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Upcoming Events

Agility Trial

January 16-18th

On The Run Canine Center

13835 Aberdeen St NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304

Please see page 4 for more information

Meeting

February 7th

Byerly's in Ridgedale (394 and Plymouth Rd)

Board Meeting: 5:30pm

General Meeting: 6:30pm

Topic is TBD

Health Clinic

February 28th

Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital

7131 Cahill Ave, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076

Please see page 8 for more information

Annual Banquet

March 7th

Please see page 7 for more information

Mitch White Field Workshop

May 9-10th

Old Oaks Kennels

15647 SE 29th Ave, Blooming Prairie, MN 55919

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President's Letter

Hello All,

If I was a poet, I'd say something like "Another year has come to a close marked for all to witness by the setting of the sun, rising of the moon, and twinkling of the North Star." But I am not a poet so: "Here's to 2015—boy do I wish *Back To The Future II* had gotten that flying car thing right." While the price of gas is considerably lower than the recent past, Minneapolis traffic is still a major drag.

Anyway—I hope you had a great holiday and are looking forward to the New Year. Can you say "resolution?"

The Nominating Committee (per bylaws consisting of 3 members; 1 current Board member [Corrine Gronvold] and 2 non-Board members [Jim Lawson and Sharon Lawson]) has put forth their slate of candidates to fill the vacating 2015 GTCGRC Board positions. Candidates are as follows:

- Vice President = Karen Ander
- Conformation = Jane Docter
- Field = Ed Pheifer
- Performance = Sarah Gaalswyk

Should anyone else wish to put their name in the mix, please proceed as outlined in the club bylaws (see Members Only section on the website).

The new Board members will be voted in at the Annual Meeting/Banquet; to be held on March 7th at Ray J's in Woodbury. Save the date and watch for details coming soon.

GTCGRC has a Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/GTCGRC>

Please like the page and begin using it to share, communicate and stay informed. All other forms of club communication will continue, this is in addition and hopefully will be a timely tool for sharing information quickly and broadly.

NOTE: there will be absolutely NO SELLING of puppies/dogs allowed on this page. GTCGRC will remove any such post and refuse use of the page by anyone using our page in this manner.

Thank you to all who contributed to a successful Winter Specialty, your support of our club and four fellow members is very much appreciated.

Stay warm.

Sheila Daly—GTCGRC President

Your thoughts are welcome—email me:

Summerstone@comcast.net

January 2015 Specialty Results

The January 2015 Specialty show is now history and thank you to everyone who entered or donated an item to the raffle or helped with stewarding that day. It was a great show with a nice entry. Thank you to Kathy Carroll for being the show chairperson and dealing with last minute things that came up that day. Thank you to Sharon Anderson and her helpers, Paula Ellis and Alyssa Taylor, for the great job they did in organizing the nice raffle items. I know the raffle did very well. Thank you to our great chief ring steward, Mary Phelps, who always keeps the show ring running smoothly. Thank you also to Corrine Gronvold and Kathy Godlewski for doing an excellent job as the outside ring stewards. Finally, thank you to our wonderful judges, Barbara Pepper, Eileen Bohn, and Pat Cunningham. —Laurie Hanson

BOB: CH Amica Fire On The Mountain (Nieman)

BOS: CH Firstar's Blue Vespa of Hallis CD RN (Axelrod)

BOW: Stormy Point's Sent From Heaven (LaVenuta)

SD: GCH CH Forever's All Jacked Up CGC (Hoffman, Nee & Gordon)

SB: CH Scion Haute Couture At Trinity (Decito & Simpson)

AOM: CH OTCH Docmar Westmarch Denim Jeans UDX5 OGM VER RE JH AX AXJ (Super)

AOM: CH Evening Star's More Likely Than Not (Cooper)

AOM: CH Avalor's Big Kahuna (Reuter)

WD: Nalyn's Timing Is Everything RN (Gratiot)

WB: Stormy Point's Sent From Heaven (LaVenuta)

RWD: Ocean Palace's The Brave Heart (Kang)

RWB: Zumbro TB Doubled Their Fun (Johnson & Judish)

BISS: SixSigma's Dream A Little Dream of Me (Runkle)

BOSS: Kristil's Round Mound of Rebound At Trademark (Zeise & Falkenthal)

