

# GREYHOUND TAILS

NEWSLETTER FOR GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA - CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Summer 2012

### Director's Message

I hope all of you and your greyhounds are enjoying the warmth of summer in NH. I know the pack at our house finds the summer months to be much easier living then dealing with the snow and ice of winter.

In the coming months GPA-CNHC will be hosting three of our major annual events. Please mark your calendars early so you don't miss the opportunity to support our program. Your support at the following events is crucial to our ongoing success.

1. Sunday - Sept. 16, 2012 10AM-2:00PM Annual Greyhound Reunion at Rollins Park, Concord, NH. Food, games, raffle, vendors, photographer, etc.
2. Mon. Oct. 8, 2012 - Weds. Oct. 17, 2012 Charitable Gaming at the Seabrook Poker Room, Seabrook Greyhound Park, Seabrook, NH. Check the Seabrook Poker Room website for hours of operation each day. Charitable gaming at Seabrook provides a significant portion of our annual operating monies, so please support us at this event and have some fun at the gaming tables while doing it!!!
3. Sat. April 13, 2013 - 6PM-10PM, Annual Spring Banquet, Grappone Conf. Center/Courtyard Marriot, Concord, NH. Please note that our guest speaker will be Dr. Guillermo Couto from Ohio State University - College of Veterinary Medicine/ Greyhound Wellness Program. This will be a wonderful opportunity to spend an evening with Dr. Couto and learn more about our greyhounds. Seating is limited to 120 so buy your tickets early!!! Watch the website for early ticket purchase information. Menu will be announced closer to the event date.

As we approach the first anniversary in August 2012 of GPA-CNHC partnering with the Sunburst Project and Kennel at Ebro, Florida, I am pleased to announce that approximately 800 greyhounds will have moved through the program and on to adoption groups and homes in the first year of this program. With out the support of the GPA-CNHC Sunburst Vetting Fund it is unlikely that this program would have launched successfully. Your ongoing support and donations to GPA-CNHC have made a significant difference for so many greyhounds that we will never get to know personally. I encourage all of you to continue supporting the GPA-CNHC Outreach Program so that together we can help fund the way home for so many Florida greyhounds. Together we can make such a large difference to so many of the Florida greyhounds.

Thank you to all of you who have helped make this all possible.

Steve Shepard

Director/Treasurer

### In Memory of J's Strom Front

From the Editor: When I took over as editor of GPA-CNHC newsletter in 2007, there were two goals in mind. One was to remain connected to all of those who adopted a GH from us. Hopefully a number of you would be willing to volunteer for us in some capacity. The second and most important was to let all of you know that we would be here for you and your GH if you ever needed help. I'm feeling very discouraged right now. For whatever reason, we have not been able to generate much interest in volunteering; especially the need for foster homes. The real heartbreak is that we found out that one of our GH's was taken to his vet and was euthanized for biting incidents. Con't page 5

### \*\*\*\*\* Open House Location Change \*\*\*\*\*

GPA-CNHC has returned to our original open house location. We are once again meeting at the training barn and that is the first driveway on the left after passing the kennel entrance. It is the blue building at the end of the driveway. Look for our GPA banner at the entrance.

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## Featured Hounds



### Moostafa

Moostafa is a recent return to our program. He was uncomfortable when the baby started crawling and invading his space.

He's a great dog. He's 7 years old and a big boy at @ 90 lbs. He's very calm and loves attention.

Moostafa has been fine with cats and other dogs and loves to go for car rides. He settled into his foster home like he's always been there.

His racing career ended with a broken front leg. He's not comfortable doing more than a few steps.

Moostafa would prefer to be in a home with older children that will respect his space and adults.



## Save the date!!!!!!

This just in .... GPA-CNHC is pleased and excited to announce that we have just received confirmation that Dr. Guillermo Couto has accepted our invitation to speak at our 2013 Annual Spring Banquet. It will be held on Saturday April 13, 2013. We will once again be at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord, NH. We will have a different hall location next year. We won't want to miss a word he has to say!

Details on menu; etc., will be finalized as time goes along and will be included in future newsletters and flyers. The capacity for this hall is 120 and we expect a very good turnout. We will probably be opening ticket sales earlier than usual, giving our group members first chance at purchasing tickets before we open ticket sales to the general public.

