

Newsletter

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Hello to you all.

It has been a while since our last newsletter, hope you and your hounds are well.

The Dogs

We have as a branch homed 350 Greyhounds so far. The latest dogs to settle in to their new homes are; Mollie, Ronnie, Titch now Emma, Luke now Fluke, Herbie, Charlie and Splash.

Our condolences go to the families of the following dogs who have sadly passed away since we last wrote; Meg, Ruth, Teala, Floss and Jack.

Meg was 14yrs old, a great age and a special companion.

Jack was 12 years old and accompanied Kathryn and Robert to many home visits and events in his younger days.

Floss was 13 years old and was the second dog to be homed by the branch back in February 1999, she was a very special companion.

Teala formerly known as Tina came to us on her eighth birthday. Sue and Graham soon fell in love with her and gave her a new life with them. Teala finally had the loving home she deserved. Thanks to Sue and Graham for giving her a chance and to all of our adopters for opening their hearts and homes to these wonderful dogs.

Ronnie

You may recall that we appealed for a home for 9 year old Ronnie in the last newsletter. We have paid for some Veterinary treatment that was required and he has now settled in to the home of Doreen and Vic (who recently lost Ruth). Doreen and Vic are thrilled with him and Ronnie has certainly landed on his feet.

Style

Sure most of you will know Becky (my Sister) and her dog Style. Style was recently diagnosed with cancer (early stages), so has had his leg amputated. He is doing fine and coping well. I know you will all join us in wishing him well for the future.

250 Club

The 250 club is your opportunity to win some cash and boost our funds at the same time. Please see our website www.rgtnottingham.org.uk for further details. We currently have 122 members our aim is 250! Recent Winners are; Ron Ellard £428, Lynne Saul £113.50 and Sally Frudd £361.00. Some great wins.

Thanks

Our adoption fee remains at £100, although it can cost twice as much to neuter and prepare each dog for it's new life in a home. Therefore we are most grateful for the gifts that you send to us.

Mr and Mrs Dempster celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary recently and requested that guests donate to us rather than buy presents, we benefited by £210.00. Congratulations and thank you.

Pete and Jo Cowell sent £50 and The V & S Charitable Trust has kindly given us £500. Equally important are the smaller gifts that we regularly receive. Thank you all very much indeed.

Behaviour

If you are experiencing any kind of problem with your dog, please feel free to call us for advice. We will do what we can to help and hopefully rectify the problem.

Prize Draw and Social Night

Thank you to everyone who kindly sold and bought our raffle tickets. Also to those of you who attended our social evening at Epperstone Village Hall. Food, wine and quizzes were followed by the prize draw. Karen Wilson won 1st prize of £150 cash, Virginia Ball won 2nd prize the digital camera and Marion Bennett won 3rd prize £50 cash.

The raffle and social night raised £1,300 which is fantastic and will go to homing more Greyhounds.

Posters and Homed Hounds

As ever please feel free to e-mail us pictures of your hounds to go on our website, please mail them to enquiries@rgtnottingham.org.uk. Also if you are able to put one of our posters up in your local vets, shop, pet store please call us on 0115 9655434 or send us an email and we will post them to you.

Merchandise

We still have a range of dog coats and beds to sell, as well as books, greeting cards, key rings, soft toy Greyhounds and pens. To buy anything please call the enquiry line or have a look whilst on our monthly walks.

Heat

Just a reminder that Greyhounds are sensitive to heat and can suffer from heat stroke. Please try and walk your hound before it gets hot in the morning or in the evening when it has cooled down. Find them somewhere cool to lay and have water readily available. Never leave a dog in a car, even with the windows open they can die.

Blood Donors

We have recently been contacted by Scarsdale Vets in Derby regarding canine blood donors. If you would like more information or to find out if your hound is suitable and you live close by please call them directly on 01332 345191.

Walks and Events

Duration of the walks will be 45 minutes.

Sunday 29th April - Gunthorpe 10.30am

Take the A6097 and turn in to Gunthorpe by the bridge entrance (this turning will be on the left if approaching from the Lowdham direction). Drive by the river as far as you can and park in the car park by the Gunthorpe lock and tea rooms.

Sunday 20th May - RSPCA Dog walk, Dog show and fun day - Wollaton Park 10am - 5pm

We will be there with our stand and dogs advertising what great pets Greyhounds make. Fun dog show starts at 10.30am.

Sunday 27th May - Rufford Park 10.30am

Finishing off with one of our favourite walks. On the A614 10 miles north of Nottingham before Ollerton. Meet in the car park to the left of the pay kiosk for a walk through the woods and around the lake. Good coffee shop/restaurant . There is an entrance fee of £3 per car, this can be redeemed if you spend £15 or more in the craft shop or coffee shop/restaurant.

Please check our website throughout the summer months for details of where we will be. We are hoping to arrange some meet and greets. Monthly walks will resume in September.

Best Wishes

Michelle and all at RGT Woodborough - Nottingham

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