

#### From the President's Desk...

Hope everyone is enjoying this "lull" before the storm. We've had some truly gorgeous days recently, but with summer quickly approaching these cool, breezy days will be just a fond memory. Although most things slow down during the "dog days of summer" (wonder what that term means?) MFGRC still remains the active club it is throughout the rest of the year. Hope to see you at our upcoming events over the next few months.

The fun day in Astatula on May 21 is coming up this weekend! This fun day is an annual event where our dogs just get to be dogs having fun swimming, running and playing. Hope you are able to make it. On June 4 we will be hosting an AKC Hunt Test Seminar in Lakeland. For anyone who is active in the hunt test game or for those who may be interested in learning what this is all about, this seminar is a must. On June 12, Pam Hind, field trainer and hunt test judge, will be giving a mini-seminar on establishing the foundation for training your dogs for hunt tests. Pam is very knowledgeable and helpful in offering ways to start your youngsters in training. On July 9 in Deland, with the help of Joyce Swegle, we will be offering a rally and obedience day. On August 6 & 7 our big event of the year, also in Deland, is the Eric Strickland seminar. Eric is a renowned professional handler and world class groomer who will be offering his years of experience to help us achieve success in the show ring. There are still spaces left for this seminar and at \$150 for participants and \$100 for observers, for two days, it's one of the best bargains you'll see in seminars.

Please remember, this is your club so don't hesitate to write and let us know if there are any events or seminars you would like the board to consider.

Plans are still going forward with the 2012 Eastern Regional. Our judge's selection will be happening soon. Look for that in the near future.

One last note. As many of you are aware there is another major threat to the health of our beloved breed. There has been quite a bit of discussion in the golden retriever world about pigmentary uveitis. For those that don't know, this is an extremely painful disease that effects the eyes and in its advanced stage, due to extreme pressure, often results in the removal of the eye. This disease is genetically based and as far as current knowledge goes is specific to golden retrievers. PU, as it is commonly known, is affecting goldens specifically from show lines. The really horrifying aspect of this disease is that it is often not diagnosed until later years. Some dogs may be diagnosed as early as 4 years but generally this disease does not show up until after the age of 7, often after the dogs have been bred several times. This disease makes it imperative that we continue to have our dogs' eyes examined throughout their lives, not only to prevent the advanced stages of this painful disease but to arm ourselves with knowledge for future generations. Every golden has the potential for this disease so please get those yearly examinations!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at future events. Good luck in the upcoming shows and don't forget to hug your dogs.

Camille



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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.

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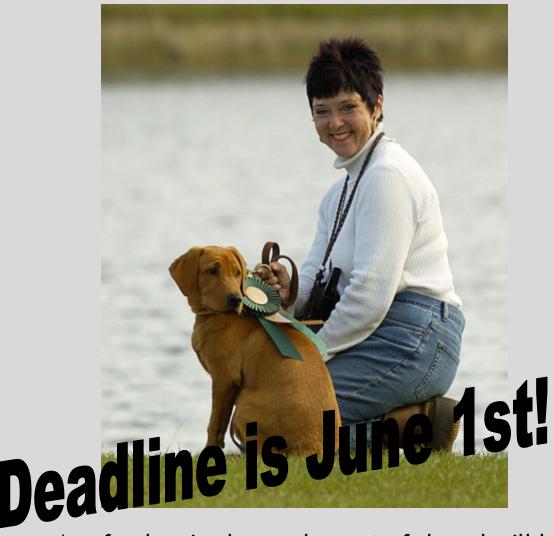
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The Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club is preparing an ad to be placed in the Golden Retriever News to honor Susan Fulenwider for her many contributions to our Club. We have said goodbye, but her legacy will live on.

If you would like to contribute to the cost of this ad, please send your donations to: MFGRC, c/o Tom Hell, Treasurer, 3920 Water Oak Drive, Lakeland, FL 33810

DONOR NAMES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE AD, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. Please let Tom know how you want your name listed, or if you do not want it to appear in the ad. Thank you!



Any funds raised over the cost of the ad will be donated to the Zeke Memorial Cancer Fund of the Golden Retriever Foundation

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#### From the Editor(s)...

I've had lots of time to consider gratitude this past month, and plenty of opportunities to remind myself what is important in life, and what is not. I am so thankful for my family's love and support, for my wonderful dogs, for a job I love and being able to take my little buddy with me when I go there every day. I'm thankful for the activities offered by MFGRC, the friendships I have made in the Club and the opportunities to learn and grow.

