

NOV/DEC 2023

#### What a Year It's Been!

"When you want something with all of your heart, the universe conspires to helping you achieve it."

Paulo Coelho, The Alchemist

This sums up the act of faith taken this year to "import" retired racers from the other side of the world and find their forever homes.





Let's review for a moment. At the start of the year, we put forth an ambitious goal with sincere intention: to bring Irish and Australian retired racers into Canada. Thanks to the very hard work, support, and dedication of NSGA leadership and volunteers, our year was a wild success. A total of 62 adoptable dogs were carefully flown and then driven to Western Canada where, to date, 54 lucky hounds have been adopted.

# All the GreytNews

#### 2023 NSGA Greyhound Stats

Available at start of year	8
Total Dogs brought In	62
Owner Surrender	-
Returns-prior yr dogs	1
Total 2023 Brought in	63
Returns-current yr dogs	<b>3</b>
Total 2023 Adoptables	71
Adopted	54
To Permanent Care	1
Transferred to another group	1
Pending adoptions	10
Available at end of year	5

A hugely collaborative effort, heartfelt thanks also goes to everyone on the other side of the planet who helped facilitate the careful selection and travel preparation for these amazing dogs.

At the making of this newsletter, there are only 5 pups still awaiting their loving families. And we know they won't last long.

Check them out here:

https://www.northernskygreyhounds.com/availa ble-for-adoption/











## Christmas Wish Book

Do you remember the annual Sears catalogue, filled with holiday gift ideas? Dogeared pages and circled favourites served as obvious hints to family members. With everything online these days, we're delighted to share with you a list of recommended gift sources for the loved ones - human and fur-bearing - in your lives.

#### **CUSTOM PAINTED PORTRAITS**

Letitia Moca Narai has a special offer to our group!

Working from your favourite photo, painted in oil on an 11x14 canvas, Letitia creates not just a likeness of your companion, but one that captures their unique personality as well. \$160.00 plus postage where applicable. A portion of each portrait commissioned being donated to our organization.

Orders for BC, Saskatchewan and Manitoba will be accepted up until November 25. Order for Alberta residents will be accepted up until December 9. To book your spot please contact Deb Ward by email at northernskygreyhounds@gmail.com.

#### **CALENDERS**

Shades of Grey 2024 Calendars -- we still have a few left. Get some for yourself or any other fellow dog lover in your life! Contact Deb Ward for yours now at northernskygreyhounds@gmail.com



(Note: Lurcher calendars are sold out.)

#### **CUSTOM COLLARS & GREYHOUND COUTURE**

Adorn your hound in only the very best that fits like a glove to their unique shape. We are so fortunate to have numerous sew-masters in our group to choose from!

Dottywear Custom Coats - coats for all seasons, belly bands contact dottywearcoats@gmail.com

Dream Brother Collars - collars contact cgkereliuk@shaw.ca

Homestretch Horse and Hound - martingales & tag collars contact <a href="mailto:horsehound@gmail.com">homestretch.horsehound@gmail.com</a>

**Sew Craftly** – winter boots and more contact eileensewcraftly@gmail.com

Suni Petware - collars and more contact howedn@shaw.ca



#### **CUSTOM WOOD CREATIONS**

Two Guys with Wood - engraved pet portraits, cribbage boards, aser engraved coasters, house signs, cutting boards and so much more! Visit <a href="https://twoguyswithwoodyeg.com/">https://twoguyswithwoodyeg.com/</a>

#### MEMORY-KEEPER JOURNALS

"I Love My Lurcher" and "I Love My Greyhound" Journals Available through Amazon: https://tinyurl.com/I-Love-My-GreyhoundLurcher

A journal to designed just for your puppers. It's a place to record everything from silly anecdotes, keepsakes, photos and more. Record your furry companion's story and always have a place to store special memories.

SECRET SANTA? TRUEARTH

What to buy for your mystery gift this year?

TruEarth laundry or cleaning supplies make the perfect prezzy. Practical, earth-friendly AND 20% of the profits go to support NSGA! Use this link: https://tru-earth.sjv.io/NSGA









#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Greyt Conversations -

Tues, Nov. 21 - 7 pm MST

"Making the Holiday Season Greyt"

A time to share holiday tips and tricks with greys in the home. For the link, email northernskygreyhounds.pr@gmail.com

#### Congratulations to our Contest Winners:

"Canada Day Contest" featuring a gorgeous martingale and tag collar set from Homestretch Horse & Hound was won by Courtney McCrea.

"Giving Thanks for a Greyt Greyhound NSGA Community!"

Ruth Fridhandler was the lucky winner of Dottywear's super summer coat set!

#### Fundraising Partnership Reports:



SkipTheDepot contributes 100% of the recycling pick up refunds to NSGA. Since June we have received 8 donations for a total of \$131.15!

## RULART

NSGA ears a 20% commission on sales through their fundraising link. A big thanks to those who have purchase, since June we have raised \$348.40!

#### **HOLIDAY TIPS**

Simplify the season! Skip the Depot accepts cans, bottles, clothing, electronics. All you have to do is:

- 1. Download the free app (https://app.skipthedepot.com/nsgaa),
- 2. Book a pick up,
- 3. Select NSGA as your charity of choice.

Skip the Depot comes right to your door/driveway. The pick up and payment to NSGA is FREE and you don't have to load up your vehicle and drive around to drop anything off!

### Gone But Never Forgotten

Our hearts go out to the families of our most recent angels.

WENDALL RUNDLE BILLY **GRACIE COCO CHANEL** SHIRLEY **DORIAN** RANGER **TESSIE ADDY ORANGE TRAVIS** JUNE **FINLEY** BLAIR









