

GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER LOS ANGELES

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Happy summer everyone.

It was so nice to see everyone at the Dog Pool Party a few weeks ago. Be sure to check out page 5 for the photos that Dave Shelburne took of the goldens enjoying the pool and the many tennis balls. A large shout out to Theresa and Dana Douglas for hosting and allowing all the wet goldens to run and play.

Many thanks to Julia Wolfe and Miki Shannon for keeping our Agility trial running smoothly for three days. Even with the hot weather everyone enjoyed themselves. I hear the Beach photo op was a fun successful part of the trial. Thank you for your hard work.

Last but not least, save the date, July 31 starting at 4 pm. All club members are invited to our next general meeting and awards banquet. See information on page 3 in this newsletter for details. Happy hour will start at 4 pm. Dinner is at 5 pm and includes the meeting and awards. I hope to see many of you attend and share in a fabulous Mexican buffet dinner at Mijares in Pasadena. It is FREE to club members and \$35 for non-members. RSVP to Dave Garges dgarges494@aol.com by 6 p.m. on July 26.

Also of note, the GRCA Breeder Education Committee, chaired by Cathie Turner, is hosting a webinar July 12 at 4pm PT on the subject of Clearances vs DNA Tests. Ann Hubbs DVM and Chair of the GRCA Health & Genetics Committee, will present. See page 4 for details and registration information.

As always stay safe, keep cool, and enjoy the summer.

Gerri Monohan
GRCGLA President



Board Meeting	July 13	ZOOM
Awards Banquet	July 31	Mijares
Board Meeting	August 10	ZOOM
Board Meeting	Sept. 14	ZOOM

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

(for 2019 & 2020)

& General Meeting

Saturday, July 31

Mijares Mexican Restaurant

125 Palmetto Dr. Pasadena

Happy Hour (cash bar): 4 p.m.

Dinner: 5 p.m.

RSVP by 6 p.m. July 26 to Dave Garges,
dgarges494@aol.com

Fajita Buffet!

Includes a Soft Drink, Iced Tea, or Coffee. Your Choice of Two Fajitas: Steak, Chicken, or Vegetarian Fajitas Rice, Beans, Salad, Tomatoes, Dressing, Guacamole, Sour Cream, Cheese, Salsa, Jalapeños, Pico de Gallo, with Corn and Flour Tortillas

Members: FREE

Non-Members: \$35.00 per person

GRCA BREEDER EDUCATION WEBINAR

Differences between CLEARANCES & DNA Tests

July 12 * 4 p.m. Pacific Time



Register in advance for this webinar at

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EYXcXOVAS4KCPVhiyEQ-ZQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Ann Hubbs DVM and Chair of the GRCA Health & Genetics Committee will head up this presentation.

Breeders are being bombarded by Universities and For Profit Corporations suggesting they should be doing a variety of DNA tests on their dogs, and then submit the results to OFA so other breeders can make more informed decisions.

How accurate are these tests? How important are the results for breeding programs? Watch and find out more.



BONK!



I'm in charge!



I seem to have taken a wrong turn...



...oops!

Who loves ya Baby?



Don't touch that, it's mine



Ahhhhh....



DOGGIE POOL PARTY

Photos by Dave Shelburne

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WHISPER

Calico's Secrets Of The Heart CGC TKN, AKA "Whisper" was from the last breeding that Joy and I did together, therefore holds a special place in my heart. She took back to back 3 point majors going WB/BOS at both the Orange Empire KC shows on 5/22 & 5/23 under judges Clay Coady and Ronald Freeman. She now has 8 points. Thank you to our friend Robert Scott for being at the end of Whispers lead. CH Robbie ex GCH Topsy, bred by Mary Thompson & Joy Van Wie. -Mary Thompson



TELE

Tele and I showed in ASCA Obedience at the TCASWA trial on 6/5/21. Beginner Nov B - 194 & 4th place for leg 1. Beginner Nov B - 198 & 2nd place for leg 2. It was fun being back in the ring again! --Sarah Sykes



LUCA

24KT A Work Of Art, Luca garnered a Best JR Puppy in Specialty at the GRCSDC specialty. Then Luca took 3 more Best of Breeds Jr. Pup, 2 group ones and a group 4. Luca just turned 5 months old. We are so excited about this young boy's future. Luca is loved and owned by Art Lalunc, Arond Raffi and Judi Voss. -Judi Voss



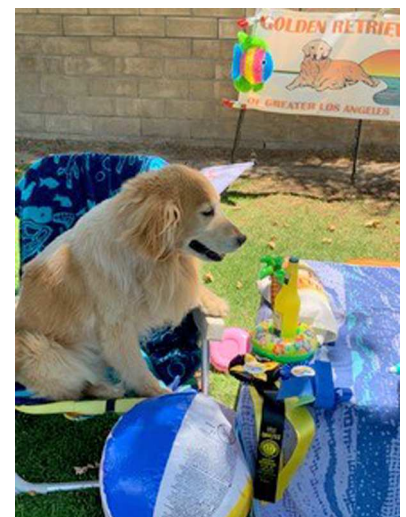
APPLE

Apple has been busy working as a set dog on three different projects. The first one that will be released is a short film on therapy dogs, Olympic athletes and mental health. It will be released on July 8. Apple primarily worked with Brazilian Olympic skateboarder Leticia Bufoni. -Diane Schlesinger