We have a new foster dog in the house, and I hope he's considering gratitude too! Since he's had a cone on his head since he got to us, we haven't been able to assess his personality very well. I know we are all going to be GRATEFUL when that thing comes off. No more hearing it hit the wall and drag across the paint, no more cutting the backs of our legs or our shins when he bumps into us, no more shoving it between me and the door when I'm trying to get out in the morning. I swear he's getting transmissions from outer space through that thing.

Can't wait for Astatula, our favorite day of the year. While Levi is not a hunting dog and refuses to pick up a duck, I am also going to attend the Judging/Handling seminar on June 4 at Tom & Joanne's to learn more about hunt tests and I am really looking forward to it.

Hope to see you all around soon!

Until next month . . .

Leah Wright Co-Editor



The MFGRC Board Meeting was called to order by Camille Doehring at 7:15 pm. on April 13, 2011 at Camille Doehring's home.

Board Members Present: Camille Doehring, Tom Hell, Joanne Hell, Judi Volpe, Debbie Finch, Tammy Hodgkins and Leah Wright.

Vice President's Report: Debbie Finch had three applications to read: Daniel Levenson, Erik Abrahamson, Roy & Cynthia Rothman. They were voted in unanimously.

Secretary's Report: Judi Volpe reported we received a letter from Patty & Bill Pace about a golf tournament they are having. The proceeds will go to the Golden Retriever Foundation. They were asking for donations. We had a few questions so Judi will contact Patty for answers before we decide whether to make a donation. Debbie Finch moved that the minutes from the last board meeting be waived. Leah Wright seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Hell reported on the updated specialty income. In the interest of the Club, we do not publish income information on the Internet. Tom also stated that \*\*\*\*Dues for 2011 are past due! If they have not been paid, members will be dropped from the membership. Deadline for donations for Susan Fulenwider's ad in the GRCA News is June 1, 2011. Send your check to Tom Hell with how you would like your name listed.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Match: This was held on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at Ann Rowe's. Joanne Hell and Mary Coffman were a big winners. Congratulations to both of them! There were 20+ entires in conformation, 10 in rally and 18 in obedience. A great turn out!

Agility Fun Day: This will be help on April 23, 2011. Debbie Finch will be sending out a flyer about the event so be sure to watch for it and mark the date.

**Tracking Test:** Everything is set and entries are coming in. This event is set for April 30 for setting up and May 1st for the actual test. Watch for the approximate time of the general meeting and where to come if you are interested in watching.

Agility Trial: John Blair reported via email that the premium list was approved and we are in the final stages of preparation. He sent a reminder that we might need netting to make the rings and speakers for the rings. We also need some wings for the jumps. Joanne Hell motioned we go ahead and purchase the netting and speakers. Judi Volpe seconded and it was passed. Tom will check with John on his thoughts for the wings for the jumps. Mark your calendar to come out and help on October 15 and 16.

Fall Hunt Test: Tom Hell will be chairing this event. The application will go in soon and he is already looking for the judges.

#### Old Business:

**Astatula Fun Day:** This will be held on April 21, 2011. Watch when you come in the gate. You will go immediately to the right and around the trees into the back field to get to where we will be. Watch for signs.

**Hunt Test Judges Seminar:** This seminar is scheduled for June 4, 2011. We need a minimum of 25 people entered. If you are interested, contact Camille Doehring.

Eric Strickland Seminar: This will be held on August 5 & 6, 2011. There will be 25 participation slots at a cost of \$150.00 and 35 audit slots costing \$100.00. For more information, contact Camille Doehring.

**Eastern Regional:** Camille reported she has been able to get many volunteers. Thank you to all that are taking on a position. Judges selection will be coming soon so you can be a part of this. We are hoping to finalize on the dates shortly.

\*\*Clarification - Any food brought to a club function from here forward will be on a volunteer basis unless otherwise approved by the board.

#### **New Business:**

June General Meeting - still under discussion

July General Meeting - Rally/Obedience Fun Day held at Fast Friends on July 9

WC/WCX - Tentatively set for November 12. We are looking for a chairperson.

**Obedience Gating** - It was brought to the board attention that this is needed especially for the higher level classes. Tom Hell motioned that we purchase enough gating to make a full ring for our match. Debbie Finch seconded and it passed unanimously.

