



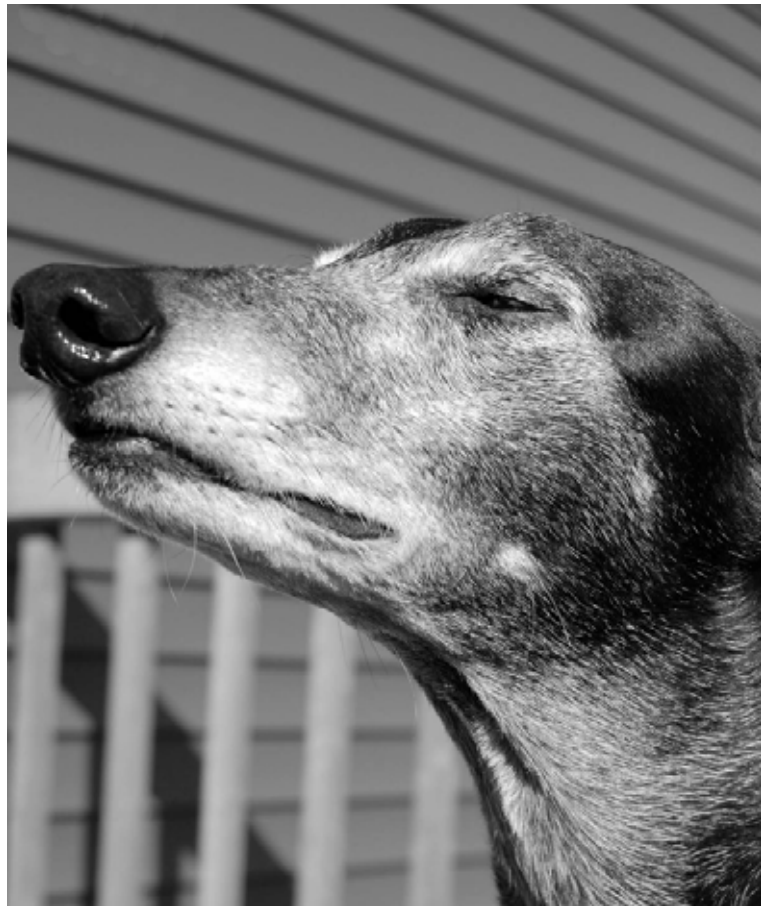
# Greymatters

Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada's  
Information Source

## Inside Junes Issue:

**Michelle Snow sent in this photo that captured Darcy in a sun worshipping pose.**

Picture by Dana Pittman.



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## Happy 7th Birthday SHADOW

April 26, 2009 was another grey't day for Shadow as he celebrated his 7th Birthday. Birthday hats, birthday cake, doggie burgers on the BBQ, a walk in the park with his buddies and a bag full of surprises made it a happy day for sure! Happy Birthday Shadow!

...Gaylene Humby

# Happy Tails

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**596-(PAWS)7297**

**Laura-Lee Hiscock Owner/Operator**  
**happytails09@hotmail.com**

## Volunteers Needed for Pet Expo ReMax Centre St. John's, NL June 6th & 7th

June 6 & 7 marks the annual Pet Expo at the ReMax centre in St. John's. It runs on Saturday, June 6 from 10 AM – 6 PM and on Sunday, June 7 from 10 AM – 4 PM.. I need some beautiful greyhounds and their wonderful owners to cover off those shifts for me and I think YOU and YOUR GREY fit that description perfectly! I am hoping to do one hour shifts with two dogs for each shift, however, if I am unsuccessful with that, I will change it from one to two hour shifts. Now it's up to you – e-mail me your time preference and whether you prefer one or two hours and I will do my very best to accommodate you. This is a grey't opportunity for us again as last year we placed retired racers in NL homes as a result of us attending the Expo...that's what it's all about.

