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Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.

DECEMBER 2012

NEXT PROGRAM MEETING - 1/12/2013, 6:30 PM

AWARDS BANQUET, ANNUAL MEETING, AND ELECTIONS

Please come for a fabulous time at FDGRC's Annual Awards Banquet with excellent food and good friends at the River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall in Rochester on Saturday 1/12/2013.

THE MORE PEOPLE, THE MERRIER - RSVP BEFORE JANUARY 1ST. See flyer in this issue for details.

Calendar of Events

January 12, 2013

location: River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall (900 W. Avon Rd., Rochester, MI 48307)

FDGRC's Annual Meeting, Awards Banquet, and Election will be held at the River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall (900 W. Avon Rd., Rochester, MI 48307). Hors D'oeuvres and cash bar at 6:30pm and a delicious Buffet Dinner at 7:30pm.

RSVP before January 1st - thanks. See flyer on page 2 in this issue.

March 19, 2013

location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - Guest speaker: Dr. Erin Bannink on "Treating canine cancer with diet, acupuncture and herbal therapies"

April 16, 2013

location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - TBD

May 21, 2013

location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - TBD

New Member

Welcome New Member: Dani Noto, S. Rockwood, MI

PLEASE COME



Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club's Awards Banquet, Annual Meeting and Election

Saturday, January 12, 2013

River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall

900 West Avon Road, Rochester, Michigan 48307 248-652-6706
(West of Rochester Road, on NE corner of Avon and Livernois Roads)

6:30 p.m. Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar

7:30 p.m. Delicious Buffet Dinner

featuring Sliced Roast Beef with Mushroom Gravy and Chicken Piccata
plus much more!

\$25.50 per person, includes tax and gratuity

RSVP before New Year's Day

Make check payable to FDGRC and send to

Libby Lybecker

123 Clair Hill

Rochester Hills, MI 48309

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE FOR A GREAT TIME!

Happy Holidays

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Misc. Info

Specialty Show Trophy donations: If you are interested in donating money to sponsor a class (i.e. 6-9 puppy dog, BOW, Utility B, etc.) at our specialty shows please contact Lynn Knapke at fcgoldens@hotmail.com or talk to her at a meeting. A sign-up list is usually passed around at the program meetings. Now taking donations for 2013.

Sunshine: Please let Dorothy Scarborough (dorothys@charter.net) know of anybody (human or canine) that is in need of a sympathy/get well/ sunshine card from FDGRC and she will send one out.

Notes from the Editor



FYI, the deadline for getting stuff (articles, brags, pictures, etc.) to me is the last Sunday of the month.

Peg Burlett

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GRF Updates: GRF Updates list - To join, simply send a blank email to: grfupdates-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
For more information about the GRF, please visit our website at <http://www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org/>

Other Upcoming Shows/Events

Find out details and/or other local shows at <http://www.akc.org/events/search>

Obedience/Rally trials: also see AKC website

Breed shows: also see AKC website

1/17-20/2013 - Livonia KC and Oakland Co KC*
Novi, MI

* Obedience/Rally at these shows

Agility trials: pretty much every weekend in Dexter, Flint, and Lapeer, MI. See AKC's website for details.

1/17-20/2013 - Sportsmen's DTC and Oakland Co KC
Novi, MI

Field trials/Hunt Tests: have gone south for the winter ;-)

Please note: please verify shows and dates through AKC's website.

GRCA info: 2013 GRCA National will be in Wichita Falls, Texas from October 20-30, 2013 and you can get all the latest information by joining this Yahoo group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GRCANationalSpecialty/join> or visit their website at www.2013National.com.

MISC INFO

From the MORRIS ANIMAL FOUNDATION: Scientific discoveries are continuous, and Morris Animal Foundation's quest for better veterinary medicine never ends. Whether the goal is understanding the role of genetic mutations or unmasking the mysteries of a new virus, veterinary advances transpire one step at a time. Every study leads us one step closer to new treatments, better preventions and, ultimately, hope for a brighter world for animals.

