

Greymatters

Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada's Information Source

A Greyhound is never to busy to stop and smell the flowers



Hemi, black brindle, almost 9 years old, handsome as ever in front of "our" garden. He wades right in 'til I can't even see him and enjoys an after dinner "salad". It's also a cool place to lie down, many passersby are taken by surprise by this huge dog, previously well-hidden, emerging from the tiny little garden...but always with a wagging tail and a smile!

Lorna MacLean

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Editors Note

The Dog Day's of Summer are upon us. Stay safe, stay cool and enjoy the weather. Check out page 4 for ideas on keeping your Grey cool and "happy"during the warm weather.

Sue Locke

Telling the Same Greyhound Story

As we have a lot of new people volunteering for our meet and greets now, I thought it would be a good idea to resend this document for all of you to read through. It's also good for those times when we run into people on walks, as it has the basic information that people are asking for. Please stick to this info when talking with prospective adopters, and you can always refer them to our website for more info. www.gpac.ca

Thanks to all who have been volunteering, we greytly appreciate it!!

Lauren

It is very important to be consistent in the story that we tell new people. Here are some guidelines that we ask you follow:

1. The one thing about greyhounds is that you cannot let them off a leash outside of an enclosed area as they can run 45 miles an hour and if they decide to run away what would you do?? We know that you can train a dog but if a Grey gets spooked by a noise in the distance he will bolt

and then it will be very difficult to catch a dog running scared.

- 2. You cannot tie a Grey on as they can accelerate from 0-35 or 45 miles and hour in 4 strides and they could break their neck when they hit the end of the run.
- 3. Do you have a fenced back yard or a dog run as this alleviates the responsibility of having to take them out on a leash each time they wanted to relieve themselves.
- 4. Greyhounds are house pets. They love being with you. They are actually quite lazy and sleep a lot. People think that because they are racing dogs they are very aggressive and hyper... the opposite is true they actually are quite quiet and don't need a lot of exercise. They enjoy a walk and are already leash trained. For a run we take our dogs to a softball field once or twice a week and let them go (make sure that it is enclosed). They go off at top speed a couple of times around and then they are happy to go home.
- 5. NOTE: We have been getting the wrong thing out in some cases about greys and how they interact with small animals!!!!! Greyhounds live with all types of animals. The way our program works is that you can choose M or F but you cannot choose color. F range from 50 65 lbs but some can be larger and M range from 65 90 lbs. Males do tend to be a little more laid back. There are some greyhounds who would not be cat or small dog safe so we do not place these animals in homes with other smaller pets. This is no different than other breeds, there are some dogs who "as their instinct kicks in" just want to chase and be aggressive towards cats/small animals no different than a beagle and a rabbit. We would probably recommend a cat safe dog to a first time dog owner.
- 6. The process that we follow is that we have a short interview by phone and if you have not applied then we recommend that you put in an on-line application and then we chat and set up

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Advertise in Greymatters and reach your target market. We have hundreds of viewers every month all across Atlantic Canada and beyond.

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Cont'd from pg 2 a home visit. We bring a Grey or 2 to your home so that you can see the size of the dog and also you can see how children or other pets will react to the new dog. We try to fit the temperament of the dog to your home environment. If you have other pets we ask for a vet reference. Greys live with all types of animals and are very good with children.

- 7. Greyhounds make greyt family pets and children need to be taught how to properly interact with a dog to ensure the transition runs smoothly. Greyhounds have never lived with children, and while they are a gentle breed by nature, like any dog they may not appreciated being teased, etc. We assess each family on an individual basis and people with very young children need to consider whether "any dog" will fit into their household at that time.
- 8. The hardest thing for a greyhound to get used to is staying alone. We do have owners who work for 8 hrs a day but that is the ceiling on being alone. Greyhounds love to be with people and other dogs and it is scary for them to be left alone in a house at first. We do recommend that from the first day you build your greyhound up to being alone by leaving for just a few minutes first and then returning to let him know that you will come back and then increase the time. We will tell you how to go about this to make sure that it will be an easy transition for you.
- 9. We can't say that Greys are house broken because they have never been in a house but they are on a strict schedule at the track and if you stick to it then it should not be a problem to house train.
- 10. Greyhounds have very little doggie odour as they do not have the body fat that secretes the sweat glands to produce the odour. They do shed a little especially when losing their winter and summer coat but they do not shed like a retriever or a Dalmation even