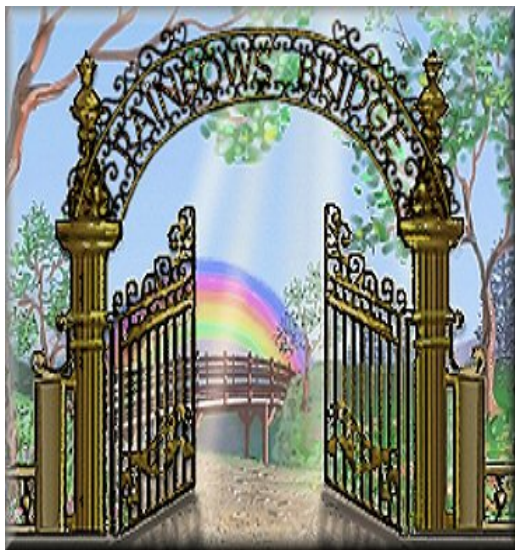
<http://vet.osu.edu/GuillermoCouto>    <https://greyhound.osu.edu/index.cfm>

C. Guillermo Couto, DVM, DACVIM

Dr. C. Guillermo Couto received his DVM in 1976 from Buenos Aires University, Argentina. He held an Assistant Professorship at the university until the early 1980s. In 1983, he completed his clinical oncology residency at University of California, Davis, and joined the Ohio State University faculty. An award-winning educator, Dr. Couto obtained his professorship in 1995. He has served as President of the Veterinary Medicine Society, Co-editor of "Small Animal Internal Medicine" and Editor-In-Chief of the "Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine." He has also published more than 250 scientific publications and book chapters.

Dr. Couto is distinguished in the Greyhound community, giving generously of his time and expertise to any greyhound owner that contacts him when they have been told that their beloved pet has been given the diagnosis of cancer. We hope that many of our readers will take this opportunity to attend this banquet and hear what he has to say and what is being done though research at Ohio State to help find a cure for this disease.

# The Rainbow Bridge



Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge.

When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge.

There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together.

There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by.

The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent; his eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together.

Author unknown...

## Sara Curtis 6/30/01-4/13/12 "Sara Raves"- adopted and cherished by Roberta & Michael Curtis

Sara finished her racing career in Plainfield, CT in 2005 when the track closed down, she had run 100 races and was one of the lucky Greyhounds chosen by GPA-CNH for adoption. Sara was 4 years old when she was brought to our home in Pelham, NH on October 27, 2005, I can still see her prancing into the foyer w/her blue puppy dangling from her mouth, her "bat ears" fully poised and a huge smile on her sweet face. She was our 2nd Greyhound and would be Max's (1st Greyhound) new BFF whether he knew it or not or wanted it, she proceeded to eat his food and try to lay on his bed w/him much to his dismay!! Sara raced into our hearts so quickly and Max and the kitties soon accepted her as part of the family, she was the perfect hound for us as she was easy-going and happy. Sara found the toy basket within 2 minutes of her arrival and they became her stuffies that she carried everywhere, car rides, the yard, her bed and most endearingly she greeted me at the door with one. Max now had a buddy to run with in our fenced yard and he would chase her as she ran with her stuffies whipping them in the air. Sara loved life, laying in the sun, walkies, treats, ice cream, digging holes, stalking chippies, riding in the car with Max, sleeping on the couch with Michael and most of all being with us anywhere. In March of 2007, Sara became seriously ill and after numerous tests, an MRI & spinal, she was diagnosed with GME (Granulomatous MeningoEncephalitis) an incurable brain disease with several lesions in her cerebellum and spinal cord. We were devastated, she was so young, not even 6 yet, faced with a hard choice and so we made the only decision for our beloved Sara girl and that was to treat it aggressively and hope for a miracle. After a week in ICU, she came home 10 lbs lighter, and still unable to walk without assistance, with severe tremors and needing to be carried up and down stairs. Sara was a fighter and underwent 10 months of chemo treatments, pheno barbitol, prednisone, flagyl and constant blood work, she battled this disease and went on to live 5 more happy years. Our bond grew stronger as we went through this hell together, I would cook for her and Max and hand feed her, she loved this. We went everywhere together, Paw House Inn, Dewey Beach, Lakehouse, Greyhound Adventure Walks, Memere's house for Sunday dinner, Bensons Park, Muldoon Park and most importantly, to PetSmart to pick new toys and snacks!! We always felt that Sara's life was a miracle and gift to us and I believe she knew she cheated death and so we lived life to the fullest! To say that Sara was loved is an understatement, she was and will always be in our hearts and souls. This last year of Sara's life was filled with lots of "Daddy time" as he was out of work and spent every day with us at Bensons Park (Sara's favorite place) walking and stalking the squirrels and meeting new friends. Sara was diagnosed with Hemangio-Sarcoma after numerous tests on April 12th, 2012, it came on quickly as she was playing only 2 days before when she started crying, shaking and hunched over in pain. We brought her home from the hospital with the grim diagnosis that the tumor was in between 2 discs in her spine and not operable and that it had spread to her lungs. They gave me 3 different pain meds for Sara and gave her a shot of morphine, she was still shaking and in pain but happy to come home. On her last day, Friday, April 13th, she slept next to Max on her favorite bed, had some "lick N crunch" cookies, and went for one last walkie to Bensons. We released her from pain that afternoon and sent her to the Rainbow Bridge to run pain free with all her friends; she would have been 11 on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Con't

