Pit Bull Rescue Central
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Pit Bull Heroes

Cheyenne, Dakota and Tahoe

One of the top-rated Search and Rescue (SAR) dogs is Dakota, an American Pit Bull Terrier. Dakota is owned by Kris Crawford, who has 2 other pit bulls that are also certified SAR dogs!

Dakota is so good at what she does, NASA hand-picked Kris and Dakota to assist in the recovery of the Astronauts after the tragic 2003 shuttle disaster. Kris and Dakota were also involved in the Laci Peterson investigation. Kris and her team have been involved in many cases and have made national news on several occasions.

Cheyenne, Dakota and Tahoe are also certified hospital therapy dogs. They can often be seen at pet fairs, shows, schools, etc. It is important to Kris to have the girls out educating the public about the true spirit of the Pit Bull and teaching children canine safety.

Animal Planet recently aired a “Pet Story” edition on Kris Crawford as did National Geographic’s Dogs with Jobs. You can learn more about Kris, Cheyenne, Dakota and Tahoe at www.forpitssake.org

Weela

One day, while outside watching one of the kids in her family, Weela suddenly body-slammed 11-year-old Gary and sent him flying. Lori (mom) saw the whole thing and was surprised since Weela had always played so well with the kids. Surprised, that was until she saw the big rattle snake sink its fangs into Weela’s face! Then she understood Weela had been saving Gary’s life! A few years later, Weela saved the lives of 30 people, 29 Dogs, 13 horses and 1 cat. Heavy rains caused a damn to break on the Tijuana River. Weela would pull 30 to 50lbs of food across the river to feed stranded animals when it was needed during their month of being stranded on the island.

Popsicle

The Number 1 United States Customs Dog is an American Pit Bull Terrier named Popsicle. How did he get that name? He was found during a drug bust in a freezer where he had been left to die after being used as a bait dog for dog fighters.
Weezie

One night, 2 armed men broke into Melissa Willis’s home. They pointed a gun at her, while her son stood behind her. Weezie, their male pit bull, came to the rescue! Weezie placed himself between his family and danger, and with every advance by the men, he pushed his family backwards until they were to the exit. He kept the armed robbers focused on him, so his family would be safe.

Sgt. Stubby

America’s first canine decorated war hero was Sgt. Stubby. Sgt. Stubby saved a troop of men by alerting them to a gas attack. He later held a German Spy captive until troops arrived to take the spy prisoner.

Norton

He saved his human mom’s life after, she had gone into anaphylactic shock from a spider bite. Norton, who was rescued from a fight ring, went to the master bedroom and kept pushing his owners’ husband until he awoke and could rescue his wife.

These are just a few of many heroic pit bulls!