...Gaylene Humby ghumby@nf.sympatico.ca

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**bottom of a page)**  
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Photo by Greg Locke

## Magnificent Meet & Greet Avalon Mall, St. John's, NL

Saturday, May 16, 2009 was another day to go down in history for Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada, Newfoundland Branch. We set up our display at the Avalon Mall at 10AM and stayed until 4PM. We sold tickets on a \$100.00 gift card for 'The Keg' and also on a \$200.00 party from Sky High Amusements and of course our scarves and dog cookies...let me tell you, the funds added up well. I walked out of the mall with \$417.06 for our beloved hounds. Isn't that grey't? The winner of 'The Keg' gift card was *Brian Barrington*, ticket #0041002 and the winner of the Sky High Amusements party was *Natasha Lowe*, ticket #0683151. A new recruit and volunteer to GPAC-NL, *Mark Porter*, was on hand as well with his 'technical abilities' that we became aware of in our AGM this past week and he set up his computer and

had a slide show of greyhounds both on the track and enjoying retirement. It attracted a LOT of attention and it caused people to stop and see what we were all about. Mark and his girlfriend Julie are going to put together a slide show of our local greyhounds to play at our Meet and Greets in the future, it's guaranteed to be a hit for sure! (P.S. As sent out in an earlier e-mail, if you have pics of your hounds that you would like displayed on this slide show, e-mail them to me at [ghumby@nf.sympati-co.ca](mailto:ghumby@nf.sympati-co.ca)).

Thanks to everyone who helped make this Meet & Greet a huge success. To our volunteers who sold tickets before the Meet & Greet, thanks a grey't big bunch! It made a big difference in our fundraising for the day for sure! You guys are the best!

Gaylene Humby  
Meet & Greet Coordinator, GPAC-NL, 2009.

### Party Boys

Buster had a grey't birthday with his buddies Skylar and Dasher.

Boy those applesauce muffins certainly were good especially when covered with yogurt. YUMMM! They didn't last long and it was only minutes when they were all asleep. Tired from all the excitement!

Thank you!  
Sharon & Paul Gosse  
[See page 6 for another party picture]



Come join  
'Sky High Amusements'  
as they sponsor a  
'Grey't Family Fun Day  
June 14, 2009 - 2:00 PM  
Bowring Park, St. John's, NL



## Tips of the Month



your pup could jump over or dig under the fence, treat your plants, flowers, vegetables, and vines with products that are pet-safe. All-natural fertilizers and organic weed killers are available at many nurseries. And along with keeping your best friend out of harm's way, you'll be protecting the environment.

Thanks to Angela Seguin for submitting the tips each month.

### Spring Garden Safety

For your pup's safety, fence off your spring garden from the rest of your dog's stomping ground. Otherwise, your gorgeous greenery may pose serious health risks for your pooch.

**Problem plants and flowers:** If consumed, many garden picks can be poison to your dog, including autumn crocus, azaleas, bird-of-paradise, buttercup, Christmas rose, daffodil, day lily, iris, oleander, foxglove, morning glory, mountain mahogany, lily of the valley, rhododendron, and periwinkle.

**Vegetable-patch pitfalls:** Onions, chives, and garlic, which pets find quite tasty, contain compounds that can cause anemia. The leafy green parts of potato plants also can be toxic.

**Frightening fruits:** The seeds or pits in apples, plums, cherries, peaches, and apricots contain cyanide, which can cause seizures.

**Chemical concerns:** A 3- to 4-foot wire-mesh fence should keep your pooch from munching on your garden favorites. But if you think there's even a slight chance that

## Wags In Stitches

Spring is here  
celebrate with a new collar

Check out our large selection of:

- coats
- collars
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- Cat Collars & Leashes
- And much more

[www.wagsinstitches.com](http://www.wagsinstitches.com)  
[wagsinstitches@gmail.com](mailto:wagsinstitches@gmail.com)

**The Conception Bay Kennel Club  
50th Anniversary  
September 5th & 6th  
Harbour Grace Stadium, NL**

The Conception Bay Kennel Club is having their 50th Anniversary with four all breed shows.

