

President's Corner

If it is Spring in central Virginia you can count on wild temperature swings, snow, ice, rain, and a rising pollen count that'll drive your allergies crazy. The committees have become very active with social events, playground enhancement, trails maintenance, and swimming pool preparation. More on these efforts and activities can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

As was presented at the February Annual Membership Meeting, the Board has authorized many new projects to update and repair the Ashcroft facilities. Here is a summary of these efforts.

Clubhouse. A number of projects to improve the clubhouse are in progress. See the Clubhouse Committee article elsewhere in this newsletter for details. Beyond all the work going on in the upper level of the clubhouse, there are two other projects of note.

Lower-Level Flooring. Rather than repainting the existing peeling and flaking concrete flooring on the lower level, the Board opted for commercial grade carpet tiles. Using carpet tiles significantly limits the slip hazard presented by wet floors during rainy times and when entering the clubhouse after being at the pool.

Kitchen Renovation. A working design to update the kitchen has been adopted and the Board is in the process of finding a suitable contractor. One side of the kitchen will be completely new while the existing section will be updated to match the new section. We are also considering changing the existing single-entry door to a two-door unit that opens out against the hallway wall to provide more working space in the kitchen while having a limited impact on the hallway.

Partial Cover over the Concrete Area. The area above the courts has languished over the years due to it being unshaded and, frankly, unappealing. Following a lot of discussions about what to do with this area, the Board approved the concept of placing a cover over a portion of the area that would provide a sheltered area for outdoor events. See the Strategic Planning Committee article elsewhere in the newsletter for more details.

Tennis/Pickleball Court Wall Repair. It seems as though I've been writing about the court wall plaster issue for a long time. It's my albatross. Last Fall a swale was installed above the concrete area, and it looks like this has successfully diverted water away from the lower wall and removed the seepage that led to voids forming in the plaster coat. With that issue behind us, the Board is now in discussion with multiple vendors to make repairs to the upper course of cinder block, fill-in areas where there has been separation, and to remediate the damaged wall areas where large areas of plaster have fallen off. Fingers crossed.

Pool Area Slab and Deck Area. The northeast corner of the pool area slab will be replaced due to the existing slab subsiding, which now presents a safety hazard. As part of that project, the available deck space for chairs and tables will be increased by approximately three hundred square feet by extending the existing slab to the north fence line near the storage shed.

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Lego Drive Fencing. The fencing along Lego Drive is showing its age. The black paint is fading, posts are damaged, and some slats are either damaged or missing entirely. The Board has received a number of bids to do the refurbishment; however, the bids far exceed expectations. Thus, alternatives to a full refurbishment are being considered.

The list of projects is ambitious but there is good reason to think it can be accomplished this year.

On to something more uplifting. I am often asked why Ashcroft? What's the draw? There are numerous answers. We're close to downtown without being downtown. Amenities are close, there are woods with over ten miles of trails. And most importantly, Ashcroft has a sense of community with numerous activities in which to engage. In my opinion the community feel is a byproduct of the volunteer efforts of the committees. I encourage everyone to consider participating and supporting the committees. There will be plenty of tasks that need your support. Whether it's hosting a social event, rejuvenating the playground, helping to refashion the trails, or a community clean-up day, your involvement makes a difference and makes us a community.

As always, I look forward to hearing your suggestions for making Ashcroft even better. Thank you for taking the time to read this article and enjoy the Spring and Summer.

Ted Miller

Cody is settling into his new home in Ashcroft



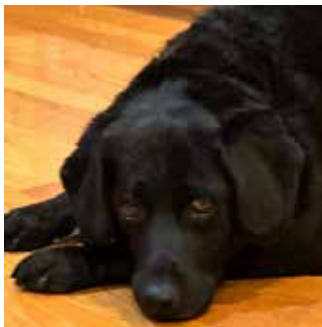
Aaron Friedman & Dan Reed

Thanks to everyone who sent in pictures of their pets. We have tried to publish one from each family. If you don't see your photos, they will be in the online version.

This issue is full of interesting and useful articles including:

- Treasurer's Report
- Pool opening details
- Committee reports
- ARC information
- An update on the new Development (including information on Dominion's work)
- A fascinating article on finding and researching historical objects.

