



MICHIGOLDEN NEWSLETTER

Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.

MAY 2011

PROGRAM MEETING - 5/17/11, 7:30 PM

Topic: Richard Lanier, DVM will be speaking on various health issues and treatments, in particular - canine lameness and new treatments/new therapy/laser therapy and on anesthetic techniques.

This should be a very interesting program - please be sure to come and bring your friends. Location and time: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Avon Rd. (southeast corner of Avon Rd. and Rochester Rd.), Rochester Hills, MI. Program meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

Calendar of Events

May 4, 11, 18, 25, & June 4, 2011

Field training for WC/WCX—See flyer this issue for locations and times

May 17, 2011 location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting—Dr Richard Lanier: A potpourri of Canine Lameness - New Treatment - New Therapy/Laser Therapy and a discussion on Anesthetic Techniques

June 5, 2011

FDGRC WC/WCX Test at Omega Farms, Williamston, MI—Premium list available on our website.

June 25, 2011

Sporting Group Educational Judges Seminar, Metamora, MI—FDGRC is having Peter Stager be the judges' mentor. Please contact Chris Curling if you can participate with your dog. Dog must be able to do standard conformation ring procedure. More info to follow.

July 23-24, 2011

FDGRC AKC Hunt Test at Omega Farms, Williamston, MI—See premium list at www.entryexpress.net.

September 16, 2011

FDGRC Specialty Show, Obedience Trial, & Rally Trial—See premium list at www.infodog.com

September 20, 2011 location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting—Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan, presented by Susan Lavery of GRRoM. Learn more about how Rescue functions and how we can help.

October 18, 2011 location: Canine Sports Recreation Center, Dexter, MI

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting—Mandy Moller (<http://www.caninesportsrec.com>) will speak on how to put on an agility trial.

November 15, 2011 location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - TBA

BRAGS

From Judie Weisman:

OH, CANADA!! Carol and I went to the Windsor All-Breeds in March and had a VERY good weekend.

Harvey (Dreamworks I Make My Own Luck) - took BW and finished his Canadian CH in 3 shows.

Rachel (Dreamworks What U do Defines U - took WB in 2 of the shows and is over halfway to her Canadian CH with 6 pts.

And Carol and I didn't get lost...even once! Now THAT'S an accomplishment.

From Carla Haupt:

Chatter (my Tater's mom) - MACH2Starburst's If Only CDX RE XF NAP NJP ADHF (GRCA Agility Hall of Fame) who I co-own with Linda Brady - completed her MACH3 Sunday, April 17th at the Siberian Husky Club Agility Trial. I finished her MACH2 in October of 2009, then she went out on maternity leave and had a litter in December 2009. She came back out for a few spring trials in 2010 then went back out on maternity from May 2010 until the middle of October 2010. So now that she is done having puppies, I am working on her MACH4.



Chatter - MACH3 Starburst's If Only CDX RE XF NAP NJP ADHF (GRCA Agility Hall of Fame)

Owners: Linda M. Brady & Carla J. Haupt

Linda got her MACH

Carla got her MACH2 & MACH3 and is working on MACH4

Notes from the Editor

FYI, the deadline for getting stuff (articles, brags, pictures, etc.) to me is the last Sunday of the month.

Peg Burlett
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Other Upcoming Shows/Events

September 17-18, 2011
St. Clair KC, Goodells County Park, Goodells, MI
FDGRC is supporting the Golden entry

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to all, and Happy Spring! Hope you can take time from your outdoor chores, or maybe the training of puppies, sipping your beverage of choice, making a living, social networking, or whatever else you're doing, in order to read our newsletter that we're proud to put forth!

FDGRC is plunging into new directions. First, there's agility-what's involved?? To answer that, we are holding our October 18, 2011 club meeting at Canine Sports Recreation Center, 7275 Joy Road, Dexter, MI 48130. <http://www.caninesportsrec.com/> We're going to find out what's involved in putting on an agility trial. The majority of members that responded to my interest poll were very supportive overall, although a few had some reservations. It's a possible new venture for us, so let's investigate it.