## Windchill (Chilly)

10/2/2001 — 6/22/2012

I never wanted this day to come; the day I would submit an article to the “Rainbow Bridge” section of Greyhound Tails. Our dear Windchill — Chilly to us — was gone as quickly as he ran: in a flash. He didn’t suffer for which we are forever grateful, but the hole that was left in our hearts caught us off guard. After all, Chilly was my first dog and I was always a cat person. How would I take to a dog?



Greyhounds have always touched me as the sweetest and calmest of breeds and the rescue aspect certainly appealed to me. My son really wanted a dog, so I said okay as long as we adopted a greyhound. My husband and son went to the GPA Open House and I believe to this day that Chilly picked us out. Was I in for a surprise when I met Chilly — all 90 pounds of him! He was the largest greyhound I had ever seen, so tall and regal — a beautiful, big boy who captured our hearts from the very beginning. Over the years we heard that Chilly’s journey before us had him in several homes but always returned to be fostered again. There was no denying he was a handful; a true chow-hound who would eat anything not locked in a closet or put out of reach. He didn’t care much for other dogs and was never a fan of riding in the car, and if he wanted to he could drag you no matter how hard you held on. But that all seemed so inconsequential to us. We loved him exactly as he was and with all our hearts. Chilly immediately became a forever member of our family.

Who knew it would be for such a short time? The love and fun that was packed into those years was more than a first-time dog owner could ask for. I work from home and Chilly was my best friend and company. Our daily walks got us both out of the house and into the beautiful New Hampshire outdoors. He loved the winter best, especially new fallen snow. He would jump and frolic and dig his head into the snow. Sometimes I had to beg him to get going as it was freezing! He loved to sleep on our bed and the couch; every place in our home was fair game for him. We never minded as he earned his retirement years and I like to think we made them happy for him.

His passing has been one of the hardest things we have ever gone through; it is still so hard to think the sounds we hear and the flashes of white we think we see are not our Chilly. He was an amazing one-of-a-kind guy who we miss every day. Farewell Windchill; we will always love you.



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## GPA-CNHC is looking for volunteers

GPA-CNHC has a number of Meet & Greet locations open and we are looking for volunteers to be leads for these sites. Ideally we would like someone willing to do a site on a monthly basis, however bi-monthly would also be a great help.

We will supply you with a M&G kit. You can pick the weekend and the day that works best for your schedule and open availability at the location of your choosing.

Open locations are: Dover, NH Petco

Salem, NH Petco

Plaistow, NH Petco

Concord, NH Petco

Raymond, NH Little Critters

The Petco Foundation has been very generous to GPA-CNHC for many years, and we would like to keep up our association with them. Little Critters in Exeter has also become a generous supporter of GPA-CNHC, becoming a round-up partner on the days of our M&G at that location.

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## Mark your calendar ... Sunday Sept. 16, 2012 for our Annual Reunion

Once again it's that time of year to start planning our annual reunion. We will be at our usual location in Rollins Park, Concord, NH. Put on your thinking caps and break out the sewing machine for the costume contest! Always a crowd favorite. There will be other games as well. We will be making arrangements for a photographer and new this year we are excited to have Greyhound Goodies there vending. <http://www.greyhoundgoodies.com/>

The pizzas last year were a crowd pleaser, so much so that they quickly sold out. We have decided to have a variety of pizzas this year. Drinks will also be available. Anyone interested in making side dishes or deserts, please contact Steve or Diane to let us know what you would be bringing. We are also accepting donations for our raffle table. Please contact Steve or Diane to arrange delivery or pick up. [director@gpa-cnhc.org](mailto:director@gpa-cnhc.org) newsletter\_editor@gpa-cnhc.org

