UV Index: 4

### THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER **YOUR 7-DAY FORECAST** AccuWeather

Today	Tonight	Thursday
Sunny and cool	Clear and chilly	Plenty of sunshine, but cool
61°	40°	61° 41°
RealFeel: 62°	RealFeel: 38°	RealFeel: 66°

UV Index: 4

Friday Plenty of sunshine RealFeel: 69°

**UV Index: 4** 

**POLLEN INDEX** 

The patented AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature® is the only index that includes all the weather factors that play a role in how we perceive temperature, including the effects of wind, humidity,

Saturday Sunday Nice with plenty Pleasant with plenty of of sunshine sunshine **72° 46°** RealFeel: 73° RealFeel: 75°

UV Index: 4

UV Index: 4

97.10

+0.04

Get the AccuWeather App Monday Tuesday Plenty of sunshine **78°** RealFeel: 77° RealFeel: 80°

UV Index: 4

Get notifications of nearby lightning! Plenty of sun **52°** 

UV Index: 4

YOUR ACTIVITIES FORECAST Today Thu. Fri. Sat. Sun. Mon. Tue. FISHING INDEX 9 9 **OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES INDEX** 6 9 HIKING INDEX 6 **GOLFING INDEX** 6

**0-2**: Poor; **3-4**: Fair; **5-6**: Good; **7-8**: Very Good; **9-10**: Excellent.

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sunshine, precipitation, pressure, and elevation. Shown are the highest and lowest values for each day. The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection. **ALMANAC Charlotte on Monday TEMPERATURE** 76°/51° High/low 74°/51° Normal high/low 72°/59° Last year high/low 87° (2021) Record high 32° (2006) Record low PRECIPITATION 0.00" Monday 0.01" (1.57") Month to date (normal) 45.55" (35.25") Year to date (normal) Last year to date 37.37"

**COOLING DEGREE DAYS** Degree days are an indicator of energy needs. The more the total degree days, the more energy is necessary to cool. **Monday** 71 (40) Month to date (normal 2094 (1748) Year to date (normal 1804 Last year to date **SUN & MOON** Moonrise today 6:18 PM 7:31 AM Sunrise today 6:47 PM Moonset today 6:21 AM Full Last First

**AS OF 10/14** Grass: Low Trees: Moderate Weeds: Source: National Allergy Bureau **RIVER LEVELS** 24-hour 7 a.m. Stage (ft.) Tuesday change CATAWBA RIVER near Pleasant Gardens 11 1.65 -0.0415 5.91 +2.11above Rock Hill 58 -1.28 5.44 above Catawba STEWART CREEK at West Morehead Street 14 -0.01 at State Street 0.89 +0.01LITTLE SUGAR CREEK -0.01at Medical Center Drive 13.5 2.04 LAKE LEVELS 24-hour Elevation Tuesday change Lake Wylie 97.20 +0.11

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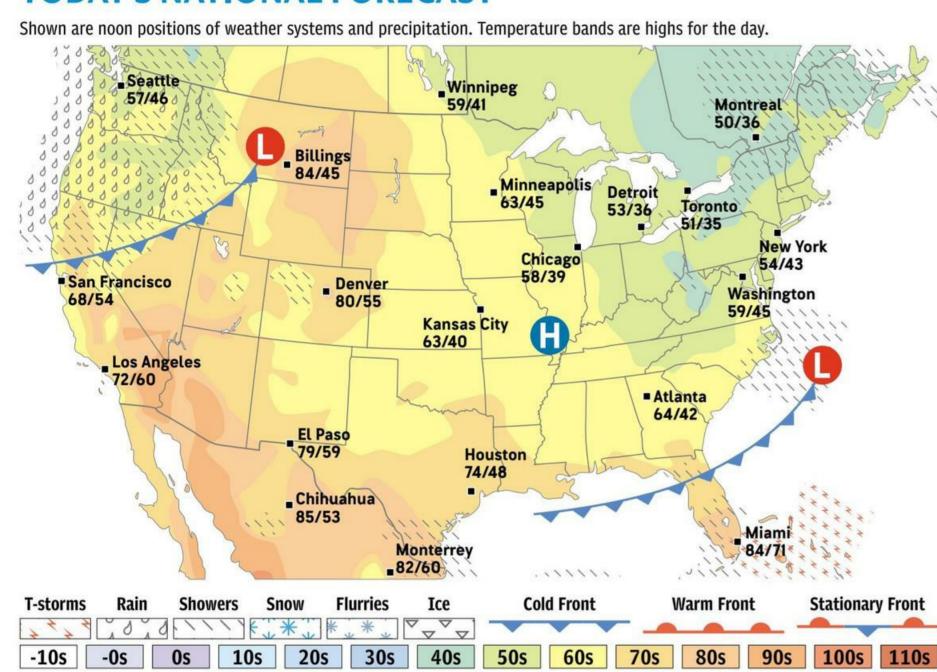
Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows. Martinsville 55/36 Danville 57/37 Roanoke O Rapids Johnson City Greensboro Winston-Salem 58/41 Durham ■ Boone 58/39 59/40 58/42 45/32 Rocky Mount Salisbury Morganton 60/43 Asheville 59/36 Raleigh Hickory 59/42 59/37 0 Goldsboro Charlotte Albemarle Fayetteville 61/45 61/40 61/44 Monroe Spartanburg Rockingham 0 **Rock Hil** 60/41 61/36 61/39 Greenville 60/37 61/36 Lumberton Hartsville 61/42 Laurens 64/42 61/36 Wilmington O Florence Newberry 61/42 Greenwood 63/43 61/35 Sumter Columbia 64/41 63/41 Myrtle Beach 60/45

