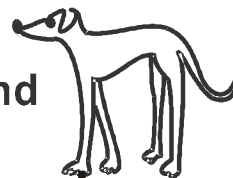


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Since we last wrote the following dogs are now enjoying life in their new homes: Billy, Judy now Jenna, Bruce now Fluke, Flopsy now Oscar, Zeus, Gail now Flick, Sunny now Monty and Kyle. We wish them all well.

Since our last newsletter in May, the following dogs have sadly passed away; Twiggy, Sonar, Daisy, Tommy, Meg and Tammy. We have written about Tammy previously after she was diagnosed with Osteosarcoma, she fought to the end but sadly lost her fight a few months ago. Our thoughts are with all of the owners of the dogs mentioned and know they'll all be missed dearly.

Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who helps or supports the branch, as ever we are very grateful for any donations we receive. We would also like to thank everyone for their support with the money boxes we sent out in May.

Thanks to; Martin and Carol Ward, Doreen Gregory, Glenn and Lynne Hallam, David Savoury, Laurel Fenwick, Olesia Priest and customers at Buckley House Vets and Kim Marie Hairdressers in Hucknall.

To all of the places we have attended shows and meet & greets over the past few months, thanks go to; Bardills Garden Centre in Stapleford, Sherwood Canine Hydrotherapy in Sutton In Ashfield, Pets at Home in Daybrook and Netherfield and Old Mill Feeds in Mansfield.

Thanks go to; Dave and Jane Hill and Top Pets in Sutton In Ashfield and Ridgeway Textiles, Caroline and John Heaton and London Road Stores in Derby and Mr & Mrs Miller. Helen Roberts for completing the Race for life and donating her sponsorship money to the branch and Mrs Norton for donating the money she received for her 80th birthday to the branch. Happy belated birthday wishes to you!

Thanks also go to Gerry and Polly Thomas who kindly donated new banners, car stickers and business cards to the branch to help us promote greyhounds as pets.

Finally thanks to the family and friends of the late Jean Attewell. Jean was a life long greyhound lover and the collection from her funeral was donated to the branch, we thank you all for thinking of us at this sad and difficult time.

Philip Tomkinson, has decided to step down from his role as 250 club administrator and fundraiser, we would like to take the opportunity to thank Philip for all of his help and support over the years, Ivan Bell our treasurer is now also the 250 club administrator. Thanks again Philip.

Great Greyhound Gathering

This years Great Greyhound Gathering is being held on Saturday 18th September at Nottingham Racecourse. We'll be in the Pamper Pooch Zone, clipping nails, microchipping and doing free dental checks. We'll be selling all of our usual merchandise plus a range of items for your hounds, such as coats, toys, dental products, hand knitted snoods and Rose's Liver Cake!

There will be a dog show on the day and the very special RGT retired greyhound of the year class, our entry for this class is Meg owned by Mr and Mrs Robson, we hope you'll join us in wishing her luck. Registration for the dog show starts at 9am and judging starts at 10.30am, for more information about the day please see our website or call the enquiry line.

250 Club

There has been some fantastic wins recently, if you would like to be in with a chance of winning whilst helping the branch for £1 a week please visit the 250 club on the website or call the enquiry line. Recent winners are; Olesia Priest £291, K Harkness £362, D Henley £295, June Winning £144 and S Knott £70.

Fireworks

With the firework season approaching, please feel free to contact us for information on firework phobias. We can advise on DAP plug ins, Collars and Bach flower remedies. As well as general behaviour advice.

DAP collars work by releasing a constant stream of dog appeasing pheromone, which is a substance produced naturally by a mother to her puppies. The pheromone has been proven to have a positive relaxing and comforting influence on adult dogs as well as puppies.

The main point to remember with any phobia or fearful dog is to ignore unwanted behaviour. We know it's natural instinct to want to comfort and reassure a dog that is frightened but it will only make them worse. Even a little pat or making eye contact when the dog is frightened will reinforce that the way he/she is responding is correct and will make him/her more fearful.

Merchandise, Homed Hounds and Rainbow Bridge

To purchase any of our merchandise please look out for Paul on our monthly walks, buying from us on the walks will save p&p and help our branch funds, alternatively please call the enquiry line.

We now have the 2010 Christmas cards for sale, they are £3.99 for a pack of 12 cards, they are either traditional or animated.

Please continue to send pictures of your beautiful hounds for our homed hounds and rainbow bridge pages of the website.

Walks and Events

Walks will start at 10.30am, all will be between 35-45 Minutes, please keep all dogs on the lead and remember to scoop the poop. Please ask about nail clipping on the walks we will be asking for a donation of £2.50.

Saturday 18th September - Great Greyhound Gathering - Nottingham Horse Racecourse

Registration starts from 9am and judging commences at 10.30am. Greyhound and companion dog show, family fun day, come along and say hello to us in the pamper pooch area.

Saturday 25th September - Meet and Greet - Sherwood Forest Visitors Centre, Edwinstowe, Nottingham, NG21 9HN

We'll be there with our stall and hounds promoting what fantastic pets greyhounds make, feel free to come along and support us.

Sunday 26th September - Wollaton Park, Wollaton, Nottingham, NG8 2AE - 10.30am

Wollaton Hall is 3 miles to the west of the city centre and can be found by following the brown signs from the A52 or the A6514. From the M1 take junction 25 and follow the signs. Meet in the Pay and Display car park at the top of the hill in front of the main hall.

Saturday 23rd October - Meet and Greet - Pets at Home Victoria Park Way, Netherfield, NG4 2PA - 10am to 4pm

We'll be holding a Meet and Greet and raising funds with our stall and hounds, please feel free to come along and support us.

Sunday 31st October - Burnt Stump Country Park, Burnt Stump Hill, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 8PQ - 10.30am

Take the A60 from Nottingham towards Mansfield. At the roundabout for the A614 for (Doncaster) continue on the A60 for about 3 miles until you reach the traffic lights at the Seven Mile House. Turn right signposted for Country Park, Park Hospital and Police Headquarters. The pub car park is about half a mile on the right, after the bend. Meet at the Burnt Stump Inn car park. Refreshments available from 11.15 am onwards.

Sunday 28th November - Elvaston Castle Country Park, Derby, DE72 3EP - 10.30am

Take the B5010 through Borrowash off the A52 between Nottingham to Derby. Look for the brown tourist signs and meet at the car park on the left for a walk round the country park. There will be a small parking charge payable at the entrance.

Saturday 11th December - Park Farm Shopping Centre, (off Birchover Way) Allestree, Derby, DE22 2QN, 10-3pm (finish time depends on the weather)

Come along and join us at our Christmas themed meet and greet.

Sunday 2nd January 2011 - Rufford Country Park, Ollerton, Nottinghamshire, NG22 9DF - 10.30am

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. Car parking is free this month.

Best Wishes and as we won't be writing again this year, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Michelle and all at RGT Nottingham

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