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NEWS

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

Many apologies for the late newsletter this month due to problems with internet access. Fortunately, it is all sorted now so thanks for your patience. Apologies for the shorter newsletter than normal.

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News from the kennels

Dogs in and out since the last newsletter

IN: FLINT, ABBIE, RALPH, STAR, BRAMBLE, PATCH

OUT: LES, LIVIA, BARRY, SUE, COSMO, MYLO, FLINT, ABBIE, CHARLIE, GIBSON, RALPH, SANDIE, BOB, BUZZ, CANDY, ROSIE, ANGEL

So, 6 in and 17 out!

DOG WALKERS

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

JIMMY'S TIP OF THE MONTH.

Some people have difficulty putting a muzzle on a dog. Here is a simple way.

If you are right handed (If left handed just do the opposite) get the muzzle all buckled, held in your right hand and ready to slip over the dog's mouth.

Holding the lead in your left hand put your left arm over the dog's head and give him/her a big cuddle, Holding his neck firmly.

Quickly slip the muzzle over his mouth push and tuck his ears in.

Muzzle on in two seconds

BOARDING



A reminder that we can take a small number 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 and an extra amount of income for the kennels. However, rescue dogs come first so we can only take boarders when space allows.

We are going to continue with the boarding until at least the end of November, weather permitting.

GRF DOG OF THE MONTH



HUDSON is a nice black boy who gets excited when someone is taking him out. As soon as the walk starts he calms down a lot. He loves people and is quite clean in his kennel. He is microchipped, castrated and fully vaccinated and he is looking for a loving home.

Monthly walks



**The next walk is Sunday 8th October at Beveridge Park, Kirkcaldy.
Check the website and forum for more details**

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 often a raffle at the end of each walk,

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

With greyful 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 **TH** for Short.

Due to computer and broadband problems I haven't had the opportunity to write my piece this month. But rest assured I will be back in October. Yawn!!! Time for a snooze I think.

More observations next month.

Take care **TH**



In loving memory of our boy Ace. 2005 - 2016

VETS CORNER

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Preventative Health Care

2. Fleas

The only way to be certain that your dog does not have fleas is by using regular, good quality flea control which is recommended by your vet. Fleas are very common in the environment and can easily be picked up on walks. Not only do fleas make your dog itchy and uncomfortable, they also pose a serious health risk as infestations can cause anaemia.

If your dog has fleas, not only is it important to get your pet treated as soon as possible, it is important to remember that parasites only spend a limited amount of time on the animal. Their eggs will build up in cracks and crevices around your home and can survive for up to a year so you will need to treat your home with an aerosol spray. Other pets in the household such as rabbits and cats will also need treated, but consult your vet first as some products used on dogs can be toxic to these species.

There is a vast array of flea prevention and treatments on the market that can be found in pet shops and supermarkets but you should always consult your vet first, to find the most suitable and effective treatment for your dog.

- Spot-ons: Liquid is applied to the skin on the back of the neck. These are popular and effective and many are now combinations of flea, wormer, tick and mite prevention. Most need to be applied monthly for prevention
- Flea medication administered in a tablet is also an excellent option for flea control. These can last up to 3 months and often prevent other parasites such as ticks and mites too.
- Flea Collars have growth inhibiting substances in them to stop fleas growing but most are not reliable enough and can cause irritation to your dog's skin. This method should only be used when a prescription collar is purchased from your vet.

When it comes to fleas on your dog, prevention is always better than cure. Use regular, good quality flea control products from your vet to stop bites and infestations.
than cure.

Catherine Davidson

This monthly article is kindly supplied to us by Catherine Davidson from Parkside Vets in Dundee. If anyone has any particular doggy medical subject they would like Catherine's advice on that can appear in future newsletters, please email me and I will ask Catherine for you

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Lexi's & Ashleigh's Corner

This is what me and Lexi got up to this September

We went along to our first G.R.F monthly walk at St Andrews beach, Lexi met Billy to later find out he was her half-brother. We also had fun taking some lovely pictures for the scavenger hunt. We haven't been to any new places for a while as Lexi has been on bed rest due to a sore paw, she has been running around the house playing with all her toys and she has a thing for ripping up newspaper. It was in her spot after all lol.