Our sweet baby Betty



DJ & Colleen Bickers

Giving Putter a pedicure and painting her nails



The Macdonald family

Treasurer's Report

As you may be aware, the Ashcroft Board of Directors does not currently have a formal Treasurer. In the interim, I'm covering those duties with the assistance of Board member Andy Bonaffini and the Ashcroft property manager, Philip Adams. Due to the absence of a formal Treasurer, we have put in place steps to the expense-approval process to ensure transparency and accountability. Under usual circumstances, the expense-approval process is for the expense to be submitted to the Treasurer for approval and then to the President for a second approval before being transmitted to the management company for payment. Since the President is currently also functioning as Treasurer, it is improper to submit an expense and then self-approve that expense for payment. Accordingly, in cases where the President is submitting an expense for reimbursement, a second Board member, Andy Bonaffini, provides the second approver function. There are always two Board members verifying expenses for payment.

Below is the 2025 end-of-year report for the Ashcroft finances put together by Philip Adams.

Ashcroft ended the 2025 fiscal year with a positive cash flow of \$9,057 versus the budget. Total allocations to reserves were \$123,030 for the year. Total income was over budget by \$5,093, and total expenses were under budget by \$3,965. Explanations for the budget variances follow.

Income. All income categories except for Restricted Reserve Contributions and Interest Earned on Restricted Reserves were over budget in 2025.

Administrative Expenses. Expenses for this category were \$2,647 under budget for the year. Areas of overage were Collection Charges, Printing and Copying, and Postage. Under budget categories included Other Administrative Services, Hospitality, Operating Contingency, Social Events, and Publications.

Insurance. Insurance policies were reviewed by the Board and management in 2025. The final result was an under-budget position in the amount of \$269.

Utilities. Utilities were under budget by \$500 with the largest savings in Water and Sewer. Electricity, Software Subscriptions, and Website Hosting were over budget.

Landscaping. Landscaping was under budget by \$18,001, with the largest savings in Debris Removal, and Landscaping – Developer categories.

Contracted Services. Contracted Services ended the year at \$244 under budget with a savings in the Janitorial contract.

Repair and Maintenance Expenses. This category was over budget for 2025 at \$12,401, with the largest overage in Snow Removal.

Professional Services. This category finished the year under budget at \$987. Legal and Professional expenses were more than \$4,044 over budget due to additional legal consultation. There was a savings of \$2,958 in Management as extra funds for additional meetings were not utilized.

Taxes. Taxes were over budget for 2025 at \$3,905 as higher interest earnings produced a greater tax burden.

Reserves. Reserves were funded as required by the 2025 budget. The reserve balance at the end of 2025 was \$537,489.

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**Daisy Johnson basking on
Pride Rock in her home
terrarium**

Lorenzo, Leo & Marco Johnson

Eli pondering the abyss
Halsey & Carol Blake-Scott



Treasurer's Report continued

For 2026, the year has started off well, apart from the snow removal budget line. The harsh ice/snowstorm plowing efforts blew through the allocated budget. We also have a separate budget line for debris removal such as downed trees on Ashcroft roads. Historically, when the snow removal expenses exceeded budget, the debris removal expenses were below budget, thus balancing out and coming to a near zero overage. I hope this holds true for this year.

The Board continues to invest as much of our Reserves funds in interest-bearing Certificates of Deposit (CDs) as is prudent while leaving adequate funds for operations expenses and the timing of known capital costs. As of the end of March, Ashcroft had \$415,000 invested in laddered CDs at interest rates between 3.75% and 4.00%. As these CD's mature, the Board will continue to seek investment opportunities to bring in additional funds to the Ashcroft portfolio. As a side note, based on Virginia law, the Association may only invest in CDs, money market funds, and government-backed treasuries/securities. Thus, the Ashcroft funds are invested in low-risk financial instruments. We also make it a practice to invest in US-based banks and ensure that no more than \$250,000 is invested in any one institution to stay below the FDIC insurance limits.

It should be noted that the Board of Directors has a fiduciary responsibility and must follow the "prudent investor standard" under the Virginia Property Owners Association Act (VA code 55.1-1800 et seq) to ensure it is investing funds with prudent care to preserve capital, following both state law and their own governing documents.

Ted Miller

The 2026 operating budget, capital budget, and committee inputs can be found in the Resources section of ashcroftneighbor.com/resources/.

Ashcroft Neighborhood Association Board of Directors

President: Ted Miller
Vice President: Cameron Bolton
Vice President: Andy Bonaffini
Vice President: Jessica Little
Vice President: Maggie Moore
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Director: Rick Beyer (Developer)

Board Meetings

Meeting dates and agendas can be found on the Ashcroft website on the Resources page. Zoom information is included in the Agenda. Meetings are scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. at the clubhouse, unless otherwise noted.

