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A message from **Kerry**

Hi All,

It's been a while and we have all been mega busy at CHI.

As you can see, we have had a fabulous rebrand I really hope you love the logo as much as I and the team. We kept Candy in the name because she is the reason, I started the charity.

We undertook our biggest rescue mission to date in autumn last year when we were alerted to a shelter in Beijing with over 3000 dogs in. The dogs were in horrific conditions with very little food and some of the dogs sadly didn't make it. We managed to rescue over 120 dogs with 90 being whippets and greyhounds.

We have had a difficult couple of years as a Charity, but we have managed to get over 90 dogs back to the UK and Canada and into homes since May 2021. Flights are now opening up in America and they are accepting China dogs, we are just waiting for flights to resume at a cost we can afford, currently they are at £7k per dog.

Unfortunately, from the 28th of September Canada are temporarily stopping dogs from entering from a country where rabies exists. Thankfully 10 lucky hounds got to Canada at the beginning of September. We really need to get as many dogs as possible out of China over the coming months and will be working with other rescues to make this happen.

We have a new team member at CHRI Jenna Harris working as Assistant, who is helping me to run the Charity.

If you think you would like to become involved as a volunteer for CHRI, we would love to hear from you. We are particularly looking for people with skills in social media, websites, fund raising, marketing. If you are interested than drop us a line for a chat rescue@candyshoundrescue.org.

Thank you as always for the most amazing support you guys never fail to amaze me with the loyalty and support to these amazing dogs. I hope I can go back to China in the near future to bring our dogs' home.

Much love,

Kerry



Our new name and logo

In October 2021 Candy Cane Rescue became Candy's Hound Rescue International.

We changed our name and logo to help people understand what we do and where we work.

We spent a long time coming up with a name and logo that absolutely represents who we are and what we stand for.

We wanted to keep **Candy's** name, as she is our inspiration for what we do.

Hounds are our passion, although we try to help other breeds when and where we can

Rescue is what we do.

International, although China is where it all began, we also have rescued from other countries including, Korea, Vietnam, Spain.

Our new logo is rather special, we absolutely love it, can you see why?



Candy's
Hound Rescue
International

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FLORENCE'S STORY

An amazing, courageous, beautiful friend

On 2nd November 2019, an urgent appeal for funds was sent out by Candy Cane Rescue to raise funds to purchase an Australian bred greyhound girl who was being sold at the market in China. Time was limited to secure her safety, and miraculously, enough donations came in from supporters to save her in time. Her name was Shadow Bandit.

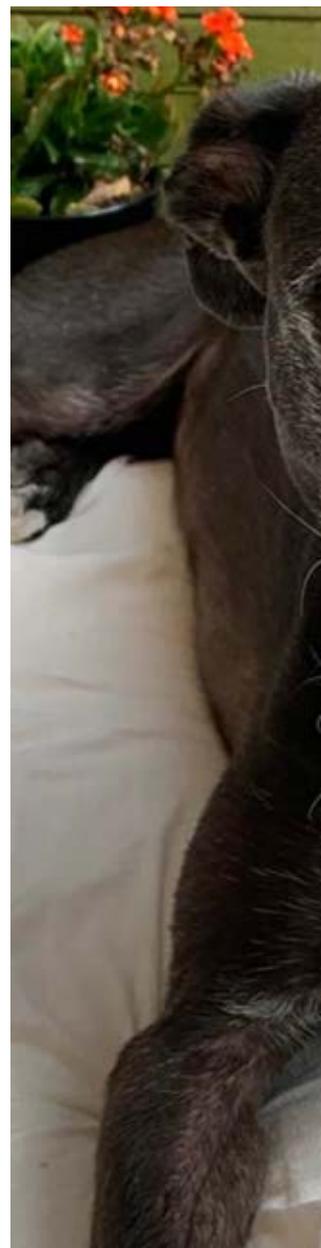
She had been sent to China by her heartless owner after her last race in 2013 to be used for breeding.

She produced many litters of puppies, her last ones when she was aged nearly 9 years old. She was betrayed yet again and sent to the market. Once she was bought and collected by Candy Cane helpers, she was checked at the vets, vaccinated and ready to be brought to UK.