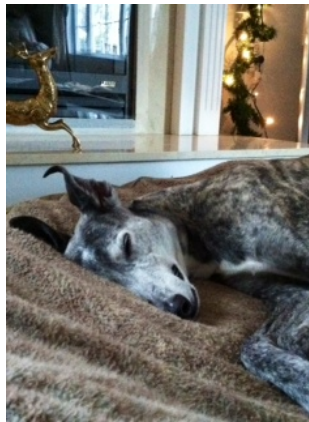
As with any event, volunteers are always needed. Anyone wishing to donate their time to help set up; break down; man the raffle table; sell tickets; help with the games; other assorted tasks please contact Steve [director@gpa-cnhc.org](mailto:director@gpa-cnhc.org) or Diane newsletter\_editor@gpa-cnhc.org . Thanks and we hope to see you there!

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### *Rainbow Bridge con't*

Sara Curtis (Sara Raves)

Sara has left a huge hole in our hearts and I don't think things will ever be the same here without her but I do believe that she had a life well lived and knew we loved her.



From the Editor, con't

We were never contacted seeking help or advice, nor was he surrendered back into our group. We may not have been able to help J's Storm Front, but now we will never know for sure. In J's Storm Front memory, if you are having any problems, please call us. We will take any GH adopted from our program back. No questions asked. We are committed to our GH's. Their racing owners/trainers have put their faith in us to find them a forever home. Likewise, we put our faith in our adopters to call us when they need help or can no longer keep or take care of their GH. J's Storm Front 2005 - 2012



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

# GPA-CNHC Annual Greyhound Reunion Picnic

Date: Sunday, September 16, 2012

Time: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Rollins Park, Concord, NH

**We are looking forward to another GREYT year! We'll have...**

Games & Costume Contests

Variety of Pizza, Snacks & Drinks Available

Greyhound Goodies with lots of greyt stuff for you and your hound!

Moments & Memories Photography ([www.mandmphotnh.com](http://www.mandmphotnh.com))