BVISS: CH Sundwn Teddybear She's Perfect Tru & Tru (Siegle)

BVOSS: GCH CH SixSigma's Who's Your Mummy (Rahm & Runkle)

Best Gun Dog Sweeps: CH OTCH Docmar Westmarch Denim Jeans UDX5 OGM VER RE JH AX AXJ (Super)

Best of Opposite Gun Dog Sweeps: GCH CH Westmarch I Beelieve CDX GN JH (Super)

BJH: Colyn Leary with Zia Blakeway Mo'Betta On D'ave

Highest Scoring Golden Retriever in Trial: GCH CH Docmar & Lucky Duck's Dew U Be-

August 2015 Specialty Information

The August Specialty is scheduled to be on August 21st. Kathy Carroll will be chairing the conformation ring and Corrine Gronvold is the chair for the obedience ring. Thank you ladies! We are looking into flying in a breeder-judge for this year's specialty. If you have any ideas for a judge, please contact Kathy at kcarroll4irish@q.com or Corrine at corrineg247@gmail.com. More information will be coming. Stay tune.

January 2015 Agility Trial Information

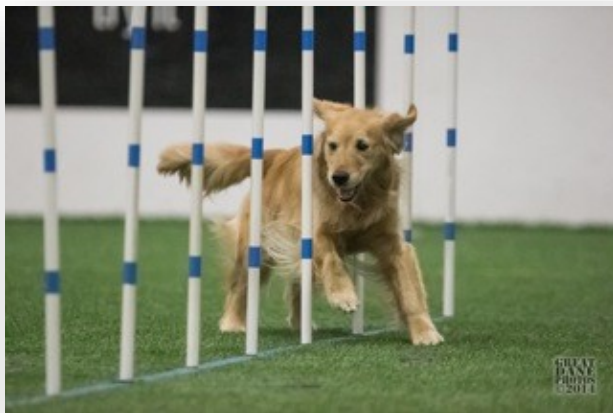
The winter agility trial will be on January 16-18th at On The Run Canine Center (13835 Aberdeen ST NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304). The judge is Katherine Rudolph from Wisconsin. All are welcome to come out and watch.

We would love to have club members volunteer that the trial. No experience is necessary, we will teach you. If you would like to help out, please contact Laurie Hanson at kimtuck@comcast.net. You can help out one day, two days, or all three days. Just tell Laurie how many days you can help out and if you would like to help all day or part of the day. Lunch will be provided for those who volunteer.



August 2015 Agility Trial Information

The August agility trial is set for August 14-16th at Soccer Blast (3601 W 145th St, Burnsville, MN 55306). The judges are Rod Ramsell (Minnesota) and Windle Ewing (Texas). On Friday all levels of Jumpers and Standard will be offered along with FAST. On Saturday, all levels of Jumpers and Standard will be offered along with Time 2 Beat. For Sunday, we will only be offering Jumpers and Standard for all levels.



As all trials go, we are looking for volunteers for the weekend. As of right now, we don't have a sign up sheet. Therefore mark your calendar so when the time comes you can sign up. No experience is needed. We will be happy to teach you. As always, lunch will be provided for volunteers.

2015 AKC National Agility Championship

Congratulation for those who qualified for the AKC NAC! This year's NAC will be on March 27-29, 2015 in Reno, Nevada. A total of 3175 dogs qualified for this event and 192 Golden Retrievers nationwide qualified. Out of the 192 Goldens, four of the GTCGRC members qualified.

Congratulations to:

- Lori Cropsey with MACH Cashmere's Dream Weaver UD EN MXG MJG CF T2B "Jozie"
- Cheryl Loose with Wildriver's Prairie Blazing Star MX MXS MXJ MJS "Blazer"
- Lisa Putnam with Butter Scotch Beauty of St. Paul MXP2 MXPB MJP3 MJPB "Scutter"
- Alyssa Taylor with Harborplace Diamond In The Ruff CD BN RAE OA OAJ MXP2 MXPB MJP2 MJPB NF XFP "Jackson"

2015 AKC National Obedience Championship

Congratulations to club member Judy Super with CH OTCH Docmar Westmarch Denim Jeans UDX5 OGM VER RE JH AX AXJ "Deni" for qualifying for the 2015 AKC NOC! The NOC will happen on March 14-15, 2015 at Purina Farms, in Gray Summit, MO.

