



# Bichon Bits & Bytes

May 2013 Bichon FurKids Rescue

## Bichon Bash 2013 Edition



### Our 2000th Adoption!

On May 18th at the Irvine Animal Care Center, the Collins family became the 2000th adopters of a FurKid named Sawyer. It was the culmination of a dream that a little boy of seven first dreamed two years ago - and a milestone for Bichon FurKids Rescue, a six year old rescue organization.

According to Shirley Cho Collins (who is allergic to most dogs and, therefore, needed one who was hypo-allergenic) her son went to the library and checked out a book about dog breeds. He and the family then read about the different breeds and their characteristics. The young boy believed that a small dog would be easier for his mom to care for. After looking through hundreds photos and reading all of the write ups, the family decided to adopt a bichon.

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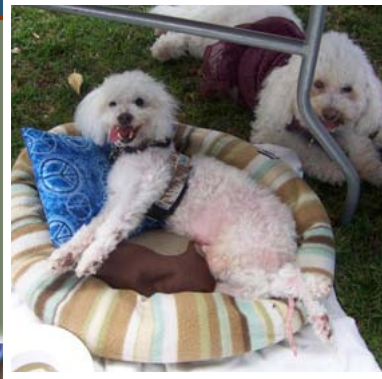


From Left to Right: Holly Gorman and Andy Schulte, fosters, Eddie Collins, Shirley Cho Collins and sons, with Marti Colwell, President, Bichon FurKids

Welcome to the photo album of the BFK Spring 2013 Bichon Bash "Operation Rescue FurKid 2000." The Bichon Bash is a day when dogs can be dogs and their humans can have a ball just watching them. The Spring and Fall Bichon Bash are our major fundraising events. This Spring Bichon Bash also marked our 2000th adoption. We extend a heartfelt thank-you to everyone who donated to, volunteered for, and supported this very successful, very memorable, very exciting milestone.



Sniff with abandon



Rock n roll



BE SILLY



Pose for pictures

Have a few cold ones



Look cute for the camera



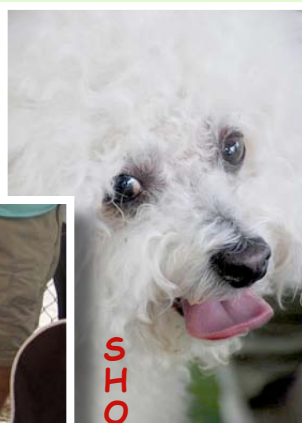
Howl with joy



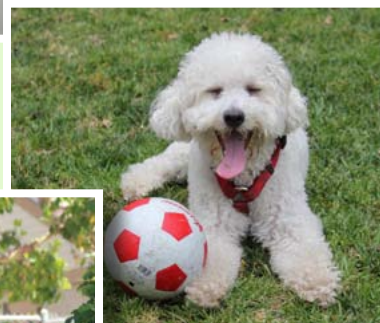
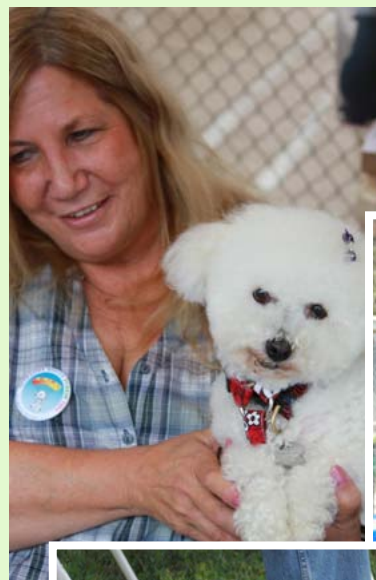
Hang out with friends