A Golden Opportunity to Make a Difference

Three thousand—that's the golden number! Application for Morris Animal Foundation's Golden Retriever Lifetime Study is now open, and we're actively recruiting 3,000 Goldens under 2 years of age. If you have loved more than one Golden Retriever, you have also likely experienced the heartbreak of losing one to cancer. This unprecedented study is an opportunity to join a groundbreaking scientific effort to discover how to prevent cancer and other diseases.

To determine if your dog is eligible for participation in the Golden Retriever Lifetime Study, you must first register for the Canine Lifetime Health Project at www.CanineLifetimeHealth.org. After you sign up for the Canine Lifetime Health Project, you will be notified by email if your dog qualifies for the Golden Retriever Lifetime Study. Join us in the largest and longest observational study ever undertaken to support science that advances veterinary care for dogs.

BRAGS

From Peg Burlett:

Z's Kiskadee SH NA OAJ WCX ** (Dee) added another couple titles to her name - a **NAJ** and an **OAJ** at the Lansing and Cleveland agility trials. She also got one leg towards her **OA**.

From the Macauley's:

The photo is of Judy Macauley with Tulip earning a 4th placement in the Novice Preferred class at the GRCA National Agility Trial. Tulip earned her first **OA** (Open Standard) leg in August with a 3rd place and only being shown one other weekend in between she earned her next 2 legs both with 1st placements, to earn her **OA** title Thanksgiving weekend. A good belated 8th birthday title for Tulip! She is now **Am-Can CH Splendid Loonsong Wooden Shoes OA NAJ WC**. All titles proudly owner trained and handled.

Thanksgiving weekend also had Tulip's son Garmin earning his first 2 **MXJ** (Master Excellent Jumpers) agility legs and his 8th (out of 10 needed) leg toward his **MX** (Master Excellent - Standard) agility title. Judy got lost on the course (again) that weekend blowing a great run which garnered shouts of "Re-Calculating!" from the gallery. :-)



Minutes

FDGRC - Board of Directors Meeting - November 20, 2012

The meeting was held at The Olive Garden, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order at 6:41PM. Members present: Cindy Collins, Christina Curling, Peg Burlett, Dianne Baker, Carla Haupt, Cheri Stager, Kathy McElroy, and guest - Richard Lawless.

Discussion held regarding GRCA Central Regional Specialty for September, 2013

Membership Applications for Noto - Peg motioned to accept applicants, Chris 2nd the motion, Motion Carried.

Educational Programs for 2013 - March - Dr Bannick, May - Grooming.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42

Respectfully Submitted,

Dianne Baker

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FDGRC - General Membership Meeting Minutes - November 20, 2012

The meeting was held at The Olive Garden, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order at 7:47 PM

September Attendance: Board: Cindy Collins, Peg Burlett, Chris Curling, Dianne Baker. Members: Cheri Stager, Kathy McElroy, Dorothy Scarborough, Bob McAdow, Connie McAdow, Carla Haupt, Carol Ruby, , Cindy Fisher, Judy & Kurt Macauley, Lisa Taddiken. Guests: Richard Lawless

BRAGS: Carol Ruby's "Deacon" - Autumn Grove Face The Promise AM UD CAN CD, TDIA, CCA, CGC, finished his AKC UD with two first places. This completed his Dam's requirement for her OD. His Sire already is an OS. Peg Burlett's "Dee" - Z's Kiskadee SH WCX**got her NA title. Carla Haupt's "Tater" - Starburst Gldn Oaks It's Outta Here, BN, MX, MXJ OAP NJP CCA - finished her Beginner Nov Obed Title and passed her CCA. Chris Curling's "Frankie" - Hillkirk's Francesca Free2B Me earned her UKC Championship. Cindy Fisher's "Abbey" - Micin's Absolute Lee Intoxicating - earned her AM Championship in 5 short weeks. Judy & Kurt Macauley's - "Powder" - Can Ch Crested Butte Powderhound earned his UKC Championship and "Garmin" - Loonsong The Territory Ahead AX, OAJ, WC - earned his AXJ with two 1st and a 2nd placement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Central Regional Specialty - September 12, 2013 - Discussions and Trophy Grid circulated, and FDGRC's Independent Specialty to be held September 13, 2013. WC & WCX to be held September 14, 2013 - Hunters Creek. Puppy Referral now has 3 litters available.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Return updated FDGRC Renewal form & dues by January 1. Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet to be held January 12 at River Crest, Rochester. Nominations are now closed.

