

The official newsletter of Greyhound Pets, Inc.



## A Letter from the Editor

Hello!!

Hope you all have had a great summer. At our house, it's been all about getting ready to go back to school. It'll be great to get the kids (skin and fur!) back on a schedule. My dogs are more than grumpy when someone interrupts their 8 hours of beauty sleep during the day.

I had a great time helping with a load of dogs from Kansas, and taking pictures of a load from Arizona, some of which will grace future issues. Since many of those dogs have already been adopted, you may see your pup in our newsletter!!

We are coming into a busy season for Greyhound Pets, Inc. with fun stuff like the Tri-Cities Picnic on September 16th and Houndraiser on October 15th.

The membership meeting and elections were held September 9th. If you are a member, I hope you attended the meeting, or at the very least, sent in your proxy. It is an important part of being a member. Please contact your local VP to find out about becoming a member.

Houndraiser is our largest fundraiser of the year!! After a year's sabbatical, we're back in the "Cow Barn" Pavilion at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds, and it's a great time for all, human and hound. There will be stuff to do (doggie games, costume contest, visiting) and things to buy (mostly Greyhound related, of course!). Bring your Greyhounds (sorry, but other breeds need to stay home!) and your wallet. Bid high on our fabulous silent and LIVE auction items. I always go home broke, and my dogs come home happy and tired from meeting and greeting their fellow Greyhounds. If you haven't experienced a large group of Greyhounds, you need to be at Houndraiser. It will be Sunday, October 15th. Check out the web-page (check the calendar) and see many of the items that will be auctioned, as well as some of the vendors who will be attending. You will not regret coming to Houndraiser.

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## Your Greyhound's Health

*Note from the editor:*

Another timely message from one who has been there. Lorean Love wrote this great article on tick disease. Although we may not see too many ticks around our area, many of our dogs come from areas with ticks, and we all need to be aware of these nasty side effects from a tick bite. Thanks, Lorean, for sharing your story and knowledge with Greyhound Pets, Inc. adopters.

### **Tick Borne Disease: What Every Family Owning an Ex-racer Should Know**

As owners, it is our responsibility to look out for the well being of our hounds. Most of us find our greatest fears are of the unknown. With tick borne disease (TBD) this statement, fearing the unknown, holds a great deal of truth. With knowledge, comes the power to help our dogs live longer, healthier lives. TBD is treatable, but only if you have the knowledge that your dog has been exposed. Please test your dogs, and take the time to understand the test results.

Our dogs are not native to this area. Many have traveled widely. In doing so, an unfortunately large percentage have been exposed to TBD. Some will fight off the infection with no one being any wiser, some will not live their lives to their fullest potential, because they are not as healthy as they could be, due to their bodies constantly fighting off disease. Others will die, some quickly, some slowly.

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# Letter from the Editor

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Houndraiser still needs volunteers and donations, so please check out the website and go to the Houndraiser link for the different areas that need help, as well as where you can donate great items!

We are also coming up on Salmon Days!! If you've never been to this outdoor community festival, you haven't lived. Bob Burnett always does a great job recruiting volunteers who like to schmooze about their dogs for a few hours, and dogs who like to lean on passers-by. It rained last year, which means it'll be hot and sunny this year. Let Bob Burnett know if you'd be interesting in a shift promoting Greyhounds in Issaquah the first weekend of October (yumibob@comcast.net).

If you're in the Tri-Cities area, there will be a picnic on Sept 16th. Check the GPI webpage calendar for details and directions.

Thanksgiving is coming faster than I want to admit, and I just want to post a warning...please discard of your turkey carcass far, far from where your dogs could possibly get at it...one of mine got a chicken carcass, and although he came through it ok, it was a potential surgical visit. Other things like aluminum foil, and rich desserts need to be put up high, or in a cabinet as well (did you know these dogs are TALL?). Please be careful with holiday decorations and candles as well. We want all of you and your pups to stay SAFE.

Please enjoy this issue. It has great tips to keep on hand if your dog gets loose, and a FABULOUS article on tick disease from one who's been there. Great information.

