

Dear Friends,

December 2017

We were able to visit three shelters in Spain this year. Two we have visited before—Arca de Noe, Albacete and Galgos del Sol, Murcia. We have supported these shelters for some years now and it was wonderful to see the work that has been done to improve them and the lives of the dogs in their care.

Following our visit we have been able to offer funding for a new roof for the quarantine block at Arca de Noe and some new interior fencing, as the current fencing was installed over 10 years ago and is now beyond repair.

We have offered to fund an education building at Galgos del Sol. Work has gone very well and Tina hopes to start the education programme in the New Year and will use the GIN education material/website.

We were able to visit APA Santa Clara in Tobarra which is not too far from Albacete. Margaret and Carmen who run this shelter had contacted us earlier this year to ask for help. They had told us about their plans to move to some land nearby and build a new shelter as they had to leave the current rather inadequate premises. We have been able to fund the building of two kennel blocks for the galgos they rescue and work is going well on this project too.

We have also been able to continue our funding to several shelters to cover necessary veterinary costs - testing for Mediterranean diseases, vaccinations, pet passports, treatments for fleas and worms, sterilisations and microchipping—all necessary to ensure that the galgos are fully prepared and ready for adoption into their new families plus we have continued to cover some transportation costs for moving ex-racing greyhounds and galgos.

We are receiving a good response to our Christmas treats appeal and boxes of coats, blankets, treats and medicines are being sent regularly to different shelters in Spain.

The education programme is going well, the new website is receiving visitors and we hope that in the coming year this will continue to grow.

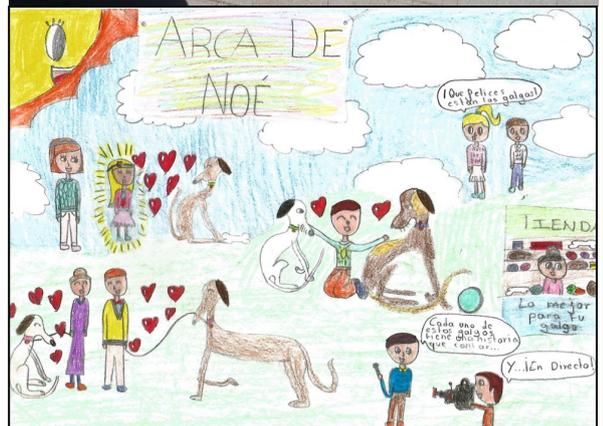
We would like to take this opportunity to thank our supporters and volunteers for all their hard work during the year which enables us to continue our work for the greyhounds and galgos. Also a big thank you to the shelters and adoption groups who work tirelessly caring for the dogs and finding homes for them.

We wish you, your families and your dogs a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Galgos del Sol



APA, Santa Clara



Carolyn and all at GIN



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