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MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB

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Objectives of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club

To encourage and promote the purebred Golden Retriever; and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection. To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only Standard of Excellence by which Golden Retrievers shall be judged; and to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, obedience trials, and field events. ESTABLISHED 1984

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ABOUT THE COVER -

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President's Message . . .

Happy Spring!

We had a good turnout for our last virtual general meeting. Thanks to all who “zoomed” with us! Hopefully it will be one of our last zoom meetings as we are scheduled for our next general meeting at our Dock Diving Fun Day (May 15). Yea! As more folks are getting vaccinated, we just might be able to get back to some sense of normalcy.

You are going to get tired of hearing this, but we need folks to step up to be board members or officers. We also need new chairpersons or co-chairs for our events. You will receive on the job training – no experience required – ok well maybe for the Treasurer's position. You will need to know how to balance a check book and a few other minor things!

Let's not forget we need “lots” of volunteers for our National, which is fast approaching - *less than 7 months away – tick-tock, tick-tock!*

Happy Easter everyone! Hope to see you in person real soon!

Ann Rowe



VOLUNTEERING . . .

Opportunities to Volunteer are Upcoming

Spring Agility Trial

The club will be holding a three-day agility trial April 23-24-25 at Grand Oaks Resort in Weirsdale, Fla. (near The Villages) and volunteers are going to be needed to help conduct the trial. Help will be needed on setup day (Thursday, April 22, at 1 p.m.), during all three days of competition and help will be needed for packing up the club's equipment on Sunday afternoon when the trial is finished. Safety precautions will be in place for the trial. Anyone who can help is asked to contact volunteer coordinator Pat Carlile at pat_golden_boy@yahoo.com.

Obedience/Rally Trial

A three-day Obedience/Rally Trial will be held Aug. 13-14-15 in Daytona Beach, Fla. Volunteers are needed to work as ring stewards, especially on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 14-15, when there will be two Obedience Trials held each day. Anyone interested in volunteering is asked to contact event chair Andy Hall at andyhall58@hotmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars

MFGRC Spring Agility Trial – April 23-24-25 – Weirsdale, FL
Dock Diving Fun Day and general meeting – May 15 – DeLand, FL
MFGRC Summer Specialty – June 18 – Tampa, FL
Barn Hunt Fun Day and general meeting – July 10 – Lakeland, FL
MFGRC Obedience/Rally Trial – August 13-14-15 – Daytona Beach, FL
MFGRC Fall Agility Trial – October 21-22-23 – Weirsdale, FL
MFGRC Agility Trial – October 24 – Ocala, FL
GRCA National Specialty Hosted by MFGRC – October 22-30 – Ocala, FL
(general meetings to be announced)

Expansion of the AKC Rally Virtual Program to Include the Rally Advanced and Rally Excellent Classes

This pilot has been extended through midnight, December 31, 2021

The AKC Companion Events Department is excited to announce the expansion of the AKC Rally Virtual Pilot Program to include the Rally Advanced and Rally Excellent classes. These are the next levels of classes added to the AKC Rally pilot program announced last year.

As with the Rally Novice and Rally Intermediate classes, the competitor sets up a pre-designed AKC Rally® course, video records the team's performance, and submits it to AKC. In turn, AKC will assign a pre-selected AKC Rally Judge to virtually review and score the team's Rally performance.

Courses Will Be Published – March 1, 2021

Entries Will Be Accepted – March 8, 2021

FROM AKC

There will be five pre-designed courses published on the AKC website for the exhibitor to choose from. The exhibitor will setup the course according to the Instructions provided in the Virtual Rally Guidebook. They will video the performance, upload the video to their personal YouTube account, set the required YouTube viewing options, and submit the video link with the online entry form and pay the fee electronically to AKC.

The virtual Rally program is planned to end at midnight December 31, 2021 and all video submissions must be received by that date and time. We are excited to offer this virtual option to our Rally Advanced and Excellent exhibitors!

For more information go

to <https://www.akc.org/sports/rally/rally-virtual-entry-pilot/>

For Rally Virtual Guidebook go to <https://www.akc.org/pdf/Rally-Virtual-Guidebook/>



Want to volunteer for the 2021 National?

Here's how...

The Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club is hosting the 2021 Golden Retriever Club of America National Specialty in October of 2021 and needs help from all members of the club.

Many members have already signed up for various committees and activities related to the 2021 and have already been involved in meetings and planning. But more volunteer positions remain unfilled, both for advance planning and for jobs the week of the event.