Till next time,  
Janice

## The Greyt Escape

By Jack Richardson

The Greyhound is intelligent (spelled 'tricky'), athletic (spelled 'really fast'), and curious (spelled 'nosy snoop'). That means if allowed the slightest opportunity, a hound can escape and go prancing about the neighborhood unescorted. Escapes happen more often than you might think. If your hound pulls off the Greyt Escape, your calm calculating wit will be the best tool for recapture, not your speed on foot.

If all the usual tricks and methods of early recapture fail and you lose sight of your sight hound, then it is time for the 'All Points Bulletin'. Alert the troops, get help. Call the GPI toll free number (1-877-468-7681) and in a short time volunteers in your area can be alerted to be on the lookout for your hound. Many volunteers will mobilize to join you in an area search.

When there is an escape, communications become very important. The more people who can know about the escape, the more people who can be on the look-out and assist in recapture. GPI maintains a listing of all GPI dogs and their owners. That list is used when trying to reunite an escaped hound with the owner family. Recently there have been cases where contact information was inaccurate or incomplete, making the return effort more difficult.

Much of the contact information in GPI's owner listing was recorded when cell phones and email addresses were less common. Additionally, many adopters have moved or changed work or home phone numbers. These factors can be overcome by occasional updating of the owners list.

To insure rapid communications in the event that your hound pulls off a Greyt Escape, you should update your information on GPI's list. The following form lists identification and communication items necessary in any effort to restore an escapee to the safe and secure confines of the adoptive home. Please cut out the form, fill in all the needed information (please print neatly) and mail it to GPI at the address on the next page.

Mail to:  
Greyhound Pets, Inc.  
P.O. Box 891  
Woodinville, WA 98072

This simple effort and the investment of a postage stamp will ensure that your contact information is accurate and complete.

If you would like to be included in search and return efforts that may arise in your area, please check the "Puppy Posse Participant" box on the form.

Of course the most important piece of hound apparel is the GPI tag. The tag will identify the dog by tag number and it also has GPI's toll free number on it. If you need a new GPI ID tag for your hound, contact Moira Corrigan through the contact number listed on the GPI web site. If you would like to keep an additional tag with your name and home phone number on your hounds collar to provide an extra level of identification that is fine but please always keep the GPI ID tag on your hound.

Thank you for your generous support and participation in the effort to find "Forever Homes" for ex-racing Greyhounds. Ensure your hounds wear their GPI tag and remember to keep the gate closed.....

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GPI Greyhound adopter's contact information update form (Please print neatly)

Date:

Dog's name (what you now call your dog):

GPI Tag Number/s:

Your first name:

Your last name:

Street address:

City:

State/Province:

Zip Code:

US or Canada:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Work Phone:

Other Phone:

Primary email address:

Secondary email address if any:

Name and Phone of secondary emergency contact person if any:

\_\_\_\_\_ I volunteer to be a Puppy Posse Participant.

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Join our greyhound pets e-mail/chat list.

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PO Box 891  
Woodinville, WA 98072**

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## Greyhound Pets, Inc. Needs YOU!!

We're looking for a few good men and women!! We always need volunteers, in every capacity. Have you ever considered volunteering? You don't have to run a Meet & Greet, or foster a dog (although we need those too!).

Of course, our greatest need is for foster homes...of all kinds. Do you have a cat or a small dog? Many of the dogs we get in are safe with your small pets. Please don't use this as a reason not to foster. Even for short term, it's nice to get dogs out of the kennel and into a loving home.

We love to have helpers at Meet & Greets! You can do this even if you don't have a dog, or if your dog doesn't enjoy the hubbub of a pet store. Bring a kennel dog! Come along just to talk up these wonderful animals, and meet new friends! There can never be TOO many hands at a booth!! This is only a 3 hour commitment!!

If you know of some new and wonderful places to hold our Meet & Greets, please let your Regional Vice President know. We're always looking for new venues to showcase our Greyhounds, and get the word out.

Contact your regional rep to VOLUNTEER!!

### **For British Columbia**

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1-877-468-7681

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Stuff you need to know!!



## Contact Greyhound Pets, Inc.

Please address snail mail correspondence to:  
Greyhound Pets, Inc.  
PO Box 891  
Woodinville, WA 98072



## Have you moved?

If you have, please contact your Regional Vice President (see Page 4 for a complete list).

Thanks for helping keep GPI's database current!!