The second direction for the club is in hosting another specialty, which actually is not really a new idea, since we've had two specialties, spring and fall, in the past for a number of years. We have an opportunity once again to host a lucrative show the day before Detroit Kennel Club, to be held at Cobo Hall on March 2, 2012. It is our hope that we attract numbers that stay over for DKC, which could result in a tidy sum for FDGRC as a reward for major entries. Plus, as an advantage, exhibitors will be able to move their gear onto the 'bench' for the rest of the weekend's shows before they leave the site on Friday afternoon. If you're interested in chairing this event, please let me know. I've already started making some of the arrangements, with the Board's approval, but I'd be glad to turn it over to somebody else.

My veteran dog and I attended the recent Dr. Townsend seminar, blood draw and eye clinic, hosted by Marshbanks GRC. Dr. Townsend updated us on her research efforts into unraveling Pigmentary Uveitis, an often-blinding eye ailment that is a current topic in Golden Retriever discussions. Break-throughs in the disease are still to come, but you can help move steps forward. Dr. Townsend rather delicately has asked for us to make a difficult last donation of the eyes of our deceased Golden Retrievers. She is very sensitive to the feelings that may result from her unappealing request, but if you can do this, your dog will contribute to research. She's interested in obtaining eyes from PU-affected and non-affected dogs. Please consider her request, difficult as it may be, for the good of the breed and the love of our dogs.

Best regards,
Cindy Collins

Pictures from Amy Booth's grooming demo at FDGRC's meeting 4/19/2011

4/19/2011 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FDGRC - Board of Directors Meeting - April 19, 2011

The meeting was held at the Leader Dogs for the Blind Facility, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order @ 6:45 PM

Members Present: Cindy Collins, Nancy Chapman, Peg Burlett, Lynn Knapke, Laura Fabbro, Christina Curling. Absent: Amede Decruydt

Discussion held regarding the possibility of holding a specialty in conjunction with the DKC show in March of 2012. Bids were obtained from MB-F and Arden Shaw, and Arden is by far more reasonable. The Board discussed the value of this being a positive endeavor to make a profit and decided that if we did this, we would host confirmation and sweepstakes, foregoing obedience. Trophies were discussed and a suggestion was made that in lieu of trophies, a keepsake memento by well-known artist Kathy Ropar would be offered to winners noting a donation would be made to the Golden Retriever Foundation. The Board will canvas the membership to see if there is enough interest to proceed.

The Board has considered FDGRC holding an Agility show at a possible site in Dexter, Mi. Help would be needed and an e-mail will be sent out to the membership to gather information on who might be interested, and willing to provide time and help to hold this event.

The Judges' Seminar scheduled for June of this year needs dogs for the lunch-break water/retrieve demo. Membership will be asked to consider participating.

Motion to adjourn made by Christina Curling, seconded by Laura Fabbro. Meeting adjourned @ 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Curling

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS

The club has received a membership application from:

Christina Romanowski
Michael Romanowski, Jr.

They will be voted on at the next Board meeting. Any comments need to be directed to any of the current Board.

4/19/2011 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

FDGRC - General Membership Meeting Minutes - April 19, 2011

The meeting was held at the Leader Dogs for the Blind Facility, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order @7:33 PM

April Attendance: Board: Cindy Collins, Nancy Chapman, Peg Burlett, Lynn Knapke, Laura Fabbro, Christina Curling. Members: Kathy McElroy, Dianne Baker, Dorothy Scarborough, Judie Weisman, Larry Weisman, Jerry Catalina, Carla Haupt, Carol Ruby, Judy Macauley. Guests: Linda Schultz, Roseanne DiMaria, Cindy Fisher, Sue Szeremet, Lisa Taddiken, Russell Taddiken, Christina Romanowski, Carol Warden, Bob Mangus, Amy Booth, Kate Batzner. Members and guests were welcomed.

Cindy Collins suggested that members are encouraged to join the GRCA and passed around a copy of the GRN News highlighting some of our "local" members and friends.

Minutes: All minutes from the previous month were published in the Newsletter and accepted/approved as printed.

Nancy Chapman gave the membership the Treasurer's monthly report.

Carol Ruby advised that there are no puppies in the FDGRC referral system, and she is still receiving calls weekly.

