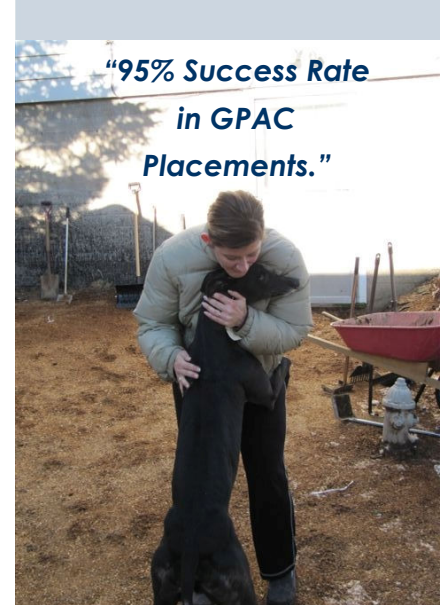


RooHound News

the New Brunswick/PEI GPAC Newsletter



Message

GPAC is pleased to release the first GPAC Newsletter for New Brunswick and PEI. Many thanks go out to all of the owners who have adopted and to our new owners. Congratulations to Sandra and Tim Walsh who has successfully "failed" at fostering for the third time and to all other foster families and volunteers who for the love of greys support this greyt cause. Finally to Jeanette, our founder, for her dedication to rescuing Greyhounds for the last 20 years have blessed our homes with these precious dogs.

Hound Day – March 12, 2010

GPAC is pleased to announce our first load of Greys from Florida in 15 years. The tracks in Florida are in need of placing hundreds of dogs into loving forever homes every year and once again GPAC is please to help other programs place the large numbers of dogs retiring from the dozen tracks in the Pan Handle State. Greys have arrived!!

Foster & Forever Homes New Foster Families

Thank you to Deborah Young, Grand Bay, NB who fostered **Deb (Dee)** and to Melanie Mallet, Moncton who is fostering "Passit".

Fosters

All but 1 of the 30 Dogs who came up on January 15, 2010's Hound Day have been placed in their forever homes.

Passit a beautiful brindle female, 3 years old. She's excellent with small children and cat safe. **Passit** is fostered by Melanie Mallet in Moncton.



Upcoming Events

Champlain Mall -
Moncton - April 17th

Dog Show Meet -
Moncton Coliseum - May
8th and 9th.





New Brunswick Meet and Greets

Champlain Mall - Moncton - March 20th and April 17th.

Dog Show Meet - Moncton Coliseum - May 8th and 9th.

Shurgain Meets - Woodstock, Fredericton, Saint John, Sussex, Amherst NS, and Summerside, PEI –May 8th.

Pride Parade - Moncton, Saint John, Charlottetown PEI. Fredericton Summer/2010

Dragon Boat Festival – Moncton – Summer/2010

Moncton Dog Show – Moncton - November/2010

Local RooNews

The Weather Network – January 28th, 2010

Lorraine and Sandra from Moncton accompanied by Greyhounds: Clancy, Rush, Belle, Angel, Ariel and Mouse were interviewed on January 28th, 2010 by *The Weather Network* in Moncton's Mapleton Park. Lorraine and Sandra discussed how Greyhounds handle our winter weather conditions, Greyhound Adoption in general and our GPAC Organization. The GPAC name, website etc. will be broadcasted for all to see. A grand THANK YOU goes out to Caroline Fast for setting up the interview.

CBC Radio Canada – February 10th, 2010

Richard Chartrand was interviewed by CBC Radio Canada on February 10th. Richard, from Moncton NB discussed our cause and informed the public of greyhounds and adoption.

Online Auction for Crystal – March 20th, 2010

Auction - \$704.00
 Auction Cash Donations - \$45.00
 GFONS donation for Crystal at Doggie Expo - \$500.00
 Brenda Wile of Brenda's Dog Dudz donation for Crystal at Doggie Expo from her stores donation jar - \$168.00
 GFONS donation In Memory of Amber Pearston - \$200.00
 Grand total to go towards Crystal's Medical Bills - \$1,617.00

THANK YOU!!



Crystal – Miracle Dog

2010's Miracle Dog Crystal has a clean bill of health! She's retiring happily in her forever home with Aaron, Adam and family. Due to Greyhound Bleeding Disorder Crystal suffered with a bleeding problem on the operating table. This in-ability to clot is not uncommon in greys and is being studied by leading researchers in the USA, particularly at Colorado State University. With the donations of almost \$11,000 to the Sparkle Fund GPAC was able to save Crystal and continue to aid all of the new dogs that will come in 2010.

If Crystal could talk I am sure she would say, "I almost didn't have the rest of my life but because of all your hearts -"

Angel by Sandra Deakin

In November 2008 I went to hound day fully prepared to bring home another foster dog with me but something went terribly terribly wrong. Off the truck popped this tiny little brindle girl with big deer eyes, more nervous and reserved than the others but with eyes that touch your heart and soul. It was love at first sight. I told Jeanette I would foster her but over the course of the day I knew that was a lie.....once I got her home I knew she was never leaving so the adoption contract was signed the next day before we left.