## Returning your Greyhound

**Please remember, if for any reason you cannot or do not want to keep your greyhound, it MUST be returned to Greyhound Pets, Inc.**

Finding a loving greyhound home for your dog should be handled by someone who understands the needs of these great animals. Contact us at 1-877-468-7681.



## Have a great story idea for The Bark?

Contact the editors...email your stories and story ideas to:  
[walterandrosy@hotmail.com](mailto:walterandrosy@hotmail.com)



## Is Your Greyhound Pets, Inc. ID Tag Current?

Have you received a new ID tag for each of your greyhounds? Please take a moment to look at the GPI tag on your hound to make sure it has the new toll free phone number. If you haven't received new tags, or want to check, call 1-877-468-7681. Or write to us at Greyhound Pets Inc., New Tags, PO Box 891, Woodinville, WA 98072. Please include the name and tag # for each dog.

Why is the GPI tag important? If your greyhound gets lost, the toll free number can be called and you can get your dog back faster. Plus, if you've moved and haven't updated your phone/address tag, then our toll free number could be the only way your greyhound is safely returned to you.

Please keep your dog's tags current and update GPI about any phone or address changes. Thank you!

# Fabulous Foster Stories

By Mary Anne Marble

We fostered a feisty and tiny little girl greyhound about two and a half years ago. We absolutely fell in love with her, and Holly (all names have been changed to protect the adorable) seemed to want to crawl into our skin to be as close to us as possible. She never left our side, except to try to eat our cats. Holly was totally zeroed in on ridding her house of cat varmints. So despite wanting to adopt Holly, we found her an adoptive home without cats and tearfully said goodbye. About a month later, we got a phone call from the adopter who needed to return Holly because she was soiling the rug, barking, destroying furniture, and generally just being obnoxious.

We picked Holly up and sorrowfully handed her off to another foster family, this one without cats. Again Holly was quickly adopted, this time to someone I knew in a prior job. I didn't feel good about the adoption, as I had some misgivings about the adopter. I was right -- Holly was returned within a few days for the same reasons given by the prior adopter, plus Holly had supposedly snapped at her little boy.

So Holly was again fostered by yet another family, also without cats. When that foster family went on vacation, there were no foster homes available to take our rebounding girl so we took her in and locked the cats away in a safe room until a foster home opened back up. Holly was ecstatic to be back in our home, and made that abundantly clear.

We are convinced that Holly had chosen us as her humans the first time she set a dainty little foot into our home, and sabotaged both adoptive situations in order to return to HER house. On her third bounce back to us, it was almost as if our fierce little cat hunter sighed, looked at us, and said "okay, I'll leave the cats alone if I can stay here with you." So we took her at her word and failed fostering 101 (yet again). And Holly now sleeps between my husband and myself with her head resting on our pillows, with two cats sleeping next to her warm tummy.



## When to Test

We believe it is important to test all dogs as they come off the track. In an ideal world, we would like to see them tested again, six to nine months after coming off the track or farm. If their exposure came at the end of their career, they may not have had a chance to develop antibodies if tested straight off the track. However, given a period of time, some will later develop antibodies when their immune system kicks in.

You may think, why not wait a few months and then test? The concern would be letting a tick borne disease get a few more months' foothold on your dog's health. Some greyhounds are retired because they are slowing down. It may be TBD that is slowing them down.

## How to Test

The test for tick borne disease is a simple blood draw for your greyhound. The test measures antibodies for the diseases. The measurement is in the form of a *titer*, which can range from 1:20 to 1:1,000,000.

Any vet can perform the blood draw. However, we recommend one laboratory to perform the test: ProtaTek Reference Laboratory in Chandler, Arizona. You will find more information about ProtaTek by following the web links at the end of this article.

## Considering Costs

The cost of the test is about \$150 to \$200 for a four-disease panel. During GPI's annual tick disease testing clinic, the cost is about \$82 for four tests plus an add on for Valley Fever. Testing for tick borne disease can be expensive compared to other blood tests, but it is often far less expensive than trying to figure out what is wrong when a dog becomes ill. Testing and treating while a dog is apparently healthy is by far the most economical way to go. Early testing and treatment are also best for the health of your greyhound - with TBD, it is sometimes too late once a dog begins displaying symptoms.