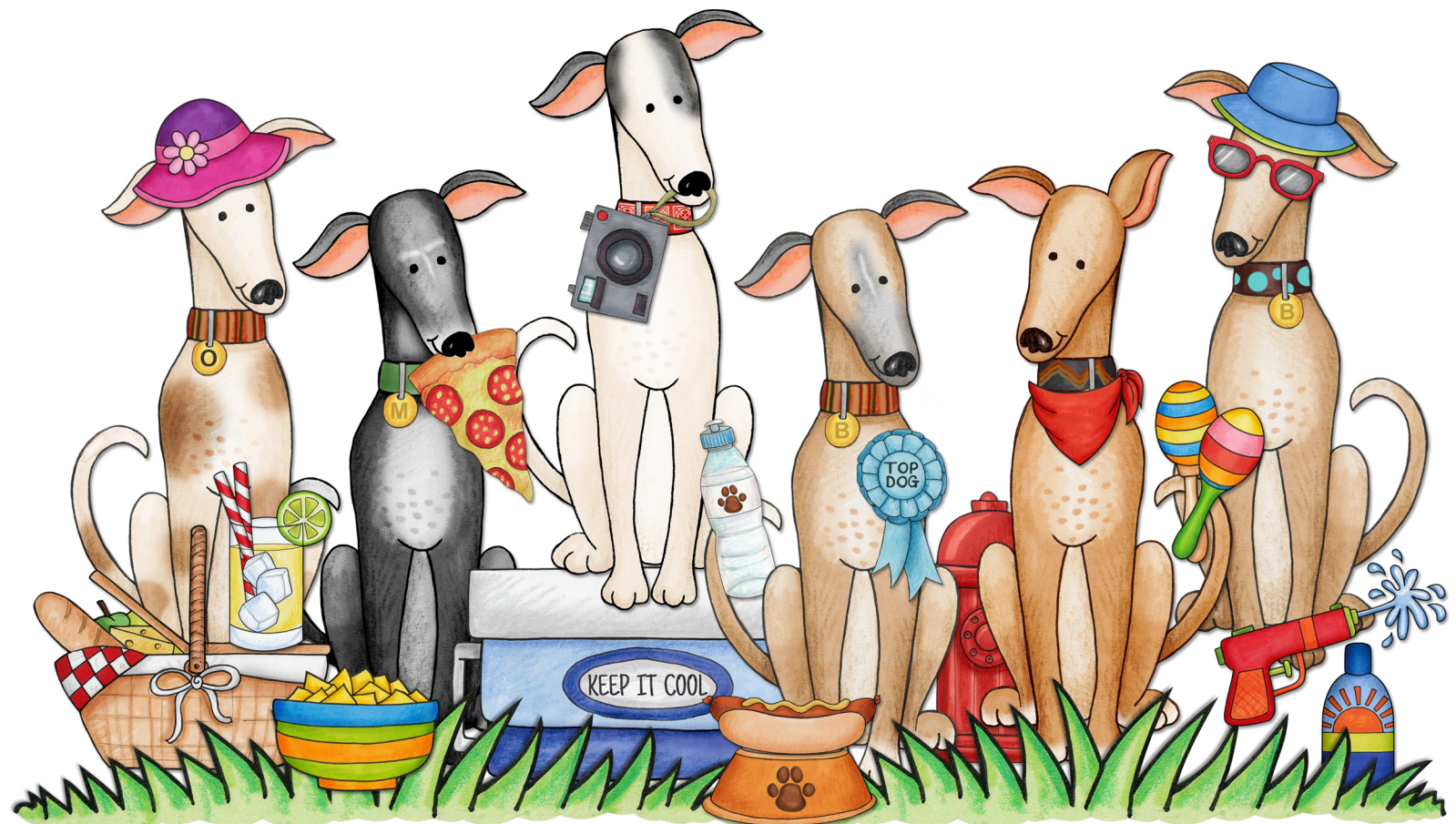
## **Volunteers & Donations Needed!**

Help with set up, games, food area, raffle table, photo area, and clean up

Donations needed for soda, water, snacks, side dishes and raffle items

Please contact us at: [director@gpa-cnhc.org](mailto:director@gpa-cnhc.org) | 888.507.9597

Bring your blankets and chairs for a relaxing and fun day for all!



# Conversations with Bill

By Lari Parsons and Fly Bye Bill

Bill lives with Lori and her husband Michael, 2 skin kids and 4 other dogs.

Bill raced 157 times at West Palm Beach. He has some quirks but that only makes him more lovable. Not only is he a finicky eater, he is linoleum intolerant and is afraid of riding.

Lori has been documenting his eating habits in an ongoing thread on GreyTalk and has allowed me to share their conversations.

## April 5, 2011

Me: Bill dinner is ready.

Bill: I'll be right there.

Me: I must say, I've been very pleased with you lately. You have been eating so well.

Bill: Well you've been cooking so well.

Me: I have been feeding you same as always, nothing different.

Bill: It's spring. There must be something in the air.

Me: Yeah, POLLEN.

Bill: What's that?

Me: Nothing. I'm just glad to see you eating and putting on a little weight.

Bill: WEIGHT! Oh no! Now I have to go on a diet.

Me: NO NO NO! You're just fine. In fact you are looking EXTREMELY handsome if I do say so.

Bill: Reeeeaaly?

Me: Oh yes!

Bill: I wouldn't want to over stretch my stripes you know.

Me: Your stripes are looking just fine. Please eat.

Bill: Well ok. (Teeheehee I gotta keep her on her toes you know 🐶 )

## May 5, 2011

Me: Bill.

Bill: (sigh) hmmm yes?

Me: It's time for dinner.

Bill:(sigh) That's nice.

Me: I need to get up to feed everyone.

Bill: (sigh) OK.

Me: You have me pinned to the couch.

Bill: (sigh) uh huh...

Me: I can't get up to feed everyone.

Bill: I'm not hungry (sigh)

Me: I think everyone else is.

Bill: Sounds like a personal problem to me (sigh)

Me: Bill as much as I thoroughly enjoy the snuggle time I have to get up to feed everyone!

Bill: Lady you left me for a week. I am making up for lost time.

Me: I tell you what. Let me up and after you eat, we can resume right where we left off.

Bill: You are assuming I'm gonna eat.

Me: There's always hope.

Bill: Alright I'm getting up. I'll meet you back here later this evening.

Me: It's a date. ❤️ 😊 😊

## July 10, 2011

Bill: Hey Lady I'm hungry! Where's my dinner?

Me: Gee since when did you get anxious for dinner?

Bill: Since it's my birthday and I am looking forward to some of "THEM".

