

# NEWS

### **April** 2017

Welcome to the April 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: SANDY RUSTY MARK KAISER.

**OUT:** MAX HOLLY NOEL SCOTTY BOO BLUE DANNY HARRY DUKE.

Provost Vets, St Andrews recently had an open day. GRF went along and we enjoyed a fine day there. Many people looked at our dogs and the vets collected £125 for us

Grateful thanks to all at Provost Vets.

#### JIMMY'S TIP OF THE MONTH.

Oh dear - your greyhound has slipped his lead and he is off. What shall we do?

Possibility one is to chase him and try to catch him. This means we have to run at 43mph. Hmm. Not the best solution.

Possibility two is to make a loud noise. The greyhound turns to see what caused the noise. Then you sprint away from him.

Greyhounds are chasers and one second later he is beside you.

That often does the trick.

If it doesn't - go look for him taking a bitch in season with you. I don't need to tell you the rest. You'll probably have located 40 missing dogs.

Jimmv.

#### **BOARDING**



Now that the better weather is on the way, we can once again take a small amount of boarders at £8 per dog per night from April onwards. This is only for greyhounds who have been rehomed from GRF. It is a wee perk for our own people and an extra amount of income for the kennels. However, rescue dogs come first so we can only take boarders when space allows.

#### **GRF Fundraising**

With the introduction of stricter control on recycling metals GRF now has an account at Kelbies Scrap Merchants, Milnbank Road, Dundee. If you have any non-ferrous scrap metal e.g. aluminium cans, lead, copper.... you can drop it off with them and let them know it is for Greyhound Rescue Fife. At the end of the year GRF will receive payment. Please make sure your cans are all aluminium ones, Pepsi, for example, use steel cans which are magnetic.

#### <u>Boot Sales – Volunteers needed</u>

As many of you may know, Pat and I have been involved in running boot fairs for GRF in Dundee for a few years now. This is on top of selling stuff on EBay etc. and doing the newsletter.

However, we have decided not to continue with the boot fairs. We are therefore appealing for other people to take over running boot fairs to raise funds for GRF. We have lots of stock and so if anyone wants to come and collect from us in Dundee they are more than welcome.

We have always run the boot fairs in Dundee, because we live in Dundee, every month over the summer months, but there have been very few other people who live much nearer the kennels prepared to do the

same in their area, and we cannot believe that there are no boot fairs in Fife!

I know people will argue that they work, well so do Pat and I, we both work full time. We are only asking that someone runs a few during the summer months and if enough people volunteered to do this, then it will spread it out even more.

Stock is continually being handed in to the kennels and Jimmy and Celia often have stuff in their garage that could be sold.

It seems to be the same old story, it's always the same people in the background helping out. Given that GRF have now rehomed over 1000 dogs, and lots of people read the posts on the forum, the offers of help whether it is dog walking, raising funds or collecting stuff for the show, or even turning out for the walks is quite poor.

So please think about Celia and Jimmy and the dogs awaiting their forever homes and help where you can.

Kaz & Pat Brundell



# Greyhound Rescue Fife 10th Annual Dog Show! Kindly sponsored by The Moffat Catering Equipment Company

As I write this there is only 4 weeks to go until our 10 anniversary dog show!! Preparations are well underway and most items are now well organised for the day (as organised as can be :0)!!). All it remains now is for us to advertise our event as much as possible and we would like your help with this. There are many ways you can do this, I suppose the "old fashion" way by downloading our show flyer and getting it put up in as many establishments/parks etc. as possible. However, more and more people now use a variety of social media sites and so sharing our event via these would also help advertise our event and cause far and wide, so do feel free to do so. We do hope to once again make use of social media at the show as well as do some live streaming of the event on our Facebook and twitter pages (@grfdogshow, #grfdogshow10). The more publicity we can get the more we will raise awareness of the plight of the greyhound and expel many of the myths surrounding the breed.