Reminders given regarding future Club events:

- Field Training Wednesday's in May & June 4, 2011 (flyer available)
- WC/WCX June 5, 2011 @ Omega Farms (GRCA WC/WCX video available)
- Sporting Breeds Judges Seminar - June 25th @ Hunter's Creek
- Hunt Test July 23-24, 2011 at Omega Farms
- Fall Specialty September 16, 2011

Help is needed for all the above events - contact a board member if you would like to help.

Cindy advised the membership of the Board's interest in hosting a specialty on the Friday prior to the DKC show in March of 2012. Arden Shaw vs. MB-F was much more favorable for show superintendent by a margin close to 50%. In lieu of trophies, a suggestion was made to have a memento placard print by artist Kathy Ropar given to the winners stating a donation was made to the Golden Retriever Foundation. There would be no obedience if we held this, however, sweepstakes (puppy-veteran) would be included. Discussion from the floor proved favorable, and consensus was this would be a profit making event for FDGRC. Amy Booth mentioned the option for a specialty to be held in conjunction with the Ann Arbor Kennel Club in July. This will be taken into consideration for possible future events.

Thank you to Laura Fabbro for the refreshments.

Membership application received for Christina Romanowski, and Michael Romanowski, Jr.

The next meeting will be held at Leader Dogs on May17, 2011, and the educational program will be "Dr Lanier on Canine Lameness, etc". Please be sure to join us.

Motion to adjourn by Peg Burlett, seconded by Nancy Chapman. Meeting adjourned @ 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Curling

Meeting was moved to the garage area of Leader Dogs and Amy Booth presented a very informative demo on "Grooming Your Golden". Amy concentrated on the head/ears/shoulder assembly, and everyone learned something new, simple and easy on helping the Golden look "absolutely stunning"!

Thank you, Amy, and of course our volunteered subject, Cindy Collins' talkative girl "Brie".

GRF UPDATES

April 2011 GRF Updates

The Greater Louisville Golden Retriever Club sponsored a seminar presented by Rhonda Hovan on canine cancer at the Louisville Cluster dog shows last weekend. We are delighted to report that donations of \$953 from the seminar proceeds was donated for cancer research, \$148 to the AKC Starlight Fund and \$805 to the Golden Retriever Foundation, Zeke's Fund. Thanks so much to the GLGRC for their generosity and to Rhonda for this very informative seminar. I know I found it very informative and brought home some wonderful tips to keep my dogs healthier over time!

Potomac Valley Golden Retriever Club recently held a health clinic which included a blood drive to collect DNA for the CHIC DNA database and BROAD Institute database. We are pleased to share that blood was collected from 51 dogs to be stored for use in future health research. Thanks to Potomac and all the dedicated Golden owners who participated in this. Again, if your club would like to sponsor a blood drive, please contact Dr. Mike Lappin at anidoc@intercape.com for details. The GRF pays for the entry fees and supplies for these clinics.

We were happy to hear from our Director of Planned Giving Joy Viola that in late April we posted the 100th memorial in the GRF Memorial Garden. For those who have not seen the Memorial Garden, please visit the GRF website. It has several lovely scenes where there are memorials to many wonderful Golden who once graced our lives. This site has most certainly helped to fill the void in many hearts and kept precious memories preserved - and as the commercials say - that's priceless!

In the March Updates, we announced that the GRF will pay for the CERF fee for veteran Golden (any Golden over 8 years old). We are pleased to announce that several members have used the vouchers to register their senior Golden. To get a voucher, please visit our website.

Finally, the Gala Committee has informed us that plans are well underway for the GRF Gala and Top 20 for the 2011 National. As always, they are busy with plans and coming up with some great ideas! We hope many of you will be able to attend for the annual art auction and the ever popular Top 20 competition with the year's top winning dogs!

