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Rehoming Some of Colorado's Most Eligible Dogs

RESCUE SPOTLIGHT: Colorado Greyhound Adoption

By Erin Bradford

For many people, seeing a Greyhound is like seeing a mythical creature – a massive, muscular, svelte, and regal canine that isn't usually part of our everyday lives. But for some, including Rori Mattson and the other hard-working folks at Colorado Greyhound Adoption, they are as common as they are beautiful.

According to historians, the Greyhound is the oldest known breed of dog, found in the history books as the pets of nobility in Europe and Africa. The breed's sight, agility, and speed made him a perfect companion for rabbit hunters in Europe for thousands of years. As Irish and English immigrants moved to America, their dogs came with them and dominated the sport of lure coursing. They were also used as rabbit deterrents for farmers. Just a hop, skip, and a jump away from lure coursing, what we know as "Greyhound racing" became part of American culture in the 1920s after a man named Owen Patrick Smith invented an artificial lure made of a stuffed rabbit skin and the dogs were trained to run on a track.

By 1985, over 50,000 dogs were being bred every year for racing; almost all would lose their lives. Competition to have the fastest dogs is keen, and thousands of dogs were inhumanely killed at very young ages once they'd outlived their usefulness. As

public outrage grew, rescue groups were established to save these healthy and friendly animals. According to the Greyhound Racing Association of America, 90% of dogs will survive the racetrack this year, either going to rescue groups or being held back for breeding. Sadly, others are sold to other industries, like laboratories. While many tracks run their own rescues, CGA is not affiliated with any track and works independently.

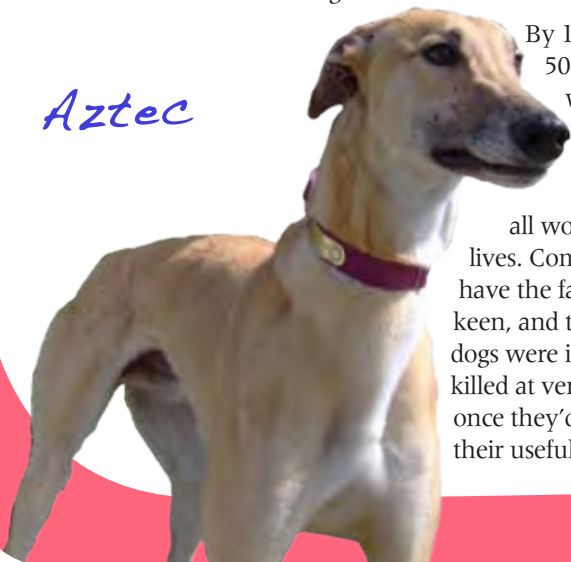
While Greyhound racing has died out in Colorado, due to lack of popularity and lack of economic feasibility, not due to legal restrictions, it is still popular in other states. 27 tracks are still in operation (14 are in Florida), producing thousands of dogs a year with no place to go. CGA is one of several rescues that steps in to help these dogs whose sole purpose for existing is to entertain people. Rori stated that there is no shortage of available dogs. "We get dogs from Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas because of Colorado's proximity to those states, but we get many of our dogs from several Florida racetracks.

Not all of the dogs are former racers. "Our mission is to find homes for retired racing Greyhounds, but we do not turn away a dog that didn't race. A lot that come out of the industry have never even raced because they weren't fast enough, and we certainly take dogs from shelters, but most dogs in rescue came out of the racing industry."

Rori says that her passion for Greyhounds was born at a track when she was a kid: "I'd go to the track with my dad and always say that I wished I had a Greyhound," but her father told her the dogs were too vicious to live in a home. "At the time, that is what people believed!" It wasn't until almost 10 years ago that she finally got her wish. "We adopted our first Greyhound from CGA in November of 2000, the day after I was diagnosed with breast cancer. We had already filled out the application and gone to meet her, and I wasn't sure if I was ready to adopt another

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dog at that time – we had a collie at home – and my husband said, ‘Let’s do it, it will be a good diversion.’ Adopting her changed our lives. She was with me from the treatments to the recovery and was with us until 2009.” After a number of years of volunteering in multiple capacities and after seven years as Vice President, Rori became CGA’s President.