## The Diseases and Deceptive Symptoms

The two most common TBDs in retired racing greyhounds are Ehrlichia and Babesiosis. Others are Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. Another similar disease, though not tick-borne, is Valley Fever. The tick test panel performed by ProtaTek tests for the first four of these diseases and you may request an additional test for Valley Fever.

The symptoms of TBD can be deceiving. TBD symptoms may mimic many other diseases. Because our local veterinarians may not be experienced in dealing with TBD, they may not know to look for tick borne disease as the cause of the ailments. Some symptoms can also be disguised as normal behavior within a stereotype. We can do our dogs a disfavor by telling everyone they are couch potatoes. Yes, our dogs are mellow dogs, but they are dogs. They should run and play at times. Sometimes the quiet dogs are dogs that simply do not feel well. Some, but not all, of the symptoms of tick borne diseases include: lethargy, no stamina, diarrhea, stiffness and pain in neck and back, loss of appetite, pale gums.

## Treatment and Low Titers

Drug therapy treatment for tick borne disease is effective and relatively inexpensive. The particular drug used depends on the disease diagnosed.

If your dog does test positive to exposure to a tick borne disease or valley fever, it is up to you, the owner, to be your dog's advocate. This is especially important in the case of a low titer. A low titer shows exposure, but dogs with a low titer may or may not be having blatant symptoms. Many vets advise against drug therapy when the titer is low. Many vets inexperienced in TBD and its treatment are not anxious to treat with drugs they normally don't use or carry.

We all want to trust and believe in our vets. We do, and should, respect their education and experience, but remember: your dog is YOUR dog. You may have more knowledge in certain areas than your vet. They can't be experts in everything. Educate yourself, and then work with your vet.

There are many cases where owners have requested treatment for a dog that tests with a low titer when a vet is advising against treatment. Because of our experience with the GPI tick testing clinics, we hear how a "total couch potato" dog with a low titer, not obviously displaying symptoms of being ill, becomes suddenly healthier, more energetic after drug therapy.



## A Personal View

Our plea for you to test your hounds comes from the heart and our own experience. We lost our first greyhound, Tigger, to TBD. We were owned by and loved Tigger for two and a half years. She was a happy and healthy sweetheart. A friend who owned greyhounds asked me about six weeks prior to Tigger's death, if we had tick tested Tigger. I told my friend, that we had had Tigger for over two years and she was the picture of health. Six weeks later, Tigger was gone and our lives changed forever. I've never forgiven myself for not stopping and listening to my friend.

Two weeks after losing Tigger (June 1998), we adopted Dave, the perfect greyhound. One day, not too long after we adopted Dave, we thought we had a problem: Dave had not moved off the couch the entire day. Dave wasn't even three years old yet. Dave's adoption papers had \*Babesia\* listed on them. His titer was not a particularly high one. Several vets recommended against treating for Babesia, since the titer was so low. As Dave's health continued to decline, we took charge and asked our personal vet to treat Dave for Babesia. After treatment, Dave's health started an almost immediate turn around. We saw a puppy side to him that we had not seen before. Dave is now a spectacular ten year old who will be eleven this September. I believe, in Dave's case, he would not be here today, if John and I hadn't made the crucial decision ourselves to treat Dave.

Because we run the annual GPI Tick Borne Disease Testing Clinic, we know of many other Tiggers; each one breaks my heart. We have also heard many stories like Dave's. Not all dogs were as sick as Dave was, but their lives were changed for the better by being tested and treated. With each happy story, not only is there a dog somewhere living a longer healthier life, but a family being given additional time with their beloved family member. I LOVE hearing those stories.

Tick disease is not something to be feared if you are aware. These diseases do not need to be killers. Test your hound. Truly, it is a small thing to do for your beloved friends. Even a negative test result is good information to have. Should your dog ever become ill or have vague symptoms, you will have ruled out TBD. Obviously, not all our ex-racers have been exposed, but we believe that the percentages are high enough to warrant testing all our dogs.

## Resources

Here are some websites with excellent information on TBD. These websites will give you more information about the symptoms of TBD. They also have information on contacting ProtaTek Laboratory. They have a wealth of information:

[http://www.geocities.com/bo\\_freddy](http://www.geocities.com/bo_freddy) (Scroll down the left to: Medical – Tick Disease)

<http://www.greythealth.com/>

<http://users2.ev1.net/~vintage/tick.htm> (Lots of information and gives instructions for joining TICK-L, a tick disease discussion list.)