Volunteer coordinators Dot and Allison Hively are maintaining an active list of volunteers and jobs. Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact them via email – even if you don't know what area you'd like to help with, they can tell you what is available and sign you up.

Dot and Allison can be reached via email at 2021goldenvolunteers@gmail.com. The National Specialty will include more than a week of competition, social events, clinics, seminars, shopping and more. The majority of the event will be held at the beautiful new **World Equestrian Center** in Ocala, FL.

Meet the New MFGRC Board Members for 2021

The Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club welcomed three "new" members to its board of directors for 2021 – with "new" in quotes because all three have previously served as officers or board members and all are familiar to many in the club.

John Blair, Caroline Kendrick and Laura Topping joined returning board members Marilyn Booher, Pam Ginn, Ted Misilo and Michele Throm, along with club president Ann Rowe, vice president Robin Burket, secretary Andy Hall and treasurer Dee Thibodeaux as the club's leadership for 2021.



Meet John Blair

A former president and board member for the MFGRC, and a club member since 2002, John returned to the board in 2021 after taking a break for a few years. He was president in 2017 and he and his wife Rosa have both been board members in previous years.

His list of contributions to the MFGRC is lengthy, including chairing agility trials and hunt tests and working for the club at other events including WC/WCX, matches, health clinics, seminars and specialties. He also worked for the club during its hosting of the 2002 GRCA National Specialty and is helping the club's preparation for hosting the 2021 National later this year.

John and Rosa live in Satellite Beach, Fla., are active breeders under their Jazzie's kennel prefix and have been a Breeder of Merit with the AKC since 2012. They have put more than 30 titles on previous and currently owned dogs. John is retired after 32 years from Lockheed Martin Space Systems Co. where he spent most of his time managing the assembly and launch of unmanned spacecraft from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.



Meet Caroline Kendrick

Caroline lives in Clearwater, Fla., and has been a member of the MFGRC since 1997. She is probably most familiar to club members as chair of the club's annual Specialty, held in December in Orlando, which she has been since its inception in 2011. She chaired a previous version of the Specialty in 2001 and was steward for the event in 2006.

She was MFGRC Member of the Year in 2011 and recipient of the club's Above and Beyond Award for 2012. A board member in 2014, Caroline's contributions to MFGRC over the years also include evaluator for the club's CCA's in 2010 and 2015 and Grooming Chair and Specialty Committee when the club hosted the GRCA National in 2002.

A flight attendant for American Airlines, Caroline also breeds Goldens on a limited basis under her Ingot kennel prefix. She has been involved with raising and showing Goldens since 1977, originally starting in her native Western New York.



Meet Laura Topping

Laura and her husband, Chris, live in Parrish, Fla., and she has been an active member of the MFGRC since 1998. In addition to previously serving on the board, and as assistant membership director in 2018, Laura is currently a member of the club's committee for staging the 2021 GRCA National and is the "answer person" to reply to email messages and phone calls from people around the country who are coming to the National in October.

Laura and Chris bought their first Golden Retriever in 1983, as their one-year wedding anniversary present to each other. In 1998, she became hooked on dog sports after they acquired their first show dog. As an Owner Handler and Hobby Breeder under the Lorelei prefix, she has produced many AKC Champions, eight of which she finished herself. She was the No. 2 ranked owner-handler in 2016. She also has trained and titled dogs in Obedience, Rally and Field, and is most proud of her two Outstanding Dam awards from the GRCA.

Laura is retired from a career in Personnel and insurance.

Welcome New Club Member!



Welcome to new member: Susan Sherman of Ocoee, Fla., was voted in as a new member of the MFGRC during the club's virtual meeting for members held in January. Susan was sponsored for membership by club vice president Robin Burket.

A Note About the Future of Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club

As we move forward in 2021, we're expecting a busy year as the club resumes as many of its normal activities as possible and continues preparation for hosting the 2021 GRCA National Specialty in October.

With that, it's time to think about the future of the club after 2021.

It is expected that several board members and event chairs will most likely step down after 2021. Many of the members of our club's leadership have been doing this for a long time and are tired – and the club membership overall is continuing to mature.

This year it's going to be needed for some different club members, including younger members, to step up and start preparing to take leadership roles in 2022 and beyond. The future of the club depends on it.

Positions that may be open after 2021 include but are not limited to: Agility chair, Obedience/Rally chair, Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, Board positions.