Over 200 active volunteers, all passionate about the breed and the cause, keep Colorado Greyhound Adoption going— the Board, foster families, event volunteers, fundraisers, Meet and Greet Coordinators, Shelter Liason and Lost Dog Coordinator, Adoption Coordinators, Counselors, Home Visit staff, and many others. Rori stresses that “we always need more fosters, and appreciate any and all volunteer efforts.”

Greyhounds live in stacked crates at the racing facilities, making them crate-trained before they enter rescue. Final housetraining is done at a foster home, and all the dogs are cat-tested before adoption. About 75 percent are good with cats. The dogs stay in a foster home for a couple of weeks so the rescue can get a feel for the dog’s personality, as well as teach them tools for living in a home - going up and down stairs, riding in the car, or walking on carpet or slippery floors.

Many people believe that Greyhounds require a tremendous amount of exercise due to their high energy and prey drive, but Rori says that’s just not true. “Many homes are great for Greyhounds. We strive to understand a family’s lifestyle, evaluate the environment, and see if we have a dog that will match their needs. The more important purpose is to educate the family about what having a Greyhound is like. They are quiet, calm, easygoing dogs. They are indoor dogs, because they have little body hair or fat and no tolerance for heat or cold. Greyhounds must always be kept on lead – they aren’t a dog that you can safely walk without a leash. They can run 43 mph., so you don’t want one to get away from you!” They can be the perfect

dog for a small home. Rori says, “they don’t need a lot of exercise - we call them the 45 mph couch potato.”

While dogs from the racing industry are in pretty good condition, having been bred for health and stamina to eliminate ailments normally afflicting large breeds (like hip dysplasia) to maximize returns on the track, owner-relinquished dogs can have greater needs. CGA recently took in a dog that was being sold at a garage sale. Another dog was abandoned for over two weeks before being found and rescued. He weighed only 37 pounds (the average weight for a male Greyhound is between 65 and 80 pounds). Most dogs from the kennel are 3 years old and easily find homes, while the owner-surrendered dogs can be 8 or 9 and spend the rest of their days in a permanent foster.

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— Rori Mattson, Colorado Greyhound Adoption

CGA owes a lot of its success to partnering with another organization in Oklahoma, Halfway Home Greyhounds, which coordinates cross-country transport from racing states to states with active rescues. “Since racing ended in Colorado, we don’t have enough dogs here, yet we have people here wanting to adopt them.” CGA takes in 15-20 dogs every other month through the transport system, although the recent economy has made relinquishments more common. CGA places 200-250 dogs per year, which is down from 450 per year when the Colorado tracks were in business.

But no matter how many dogs race through the rescue every year, Rori and the rest of the team at Colorado Greyhound Adoption will be doing everything they can to help them reach the wonderful families waiting at the end of the track. To donate, volunteer, or adopt a Greyhound, contact Rori, call 303-816-2799 or go to CGA’s website, www.coloradogreyhoundadoption.com. 🐾



On a gorgeous summer day on Sunday, June 28, 2010, I arrived at Lu Horner's charming house in Lakewood for a potluck brunch and meeting of ABRN hotline volunteers. Cosmo, a beautiful, large black and white canine with possibly some Irish Wolfhound in him, was wearing his signature red bow tie. In a meeting of women who all love dogs, he did not lack for love and attention from everyone. Cozzie, who has a large number of Dogster friends, is an ambassador for dogs everywhere, and he languished in a shelter for a long time before Lu and her husband Jim adopted him.

Present were long-time hotline volunteers Lu Horner, who sang with multiple choirs at Carnegie Hall last year and Chris Collins, owner of Licks & Snuggles Pet Sitting, volunteers with All Setter Rescue, and coordinates the Holiday Gifts for Pets and Their People at Tagawa Gardens in November, Cassandra Benton who does rescue with the Rocky Mountain Tibetan Terrier Club, Mimi Karsh, who does Kerry Blue Terrier rescue, Ronda Brewer, whose vivacious personality and warmth must surely be appreciated by people calling in to the hotline who may be stressed about surrendering their dog (see her article about her adopted Japanese Chin, Libby, in this newsletter), and new hotline volunteers Ann Terry, who handles adoptions for Front Range German Shepherd rescue, and Joanne Cook, who does rescue through the Colorado Portuguese Water Dog Club. Joanne told us funny stories about her pet Wallaby, Didgeriroo, and the astonished looks she gets from other motorists when she has him in the car with her. When Joanne needs Didge to come, he can be had for a pittance. A corn chip does the job.

