



Dear Friends,

December 2018

Many of you will have heard the sad news that our Founder, Anne Finch, died on the 5th August, at the age of seventy-five.

Anne, together with her husband Arthur, founded Greyhounds in Need twenty years ago, with the principal aim of rescuing, treating and homing ex-racing greyhounds and Spanish galgos.

In our last newsletter Anne recalled those early years when the GIN office was in the back bedroom of her home and the work was mostly carried out by phone or fax as we had no computers, just an old word processor.

Anne was an inspiration to so many of us and we know that we will be joined by countless friends and colleagues in remembering with pride the life achievements of a remarkable lady. Anne has left a wonderful legacy, her Charity Greyhounds in Need. We are all proud to say that we will continue her good work, but she will be missed greatly by us all.

We continue to expand and improve our work on school education in Spain. This work is difficult and costly, but it cannot be said too often that it offers the only hope of an eventual solution to the problems we face. Supporters can be assured that this important work will never prevent us from expanding and improving our help for galgos.

The education programme continues to do well in Spain. Many individuals and shelters are using the material and the response from our contacts in Spain continues to be positive.

The children are uploading their drawings to our website and we are organising monthly competitions—it is so difficult to choose a winner but you can help up by visiting our Facebook page and "like" your favourite drawings.

We are currently looking at new activities to be added to the website based on the feedback we have received. At the moment making the galgo puppet seems to be very popular with the children.

We continue to improve infrastructure at the rescue centres in Spain, in recent months we have paid for new interior fencing to be put up at the Arca de Noe shelter in Albacete. We also continue to spend significant sums on veterinary care and transport.

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.

Carolyn and all at GIN



Photo: Galgos del Sol

Children taking part in the GIN education project at Galgos del Sol, Murcia



New interior fencing at Arca de Noe, Albacete

Founded by Anne and Arthur Finch

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