Love and Licks

Ashleigh and Lexi



At St Andrews Beach



Drinking from a mug!



I love newspaper



Me and my unicorn friend



Modelling my therapaw boot



Wearing a tie !

Many thanks to Ashleigh and Lexi for more lovely photos and news on our
Champion of 2017

**If you would like your hound's pics in future newsletters, please email them to me with a short
description**



PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT

ITS ALL A BIT OF FUN WITH YOUR HOUNDS

A photographic scavenger hunt for everyone to get out and about with your hounds. This is a free fun event which will hopefully get lots of hounds out and about meeting people and spreading the greyt word about what wonderful pets we make.

To share your photos, create a new thread on the forum and post your photos there with the number and description. Photos can be funny, serious, creative....

Please do join in. It doesn't matter how many photos you get taken, it's all about spreading the greyt word and having fun.

I did post this a while ago but wasn't going to be about to help with photos or whatever... so it's all go now. 50 things to photograph your dog/s doing and if you don't have a dog furry cuddly toy stand-ins accepted.

- 1 Learning to knit
- 2 Wearing hat and sunglasses
- 3 Browsing GRF website
- 4 With a tanker lorry
- 5 Posting a letter in a mailbox
- 6 Playing tennis
- 7 With a phone box (bonus point if it is an old red one.
- 8 Standing in water (point per submersed paw lol)
- 9 With a road sign showing an animal
- 10 With a John Deere tractor
- 11 With a left hand drive car
- 12 Behind the steering wheel
- 13 With a flag flying on a pole
- 14 At a sporting event
- 15 With a campervan
- 16 Eating spaghetti/ noodles with chopsticks
- 17 At a wishing well
- 18 With a green car
- 19 Watching tv or listening to the radio
- 20 In the pet shop
- 21 With a car transporter
- 22 With an anchor
- 23 At a fast food restaurant
- 24 With a cow
- 25 With a Royal Mail or delivery van (bonus point if the driver is next to you)
- 26 With a video tape
- 27 With a cassette/ audio tape
- 28 With a vinyl record
- 29 Beside a cannon
- 30 Wearing a tie/bowtie
- 31 Eating a vegetable
- 32 Playing a board game
- 33 Planning a trip with a map
- 34 Stopping the sofa/bed from flying away ;-)
- 35 Drinking from a cup/mug
- 36 Walking your human
- 37 With a horsebox/horse trailer
- 38 With a unicorn

- 39 With a dog soft toy
- 40 At somewhere prehistoric
- 41 With a windmill
- 42 Wearing a hi-vis vest/coat
- 43 Sunbathing
- 44 Out in the rain (coats allowed but bonus if no coat ;-)
- 45 Watching the world through the window
- 46 Counting your treat money
- 47 By a statue
- 48 With your best doggy friend
- 49 Roaching (= laying on your back with all legs in the air)
- 50 Sleeping in a weird position

Tara, Frodo, Blue and Mafi

For instructions on how to post your photo's on the GRF website see the Forum.



Answers to August Quiz

- 1) Jim Reeves
- 2) The Salvation Army
- 3) Joy Adamson
- 4) Stainless Steel
- 5) Eric Liddel
- 6) Leon Trotsky
- 7) Winston Churchill
- 8) Britain's First Nuclear Power Station
- 9) Czechoslovakia
- 10) The Marchioness

I have decided to give the quiz a rest for a while. They take a lot of time and research and I am not sure if anyone even does them!

However, if you wish to see the quizzes return, please let me know.



For our younger readers

Slightly different for our younger readers this month.

With Halloween not long away, I thought our younger Greyhound fans would like to draw or paint a picture of Greyhounds enjoying Halloween.

So, get those paints, pencils and pens out and get your mum or dad to email me your completed picture.

The best picture (chosen by your editor) will be on the front of the October Newsletter and others will be included throughout.

Send your entries to kbrundell@btinternet.com



With grateful thanks to all who helped with this newsletter

The next GRF newsletter will be published around the middle of 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, please let me know.

Your feedback is important so let us know your thoughts.