2015 AKC National Rally Championship

This year, 310 Golden Retrievers qualified for the 2015 AKC National Rally Championship! The event will be held on March 14-15, 2015 at Purina Farms, in Gray Summit, MO.

Congratulations to:

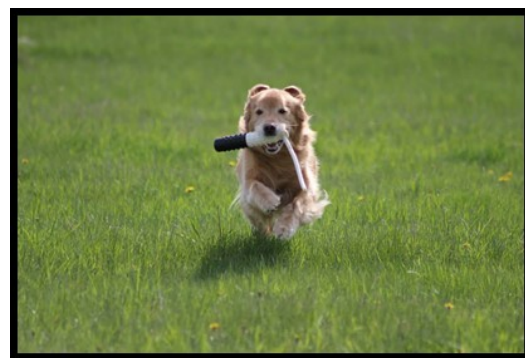
- Paula Ellis and Judy Super with Mirasol Westmarch Beeyond This Moment BN RN CGC "Phreddie"
- Laurie Hanson with Sunwood's What Goes Around Comes Around RN CGC "Karma"
- Laurie Hanson with Sunwood's We'Re Going Into Overtime CD RE CGC "Murphy"

If I missed you on this list (especially the NAC and Rally list) I am very sorry. Both eligibility lists were extremely long and so many dogs.

Mitch White Field Workshop

Kathy Carroll and I have scheduled, with board approval, the following field seminar for May 9-10 of 2015 at the Old Oak Kennels, Blooming Prairie, MN. We are most appreciative to Rick and Andrea McConico for their willingness to hold this within their building and the ability to use their training grounds.

This years field seminars have spurred some nice accomplishments and heightened the interest in field. This workshop is our way of educating and extending additional training information to those who want to take their dogs beyond the WC/WCX to Junior, Senior and/or Master Hunter titles or just to have some more fun in the field with your dog.



Mitch White is a professional field dog trainer and is well known for his ability to work individually with soft dogs. He is an accomplished trainer who holds the accolades of many field titles and Master National awards. His website is: [Gamekeepers Retrievers, Ltd. | Mitch and Maria White ...](#)

The workshop will accommodate fourteen working spots and unlimited auditing spots. The working handler spots are limited to one dog per person at any level for a cost of \$250.00 for two days of instruction. The auditing spots cost \$125.00 for both days. Mitch has offered also to provide private instruction on Monday for those interested with a one on one for a fee of \$50.00 per hour.

The registration for the working spots will open November 14, 2014 to members...after November 14, we will also be sending the information out to other clubs. The registrations will close April 17, 2015. Please click [here](#) to see further details in the flyer.

Please mark your calendars and join us for a great couple of days of field training. We see this as a wonderful opportunity to further enjoy our dogs and train them for what they were bred to do.

Thank you in advance for your interest and strong participation. AND...we will be continuing the field seminars next summer with Greg Larson of Sundowner Kennels and when that is finalized will have that posted on the website for your reference.

Questions? Please contact Bonnie Wright at bonniewright933@hotmail.com or Kathy Carroll at kcarroll4irish@q.com

Grater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club



Annual Banquet
March 7th, 2015

Ray J's

(9854 Norma Lane, Woodbury, MN 55125)



Buffet
Title Certificate
Annual Trophy

*Please watch for more information via
email and website.*

Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club

proudly hosts

Health Clinic

on

February 28th, 2015

at

Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital

7131 Cahill Ave, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076

*Please stay tune to what will
be offered.*



Happy Birthday!!

I would like to do a section with a list of birthdays that are coming up. Not your birthday, your dog(s)! If you would like to celebrate your dog(s) birthday in the newsletter, please send me your dog(s) name and the date of birth. That simple. My email is adtaylor2013@gmail.com. ~Alyssa Taylor



Important Information

The club's Facebook page is up and running. The page is open to the public, but only dues paying members may comment. Contact Jane Docter at docmargoldens@gmail.com if you would like to be able to post on the page. There will be NO selling of puppies/dogs permitted on this page. If anyone is caught selling puppies/dogs on the Facebook page they will lose posting privileges at once, so just don't do it.

Please remember that the member email list located under "Members Only" are to be used for club purposes ONLY. Please do not use them for any other reason.

