

Cuyahoga Valley Golden Retriever Club

Gold'N News



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If you missed Rhonda Hovan's great article in the latest GRCA News, I reprinted it (with her permission) on pages 7-8-9.

Mark your calendars!

Next meeting:

November 28th

Brecksville Library
 9089 Brecksville Rd,
 Brecksville, OH 44141
 6:30 pm (meeting starts at 7 pm)
 We have the room until 845

Elections!

We have LOTS of FREE gifts to pass out!

Kathy Sutliff will have all the remaining merchandise left over from the national available for purchase to members at a greatly reduced price. Sizes and supplies are limited

Upcoming Events:

Agility Trial at Pinnacle November 18-19-20

Renee Scholz Cleveland K9 Rehab will be there and does mobile PT if you are interested

Heart/Eye Clinic Saturday March 25th Medina Kennel Club

Volunteers Needed:

Agility Trial at Pinnacle. Andrene can you some volunteers, half day or whatever you can do will be appreciated!

Message from the President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. As I look back over the last several years serving as club president, I know I am thankful for the hard working members of this club. Because of many of you we were able to put on a very successful National. With that in the past, we can now look forward to putting our energy into our club activities. One of the plans for the coming year is to offer more activities/meetings that involve the reason we all come togetherthe dogs. If you have topic/activity you would like to see as a meeting, please let the new president/board know. Also, we've been trying to find a meeting location that would be central for the membership. Hopefully if we can do this attendance at meeting will increase. Any ideas you have would be welcome. See you at the November meeting.

-Vicki



Reminder: NO ONE in the club or GRCA is going to email you and ask you to get gift cards! I have gotten requests from "Don" and "Vicki" "Steve" and this week, someone from the GRCA. You can usually tell by hovering over their email address. But if you get any strange requests, just call or text the person.

2022 GRCA National Specialty**Thanks to Everyone!**

Well, I've had the time to recover from running this show and to get most of the post-show paperwork almost completed. Having had time to reflect on this, it was a fine effort from everyone in CVGRC. It was a fantastic National and everyone enjoyed themselves. The positive comments far outweighed any bad comments on the show.

I won't go through a list of those who helped, they are available in the catalog, which we still have plenty of leftover. But everyone stepped up and, in spite of a few bumps along the way, we did a great job and most people didn't even notice the bumps. I hope all those involved have recovered and now realize what a great job they all did. Those of you who worked their butts off can be proud of what we accomplished

This was the last National to be hosted by a member club, so we set the bar high for GRCA to reach. In spite of trepidations about a dirt floor for agility, obedience and rally, it worked out great. The small Expo Center was very nicely decorated and worked out fine. The field events went off without any serious problems and were very enlightening. A great show all the way around.

So, as you settle back into the normal routine of being a Golden Retriever owner/breeder/trainer in the coming months, always remember what we did. It was special and was our second. Thanks again to all who helped and I look forward to never doing this again!!!!

~Don Burlett

New member application

Angela Killey, Akron, OH

Her golden's name is "Darla".

Her referral member is Rhonda Hovan.

She is a GRCA member and her current activity is puppy Obedience

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Kathy Sutliff (23)



All committee chairs..if you want something in the newsletter, or added to the website, please send dates, information, and/or premiums to cmerc900@mac.com. And a reminder to ALL members...please send me pictures and any fun news about yourself and/or your dogs. I would love to include everyone. And if no one sends me anything, it's really hard to do a newsletter! Thanks in advance! ~c.

Happy November Birthday!

Jan Furtwangler 24th

Rex Gary 15th

Karen Groth 21st

Rosemary Janoch 19th

Angela Killey

Karen Laber

Mike MacDonald

Upcoming Scent Work Trials
 216-398-1119
cabtooffice@aol.com December 17-18
 Agility Run-Thru (CABTC) Saturday Dec 3

Obedience Trial
 Medina Kennel Club
 December 3-4th
 4 trials.. 2 each day
<https://medinakennelclub.org/>



Bend with his special purchase from the National. Loretta at <http://dogsofsteel.com/> does beautiful work.
 ~Karen Phillips

Boo at the CVGRC Halloween party meeting
 ~Vicki White



Tyko showed in Utility B for the first time at CABTC earning a 2nd place!

-Christy Thomas

Spirit showed for the first time in Novice B earning a second place.

