

2011 Greyhound Connection Year in Review

It seems like such a short time since we sent out the year in review for 2010, where did this year go??

Greyhound Connection has had a good year; it has been a bit slower this year, as it has been for rescue groups across the United States, due to the poor economy. But that being said; we have been fortunate to place 12 wonderful greyhounds in their forever homes, and for that we are very thankful. More tracks are closing all the time, so more greyhounds will need their forever homes in the future months. Since our motto is "Making a difference...one greyhound at a time" it was nice to accomplish that 12 times this

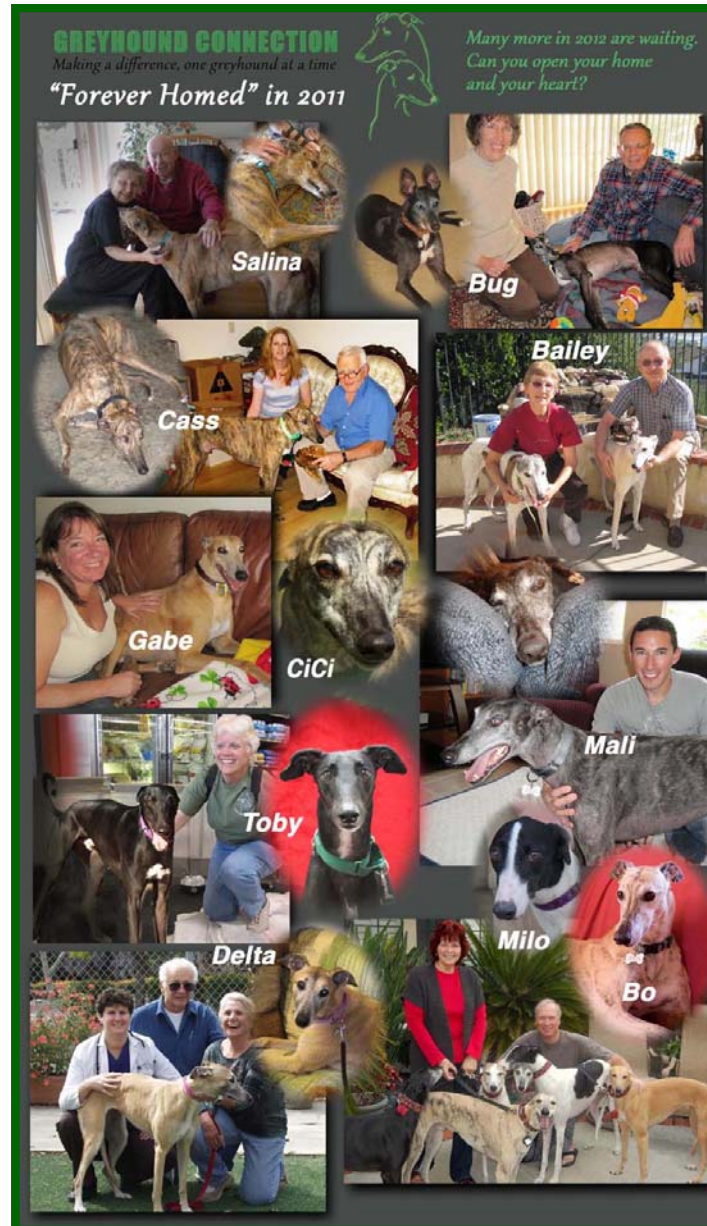
year!

We also have been able to help some other groups that are located closer to some of the track closures by sending funds to help transport and vet dogs. And also we were able to help a group that takes in dogs with broken legs, from the tracks.

We could not have accomplished our placements and events this year without our wonderful volunteers! Thank you each and every one. We have been active at doing meet and greets at Unleashed by Petco in Carlsbad, and Petco in Del Mar, in addition to meet and greets in the Murrieta and Temecula area. Our annual picnic was held in October and was very successful, both from a fund raising aspect, and a fun time. It is always so good to see the hounds and their families. The picnic is always a lot of work, but with all the volunteers it goes so nicely!!

Our foster homes have been keeping busy, taking in our hounds and preparing them for their forever homes, and doing a wonderful job, I might add. This is an area that we could surely use more help, we are only able to bring dogs into our group as foster homes become available, and so we are really limited, as we are always short of foster homes. Perhaps this is something you could resolve in 2012 to do for the hounds. If you are interested in becoming a foster, please email me at: wlacey@dslextreme.com

And a special thank you to all of you who have supported us financially this year. It has been amazing, we did so well at the picnic and about the



same time, with a corporate donation from Zumiez Foundation (thanks to Jason Neal, Brindie's dad), and the following week, we had a huge veterinary expense, then just lately we had our dog wash event and the following week had a large veterinary expense that equaled the amount we made at the dog wash!!

Please feel free to go to our website www.greyhoundconnection.org and see pictures of our placed greyhounds, our events, our current newsletter and a number of other items of interest. And of course, we would be happy and thankful if you choose to make a donation to help us move forward in 2012! Or if you choose our mailing address is:

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On behalf of the Board of Directors, here is wishing you and yours a wonderful and healthy 2012!

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