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THIRTY-one greyhounds found their forever home following a successful adoption day at Geelong Greyhound Racing Club on Sunday.

People from all across Victoria flocked to the greyhound club to find their future pet, with many of those impressed by how well the day went.

Approximately 250 people packed into Beckley Park to meet the greyhounds up for adoption.

This was the first adoption day held at Geelong, and GRV's Greyhound Adoption Program capitalised on the work done by the Geelong greyhound walking group, which meets regularly on the Geelong foreshore to spread the word about what fantastic pets these dogs make.

The 31 adoptions marked a fantastic start to the new financial year, following an announcement by GAP that a record 895 adoptions were made during the 12 month period ending 30 June.

Greyhound Racing Victoria's GM Animal Welfare Gavin Goble said he was extremely pleased with how the event went.

"It was fantastic to see so many of our greyhounds find their new home at the adoption day on Sunday," Dr Goble said.

"As an organisation, GRV cares about nothing more than the welfare of animals and making sure greyhounds have the best possible life before, during and after their racing careers and we are thrilled to see more and more people wanting to take greyhounds on as pets.

"Contrary to what many believe, greyhounds are quite lazy animals and are low-maintenance pets. They are friendly, affectionate couch potatoes and pleasingly, more and more people are realising this."

Every day is adoption day at the GAP headquarters in Seymour.

To get more information on adopting a greyhound or to find out more about the program, visit gap.grv.org.au

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