Me: What makes you think you are getting some of them?

Bill: It's my birthday.

Me: I see.

Bill: I don't. Where are they?

Me: I don't have any.

Bill: Why not?

Me: I couldn't find any.

Bill: It's my birthday and I am not eating chicken.

Me: Well then I better call daddy and tell him not to bring home that roasted chicken I asked him to pick up for your birthday.

Bill: WHOA!!! WAIT WAIT WAIT! Let's not be hasty! I spoke out of turn. I am sorry for being ungrateful.

Me: Does that mean you want the chicken?

Bill: Well if daddy's gone through all that trouble to get it....

Me: uh Huh. That's what I thought.

Bill: I wouldn't want to hurt his feelings. After all it is his birthday today to. Do I have to share the chicken with him?

Me: No Bill. It's yours. Happy Birthday Handsome.

Bill: Thank you.



"... this one wasn't perfect. Now and then his taste in food would turn to garbage and he upset many cans in search of the ripest morsels. He dug holes lawns and he licked to sprawl on young plants. He was a discover of mud. When he found something - often invisible and even nonexistent - to bark at, he barked hard and ignored commands to stop and come the hell home. ~~ Loudon Wainwright

"Puppies are nature's remedy for feeling unloved...plus numerous other ailments of life" ~~~

Richard Allan Palm

## Summer Pet Tips by Pruina

### Vacationing

When planning your vacation, you need to decide whether to leave your pet or take him along. Your pet's personality and the details of your trip should help guide your decision.

#### Leaving your pet behind

- ❖ Ask your veterinarian or other pet owners for recommendations of reputable facilities or pet sitters
- ❖ Visit the boarding facility to meet the people and check the safety and cleanliness
- ❖ Meet the pet sitter in your home to see how he/she and your pet interact
- ❖ Make reservations well in advance. Facilities can fill up early, esp. over the holidays
- ❖ Be sure your pet is current on all vaccinations required
- ❖ If your pet is on medication, leave an ample supply and clear instructions
- ❖ Leave instructions on feeding and exercise, and a supply of your pet's regular food
- ❖ Be sure your pet wears a collar with identification tags. Cats should have special safety collars
- ❖ Leave your veterinarians contact information and a number where you can be reached

#### Taking your pet along

- ❖ Call ahead to be sure your pet will be welcome wherever you are staying
- ❖ Be sure your pet has all required vaccinations and a current health certificate
- ❖ Take along your pet's regular food, medications, water, bedding and favorite toys
- ❖ Be sure your pet has a collar with an ID tag with your name and telephone number (including area code). A photo of your pet is important in case he is lost while vacationing
- ❖ If traveling by vehicle, it is safest to keep your pet confined to a carrier. Never let your pet ride with his head out the window or in the back of a truck

### Doggie First Aid Kit from Three Dog Bakery

May you never need it, but keeping a well-stocked first aid kit is a good idea. You can get almost everything on this list at your local pharmacy. Ask your vet what else he or she would recommend. A basic kit would include, at minimum, these items:

- ❖ Rolls of gauze (2 inch)
- ❖ Adhesive tape
- ❖ Latex gloves
- ❖ Sterile pads
- ❖ Small scissors and/or grooming clippers
- ❖ Needle-nose pliers
- ❖ Antibiotic cream (over the counter)
- ❖ Rectal thermometer and petroleum jelly
- ❖ Rubbing alcohol
- ❖ Nylon slip leash
- ❖ Flashlight
- ❖ Towels and a blankets

### Forbidden Foods for Your Furry Friend

- ❖ Alcoholic beverages. Can cause intoxication, coma, death
- ❖ Bones from fish, poultry, or other meat sources. Can cause obstruction or laceration of the digestive system
- ❖ Cat food. Generally too high in proteins and fats. Plus it has pictures of cats in it
- ❖ Chocolate and coffee. Contain theobromine and caffeine, which can be toxic and affect the heart, perhaps fatally
- ❖ Fat trimmings. Can cause pancreatitis
- ❖ Hops. Unknown compound causes increased heart rate, seizures, and death
- ❖ Human vitamin supplements containing iron. Can damage the lining of the digestive system and be toxic to the other organs, including the liver and kidneys
- ❖ Liver. In large amounts can cause vitamin A toxicity that affects muscles and bones
- ❖ Macadamia nuts. Contain an unknown toxin that can affect the digestive and nervous system and muscles.

