



# Michigolden Newsletter

Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club April, 2024

NEXT GENERAL MEETING May 21, 2024

**May Membership Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 21, 2024 7:15**  
**at Leader Dog**

**PROGRAM: Certificate of Conformation Assessment**  
**(all members will get a Zoom link via email)**  
**Join us!**

**2024 FDGRC SPECIALTY July 5 and 6**  
**(two specialties each day)**  
**Plus 2 sweepstakes**  
**July 7, Marshbanks GRC supported Specialty**  
**All at Monroe County Fairgrounds**

Inside this newsletter:

Minutes of April Board Meeting

Donations for July Specialty Raffle

BRAGS!

NEW PAGE: Golden Goings-On

**We have a Facebook Group for FDGRC Members!**

**go to**

**FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB**

**Private group**

## FDGRC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Meeting held at Leader Dogs, Rochester, MI

Board Members attending: Karen Angell, Kathy McElroy, Tena Sands, Laura Fabbro, Dianne Baker

Membership attending: Cheri Stager, Courtney Hartman, Lisa Barta, Peggy O'Keefe, Diana Vavra, Virginia Smith. Cindy Fisher attended by Zoom.

Guests attending: Kim Miller, Kathy Fridline (Kathy is from USA Therapy Dog)

Board meeting began 6:24pm

Agility - No report - Kim Salyers - checking to see if we know anything about Agility Trials held at Novi Shows next year.

July Shows, 2024 - Dianne Baker - Everything going as scheduled.

Raffle for July Shows - We need donations for our Cooler of Cheer, and our Tower of Fun (Board Games). Please bring donations to FDGRC next meeting in May, or give to a Board Member.

Treasury Report - Karen gave the accounting

Old Business -

GR Columnist - FDGRC still needs a GR Columnist

FDGRC Hunt Equipment - Peggy O'Keefe is working with Marshbanks Golden Retriever Club.

Equipment will be picked up shortly.

New Business -

AKC Fetch Events - Karen proposes FDGRC should try to hold a 2-day Fetch Event. Very profitable! This is a fun, social event which can earn AKC Titles for your dog. A limit of 12 tests per year per club.

Consider renting Companion Dog Training building for the event. Limited amount of volunteers needed to help with this event.

MI FIT - Tena Sands - Received a Banner from AKC. Spring Scurry 5K Walk. Next walk is scheduled for May 11, on the Macomb Orchard Trail. Please contact Tena Sands to join the Private FB Group. Just need to ask for an invite to join. Walks are approximately 2-3 miles.

Rally Show - Peggy O'Keefe - Working on Rally Shows to be held at Companion Dog Training in Flint, MI for two days in February. Have Judges lined up, rental for Companion Dog Training Building. Just need to finalize with AKC approval. Will need several volunteers - Ring Stewards, Stop Watch, Table Stewards, Timer, Hospitality. We need Hospitality to feed Judges and Volunteers Lunch. Need Advertising starting in the Fall to "HOLD THE DATE". Most likely should have Entries available starting in November, and ending 2 weeks prior to the Event.

Motion to adjourn the meeting - Laura Fabbro, seconded by Tena Sands

Need Educational Meeting for May - Consider Part 2 Leader Dog Tour?

Motion to adjourn the Membership meeting - Laura Fabbro, seconded by Peggy O'Keefe.

Educational Meeting began - Diana Vavra presented Therapy Dogs, and brought Kathy, of USA Therapy Dog Group. It was a fantastic presentation of what is involved to have a Therapy Dog. Thank you so much!

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Baker

FDGRC will be doing a raffle at the Specialty show held July 5 and 6 in Monroe. We will be raffling a "wagon of fun" containing wine and other liquor, and a "tower of fun" containing board and other games for the juniors.

## **DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!!**

**Bring items to the May meeting or contact  
Cindy Fisher (micinsretrievers@yahoo.com)**

**or Christina Curling**

**(christinacurling@gmail.com)**

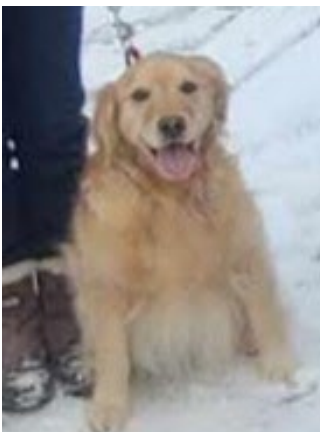
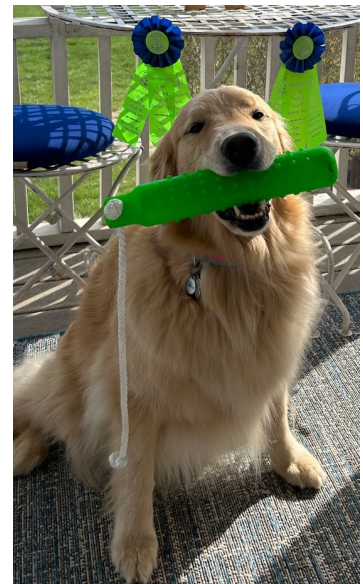
**(If you prefer, donate and let us do the shopping!)  
send your donation to Cindy Fisher.)**

# BRAGS!



Diana Vavra's Reaux-D earned his Rally Advanced & Rally Excellent Titles in January and April 2024 with all National qualifying scores between 95-98 earning us 3rd and 4th places in two of the 6 trials. So pending AKC paperwork he is now GO SkyeFire's Gotta Make A Move CD, RE, THDX, TKI, CGCA

Gemma and Karen Angell, Mud Lake Verity Cool Jewel CDX BN RM RAE FDC SWA SCE SEE SBE CCA THDN RATO CGCA CGCU TKN FTI FITB completed her FETCH Novice and Intermediate titles in April. Her newest letters are her FitDog Bronze title, which she is earning with the MI Golden Fit Club! There are so many fun activities available for our Golden Retrievers and their people!



