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Sat, 2012-01-28 14:14 — Robin Olson

The next chapter of Jackson Galaxy's transformation from shelter-cat-on-death-row, to rescued and re-homed, took place this morning. I was amused that here I was, waiting for the transport to arrive because I'd posted a simple status update on Facebook, letting everyone know about this cat, without having any means of taking him into my rescue (I had no space to do so at the time). Yet, here I was, picking him up for my sister rescue, AID (1), who gave me the green light to save this kitty on their behalf. It was my honor to pick him up and personally deliver him to the shelter.



© 2012 Betsy Merchant. Henry Co. Care & Control. I see this kitty and know he's gotta be saved.

The transport from Georgia arrived a few minutes after 9AM. I was ready to pop out of the car and race to the truck so I'd be first in line. As usual, the transport was full of dogs and our sole kitty rescue, Jackson Galaxy, must have been none too thrilled to be in such company.



©2012 Robin A.F. Olson. Jackson, just seconds off the transport.

The offload took a few minutes and before I knew it, one of the guys was bringing Jackson to me. Jacks cried once, then I hustled him into the car, trying to shoot some video to record this bit of history while I was at it.

I'm deeply embarrassed by the video I shot, but I'll post it anyway. Make sure you don't listen (of course you will) to the soundtrack. Yours truly sounds like a moron! Woohoo! Oh well. Live an learn.

## © 2012 Robin A.F. Olson. Jackson arrives and I seem to have Tourette's! [2]

Once in the car, with the sound of the barking dogs well muffled. I reached into my pocket and took out a few dehydrated chicken treats for Jackson. He sniffed but didn't eat any, preferring to rub his face onto my fingers. I love his big head. His fur felt very plush. I wanted to take him out of the cat carrier, but I didn't know how he'd behave. I still had another 30 minute drive before we got to AID, so I started up the car and waved goodbye to the guys. I'm sure I'll be seeing them again, but for now I needed to get Jackson to his new home base.



©2012 Robin A.F. Olson. Nom-noms!

Jackson was quiet in the car. I'm sure he just wanted to rest. I called out to him a few times and he looked at me through the holes in the carrier. I slipped a few fingers into his crate, keeping one hand on the steering wheel. He rubbed against them, marking me as his. It was a sweet gesture. I couldn't want to really give him some good lovin'.



I love that this kitty is named after Cat Daddy, Jackson Galaxy. If you're not familiar-Jackson Galaxy [3] is the star of a terrific show on Animal Planet called; "My Cat From Hell." [4] If you want to understand how your cat thinks and how to have a better life with your cat, watch this show! My only problem with it is sometimes I want to reach through the TV and smack some of the cat guardians-what ARE those people thinking putting a shock collar on their cat?! I'm SO GLAD Jackson is there to save the day! Anyway-the name just fits the cat. He's such a sweet cat, but he has a very "chill" vibe about him. He seems like the sort of cat who likes to be social, but not in your face. He's cool with whatever-goes with the flow. It's a bit ironic that the cat is just one color-white, while Jackson, the man, is very colorful, indeed.



© 2012 Robin A.F. Olson. He may look a bit cranky, but Jackson was all sweetness and love.

Once at AID, Jackson got to the business of doing his business, then had a few snacks, while Katherine, the Shelter Manager, and I fussed over him. Jackson will be in a big crate for a day or so, just to let him acclimate. Within a few seconds a little tortie came over and said hello. Jackson was not bothered at all. He didn't even notice her. He seemed ready to meet everyone, but we wanted to make sure he got some time to himself before he was free to move around the shelter.



©2012 Robin A.F. Olson. He's not peeing! LOL! What a cutie!

Katherine made up a card for his cage so the volunteers who come in to clean every day, would know who he was. I gave him some special treats and a catnip toy. He seemed perfectly at ease and enjoyed all the attention.

AID will be putting Jackson on Petfinder soon. They'll be brushing him to help him be extra pretty and are making sure he has whatever he needs until his forever family finds him. I think Jackson is in very good hands and getting closer to the end of his journey from out of the Kill Shelter and into a great home. (BTW-Jackson will not have to worry about being euthanized at AID-they do not do that!)



©2012 Robin A.F. Olson. Love muffin!

What makes this story even better is this:

I couldn't tell you this until now, but I spoke with Jackson Galaxy-Cat Daddy and not only was he delighted about having a cat named after him, he has graciously and generously offered a FREE mini-consult of 15 minutes to whomever adopts Jackson Galaxy, the cat! Woohoo!

Jackson is between 1 1/2 and 2 years old. He's neutered and UTD on his vaccines. He is negative/negative for FIV and Feline Leukemia. He is a domestic short hair, white with green eyes. He's friendly and sweet. We'll know how he gets on with other cats soon. So far, so good. If you're interested in adopting Jackson (the cat!), contact AID at info@animalsindistress.com



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Sat, 2012-01-28 15:27 — Bobbie [16]

#### Glad he is... [17]

settling in. I always like to see them after they get off that transport.

He is a good looking guy and I bet he will have a forever home very soon!

Thanks for helping him get there:)

Sat, 2012-01-28 18:24 — Catnonymouse (not verified)

#### Jackson, the cat [18]

Such a handsome, sweetie!!

Sat, 2012-01-28 18:43 — Marion (not verified)

# Cool Jackson [19]

Fell in love with this one but I live in Holland! I hope he gets a nice home!

Sat, 2012-01-28 18:57 — cybermozzie (not verified)

## Such a gorgeous boy! [20]

I followed a link on JG's Facebook page and I see you have one as well. I'll have to check it out. Always glad to see another cat person.

Sat, 2012-01-28 18:59 — Catnonymouse (not verified)

# Jackson! [21]

Aw, what a beautiful cat!

Sat, 2012-01-28 19:47 — Lina C (not verified)

#### Jackson the Cat [22]

I was happy that Jackson was rescued, and now I hope that he find a wonderful "forever" home. Beautiful cat <3

Sun, 2012-01-29 08:32 — Catnonymouse (not verified)

#### transport [23]

What a pretty cat. I am sure he will get adopted quickly! can you tell me the name of that transport you use?

Sun, 2012-01-29 11:42 — Catnonymouse (not verified) [24]

# Hell, that's pretty damn [25]

Hell, that's pretty damn awesome!

Sun, 2012-01-29 16:04 — Robin Olson [26]

# **Transport Info** [27]

I often use, PETS, LLC. Kyle Peterson runs a very nice operation and he and his wife, Pam are very east-going, caring people. The transports usually run dogs, but they actually like to have cats on board since they are easier to deal with. LOL! their fee for cat is \$75/cat and if you let them know, they can sometimes put the cat in a separate area away from the dogs, depending on which truck they're using. They were also featured on Animal Planet's Last Chance Highway. http://www.petsllc.net/index.php

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