The current officers, board members and event chairs are willing to have replacements work with them during 2021 to learn how to do the jobs, and will be available after the transition to answer questions and continue mentoring.

Anyone interested in getting more involved in 2021 is asked to contact club secretary Andy Hall at andyhall58@hotmail.com or speak up during one of the club's general meetings or events.

Thank you.

MFGRC

The Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club, Inc. (MFGRC) was founded in

1984 by a group of Golden

Retriever enthusiasts who came

together in order to pursue ways of

promoting and enjoying their

Goldens. We are currently a member

club of both the Golden Retriever

Club of America (GRCA) and the

American Kennel Club (AKC).

MFGRC is licensed by the AKC to hold

conformation shows, obedience and rally

trials, agility trials, and retriever hunting

tests. We also hold Working Certificate

/ Working Certificate Excellent tests in

accordance with the rules of the GRCA,

and also offer a breed/obedience match every year.

In addition, MFGRC offers an ongoing

slate of seminars, clinics and "fun

days" to encompass all aspects

of the Golden Retriever. We promote

the versatile competition golden, the

gentleman's hunting retriever, and

the consummate family pet.



Thanks to All and Sayonara from Hunting Test Chair Mike Orloff

With the help of a lot of people, and despite the monsoon-like weather, we were able to stage another successful Hunting Test for the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club on Valentines weekend, Feb. 13 & 14 at Wayne Gey's Golden Oaks Ranch in Montverde, FL.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped make the test happen – the competitors, judges and volunteers who worked tirelessly over three days.

Ted Misilo, who was co-chair, and his son T.J. worked tirelessly all weekend as they always do. The same goes for Macy Swift, the trial secretary, and Michele Throm, the volunteer coordinator. And when she wasn't judging, my wife Pat Kopco was, as always, a tremendous help.

The Central Florida Hunting Retriever Club folks were great working out all the details of sharing the property and coordinating both tests, and landowner Wayne Gey was as gracious a host as anyone could ever ask for.

Many other club members contributed to the event by working as marshals and bird handlers, as well as

helping to set up, move and pack equipment and clean up. Several members also helped by running test dogs and bye dogs. Members also worked at the essential job of preparing and distributing lunches for workers as well as various other jobs needed during the course of the event.

Members who helped were Karyn Angel, Jean Bates, Marilyn Booher, Robin Bowen, Anney Doucette, Pam Ginn, Susan Howard, Laura Kling, Kelly and Richard Knowlen, Christine McDaniel, Camille Nasca, Brian Parker, Bob Swift, Dee Thibodeaux, and Cheri Browne. Apologies to anyone I might have missed while I was running around in so many different directions all weekend. Just know your efforts were appreciated.

On a personal note, this was my final time chairing the Hunting Test for MFGRC, and again I want to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who has helped over the years. No one can do this alone, and I've been fortunate to have a fantastic core group of people who have worked so hard to make this event a continuing success. What a long, strange trip it's been.

Mike Orloff



2021 Golden Retriever Club of America National Specialty

Hosted by
Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club

Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday, October 22, 2021

Hunt Test

Saturday, October 23, 2021

Hunt Test

Field Welcome Dinner

Sunday, October 24, 2021

MFGRC Agility Trial*

WC/WCX

Grooming Move-In Day

RV Move-In Day

Monday, October 25, 2021

GRCA Agility Trial

Field Trial

Parade of Titleholders

Welcome Dinner

Vendor Move-On Day

Obedience/Rally Move-In Day

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Sweepstakes

Obedience

Rally

Field Trial

Tracking

Breeder Education seminar

Health Clinic

GRCA Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Conformation

CCA

Obedience

Rally

Field Trial

Field Trial Awards Banquet

GRCA Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 28, 2021

Conformation

Gun Dog Sweepstakes

Health Clinic

Top 20 Invitational

Friday, October 29, 2021

Conformation

Junior Showmanship

Judges Education

Saturday, October 30, 2021

Best of Breed

MAF Parade of Heroes

**the host Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club will hold a Goldens-only agility trial on Sunday, Oct. 24, that is not affiliated with the GRCA National Specialty.*

SPOTLIGHT

TWO MFGRC MEMBERS STEER GOLDENS INTO HALLS OF FAME

MFGRC members Ron and Pat Rubrecht and Anney Doucette have recently helped their Golden Retrievers earn spots in two prestigious Halls of Fame for the Golden Retriever Club of America.