And of course, little sister Lark, Mud Lake Verity Sonnet 29 CD BN RM2 RAE2 FDC SWA SCNE SCE SBE CCA RATO CGCA CGCU TKN also added FiTB to her name this month with the MI Golden Fit Club!

# Golden Goings-on

## Things to do with your Golden Partner

This page will contain Golden and dog related activities that are available in the next couple of months for you and your Golden. Try something new and meet other Golden people and their pets. A list of training facilities will be available on the Websites for classes.

Our Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Specialty will be held on July 5 and 6 at the Monroe County Fairgrounds—--Lots of things to see at the show.....LOTS of our beautiful Golden Retrievers, plus other dog activities. And if you would like to volunteer, we would love to have you! Oh, and raffle tickets for our WAGON OF FUN and GAME TOWER OF FUN will

MI Golden FIT Club—This is a group of Golden Retrievers and their people who do monthly walks at different locations as an AKC FIT DOG CLUB group. Bring your dog and join us! Join the group on Facebook at MI Golden Fit Club



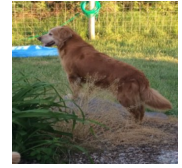
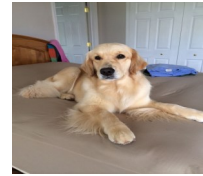
This month, we are participating in the AKC Spring Scurry. You can sign up at [akc.org](http://akc.org), and be eligible for a medal! We will be walking 5K (3.1 miles) along the Macomb Orchard Trail in .....We will meet and walk to an ice cream stop, then walk back for the total miles (if you and your dog don't finish the walk that day, you can complete the distance for the medal any time before June 1). Details of meeting place will be on the MI Golden Fit Club Facebook page.

AKC FETCH Advanced and Retriever Practice Match— June 7, 6:00-8:00pm in Metamora. No sign up needed, just come and watch More info at [sportsmens.net](http://sportsmens.net)

Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan (GRRoM) is holding their annual fundraiser, Golfing for Golden Retrievers on Monday, June 24 from 7:30-3 at the Fountains Golf and Banquet Center. More info at [grrom.com](http://grrom.com).

Obedience and Rally trials and matches, see EVENTS at [companiondogtrainingclub.com](http://companiondogtrainingclub.com). Watch and see the fun!

Also, more information on all AKC dog activities at [akc.org](http://akc.org) Sports and Events, and find out How to get started in Dog sports. Contact FDGRC information if you have questions how to get started locally.



MISCELLANEOUS INFO



Notes from the Editor

**Deadline For Newsletters Info**

The deadline for getting info (articles, brags pictures, etc.) to me is the Friday after the General Meeting. Please email to Karen Angell at

[hoofnwooffarm@gmail.com](mailto:hoofnwooffarm@gmail.com)

**GRF Updates:** GRF Updates list - To join, simply send a blank email to:  
[GRFUpdates+subscribe@groups.io](mailto:GRFUpdates+subscribe@groups.io)

For more info about the GRF, please visit us at NEW website at

<https://goldenretrieverfoundation.org/GRF/>

**Sunshine:** Please let Dorothy Scarborough ([dorothys@charter.net](mailto: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.

Other Upcoming Shows/Events

**For details about other local Shows, Obedience/Rally/Agility Trials and**

**Field/Hunt Tests please visit:**

[www.akc.org/events/search](http://www.akc.org/events/search)  
[www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)

[www.entryexpress.net](http://www.entryexpress.net)  
[www.huronriverlrc.com](http://www.huronriverlrc.com)

**Field Trials/Hunt Tests:**

**Huron River Labrador Retriever Club:**

Visit their web site for dates and info.

<http://www.huronriverlrc.com>

**\*\*Please verify shows & dates w/AKC \*\*\***

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## For Your Information

MB-F, Inc.: Edward Ave., PO Box 9999, Madison Heights, MI 48071, ([www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com))  
Jim Rau Dog Shows: 4707 Perklomen, PO Box 4038, Reading, PA 19606, ([www.raudogshows.com](http://www.raudogshows.com))  
Entry Express: P.O. Box 743, Charleston, AR 72933 ([www.entryexpress.net](http://www.entryexpress.net))  
Doctor Paws (TDInc): Terry Seraceno, 248-888-7488, ([www.doctorpaws.org](http://www.doctorpaws.org))  
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also doing eye certifications (ECR)  
CERF, Inc: South Campus Courts, Bldg A, Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN 47907,  
([www.vmdb.org](http://www.vmdb.org))

### Websites for additional information on upcoming shows and trials:

**AKC:** [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org), click on EVENTS, then EVENTS AND AWARDS SEARCH

**UKC:** [www.ukcdogs.com](http://www.ukcdogs.com), click on DOG EVENTS, then UPCOMING EVENTS

**CKC:** [www.ckc.ca](http://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: \$25.00 per year. Family (2 people): \$30.00. Associate: \$15.00. Obtain forms from Treasurer or Secretary or Membership Chair.

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