We were interested in knowing whether there have been any changes in the demand for Portuguese Water Dogs since President Obama and family now have one. Joanne said that the National Breed Club keeps a tight rein on their breeders, most breeders will take their dogs back if there is a problem, and if they didn't, there would be consequences with National. Breeders are very discriminating about where their dogs go, and so far, it is unlikely they have landed in the hands of puppy millers who would breed them for monetary gain alone and not for the benefit and fitness of the breed.

Unable to be present for our meeting were new hotline volunteer Darci Kunard, who runs the Mile High Weimeraner Club Rescue and had a conflict with a Weim Rescue event, long-time hotline volunteers Sandra Rector, who lives in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and is a GRRR volunteer, Sharon Nichols, who does Alaskan Malamute rescue and was visiting relatives in New York, and Jordan DiMarco, owner of Dogma Catma Pet Sitting, who had a petsitting visit to do.

Our roundtable discussion, outside under the shade of an umbrella with birds singing all around us, began with each person introducing herself and telling us about themselves. Each volunteer has an interesting and unique story and background. We rarely get together in person - and hotline business is conducted primarily via email and telephone - so the opportunity to talk with one another face to face

Hotline Volunteer Meeting

By Susan Heidicker Brown, Hotline Coordinator



Ronda Brewer, Lu Horner (singing to Cosmo), Sandy Benton, Susan Brown, Ann Terry, Joanne Cook, Mimi Karsh, Chris Collins.

was a rare treat. We are the only people who do this particular job, which can be stressful, and so each of us can understand the nature of the calls we deal with on a daily basis.

Then it was time to enjoy our potluck brunch. Each volunteer provided something delicious to eat or drink. When I got ready to tuck into a forkful of decadent strawberry boston crème pie provided by Ann Terry, I mentally said, "Satan, get thee behind me", but the little devil kept telling me how good I looked from behind!

After taking pleasure in the food, we played a game that enabled us to take serious and sometimes demoralizing calls and be able to laugh about them. All volunteers are trained to handle calls in a courteous, diplomatic, tactful, helpful manner without being critical or judgmental, no matter what we may actually think or what we might really want to say sometimes. Each volunteer read aloud, scenarios of hotline calls (based on actual calls) with "suggested possible responses" that were so outlandish that Mimi, for one, found it hard to get through reading her scenario because she was laughing so hard. I had fun writing them - it was very cathartic.

Seriously, we talked about the importance of maintaining good boundaries with callers and keeping our eyes on the prize, which is often about getting a dog out of a bad situation and into one of our rescue groups, where the dog will have a second chance at a happy life. Each person at the meeting went home with a variety of door prizes, which I gladly provided as a token of my appreciation for what these wonderful ladies do, often in isolation. I'd like to think that each person came away with a lighter step and a renewed sense of purpose. Personally, I had a great time.

Everyone who works as a hotline volunteer is a caring person who loves dogs, has experience with dogs and rescue, and would like to find a perfect solution for each caller. Since that is often impossible, and we have to tell people that we cannot take their dog, it can be a frustrating job. We can offer options, but for some dogs, pitbulls in

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remembering chaska

By Deb Davis, GRRR



Chaska was one of those wonderful, goofy, sweet Golden Retrievers that everyone fell in love with when they met him.

His easy going nature made him a favorite of people and dogs alike. Our first Rescue dog, we adopted him from Golden Retriever Rescue of the Rockies (GRRR) in 2001 after our first Golden, Winona, died of cancer. Dropped off at a shelter by someone who was moving, Chaska was originally a backyard dog. But lucky for him, and for us, he would soon know a better life of living in the house, sleeping on the bed, eating quality food, going for walks every day, hiking and snowshoeing on the weekends, and most of all, being loved. We needed him as much as he needed us.

