tga

texas greyhound association

2019

Special Election Issue

IN THIS ISSUE

Membership Meeting

List of Candidates

NGA News

2018 Highlights

PO Box 40
Lorena, TX 76655

15406 S IH 35
Bruceville, TX 76630

(254) 857-4377
(254) 857-4299 fax

www.tgagreyhounds.com

Like Us On facebook

Mark Your Calendar!

Annual Membership Meeting:
Saturday; March 16, 2019

Lunch: 11:00am - 12:00pm

Membership Meeting 12:00pm

Please RSVP by Monday
March 4, 2019; 5:00pm

Board of Directors Meeting following Membership Meeting.

Candidates for Election

President:
David Peck

Directors:
Ray Campana
Joe Lail
Eddie McDonald
Laird Morgan (appointed)
(1) vacant seat

All ballots must be returned in the Official Ballot Envelope by Thursday; March 14, 2019 to be counted.

TGA Director Resignations & Appointments:

Dear TGA Members,

The TGA wishes to inform our members of the changes that have occurred regarding the Board of Directors resignations and appointments.

- As of January 31, 2019, Ed Gardner resigned from the Board. The TGA appreciates the many years he served, first as Director and then being elected as Secretary/Treasurer in 2018. We wish Mr. Gardner the best of luck in all his endeavors.

- As of February 1, 2019, Kevin Fulton also resigned from the Board. Mr. Fulton served only for a short period of time, but his input was valuable as a Director and we also wish him the best of luck.

- President Peck appointed Lee Harrington to fulfill the remainder of Ed Gardner's term and appointed Laird Morgan to fulfill the remainder of Kevin Fulton's term. There is one seat left to be filled.

NGA News

POINTS SURGE AT GULF GREYHOUND PARK

Points climbed to an all-time season high last week at Gulf Greyhound Park as week five of the nine-week meet concluded. The added matinee honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King did not hamper the increase that saw points jump from $418.45 the previous week to $502.01. According to Gulf Greyhound General Manager Sally Briggs the weekend wagering was higher than previous weeks. That increase along with the exclusive monies awarded during the TX racing meet makes a booking at Gulf Greyhound a highly sought after commodity.

Libby-Watt kennel trained by Jake Ungs is still forging ahead of their rivals in the top spot for the fifth week in a row. The majority of the greyhounds shipped from Iowa when the meet ended in November. The kennel arrived with a well-balanced list that has carried them through. Among their stars is Atascocita Nazz who is TX bred and will be eligible for the upcoming $50,000 Texas Showdown next month. The kennel boasts several top ten contenders including JS Drews Money, CTW Watch Me Fly, BGR Wolverine, Bossman Jake and Atascocita Nazz. The Libby-Watt kennel won 12 races last week adding to the season total of 49 wins from 262 starts.

Terri Suggs was right on Ungs' heels last week with her athletes competing from Rocket Racing. Suggs won 11 races including a victory with a returning fan favorite Hashtag Dangrite. The big male continues to impress with his sub-thirty second times. He raced at Gulf last year before making a home at Wheeling Island Racetrack and Casino where he shipped from. Dangrite along with kennelmate Hashtag Ajax are among the top ten. Suggs' week moved the kennel into a tie for fourth place for the season with 27 wins from 244 starts.

Nick James kennel is currently in second place for the meet with 32 wins from 244 starts. The Craig Edwards trained kennel houses several top grade stars including Britney Eureton one of the kennel's TX bred pups eligible for the upcoming stakes. JS Jail Bait and Turbo Noah from the kennel are also among the top ten athetes this meet.

Currid kennel is currently in third place with 30 wins from 248 starts. Trainer Chey Kuriata has no shortage of top grade TX athletes on the roster. KB's Dagger, JT's Mr Crowley and JT's Live Wire are the kennel's top dogs ranking among the ten best for the meet. Currid has the most active racers and has plenty of TX bred pups to choose from for the upcoming stakes.

New to this year's roster is Parker-Magic City kennel currently tied for fourth place in the kennel standings. With 27 wins from 229 starts trainer Bill Nihan trains Turbo Dante who boasts a 57% win record this meet. That total ranks Dante with the third largest win percentage among the top ten athletes.

POINTS SURGE AT GULF GREYHOUND PARK (Cont'd)

Dalton-Raines kennel ranks sixth with 26 wins from 214 starts. Although sixth in the rankings the kennel boasts the current top dog, KBF Country Gal. She has the highest win percent with an impressive 80% win record from 5 starts. Country Gal came from Tri State and has come alive for trainer Joe Osborne who has watched her win four of her past five starts in TX. Racing Wishes also competes for Dalton-Raines and has recorded a 60% win record this meet.

Although he is no stranger to the greyhound industry long time TX breeder Kirk Harlan is at Gulf for the first time with his own booking. The kennel has recorded 24 wins from 215 starts and boasts a 43% in the money record, which is the second highest behind Libby-Watt with 46%.

The Harlan roster includes a majority of TX bred athletes including the well-known Slatex contenders. L Redstreak, Slatex Triton and Slatex Aerosmith are among the kennel's top grade athletes under the care of veteran trainer Sissy Sabell.