Upcoming Meetings

May 20	August 19
June 17	September 16
July 15	October 21

Lily LOVES the snow



Jennifer Thromberg
& Patrick Hanberry

Ashcroft Pool 2026

We are very excited about the upcoming pool season. Opening day is slated for **Saturday, May 23, 2026**. Kim Martin's company, H2O Works, LLC, will again manage the pool. This should be another great year at the pool.

Lifeguards. Lifeguards are scheduled on weekends from Memorial Day weekend to the day Albemarle County Public Schools close (May 29th). Then, through Labor Day weekend, lifeguards are scheduled from 11:00 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. There will be extended hours until 7:00 p.m. on Memorial Day weekend, the Fourth of July, and Labor Day weekend.

Swimming at Your Own Risk. The pool is open during daylight hours; however, swim at your own risk when lifeguards are not present.

Pool Rules. The swimming pool use rules are available on the Ashcroft website Resources page at ashcroftneighbor.com/resources/.

Key Fobs. Key fobs are needed to access the pool area and clubhouse. Contact Philip Adams at PAdams@communitygroup.com to obtain a new or replacement key fob. The key fob request form is available on the Ashcroft website Resources page.

Pool Committee. If you are interested in helping improve the Ashcroft pool experience, please consider joining the Pool Committee. Contact Denise Bachman at dedleuva@gmail.com to learn more about the committee.

Clubhouse Committee

The Clubhouse Committee is happy to report that most of the recommendations we made to the Ashcroft Board have been implemented, and several more recommendations are in progress. We are grateful to Ted Miller for his work at the clubhouse and to Lotta Löfgren and the Board for their support and guidance.

The large furniture pieces that were in the clubhouse have been removed (sold or donated), and smaller, easy-to-move chairs and side tables are ordered and should be delivered in May. Seven smaller upholstered chairs and one loveseat plus four small end tables will be placed in the corners of the south wall of the clubhouse -- the loveseat and three chairs in one corner, and the other four chairs in the other corner of the great room. These items of furniture were chosen to be small and easily moved for flexible use of the clubhouse.

Additional stackable, upholstered chairs are now available and easily moved about on small carts. Additional tables are also available and are stacked on carts in the storage room. More metal folding chairs were donated to Ashcroft and are also available.

The ceiling fans have been replaced by white fans (controlled by remotes), and new white blinds have been installed on the windows. The Board decided not to place a shade over the semi-circular window.

The chandelier in the storage room was replaced with a smaller ceiling fixture and the outside light on the front porch was replaced (thanks to Ted Miller).

Members of the Clubhouse Committee, which includes Colleen Bickers, Becky Duff and co-chairs Milton Adams and Carolyn Adams, hopes you find the clubhouse more open, spacious, and useable.

The Board is working on estimates and plans to upgrade the kitchen downstairs. The Board is also exploring possibilities to add a bathroom upstairs and to replace the fluorescent light fixtures in the great room.

Interested in helping to enhance the amenities and activities that make Ashcroft special, but are not sure how? Descriptions of how volunteer committees make our neighborhood special have been posted on the Ashcroft website. Take a look and join the fun. ashcroftneighbor.com/about

Strategic Planning Committee

The Strategic Planning Committee (SPC), co-chaired by Lotta Löfgren and Ida Lee Wootten, assists the work of all other standing committees. Chairs of the standing committees meet with the SPC twice a year to discuss plans, costs, and wishes – with a focus on at least two years into the future. The SPC will meet again in September to share budget requests and plans in preparation for next year's budget. In this process, the committees often discover shared concerns and goals, allowing them to better focus their plans.

In the process of assisting the committees, the SPC, with the aid of Cameron Bolton, has requested job descriptions of all committee chairs. We hope the job descriptions will help future committee members and chairs understand the work of their committees, which will help eliminate confusion or the need to “reinvent the wheel.” The job descriptions should also help committees in their planning and in their need to recruit ad hoc volunteers.

