



# The Pyrenees Post...

spreading the word about the Southeast's best kept secret.



## *GPRRA Thanksgiving Match – November 3, 2020*

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

Our Thanksgiving Match is almost half over and although we are making progress, we have a long way to go to make this year's match the huge success we need it to be as it is our only major fundraiser in 2020. Each week we will share one of the many stories that are typical of our rescues throughout the year. Our third story is about Melman, the happiest little puppy with the unusual medical condition.

### **Melman's Story**

On March 24, 2020 a stray female Great Pyrenees was turned in to a shelter in North Georgia. When the shelter staff came to work the next morning, they found a surprise. The young girl that they had named "Snowy" had puppies over night. GPRRA received a call, asking if we could take the Mom and the puppies into our care. Of course we said yes.

Baby Melman with his Mom and siblings were transported to a special GPRRA Foster, Sabine, where the babies grew and grew. As they got bigger, Sabine's family noticed something wrong with Melman's legs. He couldn't get up and waddle around as easily as the other puppies, and would sit with his back legs completely stretched out. Something was clearly wrong, but he was happy as ever. GPRRA volunteers consulted with orthopedic veterinarian Dr. Corse, who diagnosed Melman with dysplasia in both hips. The good news was that Melman was a candidate for Juvenile Pubic Symphysiodesis, a special operation that can help puppies with this condition. GPRRA agreed to the surgery for Melman and he was up and walking the next day.

Melman recovered a while longer at Sabine's, then in June was adopted by a wonderful family who nurtured him through the rest of his recovery. About 2 weeks after his operation, Dr. Corse's office said Melman – now nicknamed Moby—was ready to take little walks. At first he got tired easily and would ask to be carried. But his happy personality made it easy for him to make friends. The neighborhood kids walked or rode their bikes alongside him for encouragement. After a while he learned where they all live, and started to rush from yard to yard to play. It's too bad about the pandemic because Moby wants to say hi up close and personal to everyone. He's been very understanding about the whole homeschooling thing, though. He pauses in front of "his" kids' houses in case they can run out for a cuddle. Someone almost always does.

Please help us continue to give PYRS like Melman a healthy start and to help them find great, loving furever homes.

John,  
GPRRA President and Founder

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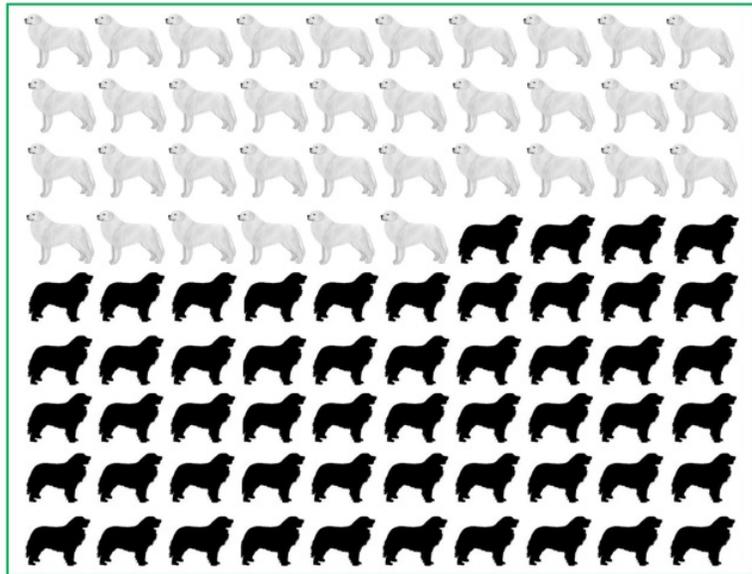
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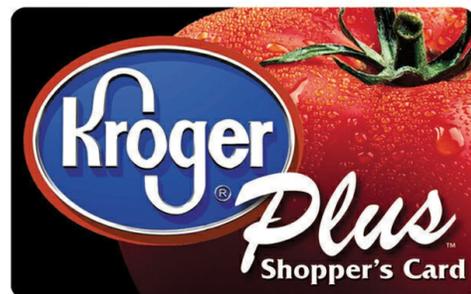
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Watch your emails, the new 2021 GPRA calendars will be available soon and are filled with lots of great PYR pictures.

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