- 11. They eat about 4 cups of good quality (meat as one of first ingredients) kibble a day, 2 in the morning and 2 in the evening.
- 12. You will probably have to teach your greyhound to walk up stairs, as they have never seen them and they so not know what to do. We will show you how to teach them.
- 13. The cost of a Grey hound adoption: We charge nothing for the dog itself. There is a \$275 vet fee for your dog and it will arrive being spayed/neutered all of it's'needles, heartworm tested, dewormed, and teeth scaled. We do not even break even on this fee. This will get your dog into Halifax. You are responsible for getting your dog here and we recommend if you know anyone flying that they can pout the dog on as access baggage for less that \$50. If you don't know anyone then we try to help out if we can. We usually book a seat sale ticket and then split the cost of the ticket between 4 owners, as this is the most that a flight can take. Usually from \$150 \$200. Air Canada otherwise wants to charge \$350 for air cargo
- 14. We know that this is a lot of info about greyhounds but we do try to be very thorough as part of the contract that you sign is that if you are not able to keep the dog at some point then the dog comes back to us to place again. We would like the first home to be the right home for these dogs.
- 15. We usually tell people to discuss it with family members and then let us know if you would like us to process, If you are already convinced that you would like to proceed we will have someone give you a call to set up a home visit that is convenient for you.
- 16. Thank you very much for considering a greyhound they do make fabulous pets.!! Also you are saving an animals life whether you adopt a greyhound or from the SPCA it is great to save an animal.



You Have Got to Be Kidding!

Titus really does not seem to like his cool new boots.

Angela Collicutt

Cool Treats for Greyhounds

Por anyone that might not be aware, most Greyhounds love ice cubes. These make a cool treat on a hot day. While your enjoying a cool one on the deck, so can your Greys. For variety, we make beef or chicken "sicles" from bullion packets. Just follow the directions on the package, put in ice cube trays and allow to freeze. These will help to cool your hound when the day is hot. Low fat too! There are even bone shaped ice cube trays out there for the real "beefsicle" connoisseur.

Just a word of caution - do not prepare your cocktail in sight of the hound! They might think the ice cube in your drink is theirs, and we all know how fast Greyhounds are! Also, use a different type of ice cube tray for the Grey's, beef flavored gin and tonic isn't very good!!

Submitted by Belinda & Stephen Gurnham



PAW PRINTS FOR GREY'T PALS - ORDER FORM

Family Name
Hound Name 1
Hound Name 2
Hound Name 3

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY - STAMP INK WILL BE PERMANENT

Please include cash, check or money order payable to GPAC

Send to: GPAC PO Box 38203 Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X2

All Proceeds to the Sparkle Fund

Newfoundland Hound News

Well, it's been a very busy few months for GPAC here in Newfoundland! With two shipments of dogs from Halifax, we have welcomed 14 beautiful new greyhounds into our province already this year! And with more planned to arrive very soon, this could be a record year for greyhound adoption in Newfoundland!! Thanks to all of you who have been helping out with home visits, and to all the new adopters, I'd like to say Welcome to the wonderful world of greyhounds!!

