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Greyhound Rescue Fife

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



Fundraising at Dalgety Bay Community Market

Welcome to the November edition of the Greyhound Rescue Fife Newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading it. Sheila and Eion.



Kennel News

Find out who has found their forever home and who is new at the kennels.....



Meet Max This is our Dog of the Month.



Edinburgh Kiltwalk Raising funds for GRF

Kennel News

Dogs In and Out

Since the last newsletter 28 dogs have come in. They are:

Milly, Maisie, Flash, Namo, Duke, Lily, Rosie, Nia, Prince, Chloe, Vinnie, Matt, Fury, Thomas, Allen, Wren, Harry, Matilda, Ron, Nova, Flo, Princess, Toby, Lucille, Abigail, Jenny, Lionel and Paddy.

And a record number of 40 dogs have been adopted. They are:

Sky, Lottie, Jaguar, Maisie, Tatu, Zac, Lulu, Blue, Miller, Milly, Bluey, Beauty, Vince, Appey, Smokey, Dottie, Duke, Sid, Plane, De Niro, Jack, Karen, Treacle, Shiloh, Miska, Star, Boysie, Namo, Luna (white), Delight, Bella, Matilda, Lady, Luna (black), Princess, Groucho, Lucille, Wren, Georgia and Montana.

Boarding Suspended

Boarding closed on 31 October. Since GRF is not allowed to keep dogs in unheated kennels during the winter, all the inside kennel spaces are now filled by dogs which have been brought in from the outside kennels.

<u>Woods</u>

GRF has bought the woods next to the kennels and a 60 metre long road is being constructed from the kennels to Hatchbank Road. The dogs will be getting paths constructed through the woods to give them interesting walks.

Volunteers to sweep leaves and do minor works are always required. Call Celia if you are interested.



Dog of the Month

Max is a striking, medium sized black boy with some lovely white markings. He is a quiet boy with lots of love to give and is looking for a loving family to reciprocate his affection. Please call Celia on 07826244765 if interested.



Christmas Wreaths

Once again, Amy Wilson is making Christmas Wreaths in aid of GRF. As you can see from the photograph the wreaths are absolutely gorgeous. Amy will be posting pictures in the GRF Facebook Group where you can reserve a wreath. They can be picked up from the kennels.



Kiltwalk

GRF would like to say a huge thankyou to Arlene Wood and Ross MacKenzie with greyhound Ryan who participated in the Edinburgh Kiltwalk. They raised an incredible £1541. Thanks also to everyone who sponsored them.







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Taking your dogs on holiday

A new series highlights dog friendly holiday accommodation. Steve and Julie Dowd recommend Tighnavon Glamping Pods. Steve says:

"if you're looking for a break with your dogs in beautiful Highland Perthshire then try Tighnavon Glamping Pods in Kinloch Rannnoch. They provide an excellent to base to explore stunning countryside from walks around Kinloch Rannoch itself, walks around Loch Rannoch or a relatively short drive to Pitlochry, Faskally and surrounding areas. The accommodation itself provides a double bedroom, a wet room with toilet and shower, and the main living area including a sofabed, kitchen area and small table and chairs. There was enough room for us when we took four greyhounds earlier in the year. Whilst some 'dog friendly' holiday accommodation tends to be more 'dog tolerant' than 'dog friendly' that certainly isn't the case here – the owners love dogs and there are no restrictions on the number or size of dogs you take. There are no enclosed areas, so you'll need to keep them on the lead, but there is a nice walk from the pods to take care of your dogs needs first thing and at night. Two of us and four greyhounds was cozy – you'd probably fall over each other if you take more dogs! Find out more at <u>www.tighnavonglampingpods.co.uk</u>"





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GRF Charity Cards

GRF would like to thank our talented staff member Katrina Third for designing and creating these wonderful Christmas cards to raise funds for our homeless hounds. £100 has been raised so far. The first batch of cards sold out quickly but more will be available from the end of October and will be for sale at the kennels.