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## Forbidden Foods con't

- ❖ Marijuana. Can depress the nervous system and cause vomiting and changes the heart rate
- ❖ Moldy or spoiled foods, garbage. Can contain any number of toxins that cause vomiting and diarrhea and also affect other organs
- ❖ Mushrooms. Wild-growing mushrooms-even the backyard variety-can contain toxins, which may affect multiple systems in the body, cause shock, and result in death
- ❖ Onions. Contains sulfoxides and disulfides, which can damage red blood cells and cause anemia
- ❖ Peach and plum pits. Can obstruct the digestive tract
- ❖ Persimmon seeds. Can cause intestinal obstruction and enteritis
- ❖ Raisins. Newly discovered to contain unknown toxins that may damage the kidneys when consumed in quantity
- ❖ Raw eggs. Contain an enzyme called avidin, which decreases the absorption of biotin, a B vitamin. This can lead to skin, hair and coat problems. Raw eggs also may contain salmonella
- ❖ Raw fish. Can result in a thiamine (B vitamin) deficiency leading to loss of appetite, seizures, and sometimes death. The problem is more common if raw fish is fed regularly
- ❖ Salt. Large quantities may lead to electrolyte imbalances
- ❖ String. Can become trapped in the digestive system and entwine around internal organs
- ❖ Sugary foods. Can lead to obesity, dental problems, and diabetes
- ❖ Table scraps. Should never make up more than 10% of the diet, if that
- ❖ Tobacco. Contains nicotine, which damages the nervous and digestive systems. Can result in rapid heartbeat, collapse, coma, and death.
- ❖ Yeast dough. Can expand and produce gas in the digestive system, causing pain and possible rupture of the stomach and intestines

### GPA-CNHC 2012 Reunion Photography Moments and Memory Photography Janet Leavitt ~ Barnstead, NH

Power permitting onsite 4x6 = \$5

5x7 = \$6

All other sizes have to be ordered and are \$6 for 5x7 or 2 3 ½ x 5's

\$10 for whole sheets (8x 10 or less)

Show package A \$25 for 8x10, 2 5x7 and 4 3 ½ x 5

B \$50 for 2 8x10, 4 5x7 and 2 sheets either 3 ½ x 5 or wallets.

Also available are 4x6 cards, calendars, wall art, and so much more. If you can dream a portrait on it, we can probably create it for you.

GPA-CNHC will receive 10% of the proceeds from orders placed from the event. Cash, check MC/Visa accepted.

Payment is due at time of order.

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

<http://www.facebook.com/MandMphotoNH>



If you are a dog and your owner suggests that you wear a sweater ... suggest that he wear a tail. ~ Fran Lebowitz  
Despite the commotion, the greyhounds are silent. They are not given to the inelegant task of barking. ~ Susan Olasky  
Dogs are our link to paradise. They don't know evil or jealousy or discontent. To sit with a dog on a hillside on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden, where doing nothing was no boring - it was peace. ~ Milan Kundera  
Sir, he's a good dog and a fair dog. Can there be more said? ~ William Shakespeare

# UPCOMING EVENTS

~~~Granite State Greyhounds~~~

Amateur Sitehound Racing  
Brentwood, NH

Please check their web site in the spring for this years dates.

<http://www.granitestategreyhounds.com/events.html>

(racing for points is not for the true couch potato; there are fun runs during lunch break)

Greyhound Adoption Service Annual Reunion  
Sept 8, 2012. Saturday, 11-4p. Middlesex County 4H  
Fairgrounds, South Chelmsford Rd., Westford, MA  
<http://www.greycanine.org/greycanine/gas2.htm>

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**Sun. Sept. 16, 2012**  
**Rollins Park Concord, NH**

2013 GPA-CNHC Spring Banquet  
Sat., April 13, 2013  
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\*\*\*\*Ohio State Greyhound Program\*\*\*\*

Greyhounds Reach the Beach  
Dewey Beach, Delaware  
Oct. 5-8, 2012  
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greyhounds-Reach-The-Beach-2012/260652163972032?ref=ts>

# REGULAR SCHEDULED EVENTS

Below is a schedule of our ongoing regular events called Meet & Greets. This is where we show off our GH's and answer questions about GH's as pets. Many times this will be someone's first exposure to GH's.

For someone who would like to help spread the word but feels that fostering might be a bit too much for them, this is an excellent opportunity to help out. Many of you met your first GH at a M&G.

If your GH loves people, other animals (esp. the little ones), we would love to have anyone stop by and help out.

## First Saturday of the month

Little Critters Exeter, NH 11am to 3pm

## Third Saturday of the month

Portsmouth Petco Noon to 3pm

Manchester Petco 10am to 2pm

## Third Sunday of the month

Nashua Petco 11am to 2pm

Amherst Petco 11am to 2pm

## Fourth Sunday of the month

Concord Petco 12:30pm to 3:30pm

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We have openings at several Petco locations in NH. Concord, Salem, Dover and Plaistow. Also Little Critters in Raymond. If anyone is interested in holding regular M&G's at any of these locations, please contact us. Thanks!

# OPEN HOUSE

First Sunday of the month at Woodlawn Training Barn, Warner, NH 1 PM - 3 PM

Take Rt.89 north to Exit 7 (Davisville /Rt. 103). At the bottom of the exit go east on Rt. 103 for about 1 mile then take a left onto Rt. 127. Approx. ½ mile turn left onto Poverty Plains Rd. The dirt drive for Woodlawn Training Center is ¼ mile on your left. Look for the blue building at the end of the drive.