We have also been busy with meet and greets here this year, we've had 5 meet and greets at the Village Mall already, and one at our flea market fundraiser as well. We also have an exciting meet and greet planned for Regatta Day at Critters and Things pet store in Mount Pearl. On top of the other Village Mall dates that we have booked, we are hoping to get into Kent for a day before the end of September, as well as holding another Meet and Greet in Bowring Park before the weather turns cold again! I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who participates in the meet and greets, and remind you all that we do a prize draw for the participants of each one, as well as keeping a points tally for all of you, which can be used at the end of the year to purchase something from our store inventory! If you are interested in helping out with any meet and greets in Newfoundland, please email me at lauren@nl.rogers.com

As for the fundraising side of things, we had a very successful flea market here in June. A huge thank you goes to Blair Ryan for coordinating this event, and to all of you who helped by donating items, picking them up, setting it up, pricing, and everything else that went into that day! You all did a greyt job, let's keep it up!!

A reminder too that we have a GPAC account set up with all the Evergreen Recycling depots in St. John's, so if you have some bottles and cans to get rid of, bring them there and donate the money to GPAC! Also, if you want us to pick up your recyclables for you, please e-mail lauren@nl.rogers.com or bryan@nl.rogers.com and we'll coordinate things. Or, if you collect recyclables at your office, we can arrange to pick them up from there too!

Finally, we have a couple of more things happening in August. First of all Anne Squires, one of our new adopters, has offered to donate the proceeds from her Exit Realty booth at the Regatta to GPAC, so if you're down by the lake on Regatta Day, don't forget to drop by the booth and try your chances! Thank you Anne for your support, we're glad to have you on board! And last, but certainly not least, is our Annual Greyhound Picnic, which is coming on August 28 from 12:00-4:00 pm at the Swiler's Rugby Club on Crosbie Road in St. John's. For those of you who have never been to our picnics, this is the biggest greyhound event of the year in Newfoundland! We will have an auction, bbq, greyhound games, GPAC saleables, nail clippings for the dogs, face painting for the kids, and much more!!! Thanks to Lisa Morrissey for taking on this huge job for 2005, and thanks to all of you who are helping out with donations and everything else! If you want any more information on the picnic, or would like to help in any way, please contact Lisa at lisa.morrissey@nf.sympatico.ca

Well, that's about all I can think of right now, although I'm sure I'm forgetting something, as we have so much going on!! Thanks again to all of you volunteers here in Newfoundland, we really couldn't do any of this without you! I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer, and I'll see you all at the picnic!!

Lauren Cheeseman

Let GPAC Know!

Due to some organizational changes within GPAC the "Let VRP Know" will now be referred to as "Let GPAC Know". Please contact Melissa Ruginski. mruginski@yahoo.com

2005 Annual Newfoundland Greyhound Picnic

It's going to be a good one, so set aside the date now!

WHEN: Sunday, August 28th from 12PM - 4PM

WHERE: Swiler's Rugby Club, Crosbie Road

WHO: All you Greyhound owners, and anyone else who'd like to drop in! (Sorry, no other breeds of dogs permitted!)

WHY: To have some fun, and see everyone, and raise some funds!!

HOW: Only with lots of help! We are still looking for items for our Silent Auction to make our fundraising efforts a success.

Remember, we do have an official letter requesting donations for those businesses or individuals who require them, so let me know if you need one and I will gladly email one to you. As well, we are a registered charity, and therefore can issue tax receipts for the value of the donation for those who need them, so be sure to mention that when requesting donations! Finally, be sure to record the name and address of the donors so that we can properly thank all who donated items.

If you need donation items picked up, please let me know and I will arrange it. As well, those of you with items beginning to pile up at your homes, let me know and I can come and get them!

Thanks so much everyone for your wonderful cooperation and assistance so far! I'm looking forward to seeing you and your hound(s) next month!

Lisa Morrissey 722-7560 lisa.morrissey@nf.sympatico.ca

Hound Days in Newfoundland

Hound Day for the Newfoundland Branch never ends in Musquodobit Harbour. It usually involves coordinating volunteers and flights and ensuring that dogs get transported to the airport. Volunteers and new families are here to receive them on this side. We are always looking for help to get the dogs to the Halifax airport and have to say a special thank-you to Cheryl Sinnott who has always offered to help us with that. Last hound day she drove six dogs on three separate trips to the airport, some needing to be there by 6am!!. Thanks so much, we REALLY appreciate what you do for this branch. We couldn't continue to place the dogs here without your help.