Soon we got another Golden, Maui, and the pair – named Double Trouble – became best buddies. Chaska, always smiling, tail always wagging, loved to steal socks, mittens, and slippers. Chaz also greeted us at the door with a shoe or the heaviest boot he could find. He pranced around the house and when we caught up with him of course he got petted. I guess we shouldn't have rewarded his thievery, but we couldn't help it, he was adorable.

Unfortunately as happens in too many dogs, Chaska got lymphoma. He rallied with homeopathic treatment, home cooking, supplements, chiropractic care and love, but it wasn't enough to stop the dreaded cancer, and he died May 8. I think of him every time I open my drawer and he's not there to steal some socks. We miss him terribly.

I hope you're all lucky enough to know the love of a dog as wonderful as Chaska. 🐾

introducing rio

By Deb Davis, GRRR

rio is a 2-year-old sweet male Golden Retriever. He was owned by a family with three small kids and a small back yard, not a good match for a young energetic dog. So they dropped him off at a shelter, GRRR picked him up, asked me to foster (knowing I wanted to adopt a male Golden) and it was official...foster failure.

My first concern was with Maui, our 9-year-old Golden. She missed her buddy Chaska but didn't really welcome other dogs into "her" house previously. But I guess she wanted a little brother because she welcomed Rio right from the start. She's a wonderful teacher, gives him some lip once in a while, but now actually lets him up on the bed – amazing! Rio is a big handsome blond boy, pretty well-mannered, very sweet, loves the snow and chasing birds and squirrels. We've had him for almost 3 weeks and he's coming out of his shell more and isn't quite the mellow boy we first saw. He now wrestles more with Maui and chases dogs around the dog park. I'm not used to such enthusiasm and we need to work on some of that so he doesn't go crazy, but he's smart, he'll learn.

There's always a little transition period when you bring another dog into your home and heart. He certainly won't replace Chaska, but with time, he will fill the void in our hearts. Welcome Rio, welcome to a better life. 🐾



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Discounted Microchip Program Available

by Joy Varga, English Springer Rescue of the Rockies

A discounted microchip group-buying program for shelters, animal control agencies, and rescue organizations has been established by HomeAgain and the Colorado Veterinary Medical Association. ABRN is one of the recognized groups, and English Springer Rescue of the Rockies has volunteered to be the point of contact for administering the process. This program began on January 1, 2010 and will run for a 3-year period. We urge you to take advantage of this money-saving and effective program.

ABRN-affiliated rescue groups can purchase these microchip packages at \$8.49 each. Each package contains a chip in sterilized fluid, housed in a sterilized syringe ready for placement, along with a yellow ID tag with the chip number on it for the dog's collar. The HomeAgain Universal Worldscan reader can also be purchased for a highly-discounted price of \$200 each if you choose to purchase a reader. Registration can be done on the HomeAgain website or through the mail using a paper enrollment form.

Once the chip is registered, the chip will link it to the dog and its owners and will remain in HomeAgain's database for life with no yearly charge. This also includes an initial year of full coverage at no additional charge.

HomeAgain sends you a welcome letter upon registering the chip, which will instruct you to call PetFirst to activate the complimentary lost pet insurance and to upload your pet's photo to HomeAgain's site.

If the dog's owner chooses to continue the full coverage program after the free initial year, the cost would be \$16.99 per year for the full coverage. The chip will always remain active in HomeAgain's registry, still making it possible to ID the lost dog, with or without full coverage.

For more information, ordering, or questions, please contact Joy or Laszlo Varga at 720-283-6710 or email: homeoffice@esrr.org. For more details of this program, go to www.allbreedrescuenetwork.com and click on the link "Members Only – News/Information." 🐾

Full coverage includes

Lost Pet Medical Insurance - reimburses up to \$3,000 per year for emergency medical treatment less a \$50 deductible per incident.

24/7 Poison Control - This is a \$55 per call value which is included with the first year membership.

Lost Pet Alerts - If your pet should get lost, call HomeAgain to report your pet lost. They will send out lost pet alerts and posters to HomeAgain clinics, shelters, and volunteer pet rescuers in the area where the pet is reported lost. The ASPCA will email you a list of all shelters in the area. You will also have access to your pet's poster with a picture that you can print out and place anywhere you choose.

