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July 2024

# The June meeting will be Wednesday, July 24th at 7:00 pm, via Zoom.

Rescue Update #3: Happy Tails for Piper!

Located in Spokane and needing a loving home in a hurry, Piper's story didn't stay sad for long. Thanks to our dedicated network, we were able to find her the perfect forever family in just a few days!

Kim, from Lynwood, recently lost her beloved 15-year-old Golden Retriever and was patiently waiting for the right rescue to come along. When she met Piper, the fun-loving energy was a perfect match! We're thrilled for both Piper and Kim, and can't wait to hear about their many adventures together.

We're Here to Help

Our mission is to ensure that every golden retriever finds a loving home. If you're considering adopting a golden, or if you know of a golden in need, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're always happy to help club members connect with adoptable goldens or provide support to those who may need to rehome their beloved pets.

You can contact me at my rescue email: agoldensecondchance@gmail.com

Together, we can give golden retrievers the second chances they deserve.

Rachelle Mahoney RN, MSN AMB-BC



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Hach and Carole Hachtel want to thank EGRC for the 2023 Member Of The Year Award. We were pleasantly surprised of having the Trophy given to us at the EGRC Specialty. We thank everyone and hopefully we will be able to continue supporting the club in the future.. Great friends and Club!

# **Prospective Member**

Matthew Palmer

Sponsors: Mike Lovlie and Amy Rosling

About me: I got my first Golden, GCH KatMar's Mile High Magic DJ in 2016. He's been a terrific friend and we competed in conformation together. Later I got my second Golden, CH KatMar's Rockabye Yellow Brick Road, and now have my first litter on the ground. Outside of dogs, I'm an attorney in Bellingham.

# Joan Hyldegaard Fetty

April 25, 1936 – March 11, 2024

We are deeply saddened to share news of the passing of Whistling Wings Founding and Life Member Joan Fetty. Her passing leaves a gigantic hole in our hearts.

If you knew Joan, no explanation of the voluminous superlatives that describe her is necessary. And if not, no explanation could possibly be sufficient.

#### Whistling Wings HRC Founding Member

Together with her husband Bob, Joan played a pivotal role in Founding Whistling Wings HRC. They were joined by Founding Members Katie & Robert Mearns (Robert "Bob" served as our first VP), Boyd & Deb Ulsh, Dale Worthington, and Kate & Pete Szilard.

Whistling Wings was the very first UKC Hunting Retriever Club in the Pacific Northwest, and also the first HRC club west of the Rocky Mountains. This important beginning led, in-turn, to the eventual creation of numerous HRC clubs in the Western United States and Western Canada, including 13 currently active HRC clubs: 6 in Washington state, 5 in Montana, 1 in Oregon, 1 in California, and 1 in British Columbia, Canada.

Even with the challenges that accompany such extraordinary growth, HRC continues to be the fastest growing retriever organization west of the Rocky Mountains.

Joan and Bob Fetty receiving their Lifetime Membership Award from Whistling Wings



#### Joan and Bob

Joan and Bob's first dog together was a Golden Retriever puppy they trained, and then embarked on a competitive campaign that led to numerous obedience and tracking titles. They also raised, trained, and competed two additional Golden Retrievers before discovering simulated hunting competitions, which led to a whole new interest.

Upon observing that a more realistic type of hunt test existed on the East Coast, and in Southern States, Joan and Bob worked successfully to convince the UKC's Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. to allow them to introduce HRC Hunt Tests on the West Coast. Their dream was that these new HRC clubs would grow in number. They have, and Bob enjoyed serving as the first president of Whistling Wings HRC.

Joan and Bob added a Chesapeake Bay Retriever to the family so that they could learn about working another breed of field dog. Earning many test and conformation titles with the dogs, they then trained, and help to judge AKC, CKC, NAHRA and finally UKC-HRC events.

#### Positive Dog Training school

Joan's love of working with dogs led her open her own canine training facility - Positive Dog Training - 34 years ago, on February 8, 1990. The new school for canines was located adjacent to her home in Woodinville, WA on the Woodinville-Duvall Road.