Lynanne

GPAC Recycling Program - NL

I wanted to send this message as I realize we now probably have quite a few new members and I haven't got to do much with this program since I initially

set it up. For anyone who doesn't know we have an account set up with Ever Green recycling-3 locations within the city. All you do is when you bring in your returns, ask to have the money placed into the GPAC account....it's that simple. I know we are well over 100 members so even if we donated some of that money it could most certainly add up. I have been giving some thought to ways in which we could increase this fundraising and am putting together a list of some companies that I may approach to see if they might donate recyclables to us. I also may be organizing several recycling blitz days where we could focus on picking up recycling from you, family and friends or even work places...I will keep you posted. I wanted to also ask you for your help with regards to any ideas you might have, companies we could approach or even just collecting from your workplaces...every little bit helps. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas or comments you may have. I could use your help with this one. Thank you.

Blair Ryan Fundraising Co-ordinator Greetings Everyone!

Congratulations and thank you to the Pope family who adopted Eddie Action this past weekend.

Welcome to world of greyhounds and good luck!!!

A special thank you to Judy and Quinton who took in Eddie as a foster and made his adoption possible for that reason!! We hope you continue to foster with GPAC as you are truly an asset.

Thanks Lynanne

Nova Scotia Hound News

Congratulations to Milo the cutest Pirate ever and Winner of Yarmouth's Gpac Seafest Parade Costume contest !!!! The folks at Paper Trails Office Supplies were kind enough to do the judging for us. Milo Needham who lives with his Mom and Dad Sheri and Mike and his skin brother Jared will be recieving a beautiful greyhound trophy given by the VRP !!!!



Milo

Thanks to everyone for dressing their hounds, they were awsome....you can see pictures of all the hounds in costume on the gpac site, go into "Chat" then into "Files" and look in the Yar Seafest 05 folder. Present were Abby, Diana, Milo, Ramrod, Loosie, Ollie, Cisco, Luka, Prancer and Maggie...Chaz rode in the van and was host to Cisco, Loosie and Prancer for awhile. Quade went in the parade with the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs to represent the grey's in that program.

Thanks for braving the heat on July 16th for the parade you guys.

Coming up...

August 4th at the Yarmouth Exhibition...gpac will have a booth from 2pm until 9pm,

Currently we have: 2pm till 4pm... Diana

2pm till 5 pm..Luka 6pm till 9pm... Ollie

so we can use a few more hounds if your available, I'm

sure to have one free entrance ticket per family and usually this is bracelet day at the EX so a good chance to get in free.

August 6th Scallop Days Parade, still waiting on the entry form for this one after finally reaching this lady twice....hopefully it's in the mail this time.

This parade route is very short but lots of people.

If your interested in this parade or the exhibition booth please call or email me and I'll be sure to update you with the details.

Welcome To: Also we'd like to send out welcomes to "Mathias" Dukeshire and "Ritzy" Henneberry. Congratulations on your new family members.

judi_mallinson@yahoo.ca 648-2717

Oh and remember to contact Colette Cottreau 663-2292 to purchase or sell tickets on those awsome baskets packed full of everything you can imagine...one stop shopping !!!!!

[Check out page 9 for a full description of those wonderful baskets]

Enjoy the summer folks, Judi

please... if you have organized or are planning on organizing an event in another province or city, please forward the information to Susan Locke (greymatters@straylight.ca) for the monthly newsletter and also to Cheryl Sinnott (gpacmcs@hfx.eastlink.ca) so she can spread the word to the members.