Travel Assistance - for pets that are found far from home, HomeAgain offers Travel Assistance for Found Pets. They will pay up to \$500 to have the found dog flown home when it is found 500 miles or more away from home.

HOTLINE VOLUNTEER MEETING

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particular, their options may be very limited. Sandy Benton indicated that the job could be frustrating because we rarely know the outcome – we're a go-between and don't see how everything turns out.

I have always had a lot of admiration for the people who work on the hotline. Over the years, we have seen the numbers of calls to the hotline drop dramatically. Far more people are using our website to obtain information. On the other hand, what we are left with are often the more challenging calls that require an abundance of patience and resourcefulness to handle. I strive to keep the number of hotline volunteers to a minimum of ten. Volunteers respond to all calls coming in to ABRN for one week, before passing it over to the next person, so the more volunteers there are, the less often they need to work. I want to thank long-time hotline volunteers Sarah Brashear, Debra McClelland, and Carol Farina, who left the hotline this year for various reasons, for the excellent work they did.

I can assure you that, when people call the ABRN hotline, they will be getting a call back from someone who is professional, knowledgeable, and truly cares about them and their situation. The hotline provides a valuable service to the community and its dogs in need. It has been my honor to have worked with the hotline volunteers for many years. We thanked Lu, who hosted the meeting and brunch, and I believe we all left knowing we truly had each other's backs. As for the nature of the outlandish things we pretended we'd say, that'll just have to remain our little secret. 🐾



Tilly Carmel, 1998-2010



Libby's Life Lessons

By Ronda Brewer

It's hard to imagine life before Libby, the 3-year-old Japanese Chin that now rules my world. That little black and white, impossibly cute critter of mischief that came to be ours in 2007 has utterly changed life as we once knew it. In the three years that she has been our (furry) baby, she has made us laugh every day. She's brought joy and love and companionship into our lives. And the cuddling – oh, the cuddling! But her presence in our lives has served an even more significant purpose. Libby, it turns out, has taught us some important life lessons—simply by being her own unique, exasperating, amusing, loveable self. Allow me to share a few of those with you:

When life gives you lemons... spit those bitter things out!

Libby became a rescue dog at a low point in her little life. She'd been hastily surrendered with the hopes that the experienced folks at Japanese Chin Rescue: Rocky Mountain Region, could help her. Libby was now in great hands...but she did have some challenges to face. She lost the vision in a damaged eye, and surgery was needed on her slipping patellas. When we adopted her, she had just begun recovering from these events. Was she daunted? Hesitant to enjoy life? Not Libby! She adapted to her newly limited eyesight and surgically repaired knees in no time. Three years later, she boing, boingg, boinggggs around the furniture like a monkey. Stiff knees? Lack of depth perception? You'd never know it to watch her move.

It's dinnertime, after all. Why waste precious seconds using the doggie steps to get down when you can take a flying leap off the arm of the couch? Libby doesn't dwell on her lemons.

expect the best out of life

Libby believes in belly rubs. Lots and lots and lots of belly rubs. Before she will do you the favor of letting you take her out for a midday walk, she flops over, arches her back and sticks out her round, pink belly with a tacit demand: FIRST, YOU RUB! After you comply, then and only then is she ready to go. If you should find yourself up in the middle of the night for a quick bathroom trip, upon returning you will get the well, since you're already up

flop-over. It's never too early or too late for a belly rub as far as Libby's concerned. She expects that you'll do it. And she's right, you will.

don't let 'em be the boss of you

Most (normal) dogs tend to be creatures of habit. And even most Chins will sometimes do what their owner tells them to. Not Lib. She'll zig when you think she'll zag. Even if she's zigged 20 times in a row with a certain behavior, she'll then zag on you. Libby likes to mix it up, so much so that I suspect she likes knowing she can keep us guessing. *Ha ha, you silly humans. You think you know me? That you can make me do as you command? HA. I laugh at your foolishness!* She won't even sleep in the same spot at night. The bed, the couch, the recliner, her doggie bed. For Libby, it's all about mixing it up.

