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Greyhound Adoption Day in Broadmeadows – help find new homes for retired racing greyhounds

Greyhound Adoption Day, which aims to find new homes for retired racing greyhounds, is again coming to Melbourne on Sunday, 25 June.

The Adoption Day will be held at The Meadows greyhound racing club, Northcorp Bld, Broadmeadows, from 11am – 3pm.

The adoption day was very successful when it was held in Broadmeadows last year, when it smashed the Australian record for the number of greyhounds re-homed in a single day. Organisers are hoping to top that result this time.

Seventy dogs were re-homed at The Meadows event last year (GAP's previous record in a single day was 35). This time, about 80 greyhounds will be seeking their forever homes.

GAP is asking people who wish to attend to register their interest beforehand by filling in a registration form on the GAP website at www.gap.grv.org.au/. And, if you are intending to adopt on the day, please follow the link and complete the adoption application form which will help us find the right dog for you. We will send you a link before 25 June so you can find out more about the dogs that will be available on the day.

Most of the dogs are retired racing greyhounds, and are between eighteen months and ten years of age.

GAP Adoption Manager Larissa Darragh said greyhounds made terrific pets as they are friendly, docile dogs and, contrary to some assumptions, they don't need a lot of exercise.

"They need about 15 minutes of exercise a day, which is average for a pet dog. It's fine to just take them for a walk," she said.

Like last year's event at Broadmeadows, this is a special double adoption day – twice as many dogs as a normal adoption day (which are held at Greyhound Racing Victoria's metro and regional race tracks), with a morning and afternoon session (instead of just one session).

Morning Session – 11am to 12:30 pm. Afternoon Session – 1:15 pm to 3pm.

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