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SHARE



SHOW  
OFF



Play with  
the  
ball

LEARN



Bond



Lay down & relax



Shop



Win prizes



Explore



VOLUNTEER



KISS



HUG



Run off-leash

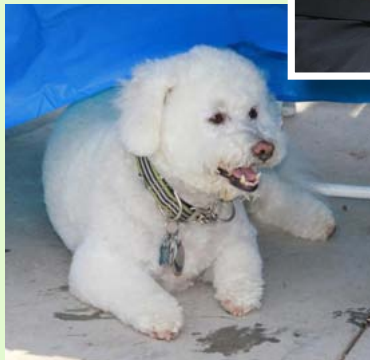


LOVE



CHILL OUT

Play hide & seek



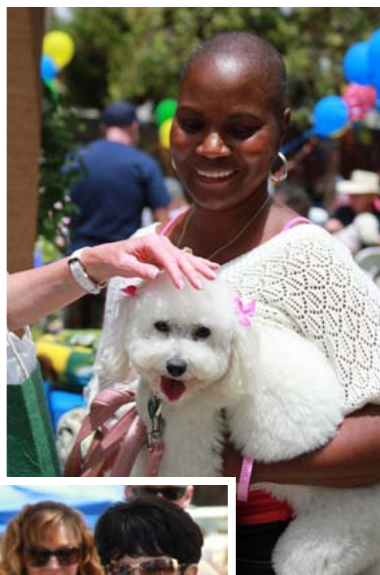
Strut your stuff



**Wear your doggie accessories**



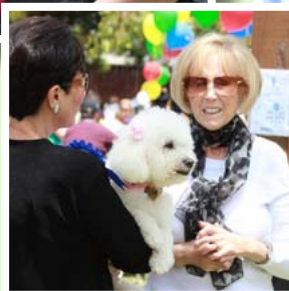
**SHARE  
PETS**



**Thank our  
dedicated  
and  
tireless  
volunteers**



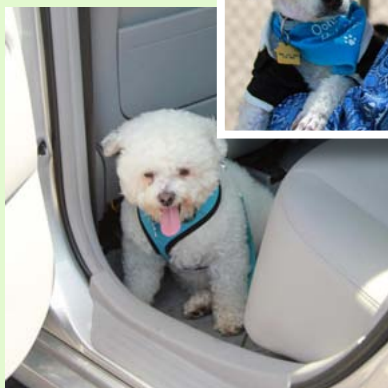
**THANK  
OUR  
LOVING ADOPTERS**



**Smile :)**

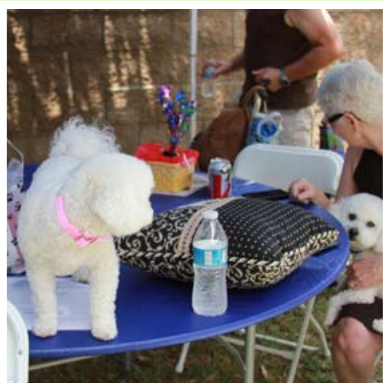


**Take a ride  
in the car**

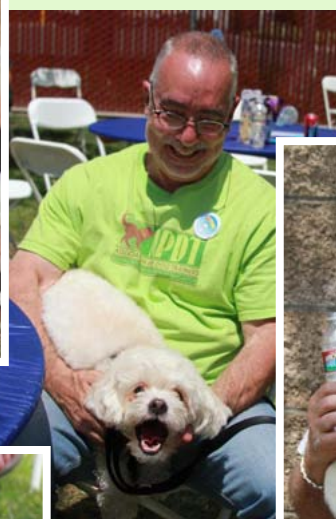




Eat with the dogs



Be naughty when nobody's looking

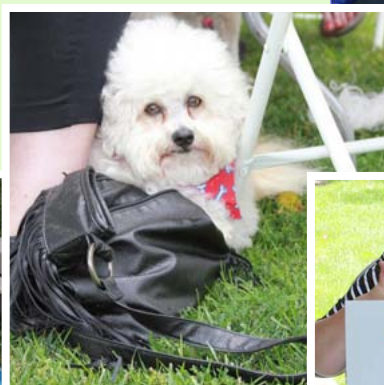
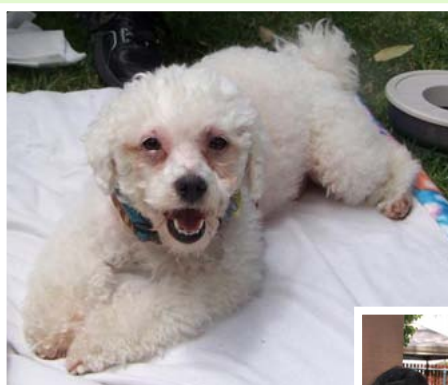


Sing

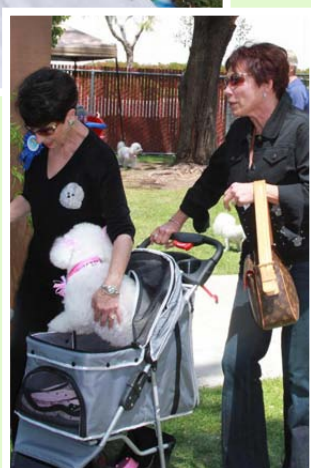
Pretend every dog is a bichon for the day



Wear your best doggie T



Be Happy



Take in the sunshine



And, after a good time was had by all...  
a quick nap in the shade before the ride home!



