

GRF



NEWS

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*Welcome to the September edition of the Greyhound Rescue Fife
Newsletter. Edited by Kaz and Pat Brundell*

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News from the kennels

Dogs in and out since the last newsletter

IN: WEE JOCK, MACK, SIMON, JAKE, DODGER, RAVEN, NOAH, McCAW, ELSA, ELBA, PHAROAH AND ARTHUR

OUT: MINX, NANNY, MACK, ROSIE, RITA, PRINCE, KIERAN, HOPE AND JEAN

Kyle came to us with a broken tendon in his back leg. The injury was days old. The tendon had retreated from both ends and the gap was 10cm. This was impossible to rejoin and his leg was just flapping around and had to be amputated. We will be looking for a very special rehoming when the vet gives us the green light.

We are fast approaching 1000 dogs rehomed and this could even be news in the next Newsletter if we have a really good month's rehoming.

Thornton Race Track raised a lot of money for the dogs this month – many thanks to them for their continued support.

Minx was rehomed to join our growing community in Shetland.



BOARDING

We are now having the remainder of our new kennels built. This means that we now have a boarding license and we can take a small amount of boarders at £8 per dog per night. This is only for greyhounds who have been rehomed from GRF. It is a wee perk for our own people. However, rescue dogs come first so we can only take boarders when space allows

Sadly, the following dogs have recently left their owners to go over the bridge.

Wee Bob
The beautiful Bambi

They will all be over the bridge playing together and looking down on you all with love in their heart.



Monthly walks

The last walk was on Sunday 4th September at West Sands, St Andrews. It was a beautiful day, lovely sunshine and little wind. Thanks to Steve for leading the walk and taking great photos as usual. For more photos check out the Forum.



The next walk is at Beveridge Park Kirkcaldy on 2nd October. We would really encourage as many of you as possible to turn out for this walk. It's a great opportunity to have a get together and a chat as we walk round (both for the humans and the hounds lol). There is loads of parking and as usual Michelle and Nic have lots of raffle prizes plus the monthly Lucky Number Draw takes place at the walk thanks to Fiona. Numbers at the walks have been depleting this year and as well as a good walk, it is your chance to ask other Greyhound owners for advice on any queries you may have, especially if you are a new Greyhound owner. Come on everyone, let's get behind these walks and get the numbers back up to the figures they used to be. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to get these walks organised with the local authorities so please come along and show your support for Greyhound Rescue Fife and help spread the word on how great greyhounds are as pets.

Please remember that all dogs must be on leads and to pick up after your dog. There will be a raffle after the walk so bring your pennies and if anyone has any prizes for the raffle, please bring them too. Remember that all walks are weather dependent so check the forum before you go just in case it has been cancelled (which is very rare!

Sofa News from TH



Let me introduce myself. My name is Tippikal Hound or **TH** for Short. Recently we apparently had a bit of a disaster in the kitchen according to the two humans we live with. The male human put a pack of 24 tins of dog food on the cooker hob and went out. What he didn't realise was that he had accidentally knocked one ring on. After a while, the tins got hot and started exploding. My half-sister didn't like it very much but the back door was open so we could escape into the garden. It was great as there was loads of warm dog food all over the floor. Yum!! When the humans came back in there was some very loud shouting and apparently some bad language. The food had gone up the wall, across the ceiling, down the doors. We thought it was quite funny but the humans were not so amused. They spent all evening cleaning it up and have since started redecorating the kitchen. Couldn't see the problem myself, I thought it all looked quite artistic!!

More observations next month.



Take care **TH**

In loving memory of our boy Ace. 2005 - 2016

P.A.W. – Paws Across the World



Each month we feature a Greyhound/Lurcher Rescue from across the globe. This month our article has kindly been sent by Celia Cross Greyhound Rescue

Celia Cross Greyhound Rescue

In 1970, a lady named Celia Cross found her first abandoned greyhound, a small bitch left to die in a disused barn. The dog, who she nursed back to health and named "Lucky", became Celia's devoted companion, serving both to endear her to the breed and also alert her to the vital need for a discerning rehoming centre for the placements of ex-racing and other unfortunate Long tails.