This year, the SPC, together with Will Bolton, Ted Miller, and Rick Beyer, have created a plan to cover part of the area above the tennis courts with a roof. This covering will assist the Social Committee in staging events and will give residents a new area in which to plan parties and other get-togethers. The area will contain outlets, fans, grills, and picnic furniture. Construction should begin this spring

Also this year, Lotta Löfgren, as co-chair of the SPC, has worked with Ted Miller and Philip Adams, Vice President of Operations for Associa Community Group, the company that manages the Ashcroft Neighborhood Association, to review the work of the current landscaping service and to solicit new bids on the landscaping contract. This has become necessary for two reasons: First, the lack of volunteer support for the erstwhile Landscaping Committee forced the dissolution of the committee. Second, we hope a more engaged landscaping service will advise the Board on essential and aesthetic landscape needs and more frequently undertake weeding and other tasks that need attention. We have requested that the new or renewed contract assign a liaison to the Board that will report at least quarterly to Board representatives. We have also requested improvements to the Lego Drive shoulders.

The SPC welcomes suggestions from residents for improved aesthetics in the ANA common areas. Send suggestions to Lotta at llc8c@virginia.edu.

Playground Committee News

Fresh Sand, New Mulch, and Spring Fun!

Our neighborhood playground just received its “annual glow up,” and it is looking better than ever. We recently spread 10 yards of fresh mulch and delivered two tons of new sand, making the space beautiful and ready for play. The timing was perfect, as many families were able to enjoy the refreshed area immediately following the Easter Egg Hunt.



This transformation wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of our neighbors. A huge thank you goes out to Ted Miller, Jon Gardner, and the Myers family for volunteering their time to make the playground look extra nice.

To keep our park in tip-top shape, the Playground Committee is looking for a few more members to join the team. The largest responsibility is assisting with the annual spring cleanup, remulching, and resanding. Beyond that, the role involves occasionally checking that the shared toys are fit for play and ensuring the equipment remains in safe condition, keeping an eye out for things like loose screws or weathered wood.

If you have an interest in helping maintain this community space, please reach out to Will Bolton at william.bolton.jr@gmail.com.

Katie
I'm busy, use the other sink

*Marlene Robinson &
Bob Bloodgood*



Finally, nice weather,
Krissy is in her element

Anne & Jim French

Social Committee News

What a season it's been! Your Social Committee has been hard at work!.

First up, the Golden Ager Cocktail Party was a wonderful evening - great company, good drinks, and lots of laughs! While this event is one of the newer events to the neighborhood, it is sure to be a tradition.

Then came the Easter Egg Hunt. And wow- what a morning it was! The weather was absolutely beautiful, and the clubhouse field was buzzing with excited little egg hunters racing around with their baskets, determined to find every last egg. A huge, huge thank you to all the amazing volunteers who came out to help make it happen (and especially the Easter Bunny who hopped in at the last minute!). We couldn't do it without you!

Next came a longtime neighborhood favorite, the Progressive Dinner. With so many people involved, the event was a blast!

Want to get in on the fun? We're always looking for more volunteers to help with events! You can pick one event to help out with or simply be a committee member and help when you can. Reach out to Cameron Bolton at camjbolton@gmail.com and get involved. The more the merrier!



Ruka

Grisela & Alex Varela

Trails Committee

I hope everyone has made it through the winter unscathed and is looking forward to Spring. I, for one, have had enough cold temperatures and the storm that left ice hanging around for most of February.

Since the Fall newsletter was published, the big news is that the East Ridge Perimeter (ERP) Trail was completed. The ERP Trail is part of the Blue Trail that encircles most of Ashcroft and begins near the intersection of the old red/blue/orange trail junction (see the map at ashcroftneighbor.com/resources). As it skirts the eastern extent of the neighborhood, the ERP Trail passes behind the home currently under construction in Ashcroft Phase III, passes the boundary of Edgehill Farm and private property off of Jeffers Drive, and joins the Red Trail along Shadwell Creek. There are parts of the ERP Trail that are steep and rugged, so please wear appropriate footwear.

I spoke with Rick Beyer regarding his anticipated start date for construction of the dam below the soccer field. He is reasonably confident that it will begin this Spring as there is now enough vegetation in place. To accommodate the dam, and the pond that will result, the portion of the Red Trail that exits the woods at Shadwell Creek and continues to the soccer field will have to be moved further uphill.

After the repair to the Tremont Pond dam and overflow pipe was completed, the trail around Tremont Pond was cleared and is now easy to navigate. This short trail loop is ideal for showing young children the natural habitat found in and around the pond area.

Maintaining clear paths on all the trails is one of the major tasks of the Trails Committee. A new mechanism has been established via the Ashcroft Neighborhood website for reporting downed trees and other hazards. The form to be filled out can be found at ashcroftneighbor.com/ashcroft-trail-system and includes the ability to attach a photo of the issue. Submitting the form will result in an email being sent to several members of the Trails Committee to alert them of the issue.