Lorean and John Love

[jcllove@verizon.net](mailto:jcllove@verizon.net)

<http://greyhoundpetsinc.org/rainbow/tigger.html>

## Tigger



Keep your eyes open for an email to the GPI list about the next tick testing clinic, scheduled for this fall!! Spots are already starting to fill up, so please contact Lorean Love to get your pups on the list. Lorean can be reached at 206-546-1351. This is an important part of keeping your Greyhound healthy. There is a fee for the clinic, and details will be posted shortly.

If you are not on our email list yet and would like to be added, please visit the following website to sign up:

<http://lists.macca-l.org/listinfo.cgi/greyhoundpets-macca-l.org>

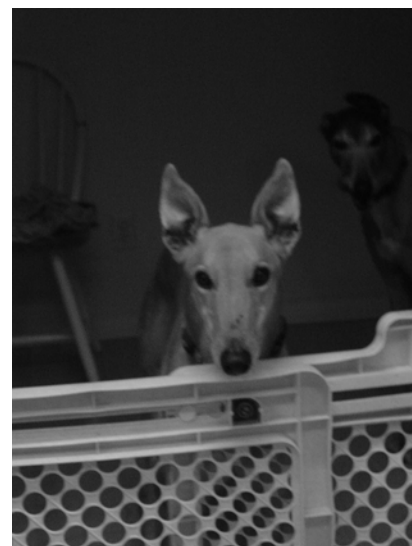
Tigger says: "You'll be glad you did"

# Adopted!!

These dogs have been adopted in June & July 2006!!  
 Congratulations to their forever families!

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
2922	Kydo Diane	Danni
4048	My Boy Bronson	Bronson
4322	Jimmy Cat	Jimmy
4357	Cresco Jacee	Aaron
4428		Rhett
4504	TP Benoit	Benoit
4519	Fuzzy's Seminole	Seminole
4544	Cmon Ez Roller	Roller
4549	Callie Girl	Callie
4556	BCT Tea Tree	Tea
4561	Gable Vanilla	Vanilla
4576	Born to be Regal	Betty
4580	D's Molly May	Molly
4583	Spark of Gold	Sparky
4584	White Chocolate	Birch
4587	Mesa Drumbeat	Andre
4588	Slatex Stormer	Storm
4589	Acme Nightmare	Night
4591	TX's Solitary	Sol
4592	Ps Firendenver	Denver
4593	Silent Lambert	Quincy
4596	Hibest Monte	Monte
4597		Erin
4598	Lady's Red Rose	Rose
4599	Vanessa Rose	Vanessa
4600	Okie Denise Z	Denise
4601	Ellie Lass	Ellie
4602		Kat
4603	RLM's Frantic	Frantic
4605		Dante
4607	Mad As A Hatter	Mindy
4608		April
4611	Come To Me Fi Fi	Fifi
4617		Christy
4621	RN's Brahma Bull	Brahma
4623	Kids Ranger	Ranger

Sorry we forgot you last issue Tea!!



# Rainbow Bridge Memorials...we will miss them.

Tag #	registered name	Call Name	Tag #	registered name	Call Name
901	Kiwi Girl	Maer-C	2652	Kentucky Kid	Val
1384	King of the Ring	Dawson	2898	Truckkinstein	Truck
1695	Coast Out	Coast	3298	Brass Top	Dasher
1904	Lota Wary Night	Wary	3451	Leona de Amor	Leona
1939	No Registered Name	Amy	3475	No Registered Name	Delma
1949	Swigert	Swiggy	3797	Mary Lou Crow	Lizzy
2202	JJ Sanddollar	Dollar	3831	Delta Queen	Delta
2205	Dances with Jets	Jess	4033	Morning Jade	Jenny
2240	Glen Landry	Glen	4082	Canadian Jet	Jet
2438	Nick's Elizabeth	Stretch	4375	San Tan Rambo	Rambo
2500	Power Love	Love	4386	Aeriana	Aeriana
2537	No Registered Name	Eddie	4388	Molly's Mickey	Mickey