The Rubrecht's Golden girl **JoJo** (HRCH UH Turbo Twilight Explosion CDX AD MH49 ** WCX) completed her 50th Master pass in AKC Hunt Tests earlier this year in Interlachen, Fla., to make herself qualified for the GRCA Hunt Test Hall of Fame.



Anney's Golden boy **Brix** is now a member of the GRCA Dual Dog Hall of Fame. Brix finished his Master Hunter in the Jacksonville Retriever Club hunt test, completing his perfect hunt test record of never failing a test in Junior, Senior or Master. Brix is four years old and is Anney's third generation of 100 percent owner trained and handled Show Champion, Master Hunter Goldens. Brix is now BISS GCH Malagold Wing-T We Can Work It Out MH WC DDHF

Goldens with MFGRC Ties Finish 2020 Ranked First, Second in AKC Standings

Two Golden Retrievers with ties to the MFGRC finished 2020 ranked first and second in the AKC's final rankings for Goldens, with a third dog tied to the club finishing eighth.

The No. 1 Golden in the country based on the AKC point system was Hollywood (GCHS CH Can CH GoldRox Time for a Star SDHF BISS), a bitch owned and bred by MFGRC member Maura Roxby, also owned by Joy Long and David Long.

The No. 2 Golden in the country for 2020 was Geode (BISS GCHS CH Prism's All About That Rock, No Pebble), a dog bred by MFGRC member Robin Bowen and owned by Teri Ford.

Also, MFGRC member Julie Wangelin's boy Ditto (MIBISS GCHS CH Questan's RegeneRACEshun MIBISS RI DSX DM BN RATN CGC TKI), the MFGRC's Show Dog of the Year for 2019, finished the year in eighth place. Ditto was bred by Julie, Suzann Painter and Nancy Sherick.

Hollywood and Geode were ranked Nos. 6 and 7, respectively, in the AKC's All-Breed standings for 2020. Arson (BIS GCHB GoldRox SunnyDreams Fire Starter MIBISS SDHF), owned by MFGRC Members Maura Roxby and Courtney Roxby, ended the year ranked 13th.



Hollywood

Two MFGRC Members Headed to Ohio for AKC National Obedience Championship

MFGRC members Susan Howard and Sally Sherman, who are two of the nation's top competitors in Obedience, will be heading to Ohio this summer to compete in the 2021 AKC National Obedience Championship after being named earlier this year to the list of first-round invitees.

The event will be held July 10-11 at the Roberts Centre in Wilmington, Ohio, a former location for the GRCA National Specialty.

Susan, who was featured in a previous edition of *Golden Tales*, was invited with Winston (OTCH RATCH HRCH Electralon Snows No Boundaries UDX3 OM5 PUTD VER SH CAA TKA FDC CGC VC CAA OBHF TT NW3Elite) while Sally was invited with Boom (OTCH2 Hi-Star Stealin' All the Thunder UDX9 OGM BN GO).



YOUTH CIRCUIT

Catching Up With Tyler Sikora and Karli Pixley

Last year, Golden Tales featured the stories of Tyler Sikora and Karli Pixley in the “Youth Circuit” feature, designed to highlight the children of club members who are participating in dog sports. We’re happy to report that Tyler and Karli remain very active – and each has enjoyed some recent success.

Tyler, 14, son of MFGRC member Dalia Ruffatto, as a junior handler, showed Cira (Jazzies Showers of Sunshine & Joy BCAT CGC) to a second-place finish in an impressive lineup in Am Bred at the Lakeland show in February. Tyler has been in virtual school this past year and he has been taking advantage of the flexibility that it offers, working with two professional handlers and learning valuable information, and training with Cira weekly for the conformation ring. Tyler was recently asked to be a junior counselor at a camp for kids this summer, which is a camp help by Brevard Kennel Club where kids can come learn about the wonderful world of dogs.