As a volunteer dog walker, I was introduced to this tatty scrap of a dog while walking the other foster dogs at Kerry's. I was asked if I could foster her for a while, and get her through her spay, and get her bad eye treated.

She came home with me and met my other China greyhound Harry. They got on just fine. After settling in, we set about getting some weight on her, and sorting the ulcerated eye. Eventually she was ready for a spay, but mammary tumours had also developed, so while she was under the anaesthetic, as she was doing so well, they were removed also.

She recovered so well at home, quite bruised but she was through it.





She developed into such a loving, gentle soul. She was grateful for everything. Treats, walks, cuddles, meeting people. She liked to lie late on summer evenings in the shade on the patio with me, she was the perfect pet. She loved it when her friends Scarlett and Buck came over for group walks. Her talent for spotting squirrels never ceased to amaze me, just the slightest flick of a squirrel tail and she was transfixed until the little creature disappeared up a tree out of sight.



FLORENCE'S STORY



After a year or so, I noticed her front legs looking a little threadbare. I took her to get checked at the vets. She was fine in herself, maybe took a bit longer to get up to go for a walk, but still wanted to go out with Harry. Her hair loss began spreading up her legs and then affecting her back legs also. I remember my vet saying that something was making her body unwell, but we had no idea what it was.

She had skin biopsies to see if that revealed any cause. Nothing definitive came back. Her case was referred to a specialist, but he couldn't shed any light on the issue.

What happened next was a complete shock. One afternoon she was struggling to get up, it looked as if she was in pain, but had walked fine in the morning. I lifted her into my van and rushed her to the vet. She was examined with me waiting outside (due to Covid restrictions) she was thought to be in so much pain in her tummy area that she was admitted to hospital right away.

It quickly became clear that it was not her tummy, but her hindquarters. She was struggling to walk, it was awful to see. I was advised to send her for a scan. There she also had further tests done. She was getting worse by the day while we waited for the results. Still eating, but just not right.

When the results came in, I was told it was a disease I had never heard of called Myositis. After one last try on steroids, I had to think of her happiness and welfare and I let her go. It was the worst outcome, just 18 months in her home after all those years of exploitation just didn't seem fair. Everything was being snatched away so quickly.

I've loved all of my greyhounds equally, but Florence was my heart dog, she was meant to be with me.

I think of her every day, I miss her every day. My amazing, courageous, beautiful friend.

Susan Cotton, Trustee



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Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to PERCURO who have kindly donated food for the CHRI dogs in the UK. PERCURO is insect based, hypoallergenic and our hounds not only love it, but are thriving on it. Their coats are shining and their stools are firmer.



Here is a before and after picture of beautiful Louise and Luna from Spain who we are feeding PERCURO. Louise has leishmania and is being treated for that, we are also giving her oils and supplements for her skin, but without a doubt PERCURO has had a massive impact on her improvement. We thoroughly recommend it for your hounds.

www.percuro.earth

KNOWING YOUR HOUND

Your hound's health

This short guide contains general health information important to all canines as well as some common predispositions for hounds.

Teeth

Hounds are very susceptible to dental disease with 39% of greyhounds affected. It is a known issue for ex racing greyhounds, due to being fed sloppy food to keep them in peak hydration. This food is often very cheap, and not always cooked or sterilised. It can then form plaque and tartar on their teeth. The plaque will push back the gum and cause dental decay, sometimes exposing the root if not removed. This can cause extreme pain for your hound.

Symptoms

It is very easy to see if teeth look like they have tarter or decay. Other symptoms are reluctance to eat and pawing at the mouth.

Treatment

Initially your hound may need a dental procedure at the vets to remove the tartar and possibly any teeth that cannot be saved. Once this has been done you need to maintain your hound's dental hygiene. There are various dog tooth pastes available that your vet can recommend. And if your hound will tolerate it, regular brushing with a toothbrush is the best way forward. If this is not possible then there are various products that can either be mixed in their food or in their water, such as Plaque Off or Tropiclean, all are available online.