Joan was an Icon and Titan in the dog training community of the Pacific Northwest. Both experienced and newer trainers sought-out the opportunity to learn from her - especially in obedience, agility, and rally - and in many cases to work with, or for, her.

Joan strongly encouraged her clients who had Retrievers to expand their activities and interests to fieldwork. She had a tiny little pond on her property, and even though it was small she was able to provide clients with a "tiny taste" of new kinds of fun and experiences that were possible with fieldwork. As a result, she was an important and prolific source of new participants in hunt tests, as well as new members in Whistling Wings HRC.

#### The Dog Training Community Icon

Joan developed deep and wide roots in the dog training community in the western United States: Any time she learned of a new dog trainer opening a business, she would visit them to get acquainted, learn more about them and their dogs, and offer encouragement. She was available and open in sharing her approaches to training, and her love of dogs and the business.

When Joan's health began to significantly limit her abilities, she shuttered the Positive Dog Training School until it was reopened in 2019 by Shea Hughes-Gorman and Rosemary "Mitzi" Jorgensen who had trained with her. Shea estimates more than 20,000 dogs and their owners have been the beneficiaries of training at the Positive Dog Training School.

#### **Generous Beyond Measure**

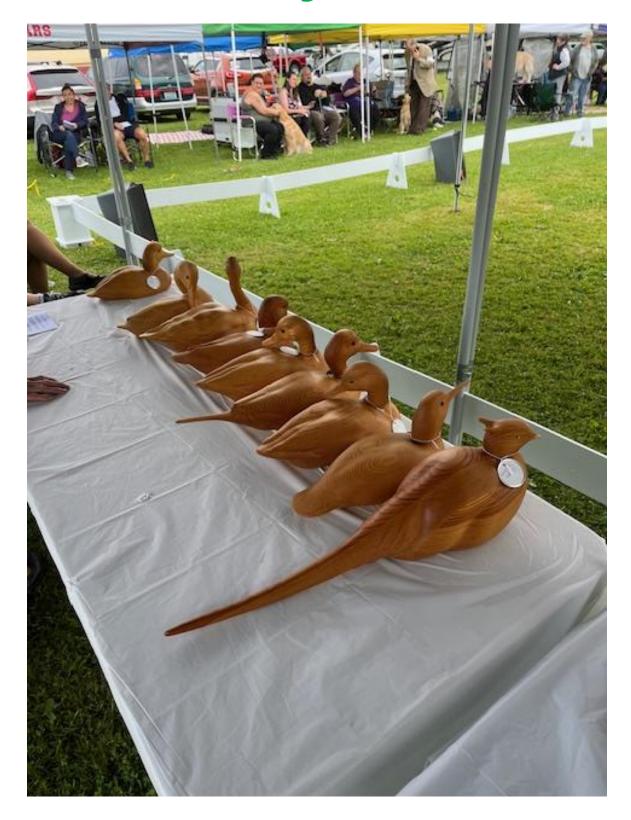
Joan and Bob Fetty were extraordinarily generous in their support of local non-profit dog clubs, not just Whistling Wings HRC, but also Evergreen Golden Retriever Club, Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association, and Rainier Hunting Retriever Club.

If Joan saw a need, or an opportunity to help, she always stepped-up and volunteered to make whatever difference was within her capabilities. She not only opened her dog training facility for club meetings and special events, she also arranged for Whistling Wings HRC to store the club trailer on her grounds between training days and events. Additionally, she donated guns, pop boxes and electronics to Whistling Wings HRC. Joan Fetty lived-out the axiom that "We make a 'Living' by what we get, but we make a 'Life' by what we give."

Joan, who died on March 11<sup>th</sup> - and Bob, who passed in 2014 - are survived by their son Rob, and their grandchildren Bridget, Isabel, and Vin.

The magnitude of the immense sense of loss from Joan's passing is also the precise measure of the blessing she was – and the memories of Joan and Bob continue to be – in the lives of those who were privileged to know them, or blessed to have the opportunity to "go to the line" at an HRC Hunt Test West of the Rockies.

