.



BEFORE



AFTER TREATMENTS

Jessie's teeth were not cared for over the years and she had 3+ and 4+ grade dental disease. Her rear molars had heavy tartar, gums were inflamed and there was a very questionable brown tooth. Not only was she having difficulty eating even a spoon full of canned food because of the painful mouth and teeth, dental infections left untreated spread to the bloodstream and are responsible for many dogs having kidney values elevate. Her full blood work returned with kidney levels of 78 for the BUN (Reference Range of 6 - 31) and her Creatinine at 3.4 (Reference Range of 0.5 - 1.6). These values needed to come down before any cleaning or repair could be done. Jessie was started on Benazepril and switched to antibiotic Clindamycin.



Jessie's previous owner had taken her to the vet often & received steroids to control her issues. These along with the uncontrolled yeast & bacterial infections and the teeth lowered her immune system and allowed the perfect little body for large amounts of wart like growths to grow on her rump and torso. These warts can be very itchy and annoying. While one vet worked on Jessie's teeth, another doctor was removing over 20 growths and a larger one on her hip she liked nibbling on. Shortly after surgery Jessie was already up and bouncing around! But she had to stay one more night for more IV fluids and monitoring.



On July 10th good news. Jessie's blood work showed a BUN of 38 and Creatinine level of 1.9 and it was time to proceed. The protocol was to use propofol & monitor her blood pressure rather than regular anesthesia which runs through the kidneys. The tartar was cleaned & scaled and one tooth was completely dead - the root rotted and was extracted. The procedures went very well.



To protect Jessie's skin from the sun and also from her scratching, she was wearing pajamas and looked adorable. Before they arrived, she borrowed a skeleton suit from her foster brothers and wore it proudly.



Jessie was a true Wire Fox girl who was going to live each day and in the moment. She was always smiling no matter what. Jessie was adopted to an amazing person in Colorado. Kathi continued Jessie's care taking her to an ear specialist and also an internist for her kidneys. She was so well cared for and loved until she crossed the bridge. Jessie was a special rescue who touched many hearts.



Jessie was feeling so much better and her perky personality became even perkier. She loved to play and talk to everyone in a funny little barking seal tone.

