



# The Pyrenees Post...

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## *GPRA Update - September 17, 2020*

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

Little did we know, in the midst of a pandemic, we would be rescuing and adopting out so many Gentle Giants. We are currently approaching 220 rescues with 10 more incoming, far surpassing our largest intake year already. Our all volunteer group has been beyond amazing as they have reacted with speed and compassion, taking on challenging medical cases and some human tragedies that required immediate PYR rescues.

We have a large pool of applicants and some are first time PYR owners. Some of our rescues arrive in rough shape and, almost without exception, become well behaved and stunning dogs after the TLC we provide. My own example is typical. Many of you know I lost my big 13 year old male, Jenkins, a few years ago. Soon thereafter, we saved a big headed male from rural Ga. This male was about 2 years old, was emaciated at 80 lbs. and had to be shaved down as he was terribly matted and covered in sores. He was also heartworm positive. I adopted this PYR and named him Jam. We treated his heartworm, had him neutered and gave him the home he deserved. In almost no time at all, Jam became this 140 lb. magnificent goofball who sleeps on his back with his paws sticking up and snores. He's got a big bark, is a great companion, is gentle with all and is perfect. I share this with the hope that our adopters will make the extra effort to nurture a needy PYR in the beginning as it pays enormous dividends in the end. It is also crucial that new adopters recognize there is often a transition period when a PYR enters a new environment and the owner must be patient as the PYR just needs time to acclimate.

As always, we need fosters as we have 10 in boarding that just want to be with a family. We have some great looking young PYRS and Jenny will help new fosters select the right PYR for their family. We will soon be taking in an emaciated 40 lb. PYR from Alabama that is excellent with people and dogs and just needs food and attention. Please help.

Thank you for your continued support of GPRA

John,  
GPRA President and Founder



Jam

Upcoming Adoption Days

To be scheduled once the Coronavirus threat subsides

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