- Whistling Wings HRC









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The 2024 EGRC Specialty has come to an end. As I'm still finishing up on all the loose ends it looks more and more like this year's show was a huge success, making it even better than last year. I hope everyone who attended had a fun and successful show. I saw lots of happy smiling faces. This show would not have been possible without all the amazing hard-working volunteers. I want to express my sincere gratitude to all those that came and helped work the day before the show and stayed after the show tearing it

all down. There were so many more folks helping this year making the work fun and not such an undertaking. It was heartwarming to see everyone working as a team and getting the work done, I was just in awe of it all. Plus, the ease of having it all go into our new Club trailer tucking it in for the next year was extremely helpful.

A special thank you goes out to all the committee members and judges who were the backbone to making this show even happen. This show truly takes a village to plan out, put all together and run throughout the weekend. I really enjoyed working with you all and can't thank you enough for all that you do. We had a lot of new features added this year that we should all be proud of. A few of those items were the purchase of the new trailer, adding the new FETCH event, having the ease of a credit card reader at



the show and the new electrical cords purchased by both EGRC and PSESSA making the electrical setup for grooming sooo much easier, safer and more cost effective in the long run.

The raffle and silent auction items were amazing this year. You all really stepped up and donated some fantastic items. Without your trophy donations, raffle and silent auction items this show wouldn't be able to stay at the Skagit County Fairgrounds as they help immensely making this show possible. Thank you again to everyone for all your donations.



Do you love the new EGRC Logo wear I had made for the Specialty Judges and want it for yourself? Check out the selection below and find out how to order yours today. You have until August 15<sup>th</sup> to get your orders in. However, If you want them delivered to you at the dog show in Enumclaw get those orders in quickly by **July 31**<sup>st</sup>.

Thank you for allowing me this great opportunity to be your show chair the past two years. I've had a lot of fun and learned a lot along the way. It has truly been an honor. As I pass the torch over to Maryke Haynes, I'd still love to hear any feedback that would make next year's Specialty even better. You are welcome to reach out to me anytime, <u>sphill7@comcast.net</u> or 206-366-5596.

Sincerely, Shari Phillips

# Logo Wear Order Form

These items are high quality shirts, and the logo is fully embroidered on the front upper left side of the garments.

These are available for pickup at my home, or I'll bring them to a show or an EGRC event. If you'd like

them shipped to you directly, please reach out to me and I'll get you in contact with the company where you can order from them.

T-Shirts Item# PC61 = \$25 Tax Included Crewnecks Item# PC90 = \$35 Tax Included Hoodies Item# PC90H = \$40 Tax Included