Meet & Greet Schedule



GPAC Recycling Program (Fundraiser) -NS

People may or may not know that your cans & bottles can raise money for GPAC. For the last several months, there has been accounts set up at 3 different recycling depots throughout the HRM. We also encourage any of the branches to follow suit if they are not doing so already. All you have to do is contact your local recycling center and ask them to set up an account. Then anyone can designate that their recycling return can to go to GPAC. In Dartmouth we have raised over \$60 so far. It could be a lot more!! The following locations have accounts set up. Please consider donating your recycling to GPAC.

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 Lady Hammond Rd,

Halifax, NS 454-4888

Enviro Depot, Water Street, Yarmouth

Enviro Depot, 12A Rosedale Ave, Dartmouth

Nova Scotia

All Meet & Greets are scheduled from 10am-4pm except where noted. We are always looking for volunteers to come out and donate a couple of hours of their time to educate the public on these wonderful dogs. A lot of people are not aware that a greyhound adoption program exists in the Atlantic Provinces. The more exposure the dogs get, the better the chances will be of placing more dogs. The malls are a great way to get that exposure. Mall meets are the number one source of new adopters. So if anyone who would like to come out and help, here are the contacts:

August 20 - Mic Mac Mall, Dartmouth September 24 - Bedford Place, Bedford October 15 - Yarmouth Mall, Yarmouth October 22 - Sunnyside Mall, Bedford November 19 - Halifax Shopping Center, Halifax

Contacts:

<u>For Halifax Meet & Greets</u>:Please call Cheryl Sinnott at Home: 435-1099, Fax: 435-0415, Cell: 471-6973 or e-mail fastdog1@ns.sympatico.ca

<u>For Yarmouth Meet & Greets:</u>Please call Judi Mallinson at 648-2717 or e-mail judi_mallinson@yahoo.ca

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Attention! Yarmouth Area Greyhounds

Yarmouth Area Greyhounds will be walking every Wednesday night at 6:30pm, meeting at the Tims/Wendies Train Station, we can walk the Water Front route or Main Street depending on the wind/weather. There is no cancellation for these walks, it's by choice, you decide if the weather is not suitable for you and your hound(s). Sometimes there may be only one family or a dozen or more but regardless your puppy will appreciate the walk. If you need pamplets to pass out on your Summer walks be sure to ask me for some. When the ticks die down we can head back out to Ellen Wood park again and maybe try some of the local trails as well on a Sunday Afternoon. Put on your walking shoes and pack the poop bags :-) Lets have some fun with the hounds...

Enjoy your Summer Everyone, Judi

Yarmouth GPAC Basket Raffle!!!!!

For Tickets to buy or sell please call Colette Cottreau at 902-663-2292 or email her at pcottreau@hotmail.com
Draw date is **October 15th, 2005** at the Yarmouth Mall 4pm...right after the meet n greet :-)
Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00!!!!
Just think of how quickly you can finish your Christmas shopping if you win one of these baskets...!!! oh and the greyhound watch is a must have item!!!!!



Basket #1 \$250.00 value

Both baskets contain a bottle of K-9 shine - not shown

Raffel Donators:

A big thankyou goes out to the following businesses for their donation(s).(Basket #1 \$250.00 value)

- 1. *Feeds n Needs* Bird Feeder, bird seed, \$ 30.00 gift certificate and dog food.
- 2. Ellis Print- Pen and Paper
- 3. *Hillside Tack Shop & Pet Store-* \$15.00 Gift Certificate
- 4. Atlantic Super Store \$10.00 Gift Certificate.
- 5. Catherine's Hair Care- Shampoo
- 6. Lazer's K-9 shine- 2 500ml bottles
- 7. Credit Union Travel Mug

Thankyou to friends of the greyhounds for their donations. (Basket #2 \$150.00 value)

- 1. Fannie Bourque-Doilly, coasters and candle
- 2. Yvonne Cottreau- wallet and tea towel
- 3. Gayle & Rick Owen- Greyhound watch !!!!!
- 4. Rea Saunier- chocolates
- 5. Sheri & Mike Needham- cookbook.
- 6. Una Cottreau- ceramic dog
- 7. Hotcoats4coolHounds-small dog coat
- 8. Lazer's k-9 shine 500ml bottle