In 1993 the Celia Cross Greyhound Trust became a registered charity, following a move to Sun Valley Farm, near Guildford, Surrey, which is our home today. Every penny raised goes directly to support the dogs while they await placement in new loving homes.

Sun Valley Kennels are now in the safe hands of Jane Thompson, who has worked with dogs for well over 25 years. Jane is supported by a board of fellow Trustees, kennel staff, and an extensive team of valued volunteers. We rehome upwards of 120 dogs per year and assist in the placement of others.

"Many people think that rescue centres are sad and depressing places, but it is always important to remember that these centres play an important part in today's society.

It is very sad that there are so many dogs looking for new homes; however, people should never lose sight that without rescue centres such as ours these dogs would stand no real chance of a home. Thinking of a rescue centre in this light can transform the experience of visiting, if you think of a rescue centre as a positive thing, you are more likely to come and visit and hopefully offer your support."

If you are interested in following our work, please take a look at our Facebook page which is regularly updated. The link is www.facebook.com/sunvalleykennels

You will find details of fundraising events and our beautiful hounds (of course!) on our website www.celiacross.org.uk

**TAILS FROM THE WILDERNESS – a wee diversion
by Blue Arrigal**

Many people do not know her name but the moment you mention "The person that does the funny greyhound drawings on Facebook" I'm sure you know who I'm talking about.

Simone Carline Carter's artwork hangs in homes worldwide, commissions help remember friends we have lost and anyone who owns a hound can relate to the antics of Nellie captured on paper.

Sadly, since Simone originally wrote the following wee article for us her muse Nellie crossed the rainbow bridge. Our hearts go out to Simone and her family.

"I have always enjoyed drawing, cartoons mainly, always doodling away as a means to escape into my childish mind. When my daughter was born I didn't really have time for drawing as I was too busy trying to drag her up whilst working a full time job. Then along came Nellie 9 years ago and I started doodling her more and more and then there was Facebook so I started putting some of my early primitive doodles on there and got to know Michele who can I say was the first person to really encourage and support my mad gangly drawings. :) I started my Nellie Doodles page and helping charities globally and it grew from there. We now have 14,570 followers which is amazing and rather humbling."

GRF has been fortunate to benefit from Simone's kindness with her donated doodles featuring on merchandise such as t-shirts, mugs and coasters. This kindness continues with GRF being one of the very lucky beneficiaries of her [Originals Auction To Commemorate Nellie in Aid Of Various Charities](#) on Facebook. The auction closes on 25th September and as well as the originals up for auction there are prints with a donation from each going to the charity.



Lot 1 is in aid of GRF.

If you don't use Facebook but would like to buy a print, please contact my 2-legger (marfykiwi@sky.com).

Run free Nellie and thank you Simone for sharing her with us.

CHRISTMAS MARKET

In case you haven't seen the post on the forum, Evelyn Robinson has kindly arranged to do the Christmas Market again this year.

The date is Saturday 26th November, 4pm – 7pm

Please look out any unwanted gifts that could be used as raffle prizes, and leave at the kennels, Evelyn has plenty of wine but anything would be appreciated as the more Evelyn has the more money can be raised for the greyhounds.

Evelyn has raised some amazing amounts in the past with this Christmas Market so please show her your support.

You can contact Evelyn via the forum.



Trivia Quiz

Each month we will have a quiz or puzzle just for a bit of fun. So have a go while you enjoy a cuppa and a biscuit.

Answers to last month's Quiz

1. Three answers. Charcoal, Sulphur and Potassium nitrate (saltpetre)

2. Aqualung (Jethro Tull) Aqualung was the original English name of the first open-circuit, self-contained underwater breathing apparatus (or "SCUBA") to reach worldwide popularity and commercial success. This class of equipment is now commonly referred to as a diving regulator or demand valve. The Aqualung was invented in Paris during the winter of 1942–1943 by two Frenchmen; the engineer Émile Gagnan and Naval Lieutenant ("lieutenant de vaisseau") Jacques Cousteau.