Bloat (Gastric dilation-volvulus)

This is life threatening and is when the abdomen swells and twists due to fermentation of gasses that cannot escape.

When the abdomen swells it will push the other organs in the abdomen away, damaging them in the process. The stomach acids are unable to escape and will begin to eat away at the stomach wall. Time is of the essence and if you think your hound may be experiencing bloat you should call your vet immediately.

Sadly bloat has a high mortality rate even if caught early. However, bloat can easily be avoided by doing the following:

- Use raised dog bowls for water and food
- Feed at least two small meals a day, rather than one big one
- Do not exercise your hound until at least 60 minutes after or before being fed
- Do not allow your hound to drink excessive amounts of water all in one go
- Do not allow your hound to gulp their food down

Symptoms

Your hound will show discomfort, it may drool, cry, try to vomit, become restless, start pacing and/or have a distended/bloated stomach.

Treatment

Your vet may be able to release the build up of gas and air by using a tube and stomach pump. However surgery is most often needed to repair the damage to the stomach. This involves removing any tissue that is dying due to a cut off in blood supply. Your hound will also be given IV fluids, painkillers and antibiotics to help restore blood flow to the heart.

Corns

Corns are hard painful areas that form on the pad and sadly our hounds are very susceptible to them. They are normally round in shape and have a hard core that goes up into the pad and can cause severe pain when walking, running and even just standing. They can vary in size and even the smallest of corns can be extremely painful. Some hounds may have more than one corn on a pad or even more on one paw. It is not known what causes them.

Symptoms

These may include limping, reluctance to walk, holding a paw up or complete lameness. This could all disappear if your hound walks on carpet or grass.

Treatment

There are various treatments that can be administered but all hounds are different, some may work and others may not, sadly even after treatment the corn may come back .

Booties can also be bought online which cushion the pads when walking, Therapaws or Hunnyboots are good brands to try. Human corn softener can be used, also bathing in Epsom salts, followed by moisturiser. This helps bring the corn to the surface where you can carefully hull the corn out. Keeping your hounds nails short can also help. If you are uncomfortable clipping yourself then dog groomers can help or ask your vet.

Flexor Tenotomy is the most current surgical option, but is very much a last resort. There is a Facebook page dedicated to greyhounds with corns which is extremely informative and has many members. Take a look at: www.facebook.com/groups/Greyhoundswithcorns



Overheating

Hounds are susceptible to overheating, this is mainly due to them having very little body fat and just one layer of fur making it difficult for them to regulate their body temperature.

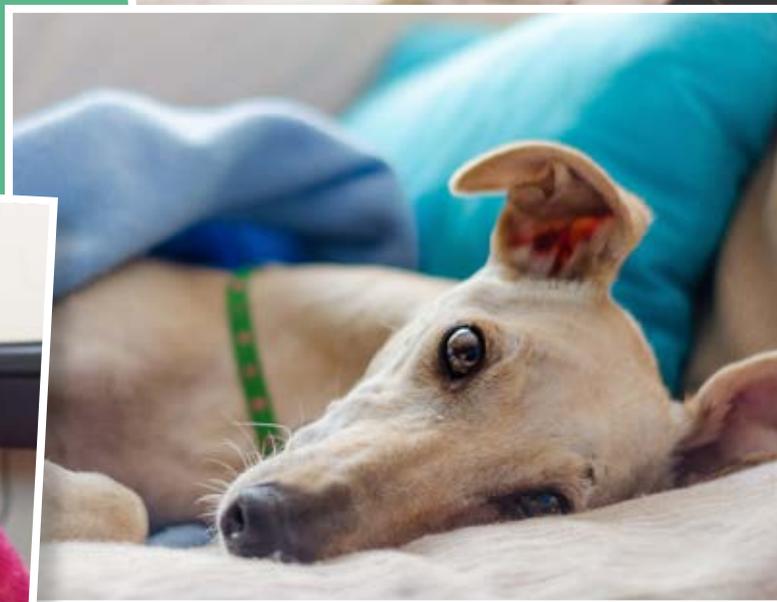
Symptoms

Heavy excessive panting, drooling, lethargic, drowsy, uncoordinated, vomiting, reddened gums, state of collapse.

