

Media release

Greyhound Adoption Day first for GAP headquarters

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The Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Greyhound Adoption Program (GAP) is well on track for a record 300 adoptions for the 12 month period from July last year.

QRIC Commissioner Ross Barnett said GAP has adopted 293 greyhounds to new families.

"The North Queensland and South East Queensland programs have been busy assisting the industry to get as many dogs as possible to their forever homes," he said.

"In a first, the GAP team will hold a South East Queensland Adoption Day at its Churchable facility at 985 Atkinson Dam Road Churchable on Saturday, 24 June between 10am and 2pm.

"The team is proud of its spacious facility where the dogs are housed, exercised and prepared for the next stage of their lives after racing.

"This is a great opportunity for potential pet owners to meet the GAP staff, see the facility and receive individual attention as they choose their pet."

Commissioner Barnett said this Adoption Day will be for those potential new greyhound owners who have pre-registered through the GAP website to meet and take a greyhound home on the day.

"All GAP greyhounds are temperament assessed, so the team can match the right Greyhound to the right family," he said.

"The team take into account a family's lifestyle, regular activities, children, other pets, home environment and so on.

"Approved applicants' pet dogs will also be welcome onsite, as there are yards available for staff to facilitate an introduction and mix between the dogs.

"The team asks that potential new owners fill in the application form on the GAP website http://www.gapqld.com.au/gap-applications/ and be approved for adoption prior to the day so that the GAP team can pre-match three to four greyhounds to each family," Mr Barnett said.

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