CVGRC Newsletter

August 2025



JULY MEETING

We had another successful and fun Dock Diving event! Thanks to all who came out for fellowship and endured the heat and humidity. Most importantly, our goldens had loads of fun retrieving and swimming in the pool and staying cool!!








SPRING SPLASH
WILD CARD
2025


MASTER



CVGRC BOARD MEETING July 27,2025

The meeting was officially called to order by the President, Steve Harmon, at12:06 pm. The meeting was held at the Dock Diving facility in North Ridgeville, Ohio.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recording Secretary: Vicki - Minutes from May were submitted for publication in the newsletter.

Treasurer: Checking account figures were reported and Sue suggested we look at the possibility of moving some of this to a higher yielding account.

Hunt/Field: Kathy **-**The Hunt test was successful

Specialty: Vick – Everything ran smoothly. Steve reported he had received a check from Rhonda Toren for $8,000.00. He has not gotten an account/bill from GPGRC. Vicki inquired about the GRCA News report. Steve said he had not gotten the information from Rhonda nor Pat. Vicki expressed concern that there is a deadline and we haven't had our information in the magazine for several years. Sue talked about needing new people to come out and work this event. Those doing it are getting too old to handle the load. She thanked Steve, Annie, Amy, and Vicki for their help. Wendy volunteer to work up a fly to advertise the club to try and recruit new membere.

Health Clinic: Vicki – The clinic in July at Madison was a success. 37 Echos and 15 ausculatation were preformed. It was discussed that someone needs to learn how to run the clinics as Vicki has been doing it for over 20 years. The clinics are our money makers which support other activities during the year.

Agility: Still openings for volunteers for the upcoming trial at Pinacle.

Programs: Maureen - Next month's meeting will be held at Wolfe Creek Winery and will feature a dog behaviorist. Bring your dog along. September will be a Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS – Steve will get with Brian Tolley to work on social media.

NEW BUSINESS – Pat Lauria, a Life Time member of CVGRC has passed away. A donation was discussed and Kathy will follow up with her family.

There was discussion on moving the awards back to December. Needs further discussion before finalizing.

Brags….. Sue Sanvido reported Chase completed his championship at 11 months of age!

Vicki reported that Ledger won Reserve Winners Dog twice at the GPGRC/CVGRC Spedialty shows, and then won Winner's Dog on the last day of the Specialty.

There being no further business, (and the dogs were impatient to get back to dock diving) Sue moved for adjournment and Wendy 2nd it.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm

Respectively Submitted,
Vicki White
Recording Secretary

Attendance: Vicki White, Marilyn Richards, Maureen Kilrain, Steve Harmon, Nathan Harmon, Wendy Bush, Kathy Koenig, Sue Sanvido, Karen Bodner. Guest: Leslie Wyman, Kacey Wyman and CJ Wyman.

GIVING THANKS FOR…

Programs

Thank you, Maureen, for creating fun programs for the human and dog club members!!!

Heart Clinic

CVGRC again ran a successful Heart Clinic at the Madison Dog Shows in July. I would like to thank Donna Edwards, her grandaughter Nevaeh, Andrene Schwbel, and Teri Martin (a WhiteRiver GRC member who came in from Indiana) for their help. And as always, Teresa West Holmes was there to assist the Doctors. Thank you all for your help in 90 degree weather. You are the BEST!

Agility

Good afternoon BOD and Committee & club members,
Karen Groth just wanted to send a huge THANK YOU to her agility committee and all the volunteers, they all worked tirelessly to pull off this fun trial topped off with Ice Cream for all workers, competitors and attendees. On such a hot day it was enjoyed by everyone and appreciated!

Judge Annette Smith was awesome, her courses were fun and there were lots of qualifiers and some very happy competitors myself included! I hope we get her back in the future.

A shout out to Karen Phillips, Carol Young, Marilyn Richards, and Ramona Cartright who stayed for both days from beginning to end! Thanks to Christy Thomas, Richard Hardy and a lovely Golden owner (Missy- last name escapes me) who entered our trial as she was planning on traveling through our state! We also want to thank some of the club member drop ins which really

helped, along with many competitors and the Pinnacle staff. It took a village for sure to keep things running smoothly. Thank you to all of them! (sorry if I missed anyone personally).

Up next for the agility committee is our very **1st Annual CVGRC Chili Cookoff on Saturday October 11th**, this is in conjunction with the agility trial October 10,11,12, 2025 in Westlake at Pinnacle Dog Sports! Awards and prizes will be had for BEST Chili! Enter your own famous Chili recipe and pit it against the other bean cookers!

This announcement created some buzz during the judges briefings (flyer attached) and they were talking with excitement about entries and taste testing!

Club Members, please mark you calendars to give us a hand all 3 days or some of the days, our next two trials for year are three days each but we are planning them to be fun filled events, so any help is appreciated.

My committee and I are excited to have some Chili and cooler weather!