Angel was an extremely shy, timid little girl and we have had more than our share of ups and downs over that last year. I am so very proud of where she is today and remember last summer when she strutted her stuff along Main Street in Moncton in the Pride Parade complete with her shocking pink boa and attended the Greyhound Expo "road trip" to MA. This little 65 pound soul with her big brown eyes has taught me more about love, trust and patience than I ever thought possible.

If anyone has ever had the opportunity to get to know and love one of these more timid dogs it is worth every second of effort.

Thank you Jeanette and GPAC for bringing this special girl into my life and for all your support along the way.



Advertisements

4Paws Pet Resort

www.4pawspetresort.ca
Finegan (Gini Bourque) plays
there once a week.

Cedar Run Pet Lodge

<http://www.cedarrunpetlodge.com>

Bone Appetit – 275 Amirault,
Dieppe 506-853-7389

Special grooming rate for Greyhounds.

Renelle's - Dog & Cat Grooming

Renelle charges only \$20 for the full spa treatment: bath, de-shedding, ear cleaning and nail trim!

This is a Greyhounds *ONLY* rate. Renelle has this special rate simply because she loves Greyhounds and she doesn't even own one! Renelle is located about 5 minutes up the street from *Bone Appetit* and she offers bilingual service. 2572 Amirault Street, Dieppe, NB - (506) 869-9999

Debby Barnard a Real Estate Sales Associate with the Safety Harbor Realty of Sarasota is also a volunteer with the Sarasota Florida greyhound organization - Racing Dog Rescue Project (RDRP). Contact Debby with any interest in moving in the Florida area. If our posting results in a sale for Debby, a donation from Safety Harbor Realty of Sarasota will be sent to GPAC! A wonderful opportunity to promote Greyhound Adoption in North America and make contacts with other owners in the Sarasota Florida area.

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Roobits

**Email me your hounds
Birthday.**

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Congratulations to our new NB families

Buddy - Rob & Denise,
Moncton, NB

Deb (Dee) - Kelly Joyce-
Floyd, Quispamsis, NB

Hudson (Katie) - Peter
Byram, Bristol, N.B.

Ariel - Gerry Aubie,
Bathurst, NB (a now pack of
three)

Roo Stories

"I know we all like to dress our hounds up and I am no different....so, this Christmas, I bought Tobin and Titan reindeer antlers....Titan (my black one) did not appreciate his so as I was laughing at him, he calmly walked over to me a gently BIT MY HAND! (I am still laughing!)" – Jamie Hubbs



Fostering by Sandra Deakin

One hound day I picked up a wonderful little foster female from Jeanette's, Miss Madison, and she absolutely stole my heart. She was with us for two wonderful laughter filled months but there came the day I had to say good bye as she moved off into her new life with her new family. The next day the house seemed very quiet without all of her crazy antics, wagging tail and smiling face. I realized that being a foster home for these wonderful greys is the easy part, they bring so much into our lives, the real hard part of being a foster home is saying good bye.

My hats off to everyone who opens up their hearts and homes to foster these wonderful dogs and help them through their transitions from the racetrack to their forever homes. Also a big thank you to GPAC and especially Jeanette who makes fostering such a positive and enjoyable experience so that even though it is hard to say good bye I look forward to meeting the next smiling face and wagging tail who will be my next foster and win my heart yet again.

Hound Day by Gini Bourque

I attended my first Hound Day on January 27th, 2010 and I have to say it's an event all greyhound owners should play a part in. Wray and I arrived at Jeanette's on Thursday evening to be greeted by FIVE Greyhounds and two Jack Russells. We stayed up until the wee hours talking about what to expect the next day and of course, talked and talked about Greys! For you first time grey owners, you'll see this will become a regular occurrence, if not a passion. Waking up early the next day to find a house full of volunteers bringing food and getting things set up was such a heartfelt wonder. We all gathered, chatted (again about our Greyhounds) and waited for our precious to arrive. I had the pleasure of accompanying Voula to the kennel that was so beautiful and full of energy, I secretly named her Voila! (Yes, with the exclamation point). Once all the dogs were in the kennel area the examinations for ticks, fleas, broken bones or other ailments were conducted. How I was assigned to tick duty I don't know but it was interesting learning experience. As time went on, each Grey would come up to you, give you a sniff and a rub, sometimes even a hug. Just watching them run about, acting silly or finding someone to lean on was heartwarming. All have been placed in their forever homes (except for one – Erica) and the year's second Hound Day is upon us, I expect for the volunteers old and new will continue on with their generous time and efforts in supporting this greyt cause.

Whether you have an empty void or not, a grey will fill it. They give so much more than you can imagine or expected. I am being one of the few who have resisted adopting more than one. I'm sure Sandra, Lorraine and Caroline will break me down.

I hope you enjoy this first edition of RooHound Newsletter. Please feel free to send me stories or other interesting "roobits" that I can add to the Summer Edition.