# Order Cutoff August 15, 2024 ~ No Refunds After Deadline

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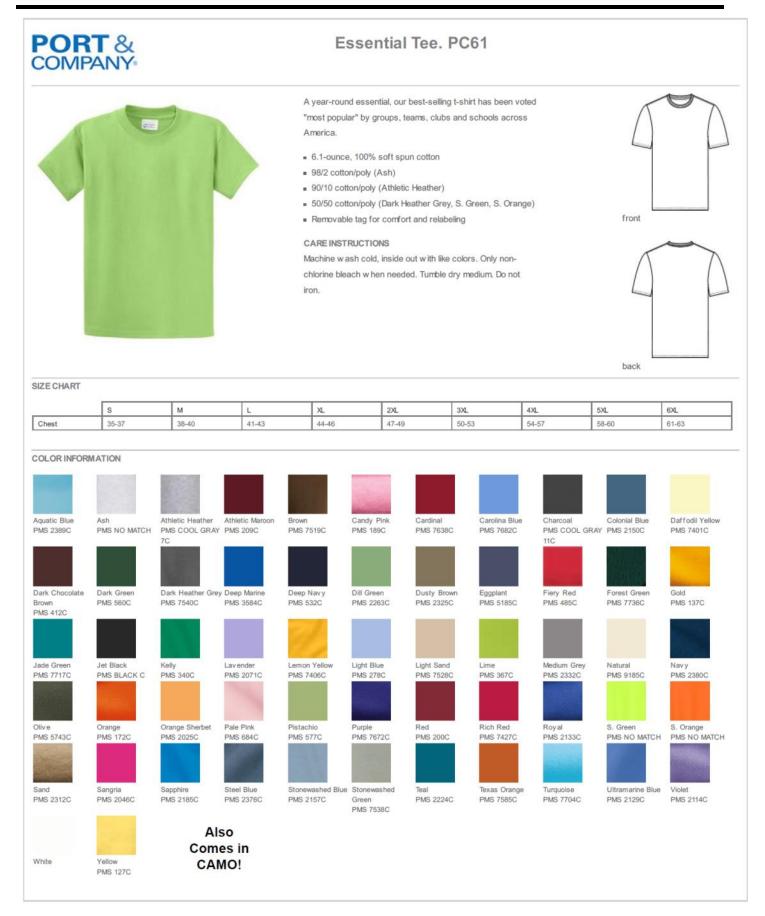
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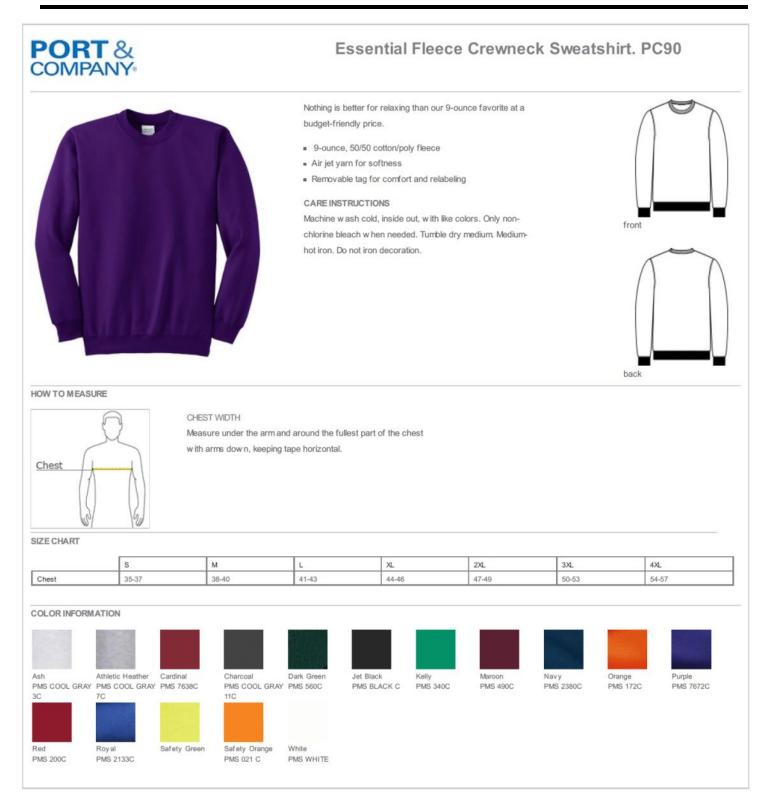
2) If paying by **PayPal**, complete the form and mail to the address below **OR** complete the form, scan, and email to the email address below. You will receive a PayPal invoice from the EGRC that you will use to pay for your order. **The payment must be received immediately after receiving the invoice.** 