Karen Groth
CVGRC Agility Trial Chair
Ice Cream Social-August, 1st Annual Chili Cookoff-October and Golden Retriever Special HIT Ribbon Awards-November 2025

PS: I am accepting raffle basket donations for the November trial (thank you to those who have already starting donating) :-)
For now the donation money raised will cover costs of the beautiful ribbons and welcome bags for the Golden entries.

https://www.pinnacledogsports.com/_files/ugd/8033f6_dbeec1d4f9c84bc4b59d6bd399791dbf.pdf

Condolences

Lifetime member, Pat Lauria passed away July 17, 2025. She was a special lady! This is her with Kathy Koenig's pups.



Congrats!

At the July Grassy Creek (IN) hunt test Ann Lynn's three year old dog Trek (Audeo Rio's Warp Speed MH WCX) became my fifth 100% owner trained and handled Golden MH. This is his first HT title and he passed 7 of the 8 Master tests he ran. Not only did he earn his Master title, but he also qualified for the 2025 Master National and the 2026 Master Amateur Invitational.



AUGUST MEETING

The following are details for our CVGRC August Meeting:

Program: Jessica Shannon (Certified Canine Behaviorist)
Date: Saturday August 16, at 4:30 pm
Location: The Winery at Wolf Creek, 2637 S. Cleveland Massillon Rd in Barberton
Note: This meeting is scheduled on the third Saturday in order to accommodate the speaker's schedule.

Jessica Shannon is a dog trainer who teaches at All Breed Training Club of Akron. She has trained with Suzanne Clothier and Deb Jones who are both well-known authors and ethical dog trainers. Jessica has adopted techniques developed from Leslie McDevitt who is a world-renowned dog trainer and author of "Control Unleashed," and whose training is unique, as it includes using "Pattern Games" which teaches dogs how to manage their environment, especially when faced with "triggers" or challenging situations or dogs who possess reactive or fearful behaviors.

Jessica's professional certifications include Professional Dog Trainer via The Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT), certification as a Fear Free trainer and Family Dog Mediator, a Cooperative Care Certification, and certification as a Dog Behavior Consultant via The International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (IAABC).

This program is mainly about how to use "Pattern Games" in order to develop or improve the best possible

connections and behaviors with your dog. You will find that this methodology is different from typical obedience training, and it is believed that your dog can experience greater agency when using these specific training methods.

Please bring your questions regarding any behavioral concerns that you are experiencing with your adult golden or puppy, or if you would just like to learn more about how to enhance communication and the overall relationship with your dog.

The key topics that Jessica will focus on:

***How to build a deeper psychological connection with your dog**
***How to deal with anxiety or fearful and reactive behaviors**
***How to work with the "Wild Child" dog**
***How to foster confidence and critical thinking in your dog**

Hope to see everyone and their goldens at this informative and interactive program!

SEPTEMBER MEETING

September 29th at 7 pm will be a board meeting via Zoom

EVENT

The annual WC/WCX field event scheduled for August 31, 2025 has been **canceled**. Only 6 entries were received so far, and no live birds could be found locally.



CVGRC 1ST ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF! *IN CONJUCTION WITH THE*
CVGRC AGILITY TRIAL (10/10-10/12/2025), **Agility Judge Lisa Rieves** PINNACLE DOG SPORTS, WESTLAKE OHIO Chili Competition, Saturday October 11, 2025
• Limit of 10 entries (first entered, must pre-enter)
• Entrants provide their completed chili entry and any extra condiments/toppings to tempt the judges.
• *Taste cups, spoons, napkins provided by CVGRC*
• Judging Scorecards (25) provided for
• *CVGRC Committee, Judge Lisa, eligible workers & PDS staff* • Entries scored from 1-5 in 5 categories
• (Visual, Aroma, Texture, Taste, Spiciness)
• Highest Rated overall is Winner and Champion • **1st – 3rd Placements, Chili Cookoff Medallion for top 3**,
along with gift cards from Giant Eagle $25, $15, $10 tie breaker will be a random draw. Good Luck! E-mail Karen Groth, CV Golden Club Trial chair with your entry.
Kgsporty1@ameritech.net Deadline to enter is October 1st, 2025

BUDGET FORM

In order to try and keep our fiscal records cleaner and plan future events we are asking anyone who is chairing an event/program to complete the attached budget form and submit it to the treasurer, Tara Perby, prior to the event.

PROPOSED BUDGET -CVGRC

EVENT	COST	INCOME
CHAIR PERSON		
EVENT/CLUB MEETING		
DATE		
FACILIY/RENTAL		
ZOOM FEE		
EXAMS FEES X ESTIMATED # OF EXAMS		
EYES		
HEARTS		
ECHOS		
VET FEES		
EYES		
HEARTS		
ECH0		
EQUIPMENT/MATERIAL COST (Identify each)		
VET'S ASSISTANT		
WORKERS gift cards		
FOOD/DRINK		
SPEAKERS FEE		
FEE X ENTRY #		
JUDGES FEE		
STEWART FEE		
JUDGES GIFTS		
TROPHIES		
RIBBONS		
WORKERS COST		
BIRDS		
RAFFLE		
TOTALS		
LOSS/PROFIT		

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