Aqualung is the fourth studio album by the rock band Jethro Tull. Released in 1971, Aqualung, despite the band's disapproval, is regarded as a concept album featuring a central theme of "the distinction between religion and God". The album's "dour musings on faith and religion" have marked it as "one of the most cerebral albums ever to reach millions of rock listeners". Aqualung's success marked a turning point in the band's career, who went on to become a major radio and touring act.

3. Inhabitants of Monaco

4. Buffalo Springfield

5. Pangaea

6. Mae West **Mary Jane "Mae" West (1893 – 1980) was an American actress, singer, playwright, screenwriter, and sex symbol whose entertainment career spanned seven decades. Known for her bawdy double entendres, West made a name for herself in vaudeville and on the stage in New York City before moving to Hollywood to become a comedienne, actress, and writer in the motion picture industry. For her contributions to American cinema, the American Film Institute named West 15th among the greatest female stars of classic American cinema. One of the more controversial movie stars of her day, West encountered many problems, including censorship. When her cinematic career ended, she continued to perform in Las Vegas, in the United Kingdom, and on radio and television, and to record rock and roll albums. Asked about the various efforts to impede her career, West replied: "I believe in censorship. I made a fortune out of it."**

7. Glass harmonica, bowl organ, armonica. **The glass harmonica, also known as the glass armonica, bowl organ, hydrocrystalophone, or simply the armonica or harmonica (derived harmonia, the Greek word for harmony), is a type of musical instrument that uses a series of glass bowls or goblets graduated in size to produce musical tones by means of friction (instruments of this type are known as friction idiophones).**

8. Maxwell Klinger (M*A*S*H) **Corporal (later Sergeant) Maxwell Q. Klinger appears in the M*A*S*H television series played by American actor Jamie Farr. Klinger was the first main character introduced on M*A*S*H not to have appeared in either Richard Hooker's original M*A*S*H novel or the subsequent film. Despite the writers giving him a German/Jewish-sounding name, Klinger is an Arab-American of Lebanese descent hailing from Toledo, Ohio (like Farr himself). He serves as an orderly/corpsman (and later company clerk) assigned to the 4077th near Uijeongbu during the Korean War.**

9. The French Foreign Legion

10. The Sargasso Sea, in the middle of the North Atlantic Ocean **The Sargasso Sea is a region in the gyre in the middle of the North Atlantic Ocean. It is the only sea on Earth which has no coastline. It is bounded on the west by the Gulf Stream; on the north, by the North Atlantic Current; on the east, by the Canary Current; and on the south, by the North Atlantic Equatorial Current. This system of ocean currents forms the North Atlantic Gyre. All the currents deposit the marine plants and refuse they carry into this sea.**

SEPTEMBER QUIZ

1. Which country was the first to give women the right to vote?
2. What is a 1/3 of a ? ?
3. According to the bible on which day did God make the Sun the Moon and the Stars?
4. What are the five most often used sources of renewable energy?
5. What is the name of the planet with the most extensive rings?
6. What is the year 2009 when written in Roman Numerals?

7. What is the name for a beaver's home?
8. Which is the only vowel not found on a standard keyboard top line?
9. George Washington was the first US President; which number was George Bush Jr.?
10. What does the term Prima Donna literally mean?
11. What was the Beatles last Album called?
12. Name the 6 items used to murder the victim in the board game Cluedo?
13. What would you probably do if you got pepper in your proboscis?
14. What was Fred Flintstones child's name?
15. In which county is Stonehenge?
16. Name the date of St Georges Day?
17. How is Rubella better known?
18. The name of the French Port over 300 000 Allied soldiers were evacuated from in May/June 1940?
19. The name of the dog in Enid Blyton's Famous Five books?