~~~~~ Please consider fostering ~~~~~

Unlike many GH adoption groups who have an actual kennel to house their retired racers, GPA utilizes foster homes only. All GH adoption groups in NH, ME, and Mass. are filled to overflowing with retired GH's. Even though racing has come to an end in N.E., there are still plenty of GH's waiting in other states, not only retired racers, but ones who were not competitive enough in training and retired brood dams and sires. As a group, GPA can only take as many as we have foster places for. We would like to give as many of these GH's a chance for a home of their own. If you've ever considered fostering, this would be a great time to give it a try. If you've thought about adding another GH to your home, many foster with intent, the intent being that they foster with the intent on adopting if the fit is right for the home. GPA has met all necessary medical needs and will reimburse foster homes for food. If you are interested in fostering, please contact foster home coordinator Linda Shepard at [foster\\_coordinator@gpa-cnhc.org](mailto:foster_coordinator@gpa-cnhc.org)

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**GPA-CNHC Policy**

To all of our members, please be reminded that GPA-CNHC adheres to National GPA Policy and Procedure. The primary objectives are to:

- Locate responsible, loving homes for greyhounds that fail to qualify, or no longer qualify for the racetrack.
- Educate the public about greyhounds, stressing their desirability as pets.

The GPA position is that we are primarily interested in the welfare of the greyhound. We are NOT animal activists, nor an animal rights organization. However, GPA will take appropriate action if we see a greyhound mistreated or abused. We will do what needs to be done to get the abuse stopped as quickly as possible through the proper authorities.

GPA is politically NEUTRAL and is neither pro- nor anti-racing. GPA representatives are required to remain factual on all issues. If engaged in conversation which moves toward negative issues, we can best serve the greyhounds by emphasizing what wonderful pets they make and why. It is possible that upon determination that a member has engaged in conduct materially and seriously prejudicial to the interests or purposes of GPA, they will be terminated from the organization. Thank you all for doing your best to comply with our mission.



Please consider a donation to GPA

We are an official 501c non-profit organization. IRS TAX ID# 02-0424800

Your donations are tax deductible. The hounds thank-you!

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**Thanks from GPA-CNHC**

- To: Deco Dogs Dogcare & Grooming 21 Back River Road Dover, NH 03852 603-749-PETS  
Deco Dogs hosts a GH only playgroup the second Saturday of the month from 9-11. \$10 for the first GH; \$5 for each additional GH. Proceeds are divided 50/50 between GPA and GPS. They also offer nail trims for \$5. Open to all GH's. Muzzles are required. <http://www.decodogs.net/>
- To: NH and Mass. area Petco stores for allowing us to hold our monthly Meet & Greets at numerous locations. <http://www.petco.com/>
- To: Little Critters Pet Store in Exeter, NH. We have just started a Meet & Greet at this location, they have welcomed us with open arms and have been very generous. <http://www.littlecritterpet.com/>
- To: Atkinson Graphics. They always offer us a donation and/or discount each time we order T-shirts from them. They have supported GPA for the past 6 years. <http://www.atkinsongraphics.com>
- To: Speedy Printing and Copying in Concord, NH for their excellent work on printing our newsletter and discounting their fees to support our cause for the greyhounds!! <http://www.speedyprintingnh.com/>

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