# Greyhound Rescue Fife

"Adopting just one Greyhound won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that one Greyhound."



# We Are Still Going!

Thank you for reading the official Greyhound Rescue Fife newsletter!

The world may have ground to a halt but the dogs continue to need us, while the kennels are running on a low capacity GRF have still managed to get many homes arranged for the homeless hounds. While we are still not able to accommodate volunteers you can still help by donating. We are unable to fundraise in a lot of the normal ways like summer fairs, Pets at Home stalls and of course the Dog Show due to the lockdown so every penny really helps. Details on how to donate can be found on the website. Additionally have a look at the information on "Easyfundraising" on the page 2.

We hope you have all had a great month and enjoy reading this issue of the newsletter.



**Kennel News**Find out who has found their forever homes and who is new at the kennels...



Meet Boo She is the dog of the month, find out more about this beautiful girl...



**Sunny Days**Find out about how to protect your hound from the sun...

#### Dog Walkers Needed! (after lockdown has been lifted)

We are always looking for dog walkers but please don't just turn up. Give Jimmy or Celia a phone first to arrange an induction day and get all the info. John – The GRF Webmaster has also set up a Calendar on the forum which hopefully in the future will make it easier for everyone to check when help is needed and book themselves in. However, anyone new to dog walking at the kennels must get an induction first.

Celia and Jimmy's contact details are on the GRF website.

#### **Kennel News**

Since the last edition the kennel welcomed four new dogs; Susie, Deacon, Maura and Justin. We're still managing to rehome but difficult to bring replacements in. In the same time eleven dogs have found their forever homes! These were: Boo, Chloe, Tariq, Dec, Baby, Scotty, Beauty, Barney, Duke, Maura and Speedy. Leaving momentarily Sparky the last survivor, water dish and all!

If you would like to home a dog from Greyhound Rescue Fife call Jimmy and Celia on 01577 850393 or 07826 244765 or you can email <a href="mailto:ferniejimmyf@aol.com">ferniejimmyf@aol.com</a> to arrange a suitable time to meet your new member of the family!

# **Easyfundraising**

When doing your online buying please don't forget to shop through Easyfundraising. There are new retailers eg Next joining the scheme all the time and specials offers and competitions all the time. Please remember it costs you nothing extra to shop via Easyfundraising but will raise funds for the homeless hounds. We have now raised over £2300.

To find out more and join the other GRFers raising money this way please follow this link: <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/greyhoundfife/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/greyhoundfife/</a>

There is a pinned post on the forum with more information about this.

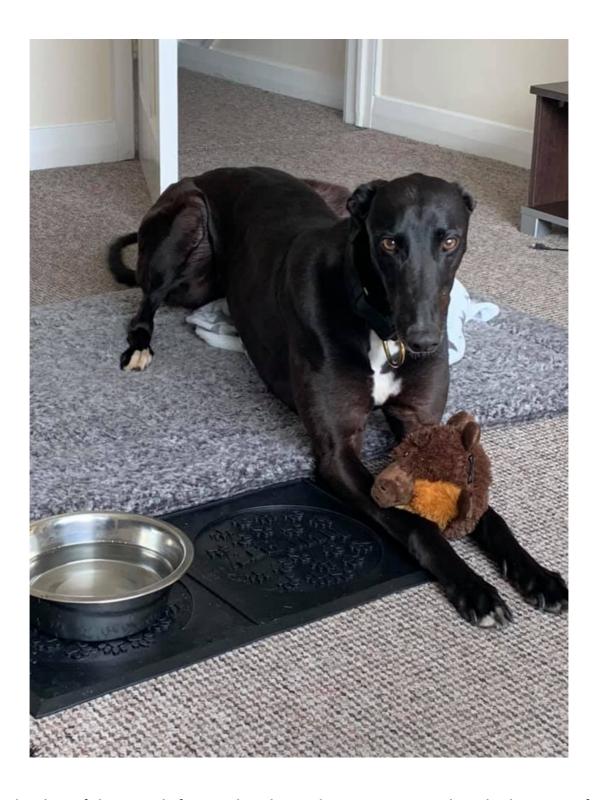
# **Typical Hound**

YAWN! Sorry, you have caught me just after my afternoon snooze in the garden. Life here has been nice and slow here for a change, everyone has slowed right down to my pace. Just a couple of walks a day, time relaxing in the garden and lots of time with mummy and daddy watching the big picture box. They sometimes seem worried about what the picture box says to them so I remind them that I am here by tooting my bottom trumpet. I don't think they appreciate that but I want them to know that whatever happens out there in the scary world, I will be ready on the sofa, available for cuddles!