It is that time of the year again. Please renew your membership as soon as you can. Check made out to GTCGRC and mailed to Deb Rahm, 100 Bergamot Dr., Medina, MN 55340. If you do not renew by May 1st, you must go through the New Member Process in order to be a member again. So just make sure to get your application in!

Wins & Brags



River (Golac's River Of Joy CD RE MX MXJ MJB MXP MJP THD) earned her Rally Excellent title at the age of 13 years old! ~**Jaci Caurfel**



Abbey (Angelica's Failure Is Not An Option Abbey BN RN AX AXJ CGC CCA) finished the 2014 with a bang. She completed her AX title on December 26th under Judge Karl Johnson. Now on to the Double Q's. I could have not asked for a better girl to work with. Only working with her once a week, she has blossomed into a great agility athlete. Thank you Jim & Sharon Lawson for sharing her with me. ~**Alyssa Taylor**

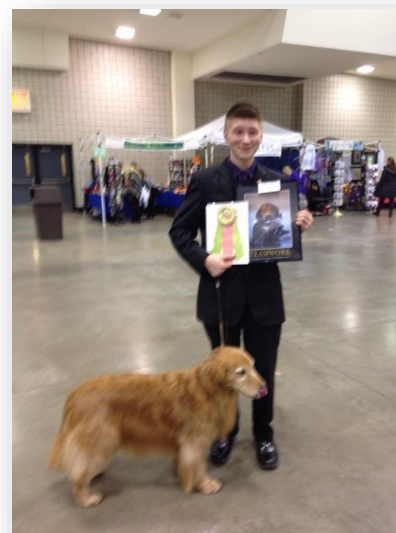


Dublin (Westmarch At Your Service CD BN RN OAP OJP) recieved his CD title at the Land O'Lakes show on January 3rd. Now onto Open. ~**Sharon Sullivan**

Willow (Int'l CH Elmcreek's Strawberry Fields Forever CD RN BN OAP OJP CD-C CCA CGC TDIA UR01 UCD ASCA-CD THD WC VC) earned her OJP title at the Cambridge Agility Trial at On The Run. She also earned her TDIA for 50 therapy visits which earned her the title of THD. At our WC/WCX trial in September, she earned her WC which in turn earned her her VC title from GRCA. ~**Kathy Carroll**

Jackson (Harborplace Diamond In The Ruff CD BN RAE OA OAJ MXP2 MXPB MJP2 MJPB NF XFP CGC CCA) finished up 2014 with qualifying to the 2015 AKC National Agility Championship. I am so blessed to have Jackson as my agility teammate. I cannot wait for what 2015 brings us!! ~**Alyssa Taylor**

**CONGRATS to everyone ON
their accomplishments!**



Colyn Leary won Best Junior at the GTCGRC Golden Specialty on January 2nd, 2015. He handled Madison (Zia Blakeway Mo'Betta On D'ave) who is owned by Deb Blakeway, Colyn Leary and Val Jennings. ~**Deb Blakeway**

Kai (OTCH CT Kattwalk's Current In The Sea UDX3 OM4 GN GO VER RAE VST CCA WC VCX)

I was told at a young age with “Kai” that we wouldn’t go far in obedience or field venues due to him being a show conformation bred dog ... well ... we showed them! “Kai” is my first competition dog and it’s been a thrill! We learned as we went and found out after trial and many errors how it was supposed to be done the first time around. Each class was learned before it was done, so there was no training of all the classes then going in. At 1 year of age the journey started in AKC Rally Novice where I quickly found out that I talked too much to my boy. That had to change fast. Found a good set of trainers and went to work. We completed all the Rally degrees, including the RAE in just a few short months. Next we tackled each of the AKC Obedience degrees and competed in CDSP (Companion Dog Sports Program) and attained their OTCH version (Obedience Trial Champion) (OTCH-C). 2014 has been quite the year for “Kai” and I – we finished our AKC OTCH in January with an awesome win and great friends around to celebrate. Next we earned GRCA CCA in Wichita, Kansas in July followed by the WC in September. Along the way we trained and competed in AKC Tracking also. By far Tracking and Field are “Kai’s” favorite sports! The BIG finish to 2014 was when we received our Tracking TDX and VST degrees in Missouri, split by 2 weeks, giving us our CT (Champion Tracker) degree. He has excelled in all venues we have done and I couldn’t be more proud of my boy, my best buddy!