Bluey on the Blue Trail

Grisela & Alex Varela



Upcoming plans for trail projects in 2026 include:

- Construction of a bridge across Shadwell Creek.
- Installing erosion control water bars at the bottom of the Yellow Trail near the water tank.
- Trail marking improvements including installation of signs, metal markers, and additional paint blazes on trees.
- Adding switchbacks and/or steps on the steepest sections of the ERP Trail.
- Keeping stilt grass and other vegetation under control (a big job over the summer).

The Trails Committee is always looking for more volunteers to help enhance and maintain our trail system. If you are interested in joining the Trails Committee, please contact tjwilson172@gmail.com, and I would be happy to discuss the available volunteer opportunities.

Gracie Bonaffini, Assistant Ashcroft Trail Cartographer



The ARC Corner

The primary purpose of the ARC is to review applications that each homeowner is required to file for the construction of any new structures or of improvements or modification of the exterior of any existing structures. The ARC Rules and Guidelines provide a list of the primary types of construction that require ARC approval.

We are in the middle of another beautiful Spring. Time to start cleaning and fixing up the exteriors of our homes.

ARC is again putting an emphasis on the curb appeal of all of our homes, and is continuing to urge owners to repair or replace their mailboxes and to clean up their yards. We hope that all the members of our community embrace the ARC's efforts.

When replacing mailboxes, please follow the ARC Guidelines that provide information on the acceptable types of mailboxes. The Guidelines state:

All mailbox posts that are installed after September 1, 2024 must be wood (or equivalent looking material), have a "T" shape, and be stained or painted in a color that harmonizes with the owner's house and the neighborhood. Examples of permitted post and mailbox designs and colors are available from the ARC.

Replacement mailbox posts are available at Home Depot or Lowes, starting at \$33.00.

The current Rules and Guidelines, which were revised in September of 2025, and the current ARC Application forms can be found in the Resources section of the Ashcroft Website, ashcroftneighbor.com/resources.

Maintaining our community requires a collective effort. The actions of every homeowner contribute to our neighborhood's overall atmosphere, aesthetic appeal, and property values. When we all pitch in to keep our lawns manicured, retrieve our bins promptly, and adhere to the shared community standards, we ensure our neighborhood remains a vibrant and desirable place to live. The success of this community is the direct result of our residents' shared commitment.

The ARC can be reached at arc@ashcroftneighbor.com.

Bob Baumgartner



Bella
Wanna play Stick?

*Jeanine & Tom
Wolanski*



**Aspri enjoying
the first signs
of spring!**



**Bentley is ready for
Spring**

*Natacha & David
Fairbrothers*

**Lola may be the only
one who didn't mind
the ice storm!**

Becky & Jeremy Duff



Development Updates

Dominion Comes to Ashcroft East

A review of the work that the company is doing to electrify the new phase.

You may have noticed some work lately in the neighborhood. White flags, heavy machinery, yellow-vested contractors, and a giant portajohn are just some of the signs of major work being done by Dominion Energy to improve electrical hookups in Ashcroft.

Meanwhile, just downhill from the traffic circle and clubhouse, trees are being cleared, dirt moved, and work trucks are going back-and-forth along a gravel road. Both scenes point to major changes underway in the “Ashcroft East” section (previously known as phase 3). Both have an impact on daily life in Ashcroft, so I’ll provide a clear update on what’s happening and what comes next.

Dominion modernizes power access in Ashcroft

Dominion is currently managing a significant infrastructure project to bring three-phase power facilities and upgrade the existing electrical switch across from the clubhouse.

The routing starts at the base of the mountain, runs up Lego Drive, turns right, and continues northeast along Summit Ridge Trail to the top. From there, it will pass Summit Ridge Point and descend the backside of the mountain, ultimately feeding into Ashcroft East.

Justin Mundie, who is the son of our former supervisor and had a brief stint at R. L. Beyer Construction, now works at Dominion. He is our primary contact for this project, and says the goal is twofold: modernize the existing underground electrical system while simultaneously looping in the new phase so that it operates as part of a more resilient, interconnected grid. The work is being done using horizontal drilling. Unlike traditional trenching, this technique allows crews to bore underground pathways for conduit without disturbing the surface above. In practical terms, that means fewer torn-up roads, less erosion risk, and a cleaner overall installation.

