

MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – General Meeting

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

Ann Rowe

Andy Hall

The October 12, 2019, general meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by president Ann Rowe at 12:10 p.m. at Fun Field Day in Ocala. The following officers and board members were present:

Ann Rowe – President

Andy Hall – Secretary

Michele Throm – Vice President - AB

Dee Thibodeaux – Treasurer - AB

Board Members:

Marilyn Booher; Robin Burket; Pam Ginn; Pat Kopco.

Absent: Ted Misilo; Ann Moye.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (Ann Rowe)

Ann thanked Pam Ginn for hosting Fun Field Day on her property and thanked the people who organized the event and served as instructors.

Everyone present introduced themselves.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (Andy Hall for Michele Throm)

Voted in nine new members:

Laurie Strickland, Winter Spring, FL

Courtney Roxby, Eustis, FL

Emily Miedel, Tampa, FL

Jeff Rushe, Palm Harbor, FL

Debbie O'Hanlon, Inverness, FL

Pat and Ron Rubrecht, Land O' Lakes, FL

Bonnie and Walter Scherer, Stuart, FL

Sally Elliot, Reddick, FL

Jenny Ford, Charlestown, IN (associate member)

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Andy Hall)

Asked all new members and others present to make sure they join the club's Facebook page if they're not already members.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Dee Thibodeaux)

No report (absent)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2020 GRCA National (Pat Kopco) – Pat gave update on the club hosting the 2020 GRCA National, which will be in Ocala. Stressed to club members that many volunteers are needed and ran down some of the jobs that will be needed. Explained that MFGRC cannot release information on hotels, raffle, etc., until after the 2019 GRCA National is complete.

Upcoming events (Ann Rowe) – Ann ran down the list of the club's upcoming events and asked club members to volunteer to help where needed. Immediate need is help setting up for the agility trial on Oct. 17.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominations – Pam Ginn, nominations chair, reminded members that there are still open board positions and nominations can be made at the Nov. 16 general meeting before the election on Dec. 14. Pat Kopco explained that like many dog clubs, MFGRC is facing aging among some of its leaders and needs younger members to step up into leadership positions. Many join the club and never contribute and the desire exists amongst the current leadership to change that.

New title rosettes – Robin Burket reminded members who have won titles to contact her to get their new title rosettes from the club. Deadline is Dec. 31.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ad in Golden Retriever News – Pam Ginn explained that the club will purchase an ad in the Nov/Dec "Field" issue of Golden Retriever News to recognize club members who won a hunt/field title in the 2018 or 2019 club awards year. Members need to send in photos.

Membership renewals – Reminded members that the club changed the deadline for membership renewals to Jan. 30. Members can start renewing now.

Raffle tickets – Kristin Sipus explained the club's raffle to raise money for the 2020 GRCA National with a donated stay in Puerto Rico. Club members are being asked to sell tickets and Kristin distributed tickets.

Upcoming seminar – Kristin Sipus said she will be working to confirm an obedience foundation seminar with Matt Twitty for sometime between January and June.

Motion to adjourn, seconded. Meeting adjourned 12:52 p.m.

Next board meeting is Nov. 13 by phone. Next general meeting is Nov. 16 at Ocala show.

Andy Hall – Secretary