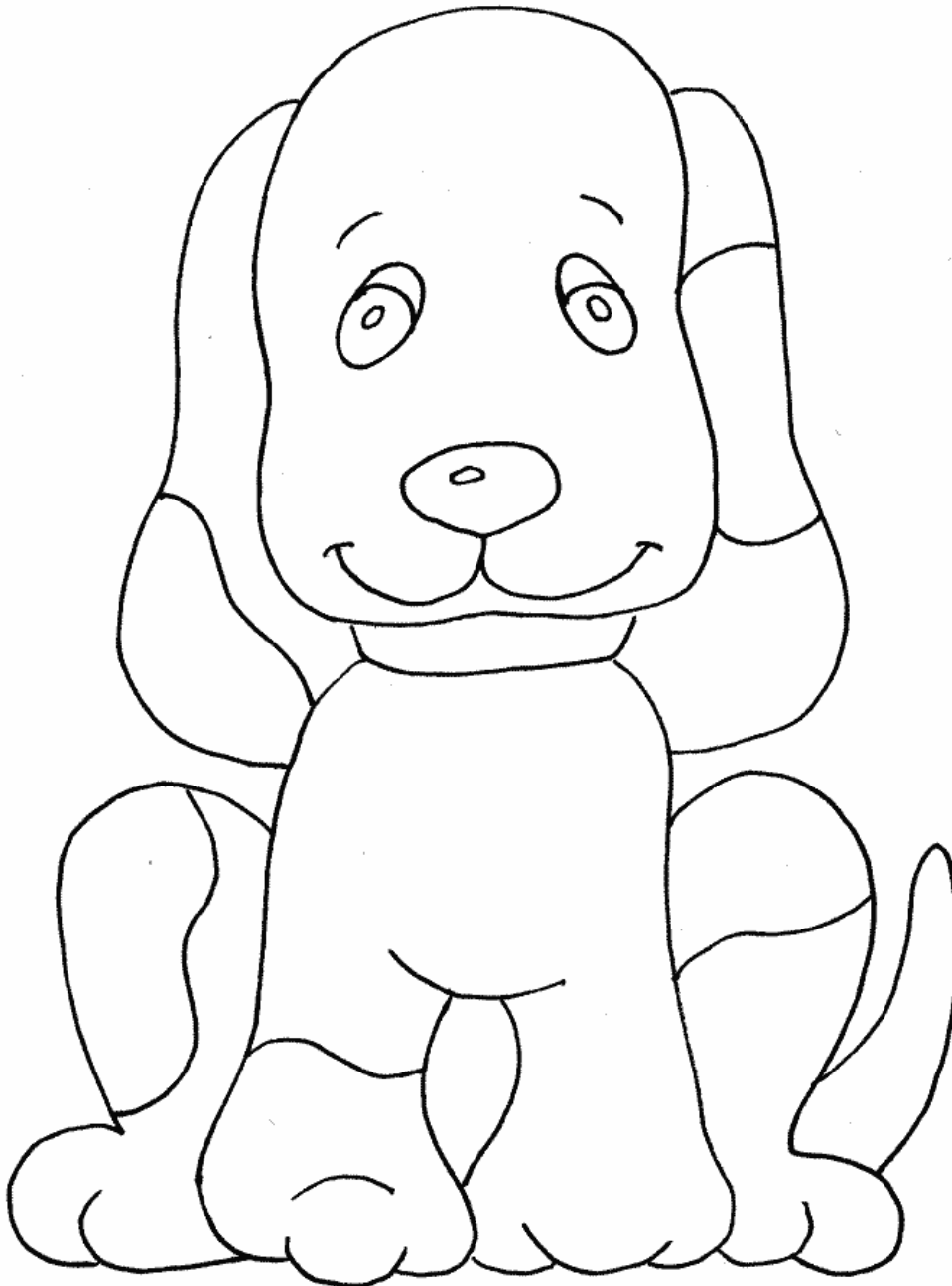
Answers will be in the next newsletter





For our younger readers

A lovely doggy picture to colour in!



With grateful thanks to all who helped with this newsletter



The next GRF newsletter will be published mid-October. If anyone has an article they would like included in future newsletters, please feel free to email Kaz Brundell on kbrundell@btinternet.com.

This is your newsletter so if you would like to see something else, or something taken out, please let me know.

Your feedback is important so let us know your thoughts.