Basket #2 150.0 value

Meet Our Greyhound



Titus

Istarted to volunteer with GPAC last April after I met my very first greyhound at a Meet & Greet in the Halifax Shopping Centre. I had gone to the mall with the sole purpose of getting my engagement ring inspected and when I came out of the jewelry store and around the corner, I saw some of the sweetest dogs I've ever seen and one of them was looking right at me! Being the softie I am for animals and a sucker for dogs especially, I went over to the booth to give this cute big black teddy bear a pet and a hug, despite the fact that I am allergic to most animals including dogs.

I spoke to the woman who owned him and asked what kind of dog he was. She explained he was a greyhound and then began to explain a little bit about GPAC. I was half listening to her because my attention had been caught up in these big brown eyes and whiny little voice (he'd start to whine when I slowed down the petting). After a minunte of two I decided I need to really hear what she was saying so I came out of La-La Land (this little man really had my attention) and asked her a few questions. She explained that greyhounds are happy in apartments and most people who were allergic to dogs weren't allergic to greyhounds because of the lack of oil in their skin. I was amazed to learn this and a little thought began to bloom in my head... what if I could adopt one of these gorgeous dogs? My hus-

band and I wanted to buy a house anyway and this would be all the more reason to get out of the apartment faster (we weren't allowed dogs in the apartment at that point) and I could have a wonderful companion to keep me company, make me get out and get some exercise, and save one of these dog's lives if we did adopt one. My mind was made up and I decided to get my husband involved.

On the way out of the mall, I decided to put the "most people aren't allergic to greyhounds" challenge to the test. I figured if I wasn't actually allergic to these dogs I would speak to my husband about adopting one of these guys. So, I took my hands (which had been petting this greyhound for about 10 minutes) and rubbed them all over my face and even inhaled deeply so as to see if what I had been told would hold true with me. My allergies are pretty sensitive so this would be the true test. I was amazed when I didn't even sneeze and continued for the rest of the evening to not have a single reaction to the fur and dander!

I made a point of finding out when the next Meet & Greet was and where it was so I could take my husband. After a few minutes of convincing him as we drove to the Bedford Place Mall that greyhounds weren't rambunctous or ugly skinny puppies (as he had thought though he'd never actually seen one in real life), he fell utterly in Cont'd on pg. 11

cont'd from pg. 10 love with a gorgeous greyhound named Steve (Melissa & Dave's dog) and from there it was decided we were really going to do this.

We decided to get involved with volunteering before we

made a final decision (though I think the decision had been made all along, haha!) and would even go out on weekends when there were no new greyhounds in the kennel just so we could walk Jeanette's dogs. Indy stole my heart because he was a dream on the leash and such a cuddle monster and Darby really took a liking to Eden because of her "ham it up" personality. Tigger and Macy were precious as well but we didn't walk them as much because of their conditions.

Darby would go to sea for weeks or months at a time and I would volunteer my spare time to Hound Days, tending to the new greys and visiting

Jeanette's puppers as the months went by. Then came the opportunity to buy a house this year and suddenly we were looking at adopting our very own greyhound! I was SO excited when Jeanette told me that they'd found a greyhound who would match our current living conditions and future plans! I immediately started thinking of names and then an email came from her revealing a little detail about our new baby! The only thing we had asked for was that the dog be a very large male. After a week and a half, we came up with the name Titus which means "giant" or "to be giant" in Greek. Titus was to be laid back and gentle and very large so we thought this name was quite suiting. We made arrangements with Jeanette to have her organize a foster for him until we moved into our new home a few months later.

5 days before Titus arrived, Darby had to go back to sea so unfortunately he never got to meet our new dog on Hound Day in April '05. I was there though and with bells on too! I couldn't even sleep the night before Titus was to arrive because I was so ramped up about being able to hug my very own special puppy! When he finally did come into the kennel pen I didn't even recognize him because he was supposed to be red in colour so I kept looking for a red one. I was standing with another volunteer when this beautiful ash coloured fawn came sauntering in and the two of us asked one another if perhaps that was him. He came by us

and we took a look at his collar and sure enough, this was my baby boy!