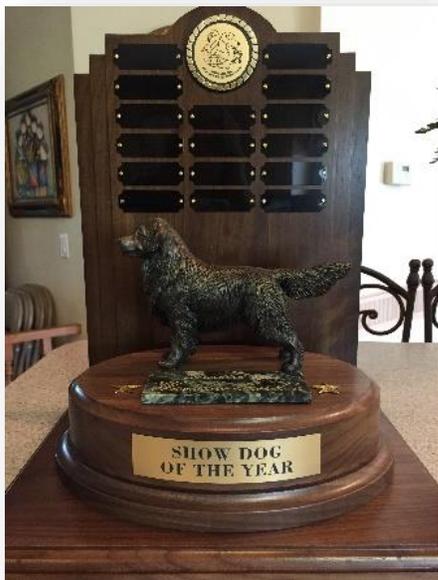


Photo by Vincent Zuniaga



Karli, the 15-year-old daughter of MFGRC member Debbie O’Hanlon, continues to progress as a handler. She recently showed a relative’s Border Collie to a couple of major wins in Tallahassee to finish its title. In addition, she and her family’s Golden boy Guapo won her class in Junior Showmanship that same weekend and when they had some down time, earned Guapo’s first FCAT leg. Like Tyler, Karli has also been able to do school virtually, allowing her to travel to dog shows.

Golden Tales welcome the opportunity to feature the children – or grandchildren - of any MFGRC member who are active in dog sports. Please send ideas to newsletter@mfgrc.org.



MFGRC Resuming Year-End Dog Awards for 2021

After taking a year off due to the high number of canceled events related to the pandemic in 2020, the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club is resuming its year-end dog awards in 2021 with some changes, including splitting a previous category into two separate awards.

With the previous Field Dog of the Year award split into Field and Hunt categories, the MFGRC is offering the following awards for 2021:

Agility Dog of the Year
 Field Dog of the Year
 Hunt Dog of the Year
 Obedience Dog of the Year
 Rally Dog of the Year
 Show Dog of the Year (Conformation)
 Tracking Dog of the Year
 Versatility Award (calculated by adding points from at least three separate categories)

Recipients of all awards listed above receive custom car magnets created by K9 Designs and presented by MFGRC. In addition, the recipient of Show Dog of the Year receives a special award of a perpetual trophy donated by Wonderland's Golden Retrievers.

Additional MFGRC year-end dog awards for 2021:

Fallchase Owner-Handler Award – recognizing the club's top owner-handler in conformation with a perpetual award donated by Fallchase Kennels.

Gold Standard Challenge -- awarded to the owner handler accumulating the highest points in breed shows and field events during the awards year, with award donated by MFGRC member Kristin Sipus.

Eligibility requirements:

- Dogs MUST reside with the person making the application.
- To be eligible for any official MFGRC award, member MUST have attended one club general meeting and volunteered at two club functions during the awards period (or performed the equivalent work behind-the-scenes, subject to approval and verification).
- Information must be included on the entry form about meetings attended and club work performed (all subject to verification).

The awards competition application will be made available later in the year, with the deadline for applications set for November 30. Awards will be announced and presented at the MFGRC's annual Christmas party on December 18.



Nina DePetris and Peaches Compete in AKC National Agility Championship



Nina DePetris and her Golden girl **Peaches** are planning on competing in the AKC National Agility Championship in Tulsa, Okla., the last weekend of March. **Peaches**, the 2019 MFGRC Agility Dog of the Year, will be competing in the warmup, Premier and NAC classes - Jumpers, Standard and Hybrid.

"She's my first agility dog, so this is an accomplishment I'm very proud of and I'm honored to attend," Nina said. "It's a long way, but I figure you only live once so we'll make the trip of a lifetime with my best friend! Our goal is to run clean and have fun! But mostly have fun!"

Ready for Rally. . . from a pup's point of view



Reporting for class!

Good Boy! Right on time!

Here is a "cone". You will learn to heel around it.

*Cone? What is this "cone" you speak of?
Heel? I don't get it.*



Oh, if I touch it, it moves!

No ... wait!



I think I get it now! I need to move the cones.

Not exactly!



I bet there is a treat in here for me.

No treats on the course!



*It's falling over! Success!
I did it!*



Yikes! Class dismissed.



*Rally is exhausting ...
I need a nap!*



ACCOLADES



Destiny Martel's Golden girl Benelli (Gemini and HP Goldenz Over and Under at 24K RN DN TKN BCAT FDC DJ) finished her Championship at the Everglades Golden Retriever Club Specialty by being awarded WB/BOW. Destiny reports that Benelli garnered four specialty Winner's Bitch awards along the way. MFGRC member Chatham Napoli (pictured) was her handler.



The wait paid off for Paula Black as her Golden boy Eli finished his championship at the Brooksville shows by capturing WD and BOW for a five-point major, the last piece of the puzzle needed to complete his journey. He is now CH Crescent Goldrox Worth His wait in Gold. Eli is pictured with handler Janice Granada.