Heart and Eye Clinic - We are looking at doing this once again at next years Strawberry Cluster.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom Hell. It was seconded by Debbie Finch. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by President Camille Doehring at 12:41 P.M., April 23, 2011 at the Agility Fun Day at the home of Jackie Hardin and Vickie Malonev.

Camille opened by thanking Jackie Hardin and Vickie Maloney for the use of their property for the Agility Fun Day. There were many courses set up as well as a relay race that was a lot of fun. Camille also thanked Debbie Finch for putting the event all together as well as Leah Wright for designing and sending out the event fiver.

Present: John and Rosa Blair, Camille Doehring, Nanette and Angela Tschirgi, Debbie Finch, Bill and Mary Coffman, Charlotte Leinbach, Barbara DePutron, Pat Kopco, Mike Orloff, Alex and Mary Georoff

Guests: Robert, Rosemary and Erinn Drury (guests of John and Rosa Blair)

Vice President's Report: Debbie Finch had 3 applications for new members; the first 2 had previously attended a General Meeting and were voted unanimously as new members: Daniel Levenson, Dr. Roy and Cynthia Rothman. Both were sponsored by Ann Rowe and voted in unanimously. Eric Abrahamson's application was read for the 1st time, but has not yet attended a General Meeting. Eric is also sponsored by Ann Rowe

Secretary's Report: Judi Volpe was not at the meeting. John Blair filled in and recorded these minutes. Nanette Tschirgi moved to accept the minutes from the March general meeting. Rosa Blair seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: In the interest of the Club, we do not report income information on the Internet.

#### Committee Reports:

Agility Trial: John Blair reported everything is on track for this year's trial to be held at Turkey Lake Park in Orlando on October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. He also announced that there will be no food for sale at the trial this year. A concerted effort is underway to obtain more help from club members this year as there is always plenty to do at the trail. The board has agreed to purchase new ring speaker systems, new ring gates and 6 additional sets of wings needed for the club.

Tracking Test: Camille reported that next weekend is the club's tracking event. This will be held at the Lee Vista Center in Orlando. The plotting of tracks will be performed on Saturday with laying and actual tracking on Sunday. Those wishing to attend should plan on meeting at the Denny's restaurant at Rt. 436 at 7am. There will be a general meeting at around 11:30am on Sunday.

#### Old Business

Astatula Fun Day: The annual Astatula Fun Day is scheduled for May 21st beginning at 9am at the Stanley Pond Tree Farm. There will be a pot luck lunch. There may also be an "informal" meeting just to share information with the folks who could not make the general meeting at the tracking test.

Hunt Test Seminar: This will be on June 4, 2011. It will be held at Tom and Joanne Hell's. It is put on by an AKC field rep and they teach you many things about the tests that will help you when you are showing in the tests. The cost is \$25.00. If you are interested, contact Camille Doehring.

Field Training Day: This will be held on June 12th at Tom and Joanne Hell's. It is intended to be an introduction for beginners who may want to start field training with their Golden's. Pam Hind will be the instructor.

July General Meeting: Tentatively the club is looking at holding a Introduction to Rally at Fast Friends in Deland. Date and more info to follow. Watch the club events page to find out more.

Eric Strickland Seminar: To be held on August 6th and 7th at Fast Friends in Deland. It is a 2 day grooming/handling seminar. The price is \$150.00 for participants and \$100.00 for observers. There are 25 participant slots and 35 observer slots. Participant slots are going quickly, so hurry and register today.

Eastern Regional Specialty: We have made a bid and the GRCA has accepted our bid to host the 2012 Eastern Regional Specialty. It is a 4 day event currently planned for October 25, 26, 27 & 28, with a WC/WCX on the 29th. There was a discussion as to whether or not we will have Agility at the Specialty or not, and if we will even have our annual Agility trial in 2012 or not due to available club resources. Camille indicated that the Board will look into this at our upcoming board meeting. There will be an email sent out shortly to all club members to vote on the judges for the 2012 Eastern Regional.

#### New Business

WC/WCX: The club is looking for a volunteer to chair the 2011 annual WC/WCX, normally held in November. Please notify Camille if you are interested in chairing the event.

September Hunt Test: Tom Hell has graciously volunteered to chair the club's 2011 Fall Hunt Test.

February Hunt Test: The club is looking for a volunteer to chair the 2012 annual Winter Hunt Test. Please notify Camille if you are interested in chairing this event.