Treatment

Avoid exercising your hound in the heat of the day, stick to very early morning or later on in the evening, keep them hydrated, do not allow them to sit directly in the sun. If showing signs of overheating get into the shade immediately.

Offer them water, cool off with cold water by placing a wet towel on their back and then call your vet as soon as possible.



SAFETY FIRST

Keeping your hound safe whilst exercising

Daily walks provide vital mental and physical stimulation for your dog and help build a bond of trust between you and your pet. Keeping you both safe during this time is so important.

Fishtail collars

These are normally made of leather and have graduating widths approx. 2 to 3 inches wide narrowing down to 1 inch where the buckle is. These collars should sit snugly on the neck just below the ears. The collar should be tight but with enough room to fit 2 fingers in between collar and your hound's neck.

These are extremely hard for the hound to get out of so **MUST** be taken off after walks and not be worn in the house, and most definitely not worn when the hound is not being supervised.



Martingale collars

Martingale collars prevent hounds from slipping or backing out of a collar. When hounds are standing still or walking nicely on the lead the collar fits loosely around the neck, however if your hound pulls or tries to back out of the collar it tightens.

Martingale collars are flat collars and made of soft, strong fabric but instead of a buckle have a smaller loop with an attached D-ring about a third of the length of a normal collar.

These collars are designed when correctly fitted, to only tighten to keep your hound safe and not choke or inflict injury on their delicate necks.



Harnesses

We only recommend the Ruffwear Webmaster harness for our hounds. This harness is a structured, multi-use harness with a handle and belly strap. It has five points of adjustment and a belly strap for a secure fit. It is foampadded to ensure comfort for your hound.

With these harnesses it is virtually impossible for your hound to escape. We also recommend that you secure a lead to the collar and to the harness for extra safety.

These harnesses are also recommended by Galgos Del Sol for their galgos and are the safest on the market.



Extendable leads

We **do not** recommend extendable leads for any of our dogs. Extendable leads are extremely dangerous no matter if they are attached to the harness or a collar. Hounds are able to reach speeds of up to 40mph in around 3 seconds, by the time you have realised they have taken off they will have stretched the extending lead to its full capacity resulting in any or all of the following disasters.

- Breaking their necks by coming to an abrupt stop. If they haven't broken their neck, then they could have severely injured their neck or back as a direct result of the jarring caused by the sudden halt.
- The clattering of the handle on the ground as your hound runs will terrorise them causing them to run harder and faster. This could lead to exhaustion, collapse, bleeding paws or injury to other animals/children as the hound bounds past them, the list is endless.
- The lead could get caught as your hound runs. Wire, fences, bushes or the hound itself could easily get entangled with the thin lead, causing a multitude of injuries.

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- An extendable lead is only held by your fingers. One of the things we always tell our adopters is to wrap a lead around your wrist as well as holding it, this cannot be done with an extendable.
- You could easily let the lead out instead of bringing it in or the lock itself could fail, allowing your hound to lunge at other dogs, cats, people, children or traffic.
- You yourself could suffer an injury. Extendable leads can easily pull a human shoulder, arm, hand and or in extreme cases issue lacerations to the legs, arms or hands.

The dangers of extendable leads are endless, remember it is your responsibility to keep your hound safe and under control.

SAFETY FIRST

Trackers

When we know that a dog is a flight risk we will always supply a tracker when they are rehomed. These trackers should be worn at all times for the safety of your hound. The feeling of losing a hound is unbearable, once they have escaped they will go into survival mode, making some hounds almost impossible to catch. It is simply not worth the risk.

We recommend Tractive GPS Tracker (2021) for Dog Collar, currently £44.99 and available from Amazon. By using a tracker, should you be in the unfortunate situation of losing your hound, you will be able to monitor their movements and have a much better chance of finding them safely.



ID Tags

It is now law for all dogs to wear a pet tag on their collar. The tag must have your name and address, a telephone number is also helpful. Without a tag your dog may be treated as a stray and be taken in by the dog warden.