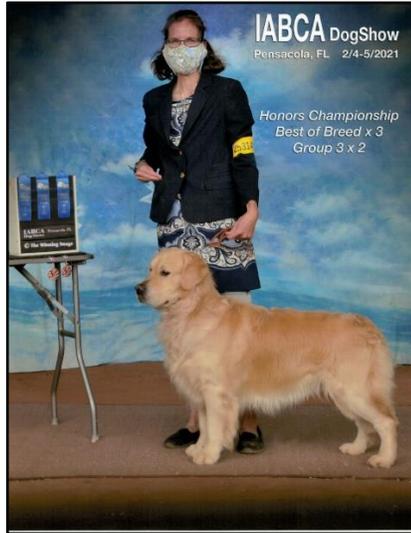


Lindsey Rodriguez and her Golden girl Harper are getting started in agility and earned Harper's ACT1 agility title at the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg. They also earned Harper's Dock Diving Junior title in Tallahassee.



Mel Lucas and her Golden boy Godric earned Godric's Obedience CD title in the MADTA trial in Ocala while competing in Novice A. Godric added another title to his growing name a few weeks later when he and Mel earned his Started Retriever title in the CFHRC hunt test in Montverde. Godric is now UKC MBIS || AP VPN ALCH URO1 UWPCH SHR Copperfield's Golden Snitch CD BN RE JH DS SDPRO WC BCAT CAA CGCA CGCU TKE VHMA.

More Accolades . . .



Elizabeth Scherer and her Golden boy Kody (SHR U-CH. IABCA HnrCH/IntCH/NatCH Star Crowned Kodiak Island CD BN RN JH CCA CGC TKN WCX) earned his Honors Championship (and National Championship) at the International Dog Show in Pensacola. Kody also earned his WCX in the Orlando Poodle Club's WC/WCX held in Williston, Fla.

Leslie Anderson and Quince (Quince Aubridge Dates and Quinces JH WC) earned his GRCA WC title in the Orlando Poodle Club WC/WCX event in Williston, Fla.



Three of Destiny Martel's Golden retrievers earned new Barn Hunt titles in the Tallahassee Dog Obedience Club trial. Her girl Benelli earned her RATI and RATN titles, Scoop earned her RATS title (with two first places and two High in Class wins) and Carlos earned his RATM title with two first places and two High in Class wins. Carlos also had the huge accomplishment of earning one leg toward his RATCH title.



Pam Ginn's Golden Boy Rhett (GCH Lakewood's Rhett Butler @ Kestrel Farm South JH CCA WC) earned his WC title in the WC/WCX held by the Orlando Poodle Club in Williston, Fla.

Dot and Allison Hively's Golden girls Nora and Brooke had some fun running at the Brooksville shows and earned some titles for it - Nora earned her DCAT title while Brooke earned her BCAT and CA titles.

They didn't really want to pose for a photo but Lisa Boudreau's Golden girls Star and Spice momentarily sat still long enough to celebrate Spice's Novice title earned in the Tampa Bay Agility Club's agility trial. Star also earned first place in Jumpers that day.

More Accolades . . .

Karyn Angel's Golden boys Timer and Cody continue to rack up the titles. Cody had a huge weekend in Rally at the Brooksville shows, finishing his RACH, RAE3 and RM3 titles with several placements along with a High Combined and High Combined Triple. Cody is now RACH Topbrass Code Of Honor UDX4 PUTD OM3 BN GO VER RM3 RAE3 JH AXP AJP OFP TKP DS CGC WC and is qualified for the Rally National Championship class. Timer earned his Rally Excellent title in Brooksville. He also earned his agility JWW title in the Central Florida Agility Club trial in DeLand and his agility Open Standard title in the Obedience Club of Daytona trial. He is now Topbrass Time For Honor CD PCD BN RE JH OA OAJ OF TKI DMA CGC WC. And both boys earned their WC titles in the Orlando Poodle Club's WC/WCX event.



Carol Atkinson's Golden boy Crash (Snobird's Raise Your Glass, Party Crasher BN RN SWA SINE SCE SIE SEE SHDA DN CGCA TKP, ORT NW2, NW3-E, NW3-I, NW3-V) added another scent work title to his resume in the NW3 trial in Lake Butler, Fla., earning his NW3-I title and two second-place finishes (vehicle and exterior).