People kept commenting on how unique his coloring was or how cool he looked because he was so different and

although I tried to pay no notice, I couldn't help but feel some pride because he was mine! We all like to hear how beautiful our dogs are and now I knew how that felt first hand. He was so calm and would look at me when I whispered in his ears... almost as though he knew I was going to give him the best rest of his life! I don't think he knew just how spoiled he'd be though, haha!

It was his birthday as well that day so I bought him a collar (even before actually seeing him and knowing how it would look on him) for a birthday/gotcha day present. Once I slipped it onto his neck he seemed to know we would be together forever and

would come back to me if I called and gestured at him in the kennel. It was the most amazing feeling knowing that I was adopting one very needy animal who would be grey'tful for the rest of his life that I was there to give him a home.

It has been 3 months now since he was adopted and I have stayed close with the people who fostered him. I was lucky enough to be allowed to bring him home to our apartment and only was able to do so because we will be moving out at the end of this month. The supers knew I would be alone as my husband was at sea and knew I had planned on visiting Titus 3 days a week at his foster home until we moved into our new place.

He has been a tremendous joy and comfort since he's come home and was a perfect foster for Jon & Christine as well. He made friends with their greyhound, Lily and we now have play dates and visits occassionally.

I continue to volunteer with the Kennel and GPAC events because I think it's important that as much people as possible are made aware of what wonderful dogs these guys are. Titus has made my great life wonderful and if I can give thanks by helping make more people aware of the joy this breed has to offer, then I want to do it as much as possible.

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cont'd from pg. 11 So thank you GPAC and Jeanette for allowing me to be owned by a grey-hound. I wouldn't have it any other way!

I hope this story put a smile on your face... it does mine every time I think back.

Angela Collicutt

This space could be yours!
Advertise in Greymatters
All profits go directly to
Greyhound Pets
of Atlantic Canada

Quilt Raffle

1st Prize



Yes! There are tickets left.

Draw date is September 18, 2005.

Tickets are \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00.

Anyone who wants tickets or would like to sell tickets please contact Terry Goodyer at terryg@ns.sympatico.ca

These prizes would look just as good in Newfoundland as in Nova Scotia so empty out the change purse or have a look under the sofa cushions.

Good Luck

2nd Prize





3rd Prize

List of Donators to GPAC Kennel & Upcoming Fundraising Events

- Vincent Strangio greyhound t-shirt
- Grey't Art 2 sets of greyound gift cards
- Judith A. Brody Greyhound note cards
- **Janey Anderson** of Spokane Washington 3 greyhound pen & ink pictures
- **Joan Watts of Dog-E-Designs** 2 greyhound t-shirts (these are for the dogs see pg. 10 & 11)

Thank you all for your kind donations.

As a thank-you to our donators we will be giving them a free ad in upcoming editions of Greymatters.

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

1. I have enclosed my donation of \$ -

- •.doc MS-Word files (without embedded images)
- •.wpd Wordperfect file (no embedded photos or graphics)

•.doc Lotus Word Pro file (no embedded photos or graphics)

CANNOT ACCEPT COREL DRAW FILES or IMAGES EMBEDDED IN WORD DOCUMENTS.

Send your submissions to:

E-mail greymatters@straylight.ca Or snail mail to:

Greymatters

c/o Susan Locke

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	To help Greyhound Pe	ets of Atlantic	Canada place	ex-racing	greyhound s in	to adoptive	homes and	promote	public av	vareness
of grev	hounds as nets									

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.

Name —————		
Address		
City———	Prov. ———	Postal Code ———
Phone #	E-mail ———	

Send to: Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada. PO Box 38203, Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X2

Please make cheques payable to "Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada." Tax receipts issued for all donations of \$10.00 or more.