[www.conceptionbaykennelclub.ca](http://www.conceptionbaykennelclub.ca)

## Check Out These Interesting Sites

<http://www.cartoonstock.com/newscartoons/cartoonists/cga/lowres/cgan1202l.jpg>

[www.conceptionbaykennelclub.com](http://www.conceptionbaykennelclub.com)

*If you know of any interesting internet sites you would like to share send them in to [greymatters@straylight.ca](mailto:greymatters@straylight.ca)*

# If I Didn't Have a Dog...or CAT...



I could walk around the yard barefoot in safety.  
My house could be carpeted instead of tiled and laminated.  
All flat surfaces, clothing, furniture, and cars would be free of hair.  
When the doorbell rings, it wouldn't sound like a kennel.



When the doorbell rings, I could get to the door without wading through fuzzy bodies who beat me there.  
I could sit on the couch and my bed the way I wanted, without taking into consideration how much space several fur bodies would need to get comfortable.  
I would have money and no guilt to go on a real vacation.  
I would not be on a first-name basis with 6 veterinarians, as I put their yet unborn grand kids through college.



The most used words in my vocabulary would not be: out, sit, down, come, no, stay, and leave him/her/it ALONE.  
My house would not be cordoned off into zones with baby gates or barriers.

I would not talk 'baby talk'. 'Eat your din din'.  
'Yummy yummy for the tummy'.. .

My house would not look like a day care center, toys everywhere.

My pockets would not contain things like poop bags, treats and an extra leash.



I would no longer have to spell the words B-A-L-L,, F-R-I-S-B-E- E, W-A-L-K,, T-R-E-A-T,, B-I-K-E,, G-O,, R-I-D-E

I would not have as many leaves INSIDE my house as outside.

I would not look strangely at people who think having ONE dog/cat ties them down too much.

I'd look forward to spring and the rainy season instead of dreading 'mud' season.



I would not have to answer the question 'Why do you have so many animals?' from people who will never have the joy in their lives of knowing they are loved unconditionally by someone as close to an angel as they will ever get.  
How EMPTY my life would be!

...G. Humby via B. Tucker

# Happy 5th Birthday, Buster!

Buster had a grey't birthday with his buddies Skylar and Dasher.

Boy those applesauce muffins certainly were good especially when covered with yogurt. YUMMM! They didn't last long and it was only minutes when they were all asleep. Tired from all the excitement!

[See page 3 for another party pictures]



submitted by: Sharon Gosse



## The Rainbow Bridge In memory of our greyhounds

It is with grey't sadness that I send this message out on behalf of Gerry and Pat Corbett. Coby, formerly known as Cody crossed Rainbow Bridge on May 19, 2009.

Coby came to Newfoundland five years ago after his first owner had passed away. At the time, Gerry and Pat had recently lost thier dog and Pat, despite her decision to 'not have any more dogs' discovered that Coby and his brother Tucker were in need of a home...the ad on Greymatters said that 'they couldn't be separated.' The Corbett's weren't about to let that happen and when they were approved for greyhound adoption, they took both dogs into their home where they received royal treatment and a life of luxury.

While I spoke to Pat on the phone on May 20, we talked, we laughed, we cried....she told me stories about Coby and how he was such a wonderful dog. She told me that he lived a good life with them...he and Tucker had thier own room where they hung out together and they loved to go for walks. She told me that 'Tucker is lonely today...he keeps looking for Coby to come home again.' I assured her that he'd be okay...she told me that he's getting double the hugs and cuddles.

Coby would have turned 11 years young in September of this year. He began to fall ill in early May and all signs pointed to cancer. He went to sleep on May 19, 2009 with Pat by his side.

Coby is running free now with his grey't friends that have gone on before him and he's free from pain.

Sadly missed by Gerry, Pat and grey brother Tucker.