## Greyhound Pets, Inc. 2006 Events Calendar

Sept 16  
10AM-4PM

### Tri-Cities Picnic

Home of John & Debi Mountain  
Finley, WA

Leigh Duvall  
509 582 7411

Take Chemical Dr. out of Kennewick. Continue south past the Pizza Barn (it's closed, but it's there) on the corner of Bowler Road. Go a road further - that's Cochran. Got to the next road - it's Finley Road. Turn right and stay on it until you reach triple fork in road. Take the far right road - it's a dirt road - #528 - and stay on it to Carroll Road. Turn right again and go to the last house on right - it's yellow. Lots of parking available. If you get lost, call Leigh, Richard (Cell - 509 521 3322) or John & Debi - 509 582 7852. Bring: A hot dish or salad enough for 10 people. Paper plates, cups, utensils and napkins will be provided. Dogs must be muzzled.

October 7 & 8  
10AM to 6PM  
Both days

### Issaquah Salmon Days Festival

Issaquah, WA

Bob & Yumi Burnett  
425-483-7998

October 15  
11AM to 4PM

### Houndraiser 2006

Evergreen State  
Fairgrounds  
Monroe, WA

Cathy Munro  
425-742-1388

### Country Village Booth dates

September 30

11am-3pm

The GPI Warehouse will be at ALL  
Country Village Booths, so bring your  
checkbook and deck out your hound!!

Country Village is in Bothell, WA, just west of I-405.  
It is an outdoor venue, so please dress yourself and  
your pups for the weather!

Please check our website at <http://www.greyhoundpetsinc.org/events.html>  
for more information, and email links to contacts.

## More memorials to those we miss.....

CLFoxy

Nickname: Sally

1993- 7/13/06

Ed and I let Sally go to the Bridge this morning. The last couple of days were very rough on her and she was not able to get up on her own anymore, refused to eat and was very uncomfortable. In addition to her aging issues, our vet also felt she may have had a hidden cancer since her liver and spleen had become very enlarged since last January.

Sally was 13 1/2 years. Of those years, we had the privilege of having her in our lives for 8 1/2 years. She was a returned dog with some issues, but we never saw them. We just saw a very lady-like personable dog who loved life and those around her. For those who met her I think you will remember the quietness about her, but she was always on the alert for new things and loved any fosters that came in here. She was a mentor for them and I think really missed each one as they left. Sally was never the same girl since Peanut went to the Bridge last August. They were inseparable since they both came to us within 4 months of each other.

Our "5-pack" is now all gone.....Sally was the last one. I have a picture of them on my key ring and I promised each one that it would stay there until the very last one left us. I now can take it off and put it with all our other memories and pictures on our Memory Shelf.

Sally.....you gave it all you had, you sweet silly girl. You were a very special one to us with your gentleness, sweetness, kissey mouth (Colleen should remember this....Sally got Best Kisser at Houndfest 2004 and also when her Hawaiian costume lost it's top, and the coconut bra turned the wrong way ), playfulness and above all your devotion to any and all creatures who have passed thru our doors. May you now be free of pain and any all afflictions you had and may have had. I am sure that you will now be content with your brothers and sisters who have gone on before you. You will be missed but never forgotten.

Love,  
Mom and Dad (Edie and Ed)

Winfra DG

Nickname: Isis

1990 to 2006

I had two lovely greyhounds for many years. My vet couldn't believe how long they lived, as he said most live to age 10 after the track. My Rio was so dear to me. The best pooch I ever had. She loved me with all her heart and we were the best of family. We traveled together all over the US, and she led me to find her a companion, Isis, who we believe she knew on the track, as they were the same age. Isis had been in foster care after foster care for too long. I knew Rio needed a companion for the days I couldn't be home, and we searched and interviewed many, many dogs. From greyhounds to every sighthound imaginable, including those standing way over my head. Rio picked Isis, originally Dee Gee (but she hated her name and became Isis, after the Egyptian Queen, as greyhounds were sacred in Egypt).