THERE IS A COPY OF THE SHOW POSTER AT THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER, SO PLEASE PRINT A FEW OFF AND PUT THEM UP IN YOUR AREA.

We still have a couple of last minute sponsor opportunities which we hope to sell and make it a "full house" for our anniversary show. So if interested or know of anyone who may be interested then please get in touch. The opportunities still available are our **hall hire** and **winner's bandanas** (£100 each inc 4 x show tickets & certificate). There is also still time to buy your advanced reduced price tickets for the show from our Baltree kennels or myself at a cost of £4 pp remember on the day at the door it will be £5, as always kids 16 and under are free. For further info feel free to email me at alexmorrison1965@btinternet.com

For those of you who have not been to one of our shows before ask anyone in the greyhound fraternity family who have and I am sure they will all say what an excellent event and day this is and guarantee your dogs to sleep all night after it !!! You will meet new and old friends alike, discuss doggy related matters, buy some excellent gifts from a variety of local stalls and participate in our excellent tombola and raffles. If feeling a bit peckish after all of this, then why not visit our refreshment hut where you can get you teas/coffee/juice and snacks which also incidentally is right next to our homebaking stall :0) !! On top of this there is the small matter of a dog show !!! Where you can win some excellent prizes, trophies and certificates and be in with a chance of getting to our grand final to see who will be our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary best in show winner.

Full details of our show along with a google map link to the event is available on our web site <a href="https://www.greyhoundrescuefife.com">www.greyhoundrescuefife.com</a> on our "Fife dog show" link, there is plenty of free parking at the event.



Some regulars of our show will have noticed one or two changes to this year's event. You will see rather than revert between golden oldie and cutest face yearly, this year we have included both !! thus an extra opportunity to reach our best in show final. We will also by request from many of our previous guests to the show have our raffle slightly earlier in the event, so don't forget to get your raffle tickets early on and not leave to the last minute! After the raffle the show will culminate with our two most popular classes best cutest face and female greyhound. We hope by doing this will make for a bigger crowd to watch our second homeless hound's parade and grand final.

#### Show order

- 1. Best junior handler
- 2. Best male greyhound
- 3. Homeless hound parade 1
- 4. Golden Oldie
- 5. Best non-greyhound
- 6. Best family of dogs
- 7. Raffle
- 8. Best "Cutest Face"
- 9. Best female greyhound
- 10. Homeless hound parade 2
- 11. Best in show final

#### Class details & sponsors

- Best junior handler: This class is open to all kids 16 and under allowing them the opportunity to show their dogs off (Open to all dog breeds).
   Class kindly sponsored by Jo Goss
- Best male greyhound: As the title suggests for male greyhounds only, a highly competitive field is
  expected to see who is crowned prince of the show! The winner's for the last 2 years has come
  from this group! Class kindly sponsored in memory of our much loved & missed Bobby and
  Barbra.
- Best "Golden Oldie": Back due to popular demand is for all dogs 8 years and over. The winner of our 2012 event came from this class!! The class is open to all dog breeds. Class kindly sponsored by Kaz & Pat Brundell in memory of ACE
- Best non-greyhound: open to all other breeds except greyhounds allowing the best of the rest an
  opportunity to reach the final! Class kindly sponsored by: Bella the superdog
- Best family of dogs: Open to owners with 2 or more dogs of any breed, the winners of this class will nominate one of their dogs to go into the final.
   Class kindly sponsored by: Barking Mad dog care
   https://www.barkingmad.uk.com/franchisees/fife/
- Best "Cutest Face": Open to all breeds, if you think your dog has the face to win then this is the class for them! Class kindly sponsored by: Pets at Home <a href="http://www.petsathome.com/">http://www.petsathome.com/</a>
- Best female greyhound: The penultimate class and probably the most competitive of the show who
  will be crowned princess of the greyhounds (open to female greyhounds only). Class kindly
  sponsored by Dogcrafts.co.uk www.dogcrafts.co.uk

• Winners Bandanas: Still for sale

• Hall hire: Still for sale

Show rosettes kindly sponsored by: Jo Goss

• Show Trophies kindly sponsored by: Guinness Eagle

 Dog Show Programme kindly sponsored by: Broughton Ales https://broughtonales.co.uk/

All that's left for me to say is, I hope to see as many of you as possible at the show. Also keep an eye on our web forum and social media sites for updates along with our "top tips" for an enjoyable show. Let's make this another great year for our current hounds awaiting their forever homes.