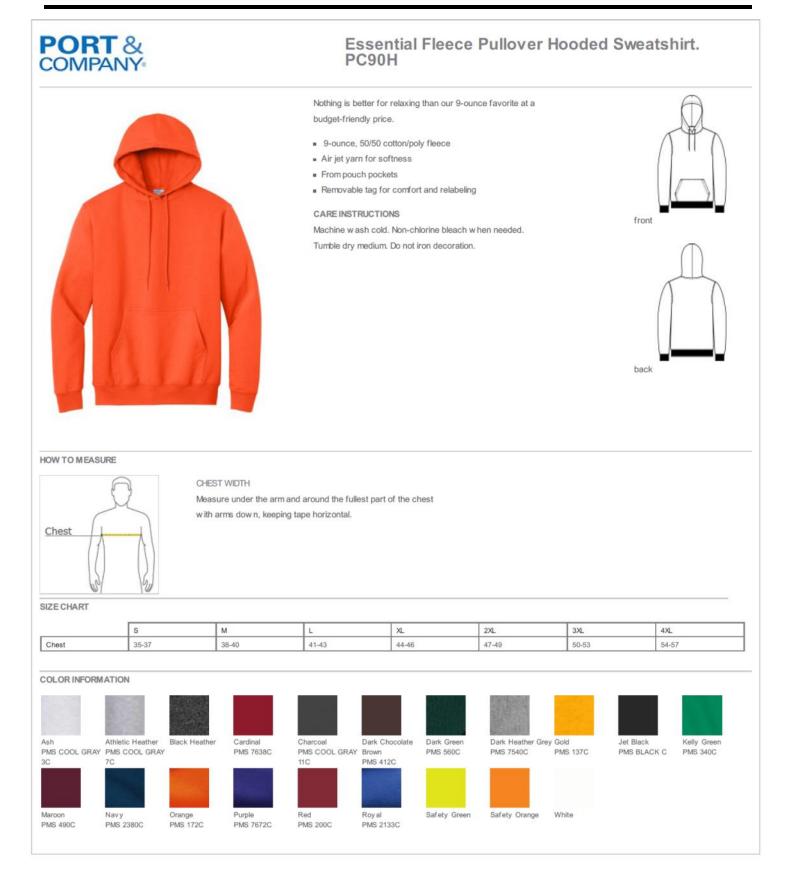
Please make check payable to: EGRC. Send Application to: Shari Phillips, 28705 SE 258<sup>th</sup> Street, Ravensdale, WA 98051 Email: <a href="mailto:sphill?@comcast.net">sphill?@comcast.net</a>

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Evergreen Golden Retriever Club Board Meeting Minutes Place: via Zoom Date: Monday July 8, 2024

I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Nancy Light, President. Present: Nancy, Marian, Kelli, Pat, Susan, Peter, Alice Absent: Amy

#### II. Approval of Minutes:

**Motion** was made to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024 Board meeting which were published in the June GW. **APPROVED.** 

#### III. Report of the President – discussion for tonight:

- Our Club pulled off two major events a week apart (Hunt Test & Specialty) as well as finalizing the major transaction of purchasing a new Trailer, obtaining insurance, cleaning out the old storage unit at Run Wild/Argus, and securing a home for the Trailer at Ron and Sheila Colyer's place. Many members worked very hard to get this accomplished.
- Tonight we will be appointing the Nominating Committee.
- IV. Report of Corresponding Secretary (Susan) AKC issued heat advisories and ways to keep dogs cool.
- V. Report of Treasurer (Kelli) Bank balances for checking and savings were reported. Nancy sent check request forms for the 6 recipients of donations as approved on June 26<sup>th</sup> by the general membership. The minutes of that meeting can serve as "receipts" for those expenses. Nancy would like to acknowledge that Kelli has been quite busy making payments and depositing income from both the Hunt Test and Specialty.

#### VI. Report of Committees:

Events:

- 1. Agility (Nancy) August 30-31, September 1, 2024 -
  - Received the contract from Micki at Run Wild for 2025. Same price as 2024. Nancy will talk with Lori about securing 2025 judges so we know what housing accommodations we will need.
- 2. Specialty (Nancy) June 29-30, 2024 nothing reported from Shari
  - Kelli, who was helping Jennifer and Dana said that the card reader that Shari purchased worked quite well and they took in about \$1,000.
- 3. Specialty June 28, 29 2025 (Alice) no report
- 4. Judges Selection Committee (Amy)
  - No report on who the 2025 judges are
- 5. Hunt Test (Nancy/Susan) June 22-23, 2024
  - Went off smoothly and with excellent participation by EGRC members.
  - Still working on financial report, but close to collecting all the expenses. At this point it looks like we will have a loss of about \$125 due to the lower entries. The Master Amateur created issues for HRC having to change their

date which impacted the entries for EGRC. Hopefully this won't happen next year.