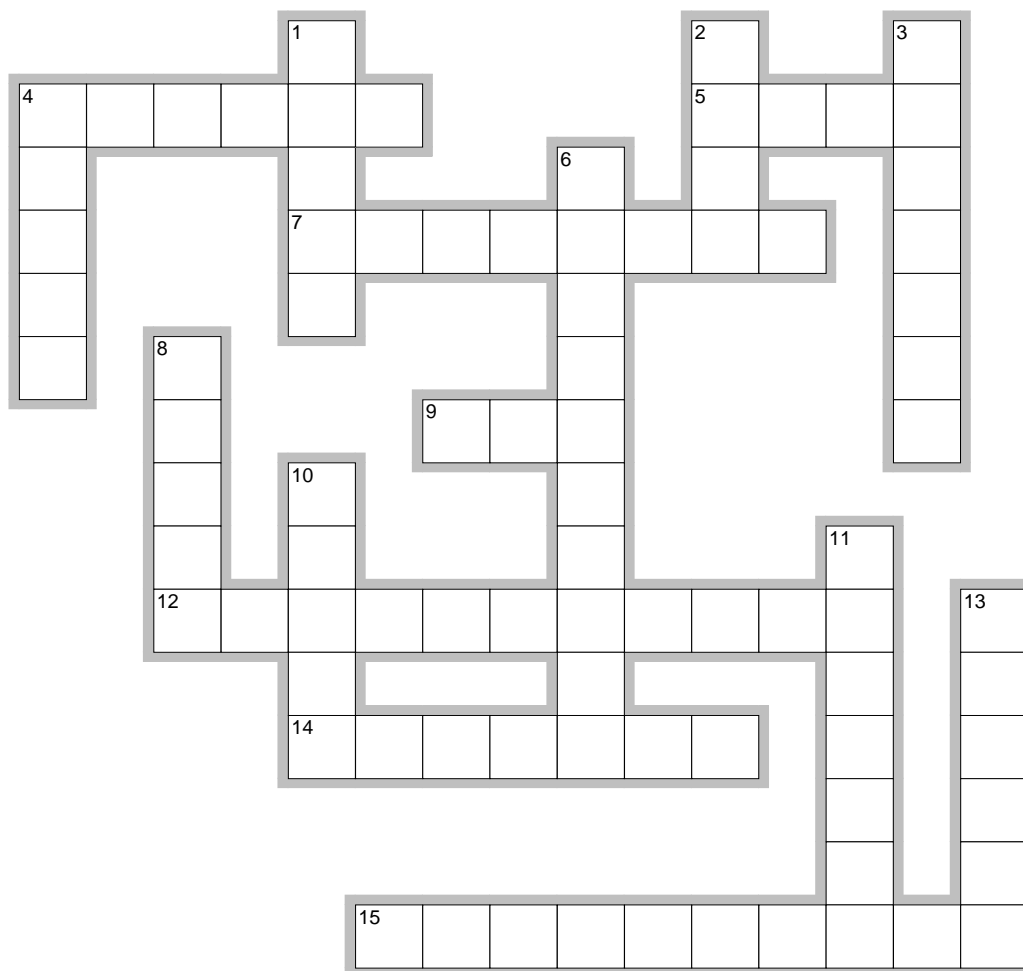
From my understanding, this pair lived to be nearly 16 years old (to my astounded vet), and we loved them so much! They attended our children's classes in elementary school (who are now finishing high school). We composed a song, titled "Rio, the Greyhound" to teach the students, and had greyhound outlines for them to color. We went to nursing homes to do pet therapy, attended dog adoption programs, volunteered at our local humane society, and did all we could to utilize the skills of our beloved pets to further the cause of adoption.

My Rio left me first, she tried so hard to stay alert for me as she loved me so much. She suffered too many days trying to be strong for me, and I didn't deal well with her passing. I will always miss her. Isis followed within 6 months after her best friend died. These were great friends to me, and I will always remember them.