-Christy Thomas



Flash and I showed in Veterans Novice at YABTC. What a thrill it was to take my 12 yr 8 month old girl in the ring after being retired from showing for 4 yrs. I was so nervous and even caused her to do a no sit by my footwork. But I'm so happy I was able to take her in the ring and we took a third place with a score of 196. (out of 200) Thanks to Karen Abbey for filming her and to YABTC for always putting on a well run trial. Flash even got a toy for being the oldest dog there. And I got to take the best dog there, HOME with me! ❤️ ❤️ ❤️

~Karen Laber



Did something different with my dogs. I tried upland hunting at a PIRC club event with Trek (left, 13 months) and Worf (closing in on 11 years). A good times was had by all!
 ~Ann Lynn



Bend earned his Novice Fast title at the Clumber Agility trial
 ~Karen Phillips



Sonny and Chris placed 2nd at the Delaware show.
 ~Gwen and Chris Eyerman

Lessons from 52 Years in Goldens

1. Dog shows should be fun for the dogs and the owners. If they're not, something's wrong and should be reevaluated.
2. Every breeding should be exciting. If it's not exciting before you do it, it might not be the right breeding or the right timing.
3. Keep the puppy that sends shivers up your spine.
4. Or keep the puppy that makes you smile.
5. If raising another puppy seems like a chore, don't keep (or buy) it.
6. Don't be afraid to think outside the box. Just because it's always been done a certain way, doesn't mean that's the best way to do it.
7. Be kind, especially on social media.
8. If you have felt hurt by someone else's practices, resolve to treat other people better than you were treated.
9. This sport breaks hearts. It also enriches lives. These emotions sometimes alternate cyclically, and sometimes exist simultaneously.
10. We all make mistakes. Try to set a supportive and understanding example in your judgments of others' missteps, because someday the mistakes will hit closer to home.
11. But even if you are generous in your judgments of others, some people will still be harsh in their judgments of you. Ignore them (and that might be a good time to take a break from social media if need be).
12. We have all owned or produced a dog that had or produced a significant problem. There's nothing unethical about that. The questionable ethics are in the cover-up, or lack of disclosure to others whom it may affect.
13. "Collecting" too many dogs is a common pitfall. It leads more often to unhappiness (human and canine), than toward one's goals.
14. Placing a dog that is not getting enough attention is a kindness the dog deserves, even if it is emotionally hard on you and your family.
15. People who can't place dogs that don't work out, don't usually last very long as serious competitors and/or breeders. That's fine, as long as they understand that going in, because...
16. ...More dogs don't work out, than do work out.
17. Your reputation is the most valuable thing you have. Keep it near the top of your list of considerations with every difficult decision you make.
18. Gossip and rumors are annoying, but don't let them get you down. In the long run, your reputation will shine through. Really.
19. Always keep sight of the long run.
20. Showing and breeding dogs is expensive. People usually don't make money in dogs without having a related business (boarding, grooming, handling, etc.)
21. A mediocre dog with a fabulous pedigree usually doesn't produce as nicely as you'd hoped.
22. A fabulous dog with a mediocre pedigree usually doesn't produce as nicely as you'd hoped.
23. Learn from your mistakes, and allow others the breathing room to learn from theirs.
24. Dog friends are the best friends. They are by far more important than any win or award or title ever could be.

25. Joys shared are joys doubled, and sorrows shared are sorrows halved. No one else can share the joys and sorrows like a dog friend.

26. Give without keeping score.

27. Co-ownerships often fail because someone is keeping score.

28. What goes around, comes around. The positive energy you give out will reward you beyond what you could have imagined, and the negative energy you give out will haunt you beyond what you could have imagined. You may never know for sure how it will make its way back to you, but it will.

29. Don't waste time and energy thinking about negative people; just remember the above, and know that it will work itself out in the end.

30. It's all about the dogs. If it ever seems like it's not, reevaluate and change course.

31. For some people, it's all about power. Power-seekers are not safe to deal with, because their motives cannot be trusted.

32. Unsafe people will hurt or use anyone, even those who thought they were friends.

33. Despite everyone's best intentions, sometimes things go wrong. It's not always someone's "fault."

34. When something goes wrong, start by listening to the other person. Don't be defensive, and don't blame. Just listen.

35. After you've listened, express sympathy and understanding to any party who feels hurt, or about any dog that may have a problem. A simple, "I'm sorry" doesn't mean that it's your fault, it just means that you're sorry the situation occurred. It's a good first step toward resolution. (PS Depending on the circumstances, you might want to add, "How can I help?")

36. Ask questions - we all have something to learn.

37. Answer questions - we all have something to teach.

38. Donate to the Golden Retriever Foundation every year. They've got your back.

39. Nature will sometimes permit denial in the short term; but over the long run, she reveals the truth.

40. Not everything is genetic, and breeders can't control everything. Likewise, when a dog has a problem, it doesn't necessarily mean its parents "threw" the problem.

41. No dog has perfect genes, so breeding always involves compromise. Learning what and when to compromise is part of the art of breeding, and begins with prioritization

42. The most important things are those that affect a dog's quality of life.

43. The GRCA Code of Ethics provides leeway for breeders to sometimes (not routinely) breed a dog whose "clearances" are not 100% normal. Make sure before you do the breeding that you understand how it might affect the puppies, and imagine having the necessary discussion fully disclosing this to pet buyers. If that makes you uncomfortable, reconsider the breeding.

