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They tried to drown me...

Jericho a 2 year old Spaniel cross had been living by the river running scared after someone attempted to drown him. A number of people saw him but no-one could go near him.

Jericho learnt to be wary of people and survive on whatever he could scrounge. Eventually he was caught and brought to the pound. That was another frightening episode for him. Jericho's luck changed when he was saved by DoggieRescue.

"Jericho came to us in a very thin state. His coat was dull and his eyes did not look at you" said Monika, founder of DoggieRescue. "With some gentleness and slow hand movements we were able to slowly win his trust. Jericho watched how other dogs came to us and were comfortable around us."

"Jericho could not believe what yummy meals were served here. After being fed he would paw at the adjoining door wanting to come in for a second meal with the next group of doggies. This was all so unbelievable for Jericho," says Monika.

"We have started to see Jericho's tail wag when we come near him and he no longer covers and tried to slink away. We were all so excited with the progress," says Monika. "After just a few weeks his coat is beginning to shine and he has put on a bit of condition"

Jericho is looking for a home – but it has to be a special home with people who understand the trauma that he has lived through and are willing to take baby steps with him. *"It is hard to believe this dog has such a gentle affectionate nature after all he has lived through."*

Jericho is the size of a Cocker Spaniel and has a wiry coat. He weighs only 7.7kg and still needs fattening up. Jericho is gentle and easy going with other dogs.

Background

DoggieRescue.com is a registered charity with tax deductibility status. It receives no government funding and has a strict No Kill philosophy. It relies heavily on volunteers for all operational aspects. To date DoggieRescue has saved more than 8,500 dogs from death row from council pounds around Sydney. DoggieRescue currently has a shelter at Ingleside as well as many dogs in foster care throughout Sydney. It has recently launched its Life Saver program enabling dog lovers to support one doggie at the shelter on a regular basis.

Photos of Jericho are available upon request.

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