Always keep the pet tag updated if you move.



Recipe time

Cheese and apple dog biscuits

- 1 ½ cups whole wheat flour
- ½ cup old fashioned oats
- ½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
- ½ cup grated apples
- 2 tsp olive oil
- 3 tsp water

Preheat oven to 350°F/ 175°C. Mix all ingredients in a bowl until well combined. Place dough onto parchment paper. Using a rolling pin, roll dough until ½ to ¼ inch thickness. Cut out desired shapes and place on a parchment lined cookie sheet. Bake at 350°F/ 175°C for 25 minutes. Let cool completely before sharing. And enjoy!

Five simple ways to donate

1. Amazon Smile

If you buy from Amazon Smile, Amazon will make a donation from your order. This cost absolutely nothing to you! You just need to purchase from Amazon Smile rather than Amazon. If you log on to Amazon smile it is easy to register and it will ask you which charity you want to support.

Visit smile.amazon.co.uk



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE IN CHARITY VOLUNTEERING??

We have a number of volunteer positions become available to be a part of the Candy team. We are looking for fundraisers, marketing and digital skills individuals. If you feel you could use your time and expertise to help make a difference for this charity and ultimately the dogs who desperately need us, please send us an email.

Contact: rescue@candyshoundrescue.org

2. Friends of CHRI

For a donation of £2.50, £5, £10 or as much as you would like each month you could receive:

- Welcome email and gift.
- Regular updates on our dogs in China and UK.
- Promotions through the year.
- Digital fundraising kit and ideas.

Please email friendsofcandy@gmail.com if you would like to join.

3. Let's shop!

Our online shop is bursting to the seams with fabulous merchandise. We have, hoodies, T-shirts, military caps, wrapping paper and lots more. By buying our merchandise, you are supporting our hounds. All profit made in our shop goes directly to CHRI. We are constantly adding new things... Watch this space!

4. Make an old school payment

You can always make a one off donation or set up a standing order to our bank account. The details are:

Candy's Hound Rescue International
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BIC LOYDGB21256

Or you can donate to our paypal account by searching for rescue@candyshoundrescueinternational.org

5. By text

Donr is a simple way to make a donation by text. Text 70450 CANDY and amount. If you want to donate £10 you would put CANDY10

Happy endings

Nesta ♥ Tobi ♥ Iniesta ♥ Milo ♥ Viento ♥ Galleta
Tipo ♥ Luna ♥ Sammi ♥ Cindi ♥ Aimillo ♥ Hope
Grace ♥ Mr. Tickle ♥ Ice ♥ Bertie ♥ Jason ♥ Smudge
Bomber ♥ Mei Mei ♥ Pepsi ♥ Ralph ♥ Bing





Onions ♥ Dawn ♥ Matt ♥ Connor ♥ Vito ♥ Aria ♥ Bobby Lee ♥ Angie ♥ Kenzo ♥ Merlin ♥ Minnie ♥ Micha
Kimiko ♥ Rachael ♥ Ottina ♥ Onnie ♥ Pebbles ♥ Diva ♥ Scarlett ♥ Chicca ♥ Chrissie ♥ Lenny ♥ Freya
Kilo ♥ Murphy ♥ Turbo ♥ Thelma ♥ Luna ♥ Chico ♥ Reina ♥ Beauty ♥ Maria ♥ Honey Bee ♥ Giorgia
Fiona ♥ Jeremy ♥ Martini ♥ Diego ♥ Archie ♥ Kenzie ♥ Turbo ♥ Giada ♥ Geisha ♥ Doodles ♥ Dana
Mic Jagger ♥ Hera ♥ Helen ♥ Merlin ♥ Gordon ♥ Aurora ♥ Giselle ♥ Hailey ♥ Heather ♥ Daisy ♥ Mia
Dottie ♥ Derek ♥ Maverick ♥ Hercules ♥ Bobby ♥ Matthias ♥ Megan ♥ Hester ♥ Grover ♥ Chance
Dayha ♥ Sange ♥ Pandora ♥ Mandy ♥ Faith ♥ Clema Cloo

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