Ken Slovick trains Rosebud-Nova kennel who complete the kennel standings with 23 wins from 229 starts. The Limmer family which owns the kennel, are long time TX breeders and kennel operators. One of the kennel's hopefuls for the upcoming TX stakes is Florida stakes contender Dancin Doocy who was raised and is owned by Peter Limmer. Doocy's home track is in St. Petersburg, FL where the Nova kennel also has a booking.

The kennels will be selecting their top stars for the $50,000 Texas Showdown that begins February 9th. Thirty-two greyhounds will compete in three rounds with no cuts. The top eight point getters after the Feb. 17th round three will move to the stakes final held during the season finale, Saturday night, February 23.

For more information visit www.gulfgreyhound.com and listen to the weekly podcasts on the home page featuring all things Gulf Greyhound and a little more with host John Paul Faour.

2018 Highlights

New Members for 2018

- Steve Sarras - Wheeling, WV(12/03/18)
- Philip Carpenter - West Allis, WI (11/13/18)
- Anastasia Stevens - Desoto, TX (08/15/18)
- Buddy Scitern - Rockdale, TX (07/23/18)
- Vicki Turner - Greenville, TX (07/18/18)
- Nick James - Austin, TX (03/22/18)
- Michael Cosgrove - Sachse, TX (03/19/18)

The GGP-TGA Scholarship

Paid for the Spring ($1,500 each), Summer ($750 each) and Fall ($1,500 each) semesters to the following recipients:

Criss, Stephanie (Spring & Fall)

Galbreath, Kelsey (Spring, Summer & Fall)

Cross Species Purses Paid (GGP 2018) - $1,360,391

Owner Awards (GGP 2018) - $343,580

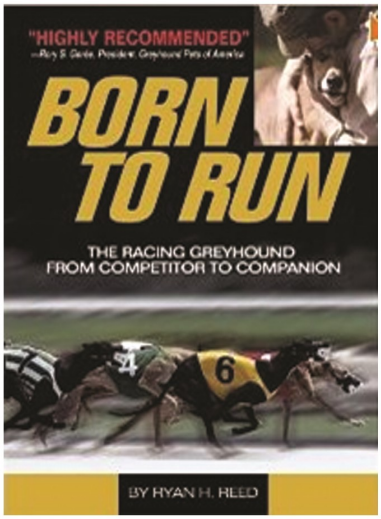
Texas Bred Litters - 150

Texas Bred Puppies - 862

This book is a terrific pictorial of greyhounds, from the farm to racing to retirement. One chapter is devoted to Texas racing that we will bookmark.

Available at the TGA & Amazon.com

The Born to Run: Racing Greyhound, from Competitor to Companion [PAPERBACK] Ryan Reed (Author) Price:$18.05 **(plus tax)**



Mailing Address:
PO Box 40; Lorena, Texas 76655

Physical Address:
15406 Interstate 35 South; Bruceville, Texas 76630

P: (254) 857-4377
F: (254) 857-4299

E-mail:

Interim Executive Director, Lois Orta
loisorta@tgagreyhounds.com

Executive Assistant, Kayla Hayes
admin@tgagreyhounds.com

TX Preferred Adoption Groups

A Place for Us Greyhounds, Inc.
Lubbock / Amarillo
Linda Dunn
PO Box 94681
Lubbock, TX 79493
Phone: (806) 787-8530
Website: http://www.aplaceforusgreyhounds.org/
Email: aplaceforusgreyhounds@yahoo.com

Austin Greyhound Adoption
Chuck Renshaw
PO Box 336
Cedar Park, TX 78630
Phone: (512) 895-9150
Website: http://www.austingreyhounds.org/
Email: info@austingreyhounds.org

Everything Grey Greyhound Haven
Wendi Richard
504 S 18th Street
Nederland, Texas 77627
Phone: (409) 781-2356
Website: http://www.everythinggrey.org
Email: rehomegreyhounds@gmail.com

FastK9's Greyhound Adoption Inc
Cathryn Caldwell
PO Box 57036
Webster, TX 77598
Phone: (281) 450-6268
Website: www.fastk9s.org
Email: adopt@fastk9s.org

Greyhound Adoption League of Texas
Susie McQuade
3400 Carlisle Street, Suite 310
Dallas, TX 75204-1265
Phone: (972) 503-4258
Website: http://www.greyhoundadoptiontx.org

GALT Central Texas Chapter
Tommi Howell
PO Box 10069
Austin, TX 78766
Phone: (855) 446-3278
Website: https://galtx-centex.org/
Email: info@galtx-centex.org

Greyhound Pets of America / Houston
Pat Freytag
PO Box 741176
Houston, TX 77274
Phone: 713-866-4466 (answering svc.)
713-667-3804 (Kennel office)
Website: http://www.gpahouston.org/
Email: adoption@gpahouston.org

Greyhounds Unlimited
Susan Lemon
PO Box 703967
Dallas, TX 75370-3967
Phone: 972-503-GREY (4739)
Website: http://www.greyhoundsunlimited.org/
Email: info@greyhoundsunlimited.org

Texas Adopt a Greyhound Society
Suzanne Griggs
PO Box 703782
Dallas, TX 75370-3782
Phone: (214) 368-TAGS (8247)
Website: http://www.tagsintx.org/
E-mail: tagsintx@gmail.com

Texas Greyhound Association
PO Box 40
Lorena, TX 76655-0040
ADDRESSS SERVICE REQUESTED