GIGI

Fire Burst's Lady Gaia has been having a good time in the ring. At Bahia Sur KC she took WB for her second major. The next weekend at Yellowstone Valley KC she took WB twice. We are proud of this young girl. Thank you to Team BlackNGold for taking such great care of her. -Dave Garges



ELTON

Stellar's Can U Feel the Luv Tonite OA AXJ earned his AXJ with a First Place at our GRGCLA Trial June 26. Against all odds, the heat, my worry over Stevens and Alicia being bred. He has the best temperament. Love him! -Julia Wolfe

BREEDER EDUCATION IS FOR ALL GOLDEN OWNERS

Merry offered me an opportunity to talk about the GRCA Breeder Education Committee and I'm delighted to give you an update.

GRCA has multiple Education Committees (Judges/Breeders/Field/Health & Genetics/Member) and they all fall under the general direction of the Director of Education for the parent club - Nancy Talbott.

The Breeders Education Committee (BEC) has 5 members and the Committee includes Susan Babich, Robin Bowen, Pat Flanagan, Cathie Turner and Linda Willard. We have hit the ground running and have hardly dipped into the projects we have planned.

Our lodestar is the Golden Retriever standard and we want to help breeders - established and new - produce dogs that are typical of the Scottish Hunting Dog that is the breed we have chosen. As the Judges Committee works to educate new judges on what they should be selecting, our mission is to help ensure the dogs in the ring look like the dogs the judges are anticipating. While there can be a variety of styles, there is one type and one standard.

But Breeder Education is also about learning from the people who have been extremely successful in our sport(s), preserving knowledge from those who came before us and stay current with health issues. And having some fun.

Studies have shown that visual learning is easier to absorb, and is retained longer so we have undertaken a series of Zoom webinars, which are then edited and put onto YouTube for those who could not participate in person. We have both a Breeder Interview Series and will have a Health series which to date includes a program on Pigmentary Uveitis - **which everyone who owns a Golden should watch.** *[Editor's Note: I attended that webinar and it was GREAT. Dr. Wendy Townsend did an outstanding job bringing us all up to date on the latest research, and I learned a lot. I highly recommend watching, whether you are a breeder or just an owner.]* You can find these at [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) under GRCA Breeder Education. If you have not seen them, I'd urge you to take some time and check them out. The reviews have been fabulous. So far we have interviewed Jackie Mertens, Nancy Kelly, Karen Fisher, Yvonne Pfeifer, Gloria Kerr, Rhonda Hovan, Edwina Ryska, Tonya Struble and Berna Welch. All these women have been extremely successful and they share their tips.

Our next webinar is on the subject Clearances and DNA tests and the differences between them. It will be at 4 pm PDT on July 12th and our primary panelist will be Ann Hubbs, DVM, MS and Chair of the GRCA Health and Genetics Committee. You can watch it here:

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EYXcXOVAS4KCPVhiyEQ-ZQ

If you'd like to be advised of future webinars (our Breeder Series is typically the 4th Tuesday in the month), send an email to info@breederseducation.com with Webinar Mailing List in the subject and we'll make sure you have the information.

Cathie Turner
BEC Chair

ABOUT GRCGLA...

The GRCGLA is a member of the GRCA and is approved by AKC to hold licensed Shows, Obedience Trials, Rally, Hunt Tests, and Agility Trials. The GRCGLA holds a Specialty Show and Obedience Trial twice per year. Licensed Hunt Tests, Agility Trials & WX/WCX once per year. Meetings are held 6 times per year within the greater Los Angeles area. Notice of all meetings is published in the Golden Gazette. Membership is attained by attending at least two GRCGLA events (one meeting is required), having a member sponsor and being approved by the Board and General Membership.

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DUES

A single membership is \$32 per year, with a one time \$5 new member fee. Paid membership dues include the Golden Gazette. Joint membership (2 members at the same address) is \$42 and the one-time \$5 new member fee. The fiscal year of the GRCGLA is from August 1 through July 31.

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INFORMATION & EDUCATION

Information and education regarding Golden Retrievers, as well as contact information for members who have signed the GRCGLA Code of Ethics, is offered to the general public on the GRCGLA website at www.grcgl.org.

THE GOLDEN GAZETTE

GRCA policies regarding articles or letters submitted to the newsletter are as follows: Articles printed will be such that they are of an informative or educational nature of general interest.

Letters to the Editor will be published that do not criticize any member of the local or national club, his or her dogs or kennel, or the judging of any dog, but are of general interest to the members. Letters must indicate the author.

Please send your Obedience, Show, Tracking, Agility, and Field results to the Editor when the Editor calls for brags. Any and all pertinent articles, educational material, book reviews, and creative writing are welcome.

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