- We require Board approval to pay \$120 to Tri-Club for EGRC's share to store the trailer over the winter at Snoqualmie Valley Training Grounds.
- Also require Board approval to pay dues of \$100 to the Master National Retriever Club.

**MOTION:** to approve payment of \$120 to the Tri-Club representing EGRC's share of the cost to store the Tri-Club trailer over the winter at Snoqualmie Valley Training Grounds. **APPROVED** 

**MOTION:** to approve payment of \$100 to Master National Retriever Club representing dues. **APPROVED** 

- 6. Tracking (TD/TDX) no report
- 7. WC/WCX (Nancy) October 13, 2024 (Nancy) -
  - Hoping to get the application to GRCA this weekend.
- 8. Holiday Party December 2024 no report
- 9. Health Clinic –nothing planned as it seems several members (Alice and Stacia) have private ones going at their homes. Alice has an eye clinic on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### FINANCES:

- 1. Budget Committee (Susan/Kelli) no report
- Donations Committee (Susan) Members approved donations to 6 organizations for a total of \$2250. The recipients and the amounts are identified in the June Membership Meeting Minutes. Kelli will be sending out the donations.

#### CLUB AFFAIRS:

- Membership (Marian) 69 members (40 voting/ 29 non-voting). We have one applicant for membership, Matthew Palmer. Marian will send the information to Marj for the next GW and voting will take place at the July general membership meeting.
- Golden West (Nancy) Deadline July 12. Publishing July 17. Marj has informed Nancy that she will not be renewing her membership next year. She will continue doing the GW and the Website through 2024, but we will need to start looking for a replacement. It was gracious of her to give us time for this.
- 3. Website (Marian) no report
- 4. Puppy referral (Amy)
- 5. Rescue (Alice)
  - Thank you, Rachelle, for taking on this responsibility. After much discussion
    regarding the logistics of helping Rachelle for expenses, it was agreed that
    Alice would call members asking if they wished to individually contribute to
    Rachelle directly to help with her expenses.
  - Rachelle will keep an accounting of her expenses with receipts and report to the Board.

- 6. Meetings:
  - General Membership Meeting July 24 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
  - Board Meeting August 12th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
  - General Membership Meeting August 28th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
- 7. Awards (Pat) no report
- 8. Awards Banquet (Marian) No report
- 9. Property (Nancy) no report
- 10. CCA (Nancy) Nancy has not heard from anyone who is willing to chair the CCA.
- 11. Sunshine Committee (Nancy) no report
- Social media (Kelli) Discussed our account on Instagram being kind of dormant. Not many posts since 2023. Shall we try to get it updated? Nancy will check with Kerry Miller who had been handling our Instagram account.
- 13. GRCA Delegate (Amy) no report.
- 14. GRCA News Columnist (Alice) Still waiting for Rachelle's articles to be published.
- Nominating Committee MOTION: To appoint Trish Hughes, Ron Colyer and Lisa Witte to serve on the Nominating Committee and have them select a chair and notify the Board of their selection. APPROVED
- VII. Unfinished Business none
- VIII. New Business none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Tillman Recording Secretary





Evergreen Golden Retriever Club General Membership Meeting Minutes Date: Wednesday June 26, 2024 Place: Via Zoom Conference Call

I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Nancy Light, President. Present: Nancy Light, Marian Tillman, Kelli Armstrong, Peter Gortner, Alice Brown, Susan Bell, Amy Rosling, Pat Lindquist, Susan Babich, Claudia Shaw, Gene Daspit, Mavourneen Daspit, Pam Pullman, Deb Pampiks, Frank Pampiks, Sharmin Dominke, Mike Lovely, Sheila Colyer, Ron Colyer, Lynn Anderson, Kathy Fisk, Jonathon Stone, Renee Stone, Lisa Witte, Shari Phillips, Marj Deupree, Hach Hachtel, Carol Hachtel, Rachelle Mahoney, Trish Hughes, Maryke Haynes, Heather Downing.

