

3rd Annual VGSR Fun Run/Walk

On the morning of April 29, 2017 over 125 runners and walkers grabbed their partners, some with four legs, some with a few less, to begin their bark filled jaunt around beautiful Burke Lake Park in Fairfax for the third annual Virginia German Shepherd Rescue (VGSR) Fun Run and Walk.



Although the rain made a brief appearance, the crowd was treated to a rousing warm up by Eileen from Powerfull Fitness prior to the start of the race. Between jumping jacks and other paw stretching exercises, the crowd was howling to go by 9:00 am. The combination of runners and walkers filled the starting line as they awaited the signal. Although no breed was excluded from the event, cats were conspicuously absent.



The spectators and participants were treated to a variety of post race fare as well as dog snacks. First-place through third-place winners received dog-themed hand-crafted awards donated by our very own VGSR volunteer Marc, as well as gift cards from The Running Store in Gainesville, VA. Some of the dogs may have disputed the results of the finish, but they seemed to take it in stride!



The following link contains great video footage of the event:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=Xdpjp2Pgkqc>

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VGSR would like to thank all the race participants who showed up to help us find more good homes for good dogs. Without each of you, we could not have made the event the resounding success that it was. From the dogs and all of us at VGSR, a heartfelt thanks!

VGSR would also like to send a grateful shout out to the many race volunteers that contributed to the success of the event. We would also like to thank the generous sponsors, including Pest Management Services Incorporated, Titan Moving and Storage, The Running Store, AdVision Sign Company and Bull Run Ink!



We look forward to seeing you next year!!!

The VGSR Race Committee



Virginia German Shepherd Rescue (VGSR) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, all volunteer organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and re-homing of the German Shepherd Dog. We provide a safe haven for German Shepherds (and, sometimes, other breeds/mixes) who are left in shelters to await uncertain fate; are owner surrenders (moving, illness, divorce, death, etc.); or are victims of abuse or neglect. We adopt dogs to loving, responsible and secure homes, typically, in Virginia and the Metropolitan Washington, D.C., area. Since our inception in 2001, we have found good homes for over 4000 dogs.