While the exact timeline remains fluid, Dominion expects the work to take two months, and their team has been responsive. As a small example, when I texted Justin about the poorly placed portajohn at the clubhouse traffic circle—which was blocking school bus turnarounds—it was relocated within an hour.

Progress on Ashcroft East

Alongside Dominion’s work, R. L. Beyer is making tangible progress on Ashcroft East, with several key milestones underway.

First, we replatted the lots to better understand the eventual buildout. While these plans are not final—each lot will be subject to county regulations at the time of home design—we now have a clearer vision of how the neighborhood will take shape. This updated layout is reflected on a new sign installed past the basketball court, showing 75 future lots.

Second, construction of the new pond is underway. Excavator C. J. Crawford and his team have an expected completion timeline of two months. The work involves moving a large mound of dirt from the front of the site to the rear, where it will form a dam. This dam is critical for managing water levels and preventing overflow into the adjacent stream. As you’ve likely noticed, this activity has disrupted part of the trail system. We ask that you avoid the area while work is underway. Once the pond is complete, the trail will be rerouted slightly higher up the hill from the ballfield.

Finally, the first home in Ashcroft East has officially broken ground. If you follow the gravel road past the basketball court and meadow to the T-intersection, then head left, you’ll find a home in the back that is already framed and undergoing rough-ins. We are targeting completion in late summer, ideally in time for the Parade of Homes. The first cluster of homes—Lots 32 through 35—will all be located in this rear section.

Looking ahead

The single largest constraint on accelerating development in Ashcroft East remains power availability. Despite over 20 months of coordination with Dominion to develop and refine a workable plan, the phase is not yet energized.

But progress is being made, and once the electrical infrastructure is complete, we expect to pave the road and move faster on lot development and construction.

I will keep you updated as things advance.

Scott Beyer

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Oh, the things you find when you go digging in Ashcroft

Have you ever wondered who lived here before us? Well, I found two pretty cool artifacts from people who lived on this land before us, and I'd like to tell you about them. One is a projectile point and the other is a nail.

Let's start off with the projectile point. Most people would call it an arrowhead, but that is only if it was used on an arrow, so it is called a projectile point. It was likely a spear or knife. If you are wondering how I found it, my parents asked me to dig up a wild raspberry bush and I found it digging. I did some research by looking in books, online, and by speaking to archeologists from UVA and Monticello. They said it could be a Halifax or Orient Fishtail point from the Monacan Nation. It is likely from the middle to late archaic time period. That means it could be from 3,500-1,500 BC! Ancient Egypt would have been around at that time.



Now let's go onto the nail. I found the nail by metal detecting in the woods behind my house. The nail is bent because it was probably pulled out of wood. The archeologists at Monticello said it is a hand wrought rosehead nail. It is called a rosehead because it has more than 3 hammer strikes from when it was made. The nail was thought to be 200-300 years old due to the shape of the nail body (squarer) and head. This means it could have been from Thomas Jefferson's time period!

I have also found other cool things in the woods around Ashcroft, like an old spring and old farm equipment. I hope this inspires other people to go explore!

Beau Bolton (age 7)

Even more pets!



Bogey & Katie
Will spring never
come?

Marlene Robinson
& Bob Bloodgood



Mango

Susan Lorsch & Steven Brock

Rosie after doing
her homework

Kris Bean



Coco
Oh no, not Monday already!



Lisa Clyman

Brandy
Part Airedale (disposition), part Rottweiler
(looks) equals an Aireweiler



Lynn & Ed Strazzini

A pet is a pet is a pet
Until it's not
They sneak into family
Capture a heart
We humans pretend
we rule the roost
But
Not

anon

Goose & Rooster, the twin tigers of Tremont



Malec/Verity Family

Izzy
Two loves and a special kind of
friendship



Carolyn & Milton Adams

And more pets!

Twilight

*Susan Lorsch & Steven
Brock*



Chico, Ruka & Bluey

Grisela & Alex Varela



**Bogey, never a basket he
didn't like to tip over**

*Marlene Robinson & Bob
Bloodgood*



**Puppy Sophie
beginning a
lifetime practice
of sleeping with
Poppa Heyward.**

**Although our Scandal is
no longer with us, she was
mesmerized daily for more
than a dozen years by her
body double in the form of
an inanimate doorstep.**

Lynn & Ed Strazzini



Izzy

Carolyn & Milton Adams