#### II. Approval of Minutes:

**Motion** was made to approve the minutes of the May 2024 GM meeting which were published in the June GW. **APPROVED.** 

#### III. Report of the President:

- · Welcome members and guests Matthew Palmer, Xavier Baines, Cheryl Bondi.
- The trailer has been purchased and many thanks go to Shari Phillips, Deb & Frank Pampiks, Ron Colyer, Andy & Nancy Meyer and Doug Billman for the many hours they spent at Run Wild (Argus) in loading all of the Club's items that were stored at Run Wild into the trailer, driving the trailer to Ron & Sheila's property, where the trailer will "reside," and making it much easier to transport the items needed for the Specialty to the fairgrounds.
- Thank you to Maryke Haynes for agreeing to be the Specialty Chair for 2025.
- We will be voting on two people for membership tonight, Debbie Seames and Xavier Baines.
- · We will also be voting on Donations tonight.

#### IV. Report of the Board (Nancy)

- The board approved the Agility budget
- The board discussed all the insurance details for the trailer which turned out to be a very
  complicated issue but it was successfully finalized and both the trailer and the insurance
  were purchased.
- The board appointed Alice Brown as liaison to Maryke, the 2025 Specialty Chair.

#### V. Report of Corresponding Secretary (Susan) no report

#### VI. Report of Treasurer (Kelli)

· Bank balances for checking, savings and PayPal were reported.

#### VII. Report of Committees:

#### Events:

- 1. Agility (Nancy) August 30-31 September 1, 2024 -
  - All going well.
- 2. Specialty (Shari) June 29, 30 2024
  - Everything going well
  - We purchased a credit card reader which will make it a lot easier to take payments at the event.
  - Several members will be there Friday morning to help set up.
  - Had specially made t-shirts for the judges with EGRC logo embroidered and Shari will be creating an order form if any members are interested in

purchasing t-shirts, hoodies, sweat shirts from the company who made the EGRC logo shirts. More information to follow after the Specialty.

- 3. Judges Selection Committee (Trish) We now have judges under contract.
- 4. Hunt Test (Nancy/Susan) June 22-23, 2024
  - This was a very successful event.
  - Final figures not complete but there will be some net income.
  - There was a very good pass rate in Master, despite the judges saying they thought that these tests were fairly difficult.
  - We had extremely good participation by members Susan Bell, Sharmin Dominke, Peter Gortner, Pam and Roger Pullman, Ron Colyer, Debbie Seames and Lisa Witte all helping.
  - A special thank-you to:
    - Xavier Baines running Wingers all day on Sunday for Senior;
    - o Ron as Gunner for Sr. and Jr.,
    - o Debbie Seames for running the pop and throw station,
    - o Sharmin Dominke for marshaling Senior,
    - Lisa Witte for preparing the most delicious food for Friday dinner as well as specially baked treats she made for the lunches,
    - Peter Gortner who traveled all the way to Oregon to pick up birds, saving us quite a bit of money and also being Gun Captain and dispatching some left-over birds to sell, and
    - Susan Bell for handling the Secretary duties and being stake chair for Junior/Senior.
- 5. Tracking (TD/TDX) No report
- 6. WC/WCX (Susan & Nancy) October 13, 2024
- 7. Holiday Party no report
- 8. Health Clinic -
- CCA (Caroline) Caroline will not be able to do the CCA so if anyone is interested in volunteering to chair this event, let the board know. Caroline will help and the chair is free to set the date so there is no obligation to have it this Fall.

#### FINANCES:

- 1. Budget Committee (Susan/Kelli/Rachelle/Trish) -no report.
- 2. Donations Committee (Sandy, Stacia, Kathy) Vote under New Business

#### CLUB AFFAIRS:

- 1. Membership (Marian) 68 members (40 voting/28 non-voting) Two members to vote on under "Election of New Members" below.
- 2. Golden West (Nancy) Deadline July 12, Publishing June 17.
- 3. Website We have been having problems with Network Solutions as they do not have the right EGRC contacts who can speak with them. Alice was able to get the changes made so that Alice is the Admin and Marj has technical authorities. Linda Johnson is still on their list and we are still trying to get her removed.