NEW BUSINESS - Nominated by our committee are Cindy Collins, Chris Curling, Amede DeCruydt, and Laura Fabbro. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Ribbons for Agility Trials were discussed and motion passed to obtain quantity of ribbons to cover 3 days of trials.

Our next meeting is the Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet in January. Hope to see everyone there.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Baker

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Dues are due. Treasurer Judie Weisman has mailed the notice out. Please fill out the information, write the check, and send it right back to Judie. Thanks!

Resumes of nominees for the Board**Amede DeCruydt**

I always wanted a dog when I was a kid, (my Mother did not). I would walk the neighbor's beagles, and care for them when they went on vacation. Before Susan and I were married, I told her, we were going to have dogs. She grew up with cats, and is still to this day not fond of dogs.

My First Golden was in 1984, (Gwenhwyfar). I immediately went to "Sportsmen's Dog Training", to begin and learn obedience training. Soon after, I joined FDGRC, and both lasted until the mid 90s, when life with children took precedence. After getting a couple of CDX titles, I drifted away from both Sportsmen's and FDGRC. In 1999, the children were older and we got a new Golden puppy, named Anna, and I started all over again. I trained at Sportsmen's, joined FDGRC, and GRCA. Since then, I have been VP of Sportsmen's for two years. I have been chairman of the obedience trials for several years, for the FDGRC fall Specialty. I am chairman for the Ft Detroit summer hunt test, with A LOT help from 5 members of the club. I am a Rally obedience judge, and am now a provisional Novice obedience judge and working my way up the ladder, (a lot of hoops to jump through). The last two years with FDGRC I have been on the board and was chosen by the board members to be your President, and I hope I have stood up to the standards of the position and meet with your approval. I see a lot of different types of dogs training at Sportsmen's and at dog shows, and members of FDGRC have different breeds, but I think Golden Retrievers are the best. Why would anyone have anything other than a GOLDEN????? Thank You for your consideration. Amede DeCruydt

Laura Fabbro

I have been owned and loved by goldens since purchasing my first golden in 1992. At that time his Breeder suggested that I look into FDGRC because of the interest I had and my interest in showing. Thanks Cherie Berger! I became a member in 1993 and have met a wonderful group of people throughout the years. I enjoy being in this club and doing my part as a club member. I have been on the Board for several years as Board of Director and my current position Corresponding Secretary and enjoy it. Thanks Laura Ann Fabbro

Cindy Collins

It's that time again, and I'd like to ask for your support to retain me as a Board member for Fort Detroit. We have a vital, active club which is involved in so many venues from agility to specialties, from field tests to obedience, and I'd like to keep it that way. We enjoy social activities, celebrating each other's successes, and learning from educational programs. I've served this club as president and treasurer, and as the chairperson of many field and show events. I am committed to helping this club in any way I can, and I hope you'll volunteer your time and energies along with me to reach new heights.

Christina Curling

I have been involved with Goldens for 37 years, and back in the early days my husband, Jim, and I were quite involved in Breed, Obedience & Field. Having retired several years ago, I am now getting my "feet wet" again with showing, obedience and some agility. In addition to FDGRC, I am also a member of the GRCA and Southern Michigan Obedience Training Club. I have held previous board positions with Ft Detroit, served as President for 5 years and was on the board of directors for Southern Michigan Obedience Training Club. I've also served as Nominating Chairperson for the GRCA.

