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Blind Cocker Spaniel ran out of options...

"I cannot believe such a gentle beautiful girl was so callously left to die at the pound. Even other rescue groups spurned her." Says Monika, founder of DoggieRescue.com.

Evie, a pure bred Cocker Spaniel was rescued at the 11th hour by DoggieRescue.com. "We had a number of people contact us about her. A lot of Sydneysiders were concerned about her but did not know what they could do. One lady who contacted us was blind herself – she understood what a terrifying situation Evie was in. The pound is a frightful place for any dog, without having disabilities as well. Evie was in a terribly sad neglected state. She could not walk properly due to the matting on her feet. The poor muscle tone in her legs confirmed that she had been left this way for a long time.

"When she came to us I just cried. I have seen some terrible things in my life but this takes the cake," says Monika

"I was determined to do whatever I could to ensure the remainder of her life was going to be the BEST part of her life."

The journey has started. After a bath, a clip and a good meal her little stumpy tail started to wag. Her nose was close to the ground trying to take in all the new messages!

Next on the agenda was a trip to the eye specialist to assess if there was any possibility of restoring her vision. Her eye problems are numerous:

- **Bilateral entropion (inturned eyelids on both sides) causing irritation**
- **A huge heavily pigmented cherry eye suggesting it had been there for a long time**
- **Old cataracts that have been there for a long time.**

Sadly all the eye tests revealed that her retina no longer functions and that she will never see. However there is work to be done to make her eyes comfortable. The cherry eye and entropion need surgery, otherwise her eyes need removal. The former is a big operation, so we undertook investigative tests to ensure she is otherwise healthy. The results gave the "all clear".

“As soon as a low grade infection clears we will have the eye surgery done.” says Monika.

DoggieRescue is covering all the health aspects for Evie, but she needs more.....she needs a forever home, something DoggieRescue cannot give her.

Evie is a gentle girl who is very social with other dogs and even cats. She is very quiet and walks well on a harness. Evie walks slowly with her nose to the ground. She needs a calm household where she can spend the remainder of her life.

Evie is one of three blind dogs that DoggieRescue is currently caring for. Surprisingly they are all pure bred dogs. They are:

- ***Spud*** our Miniature Pinscher who chases balls with his nose and
- ***Connor*** our 9 year old apartment friendly Maltese.

DoggieRescue.com is a charity largely driven by volunteers which is wholly dependent on dog lovers for its operations through volunteer support and its “*DoggieRescue Life Saver*” program. DoggieRescue is NSW largest No-Kill welfare group for dogs rescuing the lost, abandoned, unloved, abused and neglected dogs from death row in Sydney pounds.

We are always looking for volunteers to lend a hand at our Doggiewood shelter at Ingleside on Sydney’s northern beaches and lots of volunteer jobs are posted on our web site. Visit www.DoggieRescue.com.au or call us on 02 9486 3133.

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Photos of Evie available upon request

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