



Diane Dalby writes: "Thank you for your newsletter. Always interesting!" Diane sent a link to the gorgeous painting above: **Hunt in the Forest** by Paolo Uccello dated 1470, showing many Whippets and/or Greyhounds. Read more about the artist at Wikipedia.org/wiki/Paolo_Uccello

Jeanne Kohlbush writes how much the family enjoys the newsletter. "Nala is around 5 years old. She is such a cuddly dog. She is always by my side when I sit down to relax. Here is a picture of my son Ben. He sleeps with both Whippets, one on each side of him. And they will nap with him anytime."



From Lynn and Candy Anderson: "It is hard to get photos of the dogs. But yesterday we had an opportunity. We went to one of the local wineries, Mutt Ranch, which is very dog friendly. Their wine labels all have some sort of dog theme, like Unleashed Chardonnay, Merlot Over, and Play Dead. Their premium wines are all MBF – Man's best friend. Once a Month they host a Yappy Hour. I was able to get photos of the 3 Amigos: Lettie from your 2011 litter, Cappy 10 years old, and 11 months old Milo." (muttlynchwinery.com)

Fighting FOR Tooth and Nail!

As you know, teeth are the most commonly neglected part of dogs. Nails come next.

Deb Eldrege, D.V.M. , writes in Canine Health: “Dental health and hygiene has been well established as important for the health of our dogs. Dental plaque has been correlated with heart and kidney problems in dogs as well as being potentially painful. The gold standard is brushing your dog’s teeth every day.”

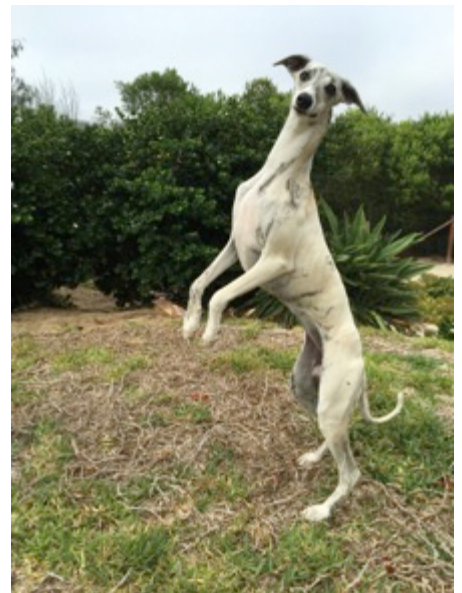
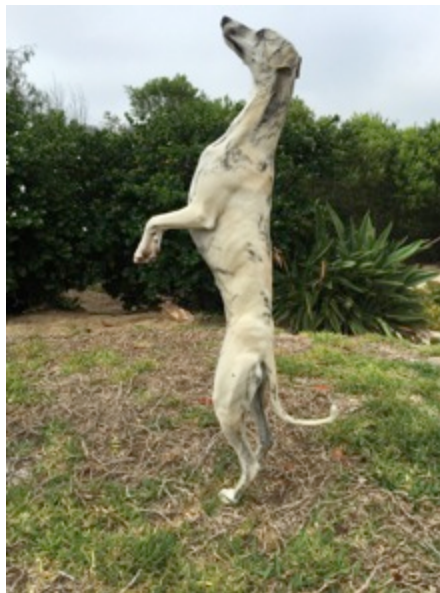


So how about dental treats? Are they any good? A recent small study showed that one particular dental treat can help cut back on oral bacterial growth for 12 hours. So if brushing teeth is too much for you, give a dental treat twice a day.

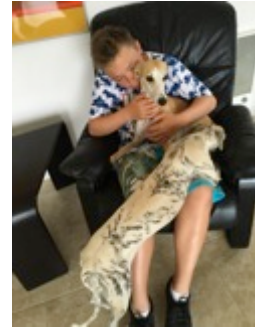


Most dogs hate having their nails trimmed. Whippet nails grow fast and need trimming frequently. I use a grinder; I find it too risky to use a nail cutter. When my grandson Jakob was visiting recently, he came up with a new way of making nail trimming, easy on the dog and the trimmer. He would stand in front of the dog, treat in hand. The dog would concentrate on the treat, and I, the trimmer, could grind the nails more easily.

Aiming High. Young Lezah from Sweden is amazing in many ways. One is that she is so good at standing, and even walking, on her hind legs. Jakob helped me get pictures.



When 12 year old Jakob first announced that he wanted to come for a 2-week visit all the way from Sweden, Erkki was amazed. He didn't think he would have wanted to visit his grandmother that long. But I pointed out to Erkki that his grandmother didn't have a swimming pool and eight Whippets!



June was birthday month for many Tangens Whippets.

Happy belated birthday to litter 2011 on June 8 (including our own Inessa)! We had three more birthdays at our house: Candy (Inessa's niece) turned 3 years on 6/18, Laika (mother of litters 2007 and 2009) turned 11 on June 22, and Tiikeri, (right; mother of litters 2004 and 2005) turned 15 on 6/21.



Heard on the trail during the morning walk: A one-dog person saying to another one-dog person: **"The seven Whippets are coming!"**



Have a wonderful Summer! And watch out for fleas, ticks and foxtails



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