The main reason for my decision to run for the board of FDGRC is to help in any way I can to educate and promote the versatility of our breed, introduce new thought and ideas, and contribute the best I can.

2013 Golden Retriever National Information!

December 2, 2012

You know the saying "Everything's bigger and better in Texas?" The 2013 National Committee is working hard to prove that to be true:)) We hope you all have your calendars marked for the events you will be attending October 20-30, 2013 in Wichita Falls, TX!

I hope you will all take a moment to go to our website: www.2013National.com where you can view our beautiful show site where *everything* (except field events, of course:) will be held **indoors!!** The website also gives you up-to-date information and may answer many of your questions. While you are there, be sure to make your motel reservations through Connections - please take the time to read "What is Connections Housing and Exactly What Do They Do?" to understand the importance of booking through them and not making your own motel reservations.

In addition to checking the website for information, you will want to sign up for the GRCANationalSpecialty yahoo list now! The link is : <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GRCANationalSpecialty/join>

You may also want to sign up to sponsor a trophy now, so you can be sure to support the one you want to be acknowledged in the catalog for your donation.

Judges will be listed on the website as they are approved by AKC -- Tracking and Field Judges are already there:)

I know this is a busy time of the year, but we are here to make some of your shopping easy (don't forget to buy something for yourself, too!) with our wide selection of 2013 National Merchandise --- check out the website for all these beautiful items!!!!!!

I am pleased and proud to be this year's Answer Gal! To avoid questions getting overlooked in my personal emails, I have opened a gmail account just for National questions -- please send any questions you may have to: branchcaldwell@gmail.com. The address can also be found on our website.

The Dallas-Ft. Worth Golden Retriever Club and committee members from all over the country are very excited about all the plans in progress for a fun and fabulous National and hope y'all plan to come enjoy it!!

Patti Branch Caldwell
"Answer Gal"

A Letter From GRCA's President**Why Join GRCA?**

Recently, leaders of several breed clubs were discussing the value their national club provided. I have been pondering a similar question and would like to share my perspective on why the Golden Retriever Club of America (GRCA) is important and why all local golden retriever club members should join.

First, unabashedly, I believe the Golden Retriever Club of America is the best breed club by far. We are the biggest, the best organized, have the most talented members and the best dogs. We have about 5,000 members, many in different countries, one of the best Foundations and our affiliated 100 rescue clubs provide ten to twelve thousand "for-ever homes" each year. If we were a football team, we would be the super bowl champion. People want to be with a winner; you would be joining a winning team.

GRCA is the primary guardian of the Golden Retriever breed. GRCA members determine the breed standard, code of ethics and performance awards. No other organization cares more for the Golden Retriever or tries harder to protect the breed and performance standard across the country. GRCA provides educational information to pet owners to help them obtain healthy dogs from reputable breeders.

GRCA is the link to the American Kennel Club (AKC). We are the largest parent club in AKC and with a committed membership base we can be more influential in policies affecting our interests. For example, GRCA was instrumental in lowering obedience jump heights. GRCA has an excellent reputation within the AKC and with other breed clubs.

GRCA believes education is important and never ending. GRCA members receive the bi-monthly Golden Retriever News, a highly informative magazine filled with articles about our history, training tips from experienced experts, news from different clubs, pictures of recent member and dog accomplishments, etc. And, of course, my highly anticipated President's column.

GRCA members can compete for Club recognition, awards and trophies in many different areas. GRCA, through local host clubs, sponsors a rotating National Specialty each year which brings together top competitors from across the country and beyond our borders. This prestigious event typically includes competition in conformation, obedience, agility, tracking and field events. In addition, educational seminars, welcoming dinners and banquets and the Golden Retriever Foundation's (GRF) Gala make this a fun filled event.