Each pack contains four cards, one of each design £5 per pack All proceeds go to Greyhound Rescue Fife

Blood Donation



In June Amanda Wells's greyhound Yohann was featured in the national press when he was awarded a Pet Blood Bank Award for donating his blood 16 times to help up to 64 dogs. Many of you will know that Yohann is a tripawd, having had one of his back legs amputated due to racing injuries. It's marvellous that he still enjoys life to the full and also helps save the lives of other dogs.

Other ex-GRF dogs have also signed on as donors. Carol Young tells us that she is very proud of Parker who has just donated his 9th unit of blood .



You can now take your dog to donate at sessions in Dumfermline, Edinburgh, Bathgate, Perth, Glenrothes, Lanark, East Kilbride, Glasgow, Dundee and Falkirk.

More information at https://www.petbloodbankuk.org/pet-owners/dog-blood-donation

Dog Walks

<u>July</u>

Beautiful weather for July's GRF monthly walk at Beveridge Park. We kept to the shade of the woods and the trees on what's possibly been the hottest day so far this year. Thirty nine greyhounds and four honorary hounds joined us today, and raised a total of £183 between the raffle and Pound-a-Hound.



<u>August</u>

Thanks to everyone who came along to August's walk at West Sands, St Andrews. We counted 46 hounds and 2 honorary hounds in total. Between Pound-a-Hound and the raffle we raised a total of £191.



September

A fantastic turnout for the GRF Walk at Lochore Meadows Country Park. In total there were 69 greyhounds/sighthounds joining us as part of the Great Global Greyhound Walk. In total we raised £394 between pound-a-hound, the raffle, Radka Petersen's pot plants and Mairi Watson's hand made cards (the cards alone made £112.)



<u>October</u>

Forty greyhounds and three honorary hounds came along to the Greyhound Rescue Fife walk in Perth. We started at The South Inch and made our way to North Inch. Thanks to Christine for leading the walk, and to Jemma for organising the raffle. Between the raffle and Pound-a-Hound we raised £177.50, with an additional £40 raised from Christmas Cards.



The next walk will be on Sunday 13th November in Blairadam Forrest, Kelty starting at 11.00am.

Dalgety Bay Community Market

Thanks to all the volunteers who organised a GRF stall at Dalgety Bay Community Market on 2nd October. Louise Bayley-Boyd tells us that they raised over £130 and spoke to a number of people who were interested in offering a home to a rescued greyhound. Well done all!





Lucky Number Draws

<u>July</u> There were 146 numbers entered into the draw. This gave a total of £292 which was split as £175.20 to GRF and £116.80 to the winner.

<u>August</u> There were 148 numbers entered into the draw. That gave a total of £296 which was split as £177.60 to GRF and £118.40 to the winner.

<u>September</u> There were 161 numbers entered into the draw. That gave a total of £322 with £193.20 going to GRF and £128.80 to the winner.

<u>October</u> There were 160 numbers entered into the draw. That gave a total of £320 with £192 going to GRF and £128 to the winner

Thanks to Fiona for organising the draws and thanks to all who take part.

Urgent Appeal for Volunteers

With over 40 dogs in kennels at the moment, GRF always needs more volunteers to help walk the dogs, either in the mornings or the evenings.

Even if you can only help out for an hour, that can be a big help.

To find out more about volunteering, contact Celia – 07826244765.

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: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/greyhoundfife/

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

Curtains

Many of you will know that Sheila and her friend Maria have, for several years, made dog beds from curtains and duvets. We bring the beds to the kennels where they are sold for £8 each – all profit for GRF as we have no overheads. Please hand in curtains to the kennels. (NB Please do not bring duvets as we have an endless supply of these from another charity.) There are now some lovely beds at the kennels which you can buy for your dogs.

Contributions Welcome

If you would like to tell fellow greyhound owners anything about your dogs and what you do together, please email us. greyhoundsmc@outlook.com

With Thanks

We would like to thank all contributors for their help with this issue.