- 4. Puppy referral (Claudia) no report
- Rescue (Alice/Rachelle) Thank you Rachelle for placing some Goldens in need and reporting information in the GW. Rachelle can use some help with finances and members are free to donate for reimbursing her for some expenses. We need to work out a system for reimbursement to Rachelle.
- 6. Meetings:
  - Board Meeting July 8, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
  - General Membership Meeting July 24, 7 p.m. via Zoom
- 7. Awards (Pat) no report
- 8. Awards Banquet (Nancy) no report
- 9. Property (Deb)
  - As reported earlier, all of our property is now in our trailer at Ron and Sheila's.
- 10. GR News Column (Rachelle) Two columns have been sent in. Not published yet.
- 11. Sunshine Committee no report
- Social media (Marj, Kathy, Marian, Kelli, Kerry) Kathy posting articles about how to protect dogs from heat and July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks.
- 13. Election of new member Debbie Seames and Xavier Baines:

**MOTION:** To elect Debbie Seames and Xavier Baines into membership in EGRC. **APPROVED** 

#### VIII. Unfinished Business – none

#### New Business

- 1. Donations:
  - MOTION: to allocate the sum of \$2250 as follows:
    - GRCA: Zeke Cancer Fund \$450
    - Old Dog Haven \$225
    - Left Behind K9 Rescue \$225
    - WSART (Washington State Animal Response Team) \$450
    - WSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital \$450
    - Wendy Townsend DVM (Professor of Ophthalmology at Purdue U) towards Pigmentary Uveitis research \$450

#### APPROVED.

- Discussed revisiting EGRC hosting an eye clinic. Although Alice does a clinic in Ridgefield in the fall and Stacia also does a clinic, the thought of possibly having one more centrally located came up. We would need to find a location.
- Reminder that at the next Board meeting, we will be appointing the Nominating Committee. Anyone interested in taking a board position please let the board know so we can let the Committee know.

Meeting adjourned: 8:29 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Marian Tillman Recording Secretary

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g	Trish Hughes	
	Deborah Blair	
Photographer	VACANT	
Property	VACANT	
Membership	Marian Tillman	
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GRCA Columnist	Rachelle Mahoney	

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GRCA Delegate	VACANT	
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	Rachelle,Mahoney	
	Trish Hughes	
Judges Selection	Sharmin Dominke	
	Amy Rosling	
	Trish Hughes	
Donation Comm.	Stacia White 360-629-6567	
	Sandy Scudder	
	Kathy Fisk	
Rescue Committee	Rachelle Mahoney	

#### **Special Events**

2024 Agility	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2024 Hunt Test	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2024 Specialty	Shari Phillips	206-366-5596
2024 Awards	Pat Lindquist	253-888-9733
2024 Holiday Party	Deb, Frank Pampik	s 425-881-0867
WC/WCX	Susan Bell	425-318-9754
	Nancy Light	425-354-3609

#### The Objectives of the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club

#### a) To preserve the structure, soundness, temperament, natural abilities and personality of the Golden Retriever as described in the breed standard and to do all possible to bring their natural abilities and qualities to perfection.

- b) To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the AKC as the only standard of excellence by which the Golden Retriever shall be judged.
- c) To protect and advance the interest of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike conduct at dog shows, field events, obedience trials and all functions and events where EGRC is being represented.
- d) To conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows, field events, obedience trials and tracking under the rules of AKC and
- e) To educate members and the public in all aspects of owning a Golden Retriever.

#### **General Information**

**General Meetings** are usually held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Check the calendar on the web site at <u>www.egrc.org.</u> The **Board of Directors** usually meets once a month. Contact a Board member for upcoming meeting dates. Members wishing to attend must call the President to state their business.

**Application for Membership**: Prospective members must attend either one or two meetings or functions before application of intent to join is accepted. Application forms may be obtained from Board members, the Membership Chair, or from the web site.

**Change of Address.** If you have moved, changed your phone number or your e-mail address, please email our Membership Chair, Marian Tillman, marian@ridesoft.com, with this change. This is the only way we will be able to keep our membership rosters up to date.