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# **Dog of the Month**

Boo



Boo was the dog of the month for April and I am happy to report that she has since found her forever home! She is now called Daisy and has settled in really well!

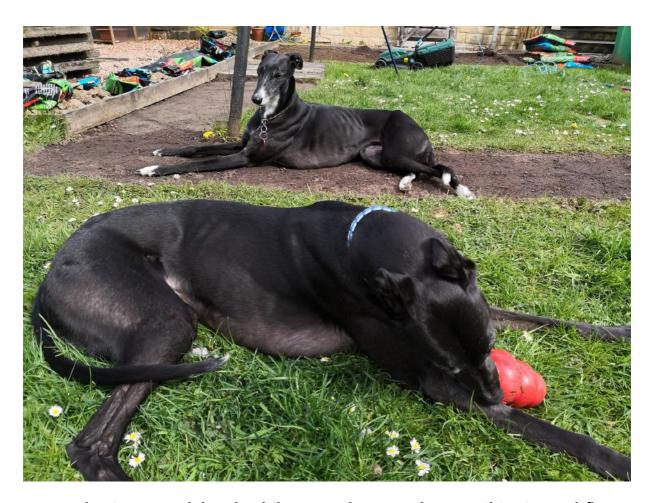
# **Monthly Walks**

Monthly walks are currently cancelled until further notice due to the coronavirus, keep an eye on Facebook and the Forum for updates!

# Barry 'n' Sue

#### "Helping" in the Garden

As you can imagine we haven't been on any adventures this month so we have taken this opportunity to renovate the garden so we have been lifting slabs, digging borders and preparing new areas of lawn. Barry and Sue have done their best to help us. Their help so far has included digging in the new borders, lying in the mud and of course going to the toilet on the areas we are trying to prepare for grass seed. Sue was even generous enough to start her zoomies just as we were about to sow the seed so that our lovely flat topsoil was thrown up the wall! Always happy to help!



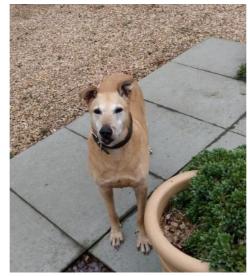
Barry having a snack break while sue makes sure the topsoil is nice and flat!

#### Sean's kennel photos

With the current situation with Corona virus I'm sure some of the regular volunteers and visitors will be missing their regular GRF fix!

Fortunately Sean, one of the regular staff, has been taking photos and posting them on the GRF Facebook group.











#### **Curtains**

As many of you know, Sheila and a friend make dog beds out of duvets and curtains which they sell for £8 each to raise money for GRF. If anyone has curtains which they no longer require, could you bring them along to the kennels for them to pick up. They need to be in reasonable condition and of fairly strong material.

NB please don't bring duvets - we have an endless supply of these from another charity.

#### **Doggy Doos**

#### Sun Cream

With the sun starting to show itself again I'm sure you are all spending time outside in your garden if you have one. If your hounds are anything like mine they love a good sunbathe but did you know that they can get sunburn too? This looks very similar to sunburn in humans, getting red, inflamed skin that gets irritated and painful but sometimes leads to scaly skin with some hair loss. It is recommended that you apply a suncream designed for dogs around the most sensitive areas to the sun like around the nose, ears, belly and anywhere else the fur is so thin that you can see the skin. And of course make sure to provide a shaded spot with drinking water available if spending a while in the garden. Find out more about about this on <a href="PetMD">PetMD</a>.



Sue loves sunbathing so much she often does it in the middle of a walk!

#### **Your Stories**

Since this is a community newsletter we would like to include more of your stories. If you have recently homed a hound and would like to let us know how they are settling in, if you would like to share a story about a recent trip or any other story about your hound then please let us know and we can share it in the newsletter! Email your stories to grfnewsletter@gmail.com.



#### **With Thanks**

We would like to thank Jimmy, Celia, Steve Adam, Sean and Steve Dowd for their contributions to this issue.