Alex & Lynne

#### **GRF DOG OF THE MONTH**



JOE is a beautiful big brindle boy. He is very friendly towards everyone and he just wants to be by your side. He is quite clean in his kennel. He is a trifle heavy on a lead but this can be trained out of him quite easily. He will make a great addition to some lucky family. You must come and meet him.

#### JOE's racing name was GLENSIDE NIPPER

He was born March 2013 in Ireland. Sire Hondo Black, Dam Skyline Amber. Appears to be one of ten pups in the litter. A successful racing career with 11 wins out of 42 races, the last race was in Dec 2016 where he came third.

#### Monthly walks



The second walk of the year was on Sunday 9<sup>TH</sup> April at Lochore Meadows, Lochgelly We had approximately 30 dogs on the day and here are a few pictures









There is no walk in May due to our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Dog show so the next walk is Sunday 11th June - Ravenscraig Park, Kirkcaldy.

Please come along and support Greyhound Rescue Fife – these are always a good way of meeting other owners and their dogs and having a chat and exchanging tips, and for anyone thinking of adopting a greyhound, and want to meet some owners and hounds, you would be warmly welcomed.

There is always a raffle at the end of each walk,

Dog Show tickets will also be for sale and often people bake cakes and biscuits to sell on the day to raise more funds

Please check on the forum before setting out for a walk in case there has been any change.

With greytful thanks to Steve and Julie Dowd for organising these walks and to Michelle and Nic for organising the walk raffles again this year,

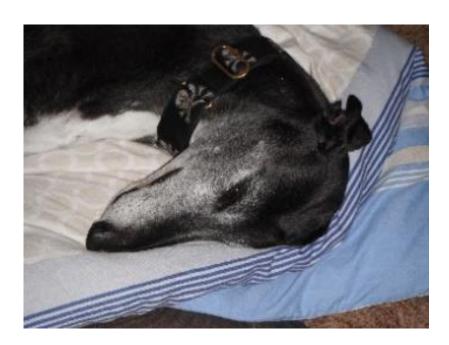
#### **Sofa News from TH**



Let me introduce myself. My name is Tippikal Hound or **IH** for Short.

I would like to make a complaint and need to know who to complain to. Two mornings on the trot this week, after having my breakfast, stretch of the legs and water etc., I climbed upon the sofa at 9am for my usual pre-lunch nap when chaos ensued. Banging, thumping, drilling etc. – Roadworks outside. My sofa was jumping around like a frog in a blender. This continued all morning and again into the afternoon. Don't they know I am a greyhound and need my beauty sleep. How can I be expected to look so gorgeous and handsome with only 10 hours sleep a day!!!.

More observations next month.



Take care 7#

In loving memory of our boy Ace. 2005 - 2016

#### The Glen Scotia Mull of Kintyre Marathon 2017 – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March Ran for the Greyhound Rescue Fife

I'd like to thank all those who sponsored me for this race and those who helped with the logistics of raising money and support prior to the race. Special thanks goes out to Karen Reid who escorted me to the event and took photos, and to Emily Walker, receptionist at Pentland House in Edinburgh, who raised awareness of my fundraising and got more than a few sponsors on my behalf.

The event itself went very well considering I was trying to shake a chest cold which hindered my training somewhat in the last couple of weeks before race day. I finished the race in 4 hours, 21 minutes, and 24 seconds much to my surprise. I thought I would've taken longer.