P's Bright Rio: Called Rio - 1990 - 2006  
Winfra DG: Called Isis - 1990 - 2006

# The Turnout Pen

## Fun and games



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### Across

4. Where people take their retired Greyhounds to play
5. What Greyhounds chase on the track, usually a stuffed bunny
7. Laboratory that tests for tick disease
9. Acronym for our group
12. Fall fundraiser for Greyhound Pets, Inc.
14. Dogs who pull or are scared might wear one of these on a walk
15. The people GPI is made up of

### Down

1. A baby Greyhound
2. Rare color of greyhounds
3. Our Greyhounds are \_\_\_\_\_ Racing Greyhounds
4. Something around your yard to keep your Greyhound safe
6. Type of collar that should be used on Greyhounds
8. Attached to your collar when you walk your Greyhound
10. Greyhounds are 40MPH \_\_\_\_\_ potatoes
11. Greyhound color that looks like a tiger
13. Goodies for Greyhounds



# HOUNDRAISER



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# Funniest Greyhound Story Contest

We all know that our Greyhounds do funny things. Admit it. Now's your chance to tell the world!! Send us your funny stories...whether it's about your Greyhound being caught standing on the dining room table, or eating out of a frying pan still cooking on the stove!!

Please submit your story of 250 words or less to:  
 FUNNIEST GREYHOUND STORY CONTEST  
 Karen Samdahl  
 7714 131 Ave NE  
 Kirkland, WA 98033

Or email it to [walterandrosy@hotmail.com](mailto:walterandrosy@hotmail.com). You may submit one picture of the culprit with your story.

Stories will appear in the next few issues of The Bark. The Bark Committee will select the two (2) FUNNIEST stories to receive a surprise Greyhound-related gift.

Get those creative juices flowing!! We welcome stories written by humans of all ages. Even your Greyhound could write the story. Look how well Walter and Rosy write!!



## He Said She Said With Walter and Rosy



Welcome friends!!

Walter here. We've had a very busy summer at our house. Lots of car trips around town, and lots of running in the yard. One night, I ran so much!! My mom couldn't catch me. You should have seen her!! I was zooming around the yard; she was telling me to stop. Why would I stop!!?! I'm a Greyhound, for goodness sake. Under the deck, around the yard, through the swingset, back under the deck, dig in the crater, around the yard again. I was really tired, and I was panting a lot. My mom was a little worried about me. I am 10 now, but I don't FEEL old. Mom says I need to start taking it easy. I kept panting that afternoon, but it was really hard to get relaxed. Mom drug me outside and sprayed me with the hose on my chest and belly and inside my back legs with cold water. It felt SO good. I finally didn't have to pant anymore. Mom said that she's going to have to bribe me with food the next time I try to do that...she doesn't want me to collapse from the heat. I guess that might have worked. Food is always good, no matter what, when or where. I'm sorry I scared you mom. But running is SO much fun!!

The weather is cooler now...maybe we'll get some snow...That's even more fun to run and play in!!

Happy Autumn everyone!!

Walter

Hello everyone!

This is Rosy. Did you miss us? We took a break last issue. Mom said there wasn't enough room for us to write to you. Fine. Whatever. I'll just go take a nap.

We've been doing a lot of napping here. The grandparents came while our mom, dad and the skin kids went on something called a "cruise", whatever that is. It just meant they were gone for days and days. The good thing is that the grandparents don't make us WORK. I have to ASK for my dinner usually. Grandpa just gives it to me. And treats? Well, they were given out regularly and in plentiful amounts. Without tricks having to be performed. I think maybe we should make these "cruises" a regular thing.

I did suffer the most horrible thing the other day. Mom was cutting Walter's nails so I got up on the bed to say "neener neener" to him. I laid down and when Mom was done, she started to do mine. I prefer the salon, thank you. But then my behind started to slip off the mattress!! I tried to save myself, and Mom tried to grab me, but I landed on my rear end on the floor. How embarrassing!! But I am fine, and no doctor had to be called. Only my pride was bruised.

Hoping your summer was less eventful than mine,

Rosy

The Greyhounds thank you!

If you can help with any of these items, please contact  
Susie Kush at 425-415-7788 or  
Moirra Corrigan at 425-333-0515

- 3/4" masking tape
- Duct tape
- 'good' canned food — no grocery store brands please)
- Canned dog food (Kirkland, Pro Plan, Precise or other)
- Missing Link (or similar)
- 33-gallon plastic bags
- Stamps (39 cent)
- Paper Towels & facial tissue
- Antibiotic cream (Neosporin or similar)
- Canned pumpkin (not the pie filling)
- Blankets & Quilts
- Liquid laundry detergent
- Dog Biscuits

Would you like to donate some goodies to the kennel  
this year? Here is a list of things the kennel needs to  
keep our newest pups warm and healthy:

## The Kennel Needs You...



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