**TODAY'S NATIONAL FORECAST** 

Nov 1

Oct 24

Oct 17



Nov 9

Lake Norman

High Rock Lake

#### **AROUND THE NATION** Thursday Lo Anchorage 65 46 s Atlanta 57 41 56 42 s Boston 66 47 s 80 55 s 75 51 pc 62 39 s 53 36 pc Detroit 89 74 s 87 74 r Honolulu 57 37 Indianapolis 63 40 s 68 49 s Kansas City Las Vegas 89 66 s 84 56 s 69 55 c Los Angeles 72 60 pc 66 41 s 61 37 s Nashville New Orleans 70 56 57 s 60 47 s 54 43 pc New York City 57 62 pc 75 Orlando 61 44 s 43 pc Philadelphia 67 s Phoenix 68 45 s St. Louis 62 41 s 42 sh 82 51 Salt Lake City 56 s 54 pc San Francisco 57 46 55 Washington, DC 59 45 pc

Thursday Lo Acapulco 74 pc Amsterdam 66 54 r Baghdad Bogota 86 71 s Calgary 33 pc 51 30 sh 59 48 pc 68 54 sh 83 72 t Havana 87 80 sh Jerusalem 80 61 s 77 61 s 70 58 s Lisbon 66 51 c Madrid 71 55 sh 64 45 sh 72 51 pc Mexico City 44 40 pc Moscow 69 pc 93 69 pc New Delhi 67 56 sh 76 64 sh 64 c 53 44 pc Stockholm 73 65 c 55 c 76 70 s Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

**AROUND THE WORLD** 

# After thousands of votes, meet the winner of The Charlotte Observer's cutest dog contest

BY EVAN MOORE emoore@charlotteobserver.com

All of us could use a photo of a cute dog right

now. Last month, we had nearly 70 entries for our contest to find the cutest dog in Charlotte. This three-year-old "mutt" was just named the cutest. Meet Hobie, and take a moment to bask in his

adorableness. His owners Kathy Rowlett and Mandy Norton describe him as a "mutt"

who is half poodle. The pair adopted Hobie, who is named after Hoboken, New Jersey, where they used to live, in September 2021.

"He's cute as can be, but he is a little naughty," Norton said, adding that he likes to greet other dogs by barking at them. "But there's not a day that has gone by where he hasn't made us smile. He's just a real character."

## **MEET OUR CUTEST**

**DOG CONTEST WINNER** Hobie, who sleeps in bed with his owners, usually starts his day waking them up by licking their faces before he goes for a long walk. Then, it's time for food.



**AMANDA NORTON** 

Norton and Rowlett are strict when it comes to feeding Hobie, only giving him dog food most of the

carrots - and edamame.

"He'll jump about two

Hobie, a three-year-old half-poodle, is the winner of The Charlotte Observer's cutest dog contest.

time, but on rare occasions he'll enjoy apples, or three feet into the air as you put his bowl down, he gets so excited for his food," said Norton. "And then he'll sit with us while we breakfast. He's one of those dogs that just is right by you, and he wants

to be close to you." The rest of Hobie's day typically consists of "lots of walks and lots of cuddles, with some eating and pooping in between," Norton said. And if the weather is nice, he'll spend most of the day participating in his favor-

"We throw it into the pool, and he'll run into the pool, swim out, get the ball and come back," Norton said. "We have to stop it, because he won't stop." Hobie also loves to

ite pastime: chasing a ball.

spend time with his brother, Guinness, an 11-yearold mutt with a penchant for snoring who was also a finalist for our cutest dog contest.

"Guinness is a lot older, and just likes to be on his own," Norton said, adding that the two pups usually get along great. "Hobie just keeps trying to play with them. In the end, Guinness will show him who's boss, and he'll back

#### CHARLOTTE **OBSERVER'S CUTEST DOG CONTEST**

**FINALISTS** There were 20 lovable finalists for our contest. Here are the names and ages of the other 19, along with their favorite hobbies or fun facts:

- Honey (9) loves going for walks and having
- Puppuccinos. Cynisca Zian Casakirchen (9) was only girl in a litter of
- seven pups. • Georgie (almost 2). Her human says Taylor Swift wrote the 10-minute version of "All Too
- Well" about her. • Addie (10) loves swimming, playing with her friends and
- snuggles. • Benji (9) loves his stuffed monkey.
- Guinness (11) snores VERY loud. • Huxley (3.5) loves
- and looking out the window.

playing with tennis balls

• Maggie Mae (1.5). She love agility activities. • Otis (2). He loves snuggling with his

family and playing with

his toys. • **Reese** (4), Redford (3), Lillee Daisy (13) and Slade (4) love eating,

swimming and snuggling.

- Raleigh (9) loves to guard bird feeders from his arch nemesis: squirrels.
- Biscuit (6) loves interior design and catching a
- Lady (3) loves to sniff. • Phyllis Ann Margaret
- (7) loves eating, sleeping and watching "The Office." • Chico (5) loves to play
- with squeaky tennis balls. • Yogi (3) loves to watch
- his boys play soccer. • Bentley (3) knows where all his doggy friends live. • Milo (2.5) loves
- snuggling with "his puprents."
- Zara (3) loves playing fetch and giving kisses to her favorite humans.

Stay tuned for our next cutest pet contest, which will feature the area's adorable cats and kittens!

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