

1 **Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club**  
2 **Membership Meeting**  
3 **May 17, 2025**  
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5 **Date, Time, and Place of Meeting**

6 President Linda Ertsgaard called the Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club (GTCGRC) meeting to  
7 order at 1:07 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, 2025, at Animal Inn, 8633 North 34<sup>th</sup> St., Lake Elmo. MN.  
8 Secretary Alice Chapman was in attendance.  
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10 **Attendance**—Introductions of members were made, and a sign-in sheet was distributed. Linda Ertsgaard  
11 reminded everyone that the sign-up sheet is used at the end of the year in determining trophies and  
12 awards so it is important for members to sign-in.  
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14 **Minutes**—The March 9, 2025, Annual Banquet & Awards meeting minutes was approved as distributed.  
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16 **Officer Reports**

17 Treasurer—Kathy Rasinowich reported that the Checking Account Balance is \$18,150.84; Saving  
18 Account Balance is \$5,027.83; and CD is \$40,893.87. There is \$760.00 in outstanding checks that are for  
19 refunds to the recent ScentWork Trial.  
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21 **DIRECTOR REPORTS**

22 **Field**—Judy Super reported that the *Fun Feld Day*, on Saturday, May 3, 2025, was a success with nine  
23 people attending. All were thankful for Kathryn Newman–Bornhofen volunteering her place for this  
24 event.  
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26 **Performance**

27 Conformation—LuAnn Runkle reported that judges for the August 22, 2025, Conformation, Obedience,  
28 and Rally Specialty are approved. Conformation & Jrs is Elaine Lessig, Obedience is Susan Emerson,  
29 and Sweepstakes is Paul Hussa. There will be concurrent specialty shows on both Friday and Saturday  
30 and no show on Sunday for January 2026.  
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32 ScentWork—Judy Campbell reported that the ScentWork Trial, Detective-only, May 10 & 11, was a big  
33 success. There is also a ScentWork Detective-only Trial September 5 at the Jackson Township Hall in  
34 Shakopee and a ScentWork Trial September 6 & 7 at Camp Eden Wood in Eden Prairie.  
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36 Obedience/Agility—Judy Campbell also reported that the Agility Trial, August 16 & 17, is at Cloud  
37 Nine in Maple Grove, Christian Eckhoff is the judge. The Obedience/Rally is August 22 at the  
38 Washington County Fairgrounds in Lake Elmo.  
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40 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

41 Banquet—Linda Ertsgaard reported that the 2026 Banquet will be March 8, 2026, at the Lost Spur and  
42 brunch will be served. If anyone would like to host this event, please contact Linda. There is a \$650  
43 budget.  
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45 Donations—Linda Ertsgaard reminded everyone to please keep in mind to whom GTCGRC donation  
46 should be given. Donations in 2024 were given to: Golden Retriever Foundation; GRCA; Helping Paws,  
47 Inc.; Morris Foundation; MN Foundation (Dr. Modiano); North Star Search & Rescue; St. Paul Police  
48 Canine Foundation; and UofM 4H. Kathy Rasinowich noted that a representative from the Morris  
49 Foundation is willing to give a presentation to the GTCGRC on their research.

50 **Web Master**—Linda Ertsgaard reminded everyone that Rob Hanson will be retiring at the end of the  
51 year and new web master is needed.

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53 **NEW BUSINESS**

54 State Fair—Linda Ertsgaard reported that the GTCGRC will have a booth at the August 27 “Golden  
55 Day” at the State Fair. A free pass and parking is offered to volunteers. Demonstrations are at 9:00 a.m.,  
56 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. and include conformation, obedience, field, agility, and  
57 scentwork.

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59 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

60 **Events—**

61 **Performance:**

62 **Agility**—August 16 & 17, 2025. Cloud Nine, 11528 96<sup>th</sup> Ave N, Maple Grove.

63 **Obedience & Rally Specialty**—August 22, 2025. Washington Fair Grounds, 12300 40th St. N,  
64 Lake Elmo.

65 **ScentWork Detective-only**—September 5, 2025. Jackson Township Hall, 1091 130<sup>th</sup> St. W,  
66 Shakopee, MN.

67 **ScentWork**—September 6 & 7, 2025. Camp Eden Wood, 6350 Indian Chief Rd, Eden Prairie.

68 **Agility**—January 16, 17, 18, 2026; details tbd.

69 **State Fair**—Golden Day, August 27, 2025

70 **Conformation:** January 2026. Details tbd.

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72 **Meetings—**

73 **Meeting:** June 5, 2025. Lunds & Byerly, 3777 Park Center Blvd., St. Louis Park. BOD meeting  
74 at 5:00 p.m.; membership at 6:00 p.m; and speaker following at 6:30 p.m. Tanja Philhower will  
75 do a presentation on grief.

76 **Picnic:** July 12, 2025. Waters Edge, 4173 15<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Buffalo. BOD meeting, 10:30 a.m.;  
77 general meeting, 12:00 p.m.; potluck picnic and games to follow.

78 **Halloween Party:** October 12, 2025. Bark and Bond, 690 Commerce Drive, #100, Woodbury.  
79 BOD meeting, 3 p.m.; general meeting, 4:30 p.m.; games and party to follow. An animal  
80 communicator will give a presentation.

81 **Christmas Party:** December 6, 2025. Augusta Dog Training Center, 2250 Daniels St., Long  
82 Lake. BOD meeting, 3:00 p.m.; general meeting, 4:30 p.m.; party to follow with pizza supplied  
83 by BOD.

84 **Banquet:** March 8, 2026. Lost Spur Golf and Event Center, 2750 Sibley Memorial Hwy, Eagan,  
85 MN. Details tbd.

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87 **Adjournment**

88 The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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90 Alice Chapman, Secretary

91 Date Adopted: June 5, 2025