never be afraid to express yourself

Libby does not suffer from reticence. When she's scared, she'll screech like a banshee. (Just ask her ever-patient vet techs.) When she's angry with you, she'll snort, she'll shake her collar tags for emphasis, she'll fire off shrill little barks at you to express her displeasure. She might even shred the box of Kleenex you foolishly left within her grasp as soon as you leave the house. Rotten little girl! But when she's happy to see you, she hops and spins in circles, and barks her joyful little rooster bark, and squeals and shakes all over in delight as you approach her for cuddles. *"Welcome home,"* she says. *"I missed you."* What in life could possibly be better than that? 🐾



Attention: ABRN Affiliated Small Breed Rescue Groups!

Come help celebrate Dachshund heritage by volunteering for Dachtoberfest. All proceeds go to ABRN

and will be earmarked for small breeds. We need help with gate admittance, games, door prizes, races and ABRN booth volunteers. Dachtoberfest is Saturday, September 25th, from 11am until 4 pm, at South Suburban Julia de Koevend Park, Shelter "C", Centennial, CO.

For more information and to volunteer please go to the website, www.coloradodachtoberfest.com. Maryalyce at MarysDoxies@aol.com is the contact person, or you can also reach Sandy Moore at cynthiaamber@comcast.net or call 303 751-6704. 🐾

Hit the Wag'n Trail!

The Wag'n Trail is the Denver Dumb Friends League Buddy Center's annual fundraiser, and this year it will be on Saturday, September 25th from 8 am until noon. ABRN will have a booth at the event, and we are looking for volunteers from our rescue groups to bring dogs and man the booth. Because this is a day event, feel free to come for 1 hour or all 4 hours, whatever works for your group. After your shift, enjoy a 1.6 mile trail you can take with your dog(s) along with vendors selling pet friendly merchandise and great food! The Wag'n Trail is at the Glendale Open Space Park, just north of Castle Rock on I-25. It can be reached off of I 25 by taking Exit 188 or 192. To volunteer for the booth, please e mail Sandy Moore at cynthiaamber@comcast.net or call 303 751-6704. 🐾

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ABRN Vision

*Ending euthanasia
of adoptable dogs in Colorado.*

Stay In Touch!

If you are interested in being on our rescue referral list or if you are on the list and have changes you need to make, please contact a member of the ABRN List Committee: Karin Lang, Coordinator, (970) 667-4314 or Km2dog@aol.com, Jenni McKernan, (303) 783-5772 or colosheltierescue@prodigy.net; or Bonnie Guzman, (303) 733-4220 or bonefinder@comcast.net

Would you like to feature a dog on ABRN's website? Contact Jenni McKernan at (303) 783-5772 or at colosheltierescue@prodigy.net to highlight a rescue dog on the website. Please follow up with Jenni when that dog has been adopted. Let Jenni know if the dog would be suitable for an active lifestyle, and she can add the "Jog Dog" icon next to the dog.

If you have a temporary change, such as a vacation, please contact the hotline coordinator, Susan Brown, at (720) 851-7222 or editor@skybeam.com.

To find the appropriate rescue group to adopt or surrender a purebred dog, first check our website, www.allbreedrescuenetwork.com. If the information is not found there, call our hotline, (303) 989-7808.

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To submit comments, suggestions, ideas or articles for the newsletter, please call Susan Brown at (720) 851-7222 or email editor@skybeam.com. We love to get emails from people who've adopted a dog through ABRN. Photographs of rescued dogs are always welcome. If photos are digital, please set your camera at the highest resolution (3 mg minimum). Deadline for submissions for the next issue is August 31, 2010.

GINGER BEAR – Before and After

by Les Brown, Safe Harbor Lab Rescue

This is one of my current foster dogs, Ginger Bear who is going to her new home on Monday. I picked her up from a shelter on May 7. At eight years old, and suffering what turned out to be a bad case of pneumonia, I'm certain she never would have made it out of the shelter alive had we not picked her up.



Before - just out of the shelter

She's fully recovered now, and soon to be spayed.

She is a gem. 🐾

After - A happy Ginger Bear with new mom, Kayla Heersink



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Tiki, Greyhound

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