44. This flexibility to consider the whole dog is part of what makes the COE exceptional. Don't blow it by pushing the limits too far.

45. Inexperienced breeders often start with a black-and-white mindset, and believe that decisions can easily be classified as "right" or "wrong." These people can be a little scary, because they simply don't know enough to know how much they don't know.

46. Experienced breeders have learned that many decisions involve complex shades of gray, and sometimes it's difficult to evaluate unless you know all the details and the context. Even then, good, sincere, honest, well-motivated people will sometimes disagree.

47. "Shades of gray" is not an excuse for seeing only what you want to see.

48. People can disagree, and still be friends. And if they can't be friends, they can at least be respectful of each other.

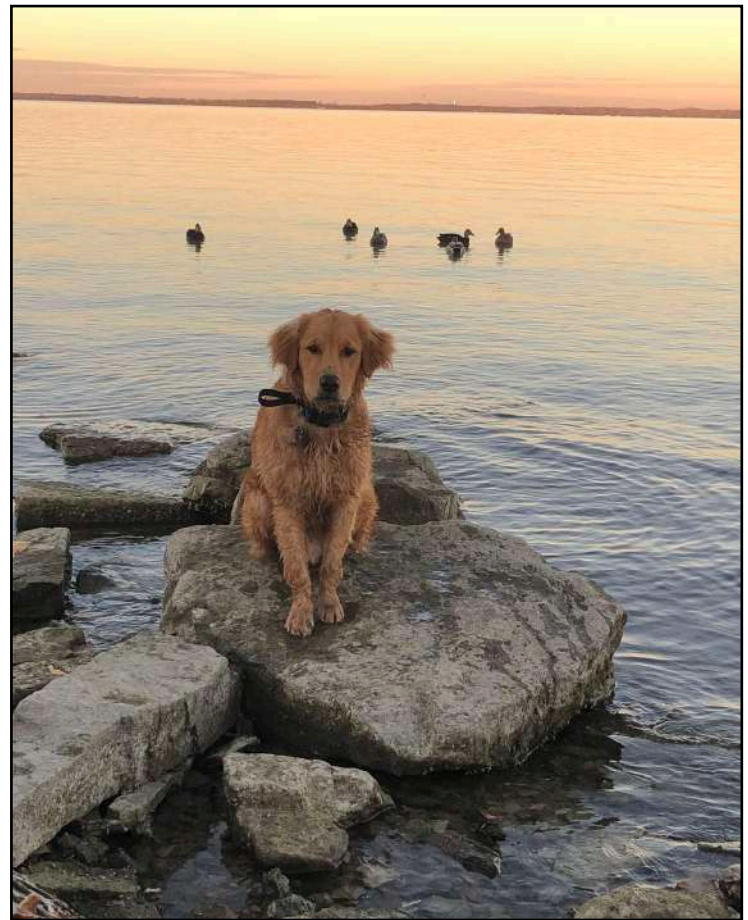
49. We were all newbies once. Don't forget what that felt like, and treat other newcomers as you wish you had been treated.

50. Have puppy parties, and invite competitors as well as friends. This helps competitors become friends.

51. The most lasting legacy that most people leave in dogs is not in the genes of the dogs they have produced or records they have accumulated, but in the minds and hearts of the people they have touched.

52. It turns out that The Beatles were right: In the end, the love you take is equal to the love you make.

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Another bluebird evening on Sandusky Bay tonite. My young boy JATO had fun barking at swans passing overhead and rolling in dead fish.
~Rex & Linda Gary



Violet had a weekend at the Scent Trials at CABTC.
~Micayla Mingus



Last chance to increase those end-of-year agility stats!

German Shepherd Dog Club of Northern Ohio

December 29-31, 2022

ENTRIES: FIRST RECEIVED

OPENS: CURRENTLY OPEN

CLOSES: Wednesday, Dec 21, 2022 at 6:00 pm

- Running order will be SMALL to TALL - 4" to 24"
- **Judge** is **TERRY ELGER** from Milwaukee, WI
- Trials are open to all AKC recognized breeds & AKC Canine Partners
- For Exhibition Only (FEO) will be offered during FAST and Time2Beat
- **FAST** (all levels) offered **all 3 days**
- **Time2Beat** offered **Friday and Sunday**
- **Prem JWW & STD** classes offered on **Friday and Saturday**
- One ring trial, indoors on padded artificial soccer turf
- **Online entries** accepted at: <https://www.labtestedonline.com>
- Entries can also be dropped off in the inside or outside mailbox at Pinnacle Dog Sports

<https://www.pinnacledogsports.com/akc-trials> for premium