

NEWS HOUNDS



Greyhound Adoption Program QLD Newsletter September 2024

The Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) QLD is run by the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) and is dedicated to finding homes for greyhounds that have retired from racing or for a variety of reasons have not made the track.

FROM THE CANINE HEALTH OFFICERS



Dental health week was in August and as greyhounds are more predisposed to dental disease, the GAP Canine Health Officers recommend these top tips for maintaining your greyhound's dental health and to keep them smiling.

1. Brush your dog's teeth 2-3 times a week using dog specific toothbrush and toothpaste.
2. See your local veterinarian at least twice a year for a dental check.
3. Give your dog dental toys and snacks to help brush the surfaces of their teeth and reduce plaque.

NEWS FROM NORTH QUEENSLAND

Our happy go lucky boy Benny was out and about in Townsville recently learning lead manners and calm behaviour. Benny's profile can be found [here](#).



Skeeta and Flo Jo visited Townsville Shopping Centre and were treated with pats, kisses and cuddles and educating on adopting a retired greyhound. Skeeta has since found his new home and Flo Jo is still patiently waiting. Flo Jo's profile can be found [here](#).



Don't forget to have your greyhounds ready for the Great Global Greyhound Walk. For more information and to register, [click here](#).

WHAT'S ON

GAP Open Day

Join us as we open the doors at Churchable kennels for the GAP Open Day! 🎉 We're hosting leash manners and recall training sessions, and our onsite vet team will be discussing the importance of First Aid as the weather warms up. Plus, you'll get a behind-the-scenes tour of our kennel facilities, with opportunities for on-the-day adoptions and meet-and-greets. Bring the whole family, pack a picnic, and enjoy a fantastic day out at GAP Churchable.

 **Sunday 15 September**

 10am - 1pm

 985 Atkinsons Dam Road, Churchable 4311

[Register for leash training and more here](#)

Homeward Hounds – 3rd Saturday of each month

Meet and pat GAP greyhounds that are available for adoption. If you find a pup that's impawssible to walk away from, same-day adoptions are available, as well as dog collections for finalised applicants.

 **Saturday 21 September**

 10am - 1pm

 Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club, 16 Old Cleveland Road, Capalaba 4157

[Register your attendance to Homeward Hounds](#)

Great Global Greyhound Walk



Join us for the Great Global Greyhound Walk in Brisbane and Townsville. This event unites greyhound lovers from around the world for a day of fun, community, and, of course, walking with our beautiful greyhounds and sighthounds.

 **Sunday 29 September**

 9am – 11am

 BRISBANE: Rocks Riverside Park, 531 Seventeen Mile Rocks Road, Seventeen Mile Rocks, 4073

 TOWNSVILLE: The Strand, North Ward, 4810

Register your dog's attendance here:

 [Brisbane event](#)

 [Townsville event](#)

CHECK YOUR CHIP

Is your animals microchip up to date?

Thursday 15 August saw the **National Check the Chip Day**. This national day raises awareness around the importance of a microchip and keeping your details up to date. A microchip with current contact details will help quickly reunite your lost animal. All GAP greyhounds have a microchip, and we encourage you to update your details when your circumstances change.

FOSTER FAMILIES

Cash is thoroughly enjoying his foster family. He is in his third week of living in foster care and his carers say it feels as though he has been there for a lot longer. He has adapted to “pet life” so well and quickly. He loves the car, his daily walks, meeting new people (he’ll take pats all day) and he has now found a new love for the beach. He is a big water baby!

The GAP team are looking for more foster carers and further information can be found [here](#).



A MOMENT'S PAWS

Take a moment to meet our newest GAP greyhound looking for a retirement home...



Chucky is a confident, happy soul. He is still refining his manners around food but thinks that snacks and food are great. Chucky is eager to learn, listens well and is very foot motivated.

DOB: 28 March 2021

Colour: Fawn

-  He could live with older kids/teens
-  Chucky could live with a medium/large breed dog.

[View Chucky's profile here.](#)

WHAT'S UP, DOG?



"I thought I'd provide an update on my girl Rosie who I adopted back in 2019 at the age of 9. She turns 15 in November!! She is still going strong although her eyes and ears don't work as well as they used to, and her zoomies have lost some of their power! Here are a couple of photos, one with her Frenchie sister Lulu.

Thanks for bringing this wonderful pup into my life! She has brought me immense joy."

- Rosie's Mumma

**You can host a
Greyhound Adoption Program pop-up
IN YOUR WORKPLACE!**



Scan to learn more!



**Flexible visits from GAP
greyhounds to your workplace**



**Free pats for your team &
customers**



**Raise awareness about
adopting/fostering with GAP**



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A visit from a dog makes every workday better! Invite GAP greyhounds to visit your workplace - you and your team can interact with retired racing greyhounds and learn more about how to adopt or foster a GAP dog.

Our passionate team is flexible and will work with you to organise a pop-up that is suitable for your workplace.

Take a break and inject some fun into your workday with free pats for staff and customers and help us to promote the importance of rehoming retired racing dogs!

For more information, contact communication@qric.qld.gov.au.

A DOG'S TAIL 🐕

Every greyhound paw-rent loves to talk about their pet. If you have adopted or are fostering a GAP greyhound, we want to hear from you!

Send your photos, updates and any questions about greyhound care or behaviour to gap@qric.qld.gov.au.



BARK ABOUT US!

We have greyhounds available now who are looking for their retirement homes. Can you help? Follow and share the GAP's updates on social media, forward this newsletter to your friends and tell the dog lovers in your life about the GAP! Help us to match our greyhounds with a happy home.

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