*To the Corbett's, on behalf of GPAC, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

...Gaylene Humby

### SPARKLE CUP NOMINATION BALLOT

I NOMINATE \_\_\_\_\_ OF  
\_\_\_\_\_ TO BE THE NEXT SPARKLE CUP VOLUNTEER  
OF THE YEAR. I BELIEVE THAT THIS PERSON IS DESERVING OF  
THE AWARD BECAUSE;

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Dedicated to placing retired greyhounds  
into loving homes across Atlantic Canada



Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada invites you to join us for

## *ONE GREY'T DAY*

At  Dartmouth Crossing

GPAC will hold a Meet & Greet at Three Dog Bakery on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm – 6:00pm, and for any customer that mentions GPAC, 10% of their purchase will be donated directly to GPAC!

We encourage everyone to stock up from  
Three Dog Bakery on July 8<sup>th</sup>!

Three Dog Bakery – Dartmouth Crossing  
22 Logiealmond Drive

Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada  
[www.gpac.ca](http://www.gpac.ca)



## Help for Special Needs Dogs

Gpac is donating a basket again this year to help Linda raise money for special needs dogs. I am looking for items that represent all 4 Atlantic provinces if possible.

Can you dig around and help me come up with a few items form NB and NF?

It can be any new item you wish to donate. The last time we entered in two baskets and they both went for close to \$200.00 dollars each at the auction .

Currently I have:

1 dog / paw print blanket  
1 hand made porceline dog food bowl  
1 grooming glove  
1 leash  
1 shedding block  
2 greyhound car decals

1 bottle of dog cologne  
2 dog toys

I would like to have a NS or NB tartan collar if possible and perhaps a bottle of wine.

If you think you can help please contact Jeanette Reynolds greyhnd@ns.sympatico.ca

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## Nova Scotia Hound Events

### Yarmouth Meet & Greet

June 13th 10 am - 4 pm Yarmouth Mall  
October 3rd 10 am - 4 pm Yarmouth Mall

Contact [judi\\_mallinson@yahoo.ca](mailto:judi_mallinson@yahoo.ca) if you can attend.  
Spots are from 10 - 2, 12 - 2, 2 - 4.



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**All Proceeds to the Sparkle Fund**

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### GPAC Recycling Program (Fundraiser)-NS

- Karen's Recycling** 805 Highway #7, Dartmouth, NS 435-7811
- Fader's Bottle Exchange**, 15 Sackville Cross Road, L Sackville, NS 864-4343
- Tanners Recycling**, 6393 Bayne St., Halifax, NS 454-4888
- Enviro Depot**, Water Street, Yarmouth
- Enviro Depot**, 12A Rosedale Ave, Dartmouth Nova Scotia



### GPAC Recycling Program - NL

**G**PAC Newfoundland has an account set up with Ever Green recycling-3 locations within the city of St. John's. All you do is when you bring in your returns, ask to have the money placed into the GPAC account.

Karen McDonald  
Fundraising Co-ordinator  
Greetings Everyone!

## Newsletter Submission Deadline Dates & Information

The Deadline for Submissions is: the **20th of each month** for the next issue. Any late submissions will go in the next issue.

The following are a list of technical requirements for e-mail submissions: I can accept:

- .jpg JPEG image format
- .tif Tiff image format (2 Meg max file size)
- .pdf Adobe Acrobat format
- .doc MS-Word files (without embedded images)
- .wpd Wordperfect file (no embedded photos or graphics)
- .doc Lotus Word Pro file (no embedded photos/graphics)

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### I Want to Make a Difference

1. I have enclosed my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 To help Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada place ex-racing greyhound s into adoptive homes and promote public awareness of greyhounds as pets.  
 To the "Sparkle Fund" to help pay veterinary costs for dogs that are returned to our program or those dogs coming off the track that need extra medical attention.  
 To the "Kennel Fund" to help GPAC realize their dream of a kennel to hold dogs coming off the track.  
 To the newsletter to help defray the costs of postage, copying, and supplies.
2. I am interested in more information on volunteering in my area.
3. I am interested in fostering a retired racing greyhound.

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