~Joanne Rydel



A Special Thank You

I want to give a special thank you to everyone for their kindness and support in the building of the ramp, through Barn Raisers. It will make it easier for me to get out of the house independently. Which will help get me a PT and get stronger. Then Madison can come home. Hopefully it will be soon.

Deb Blakeway & Madison

In Memory...

Kailey

December 8th, 2003~November 28th, 2014

On November 28th, 2014, Kailey passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family and Jackson. She battled Hemangiosarcoma for 3 months. She was 10 days shy of her 11th birthday.

Kailey introduced me to the world of dogs. I don't know where I would be today if it was not for her. She has taught me show much over the years and was the best teacher I could of ever asked for. She was my Junior Showmanship, Obedience Novice A, Rally Novice A, first Canine Good Citizen and first therapy dog.

The MOST important thing is that Kailey was and will forever be my best friend. I know now that she is in a better place where she is free from any pain and eating as much bread as she wants.

Forever in my heart.

Alyssa Taylor



In Memory...

Buzz

November 27th, 1997 ~ December 13th, 2014

Buzz died peacefully at home in my arms on December 13th, 2014 at 5:03pm surrounded by family and friends. I thank The Lord he blessed us with 17 amazing years together! Their hearts are truly Golden! He was a great therapy dog for 13 years. Now his is again young, healthy and playing with many other doggies. He is having fun. Now someone please explain that to my heart.

Thank you for welcoming us into the club. Most of all for loving my boy, Buzz Strong.

Stay Golden

Angela Strong



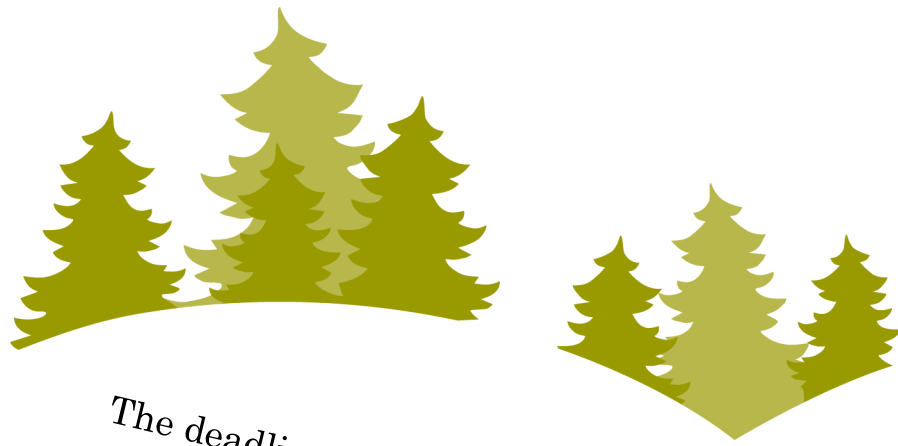
Club Officers

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Ava Higginbotham

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Melinda Elledge



*The deadline for the March/April Issue
is Friday, March 3rd*



Peanut Butter Banana Pupcakes Recipe

Ingredients:

- ◆ 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ◆ 1 cup whole wheat flour
- ◆ 1 Tbsp baking powder
- ◆ 1/2 tsp salt
- ◆ 1/2 cup peanut butter
- ◆ 1 large egg
- ◆ 3/4 cup milk
- ◆ 1 banana
- ◆ 3 Tbsp oil
- ◆ 1/4 cup honey

Directions:

- ◆ Preheat oven to 400 degrees and either line a muffin time with paper cups or lightly spray with oil
- ◆ Mix together all of the dry ingredients and set the bowl aside
- ◆ Mix together peanut butter, egg, milk, banana, honey and oil until smooth and well blended

- ◆ Using a large spoon or rubber spatula, fold the wet ingredients into the dry. Note: the resulting mixture will be somewhere between a batter and a really sticky dough.
- ◆ Spoon the mixture into the muffin pan, filling each cup to about 3/4 of the way full
- ◆ Bake for 12-14 minutes if making mini muffins and 18-20 minutes for regular-sized



Store in an airtight container at room temperature and they'll keep for about a week.

*Recipe was found on
www.dogtreatrecipes.org*