Susan Howard's 13-month-old Golden boy Flyte earned his AKC Junior Hunter title in the Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club hunt test in Thomasville, Ga.

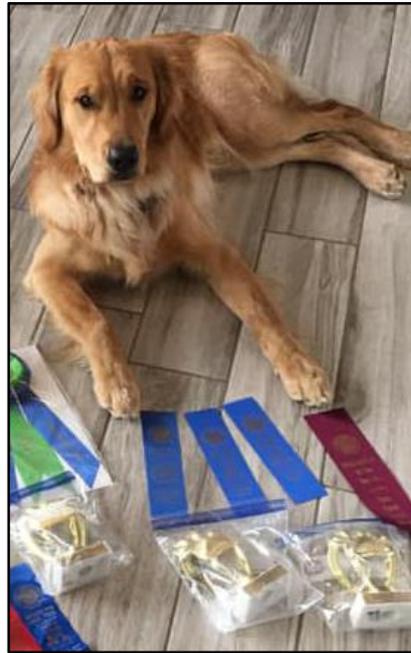


It was a long journey for Nancy Sigmon and Jackson but it ended quickly, successfully and happily at the Lakeland show with Jackson taking four-point majors on consecutive days to finish his championship. Jackson, who was handled by Aaron Wilkerson (pictured with Nancy) is now CH Mariah 'N Qestan's Jacks or Better RN DJ TKN CGC. Jackson was bred by and is co-owned by MFGRC member Julie Wangelin.

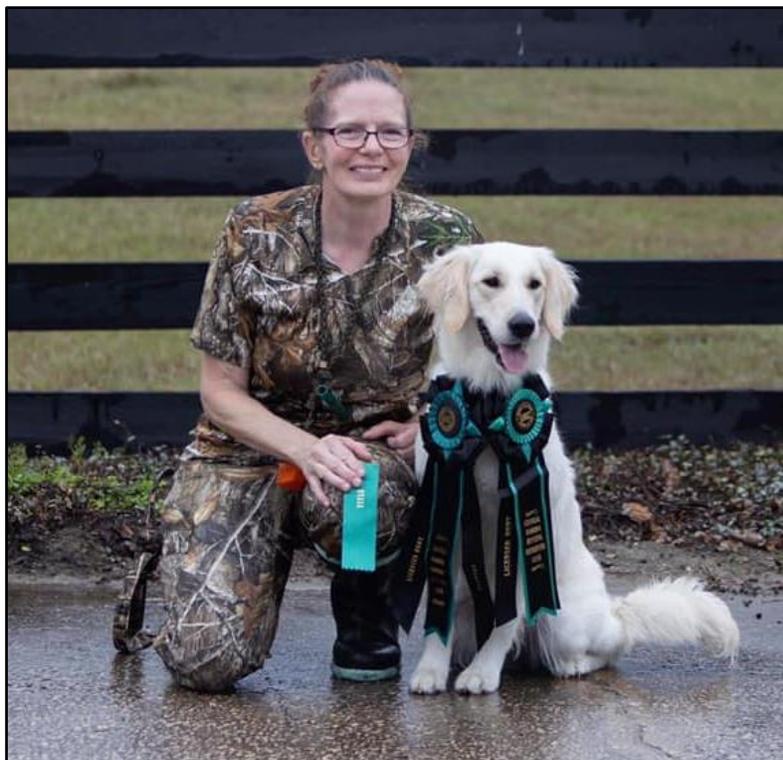
More Accolades . . .



MFGRC board member Michele Throm's Golden girl Ary competed in her first agility trial and earned her ACT1 and ACT2 agility titles. The trial was held at MFGRC co-founder PJ Lacette's Best Paw Forward training facility in Osteen, FL.



Sally Sherman's young Golden boy Flare earned his Rally Intermediate title during the Brooksville shows with three first places, including two perfect scores. Flare is Hi-Star Hot Stuff RI.



Heidi Buck and Briar (SHR PAD'S In The Thick-Of-It CGC TKA JH WC) earned Briar's Junior Hunter title in the Treasure Coast Retriever Club trial in Okochobee. And the 17-month-old girl then earned her Started Retriever title in the CFHRC hunt test in Montverde, Fla. Heidi says Briar is the first in her line to earn hunting titles and she had nine successful passes in nine attempts along the way. Briar also earned her WC title in the Orlando Poodle Club WC/WCX event held in Williston, Fla.