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A Letter From GRCA's President, cont'd

In 1997 GRCA created the GRF, our tax exempt operation to fund and support veterinary health research, support for Golden Retriever rescue operations and to provide education on responsible dog ownership. To date, more than two million dollars have been dedicated to these goals. The GRF is recognized as one of the largest supporters of the AKC Canine Health Foundation and the Morris Animal Foundation health research programs. And the GRF is actively involved with the Morris Animal Foundation in the ground breaking Golden Retriever Lifetime Health Study.

GRCA has many volunteer opportunities for members to make the organization and our breed better and stronger. The standing committees and task forces are important contributors to GRCA success. For example, the Legal Legislative Committee follows and provides advice on the many anti-dog legislative proposals across the country. The Health and Genetics committee provides guidance on research projects. Our Archives task force is working to identify and preserve our early history. But equally important are the many education committees, technical committees and writers who work to make the organization the best it can be.

We are continually thinking of ways to make membership more valuable. For example, members receive priority entry in the popular CCA at the National Specialty and Regionals. The website, GRCA.org, has a "members only" section which provides additional educational information and also permits on-line renewal. And other ideas are being considered.

And one of the best advantages of being a GRCA member is the opportunity to meet other Golden people from different parts of the country and to develop lasting friendships.

The wonderful world of Golden Retrievers would not be what it is today without the establishment and continued evolution of the Golden Retriever Club of America. GRCA is the linchpin that connects the past, manages the present and plans for the future. Whether members actively compete in dog trials or just want a quality dog, GRCA helps provide those opportunities. If you are not currently a member, I invite you to join GRCA. How to join? Simply go to the bottom of GRCA.org and click on JOIN GRCA and follow the process. You, and I, will be glad you did!

And remember to kiss your dog today.

John Cotter

President

Golden Retriever Club of America

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Entry Express:	P.O. Box 743, Charleston, AR 72933 (www.entryexpress.net)
Dr. Paws (TDInc)	Terry Seraceno, 248-888-7488, (www.drpaws.org)
Orthopedic Foundation for Animals	2300 Nifong Blvd., Columbia, MO 65201, (www.offa.org) - also doing eye certifications (ECR)
CERF, Inc	South Campus Courts, Bldg A, Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN 47907, (www.vmdb.org)

Websites for additional information on upcoming shows and trials:

AKC: www.akc.org, click on EVENTS, then EVENTS AND AWARDS SEARCH
UKC: www.ukcdogs.com, click on DOG EVENTS, then UPCOMING EVENTS
CKC: www.ckc.ca, click on CKC SERVICES, then choose CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Club Policy

Membership in the Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club is open to any person actively interested in promoting the aims of the Club, i.e., careful and restrictive breeding of genetically sound, instinctive and temperamentally balanced Golden Retrievers. The Club meets monthly for Golden Retriever related activities such as field training sessions, informal and AKC sanctioned matches, obedience and conformation work, specialty point events, working certificate tests, tracking tests and educational presentations. The key word in the above outline is **ACTIVE**. We are not just a social club, although there is much sociability. Persons who wish to become active members are invited to subscribe to our Club Newsletter, which has information about our activities. Anyone is welcome. If after attending at least three of our meetings within twelve months you find yourself in accord with our aims, we invite you to submit an application form to the Board of Directors. Please include on the back of your application form, the activities you have attended, and be sure that you sign the attendance roster any time you attend a meeting.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$10.00 per year - Open to everyone - This is **NOT** membership. Please make checks payable to FDGRC and send to the Newsletter Editor.

MEMBERSHIP RATES: Individual: \$20.00 per year. Family (2 people): \$25.00. Associate: \$15.00. Obtain forms from Treasurer or Secretary or Membership Chair.

ADVERTISING POLICY: Open to members only. All advertising must be in "Classified Ad" style. Minimum cost is \$2.00 for 4 lines, maximum of 6 lines for \$3.00. For Golden Retrievers only. Member owned adults or litters from member owned bitches, dog related services and items excepting stud service.