

GREAT GLOBAL GREYHOUND WALK – Sunday 11th June 2017

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The Great Global Greyhound Walk www.greatglobalgreyhoundwalk.co.uk

11th June to be anything but a GREY day...

Just a month to go until this year's staging of the Great Global Greyhound Walk. From the original walks which began in Essex in 2006, the Greyhound Walks team have now created an annual event to raise awareness of Greyhounds, and their sighthound cousins, as great pets. This is the second year of being GGGW but the fourth year that we have gone global and the number of walk registrations from across the seas have already beaten those registered this time last year. From Canada to New Zealand, Germany to the USA and all across the UK – people will be walking on the 11th of June promoting this lovely, under-estimated, breed of dog.

The event enables owners to socialise with their dogs and welcomes everyone to come and meet, greet and chat about greyhounds. Many walks will combine with a picnic or awareness stall to encourage everyone to join in. Greyhounds, and indeed all sighthounds, generally get on very well together and the sight of so many, all in one place, is quite special and should be experienced.

The walks in the UK peaked last year with an amazing turnout of 144 sighthounds at York and with 67 walks already registered across Great Britain so far, we are hoping that this year's event will break our previous records.

Each year we have a theme too, which for 2017 is Colours of the World, so wherever you come from and wherever you walk - dress up (you and/or your dog!), join in and have fun and celebrate the world of greyhounds.

For more information please visit our website

www.greatglobalgreyhoundwalk.co.uk which is updated daily with news of all the walks being registered and if you can't attend any of the walks, why not register your own 'little local walk'. This can just be you and your hound walking round the block, but it means you are counted in our numbers and actually joining in the effort.

There are a lot of misconceptions about greyhounds as pets – they do NOT need a lot of exercise (two 20 minute walks per day are usually sufficient), they CAN be cuddly and curl up small, they ARE great with children and some can EVEN live with cats and other small furries. They are built for speed, not stamina and will happily spend most of the day snoozing away on your sofa! Just because they are 'retired' doesn't mean that they are old and sad, far from it! They are delighted at their chance of a second career (as a pet) and will love you for giving them a chance. Still in any doubt? Come along to a walk and find out for yourself!

“The Great British Greyhound Walk is organised by Greyhound Walks – Registered Charity No 1127875. The Charity aims to socialise greyhounds and lurchers; promote awareness of retired greyhounds as family pets; through voluntary contributions and events raise money for needy Essex, Suffolk and Hertfordshire greyhounds, support Essex, Suffolk and Hertfordshire rehoming kennels and animal rescues who rehome greyhounds”

Please note all our admin team and walk organisers are volunteers