The total amount of funds raised for the GRF came to £625.50. I hope to run the Berlin marathon next year, again, for the GRF so we'll wait and see what happens there.

Thanks again folks for all contributions for this event which came into the kennels.

#### Niel McGill

Moments before the safety briefing and 10 minutes prior to the race start in Campbeltown. The racing satchel at my feet was given to me by a friend who ran the Eastern States 100. It has been my trusty running satchel ever since.



A 'selfie' 11.5 miles into the race and literally on the Mull of Kintyre. Despite having a chest cold my body seemed to be coping well with the exertion.



A view of the running route, again on the Mull of Kintyre (or The Tip of the Kintyre peninsula) south of Campbeltown.



Other pictures





The end of the race was completed in under 4 and a half hours. I was so sweated through that I had to remove my base layer pullover at mile 18 as it was causing me to feel chilly.



#### **GREYHOUNDS OUT AND ABOUT**

Tara, Frodo, Blue and Mafi attended World Horse Welfare's annual dog show at their Belwade Farm on Deeside earlier in the month. It was a greyt day talking dogs and introducing greyhounds to people that had never been up close to them before. Blue and Frodo won the "Most appealing expression" class receiving a red ribbon and edible goodies and just to complete the day Blue hoovered his way across the registration desk acquiring any treats within reach.



Have you taken your hounds to any shows and been spreading the greyhound word? Please send us your photos and a short article and we will include it in a future newsletter.

Thanks to Michelle and Nic for this article.

#### Sausage and Cheese Puds



8 Sausages – cooked and each cut into 3 pieces 200g Cheese - grated

4 cups self raising flour

2 tablespoons baking powder

2 eggs

1 cup milk

2 cups water

#### Muffin tins - greased

Pre heat oven to 200 degrees C, 400 degrees F or Gas mark 6.

Put greased muffin tins in oven to heat up.

Sift the flour and the baking powder together into a large bowl.

Beat in the eggs and add the milk and water half a cup at a time unitl you have a smooth batter.

Pour into the hot muffin tins.

Bake for 25 minutes.

Squash the middle of each pud with 2 teaspoons to make a well.

Fit a piece of sausage into the middle of each pud.

Top with grated cheese.

Return to the oven for a further 10 minutes.-

Cool and serve. Makes 24

You can cheat by buying ready made Yorkshire puds and adding the sausage and cheese to the middles.



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 (don't forget a treat for your four legged friends)

#### **Answers to March Quiz**

- 1. Elder
- 2. Walnut
- 3. Juniper
- 4. Pear
- 5. Cypress
- 6. Beech
- 7. Nutmeg
- 8. Plane
- 9. Gum tree
- 10. Bay

#### **April QUIZ**

- 1. What did the W stand for in the Name F W Woolworth?
- 2. What was advertised in the 1980's with the slogan "If you see sid, tell him"?
- 3. What was the last port of call for the Titanic?
- 4. Where is there an American flag that has not been lowered since 1969?
- 5. Which theoretical temperature corresponds to -273.15 degrees Celsius.
- 6. Which is the longest month in the year?
- 7. Chomolunga and Sagarmatha are alternative names for what?
- 8. What is the highest peak in England?
- 9. Which spa town was the seat of the French government from 1940 to 1944?
- 10. What is reputed to be the most common street name in Britain?

#### Answers will be in the next newsletter



## For our younger readers







#### With grateful thanks to all who helped with this newsletter

The next GRF newsletter will be published a bit later next month as the dog show is on 14th May which is normally when the newsletter is put together.

If anyone has an article they would like included in future newsletters, please feel free to email Kaz Brundell on <a href="mailto:kbrundell@btinternet.com">kbrundell@btinternet.com</a>.

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

Your feedback is important so let us know your thoughts.

# Loth Anniversary Dog Show May 2000



At Caldwell's Farm, Collessie, Fife, KY15 7UY.

Doors open 11:00

First Class 11:30

www.greyhoundrescuefife.com email: ferniejimmyf@aol.com

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