Thanks again to everyone who has signed up for the new read-only GRF Updates list. We would like to see everyone join and we will send out updates approximately once a month. Please share this update with anyone you feel may be interested! To join, simply send a blank email to:

grfupdates-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

For more information about the GRF, please visit our website at <http://www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org/>

Sincerely,

Jennifer Krawsczyn, GRF Secretary

On behalf of the GRF Board:

Dave Kinghorn, President

Nancy Talbott, Vice-President

Linda Johnson, Treasurer

PERMISSION TO FORWARD GRANTED AND ENCOURAGED

GRCA Info

June 1, 2011 is the deadline for nominations for the Vern Bower Humanitarian Award and the Rachel Page Elliott Featherquest Lifetime Achievement Award. Nominations should be sent to the Club Secretary, Janet Peacock, 16 Desvio Court, Pacifica, CA 94044-4229 or by email to: jepgr@aol.com

2011 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

The Atlanta Golden Retriever Club is hard at work for the National Specialty. If you would like to help them by sponsoring a trophy, please go to their website <http://atlantagoldens.org/National> and click on trophies to see what is available.

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Jim Rau Dog Shows:	4707 Perklomen, PO Box 4038, Reading, PA 19606, (www.raudogshows.com)
Entry Express:	P.O. Box 743, Charleston, AR 72933 (www.entryexpress.net)
Dr. Paws (TDInc)	Terry Seraceno, 248-888-7488, (www.drpaws.org)
Orthopedic Foundation for Animals	2300 Nifong Blvd., Columbia, MO 65201, (www.offa.org)
CERF, Inc	South Campus Courts, Bldg A, Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN 47907, (www.vmdb.org)

Websites for additional information on upcoming shows and trials:

AKC: www.akc.org, click on EVENTS, then EVENTS AND AWARDS SEARCH

UKC: www.ukcdogs.com, click on DOG EVENTS, then UPCOMING EVENTS

CKC: 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: \$20.00 per year. Family (2 people): \$25.00. Associate: \$15.00.

Obtain forms from Treasurer or Secretary or Membership Chair.

ADVERTISING POLICY: Open to members only. All advertising must be in "Classified Ad" style. Minimum cost is \$2.00 for 4 lines, maximum of 6 lines for \$3.00. For Golden Retrievers only. Member owned adults or litters from member owned bitches, dog related services and items excepting stud service.



FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB

CORDIALLY INVITES ALL RETRIEVER BREEDS TO FIELD TRAINING SESSIONS FOCUSING ON WORKING CERTIFICATE AND WORKING CERTIFICATE EXCELLENT

ON WEDNESDAYS: **MAY 4, MAY 11, MAY 18, MAY 25**, 2011 AT 5:30 P.M. AT
3655 BRAUER ROAD, OXFORD, MI

ON SATURDAY, **JUNE 4**, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M. AT OMEGA FARMS, MEET FIRST
AT SALES BARN 4900 N. M-52, WILLIAMSTON, MI, BRING YOUR LUNCH
AND CHAIR

COST: FOR PAYING IN ADVANCE FOR ALL 5 SESSIONS IS \$35 PER DOG.
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO FDGRC.

COST: FOR PAYING PER SESSION IS \$7 FOR EACH OF THE MAY
SESSIONS AND \$17 FOR THE JUNE 4TH SESSION, PER DOG. MAKE
CHECKS PAYABLE TO FDGRC.

TRAINING WILL INCLUDE DEAD BIRDS, POPPER GUNS, AND LAND AND
WATER WORK TYPICAL OF WC AND WCX TESTS. SEE TEST RULES AND
OTHER INFO AT <http://www.grca.org/events/field/index.html>
WEAR A WHITE OR LIGHT-COLORED SHIRT. BRING WATER AND SHADE
FOR YOUR DOG. ALSO CONSIDER BRINGING SUNSCREEN, BUG SPRAY,
WHISTLE, CHAIR, AND WATERPROOF BOOTS. REMEMBER TO BRING
YOUR LUNCH TO THE JUNE 4TH SESSION AT OMEGA FARMS.

PLAN TO TAKE YOUR TURN **HELPING** AT THE BIRD STATIONS, NO
EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB, INC IS PLANNING WC AND
WCX TESTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011 AT OMEGA FARMS. INFO WILL BE
AVAILABLE AT <http://www.fdgrc.org>

TO **REGISTER** FOR TRAINING: CONTACT CINDY COLLINS AT
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