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Dear Friends, December 2023

In May this year we celebrated 25 years as a registered charity. The charity has grown considerably over the years, and we are lucky to have wonderful collaborations with many shelters in Spain, some we have worked with for years. Our General Manager, Carolyn, who many of you will have met, retired in July after 24 years with the charity. We surprised her with a small farewell get together at the office on her last day. We enjoyed cake and reflecting on her memories over her years with GIN. I have taken over her role, and I would like to say on behalf of us all Carolyn, may you be proud of the work you have done and the difference you have made, enjoy your retirement.

As GIN has grown the help, we have been able to give has expanded and we are so pleased and proud that it has been possible to increase our help and support to the shelters abroad rescuing the galgos and the adoption groups in Europe who work tirelessly to find homes for them. The veterinary bills the shelters have are always high and much of the funding we are able to give, thanks to the generosity of our supporters, goes towards covering such costs.

Earlier this year GIN was contacted by a group in Caceres asking if we would be able to help with their new shelter project. The group, Asociacion Cacereña para La Protección y Defensa de Los Animales is based in Caceres, a city in western Spain's Extremadura región. The group was founded in 1994 and initially helped at a local animal pound trying to improve conditions but eventually decided to build and run their own shelter.



We were also pleased to be able to offer funding for some work on the education centre at Galgos del Sol in Murcia. We funded the original building at GDS and Tina, Sam and their team have been able to offer an increasing number of schools the chance to visit the centre and meet and

learn about the galgos. These visits are enjoyed by the children and more outside space was needed to help with the growing number of children visiting GDS and taking part in the education project.





In Albacete Antonio, and his galga, Abi, have been able to work with 25 different centres this year. Their education project has been so successful that they are extending it to include student-parent associations, childcare centres, scout groups, summer schools and youth associations. They are also extremely pleased to report that Abi has been allowed to attend every workshop, which has not always been possible. This is great news as it helps bring young people closer to the problem that animals, especially hunting dogs, are still suffering.

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

Tracey and all at GIN



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