### SEE MORE PHOTOS ONLINE!

To view many more photos taken at Spring Bichon Bash 2013, go to the online BFK album at the Photobucket website:

<http://www.photobucket.com>

Click "Sign In" in the upper right corner and enter the following:

User name:  
**bbash2013sp**

Password:  
**operation 2000**

Also check out:

<http://photoenigmatic.com/bichon-bash-2013-bichon-furkids-rescue-event-irvine-animal-center/>



### Our 2000th Adoption, continued from page one

A few weeks later, his class went on a field trip to a local shelter. From that moment on, our little seven year old wanted a rescued bichon!

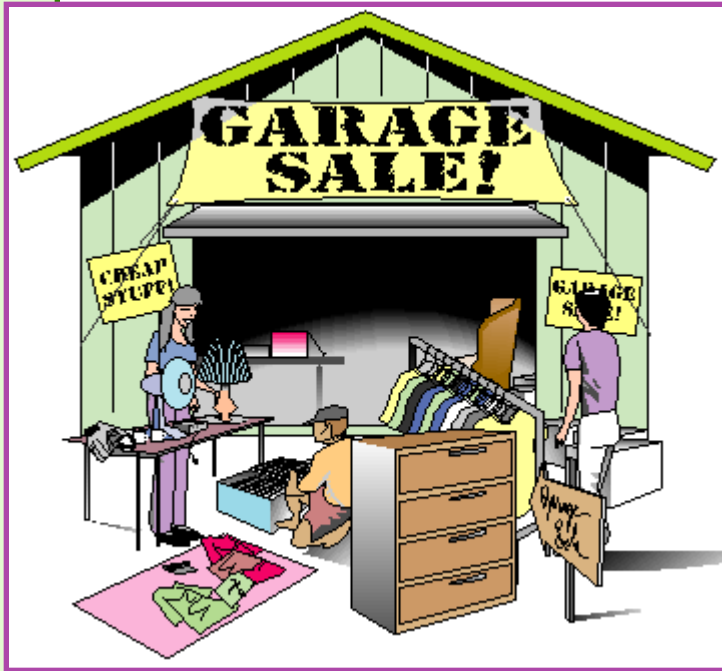
Upon moving to a new home in April (one with a yard perfect for a dog) the son was re-energized, begging his parents to find a rescued bichon that he and his younger brother could love! After completing their adoption application,

receiving a home and yard safety check, the Collins family was approved to adopt. At its bi-annual Spring Bichon Bash and within one amazingly short week of applying, the family came to the Bash, adopted Sawyer and brought him to his forever home.

Three days later Shirley reports, "Sawyer is everything we wanted in our first dog. Bichon FurKids found the perfect dog for us - and I believe he is going to be with us wherever we go."

There are so many wonderful adoptions and amazing stories in rescue. This is certainly one of them.

# North County San Diego BFK Garage Sale



Bichon FurKids is having a garage sale!

**Where:** 6835 Urubu Street, Carlsbad 92009

**When:** Sat. July 13th

**Time:** 8:00-2:00

**Contact:** Vicky Hetrick, Fundraising Coordinator at: 760- 672-2258 or [vicky@bichonfurkids.org](mailto:vicky@bichonfurkids.org)

**Needed:** Anything you would like to donate. Clothing on hangars, please, and other items in boxes that can be stacked. All donations are also tax deductible.

Please help us to make this 'first ever' North County garage sale a huge success. Everything we sell means services and supplies for FurKids.

## Videographer Wanted

We are looking for one or more volunteers who own a video camera and can take video of dogs in foster care and at Bichon FurKids events, and then post them to our website and elsewhere. If you have the time and talent for taking moving pictures of FurKids and their people, please contact Marti at [marti@bichonfurkids.org](mailto:marti@bichonfurkids.org).

Does your bichon have what it takes to be a calendar star!

### THE 2014 BICHON FURKIDS CALENDAR CONTEST IS NOW OPEN!!

We're looking for images that showcase Bichon FurKids! Entries must be received by midnight, June 23, 2013 for inclusion in the voting on Facebook. Submit photos digitally to [seeyanap@yahoo.com](mailto:seeyanap@yahoo.com). Include your name, phone number, email address, your FurKid's name(s), and the receipt number for your entry donation of \$25.00 (per photo) made through <http://www.bichonfurkids.org/donations>). High-resolution photos of a minimum of 2,000 pixels at the widest dimension are requested.

This year we are also featuring four sponsored pages. Sponsorship entitles you to a photo session with your FurKid with one of our photographers and five photographs to keep and cherish. For more information about sponsorship, submission rules, and voting instructions, see our website <http://www.bichonfurkids.org>.