2011 GRCA National: John gave a brief overview of the plans for the agility trial at this year's 2011 National Specialty. There will be 3 judges with one judge dedicated to the FAST classes each day. The equipment is being provided by Max 200 and will utilize rubberized contacts. The site is located on a wide open space with plenty of parking and pop up space. There will be awards offered to the Top 20 Golden's in Agility (TAG) at the beginning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of agility. Please visit the AGRC or GRCA club's home page for more info.

Mike Orloff inquired about the annual awards and was curious if the club would sponsor an award for dogs that perform at AKC Field Trials. Camille indicated the board would look into this at the next meeting.

The next MFGRC board meeting is schedule for May 13th at the home of Camille Doehring. Camille indicated that it may have to move due to her work schedule.

Camille reminded everyone that the club's new web page has a page for member photos. Please send your photos to Tom Hell if you would like them posted on the club's web page. Photos need to be 500 KB or less and you need to include the dog's name so send Tom what you want included and he'll resize them if they're too large

Brag: Vickie Maloney indicated that her dog Kite was just honored with the title of "Outstanding Dam". Congratulations to Vickie and Kite

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rosa Blair and seconded by Jackie Hardin. The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 P.M.



#### **MFGRC 2011 Calendar of Events**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	Other Info
Saturday, May 21	Astatula Fun Day	Stanley Pond Tree Farm Astatula (near Zellwood)	
Saturday, June 4	AKC Hunt Test Judging Seminar	3920 Water Oak Drive, Lakeland,	Camille Doehring, Chair
		FL	mischiefgolden@gmail.com
Sunday, June 12	Pam Hind, Intro to Field Training Seminar	3920 Water Oak Drive, Lakeland, FL	Joanne Hell tohell@msn.com
Saturday, August 6 and Sunday, August 7	Erik Strickland Seminar	Fast Friends Dog Training, Deland	Camille Doehring Mischief golden@gmail.com
Sept. 4	DOCOF	Central FL Fairgrounds,	Robin Scott, Team Captain
		Orlando	fourdogsr@embarqmail.com
Sept. 17-18	Fall Hunt Test	Golden Oaks Ranch	Tom Hell, Chair
		Montverde, FL	tohell50@hotmail.com
Sept. 25-Oct. 2	National Specialty	Conyers, Georgia	www.grca.org
Oct. 15-16, 2011	MFGRC Agility Trial	Turkey Lake Park, Orlando, Florida	John Blair, Chairperson

#### JOIN THE FIGHT



Date: October 15 and 16, 2011

Location: Bill Frederick Park at Turkey Lake, Orlando, FL



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Our Raffle Chairperson is Mary Coffman. Please email her at iambirding@verizon.net regarding your donations! Each year at our
Agility Trial in
October, MFGRC
conducts a raffle, with
all proceeds going
to Breast Cancer
Research.

#### JOIN THE FIGHT!

The Club is grateful to accept all donations for this Raffle, which has been dear to the heart of our Club for many years. We need your help in order to continue to contribute to the fight against breast cancer.

### WELCOME WEW MEMBERS!

#### Erik Abrahamson

Carol and Ted Stransky

#### We are so glad you are here!



I want to thank everyone for allowing me the privilege to work as your Puppy Referral Representative. Puppy Referral is like a 'Welcome Mat' to all that our club has to offer to prospective new members (puppy buyers). It allows us the opportunity to meet and educate the public while assisting in placing quality, healthy puppies into new homes.

Puppy Referral is a **tool** to help you, as a breeder, find good homes. There are no guarantees that the public will choose to buy a puppy from you simply because you list a litter on our club's website. In other words, it is not the club's responsibility to place a breeder's puppies. There have been questions recently regarding the way litters are listed, the length of time a litter is listed, etc. I would like to clear up a couple of those questions.

- #1) When people call me I <u>DO NOT</u> send them to a particular breeder or listing. Instead, I refer them to the website so that they can obtain the information for all of the litters listed at the time. If I have new litter information not yet up on the website, I will give that information to them as well.
- #2) Our webmaster places the listings as they come in. They are not listed in any particular order (i.e., date of birth, alphabetically, location, etc) Most puppy buyers look for puppies 'closest to home' first; how they are listed is of little importance.
- #3) The club has set a listing time limit of four months from date of birth. However, if a litter has been previously listed, a breeder has a puppy returned for any reason, that puppy is put back on referral at no charge. It may appear that the 'litter' has been listed for an extended period of time.

Over the past several months it became very clear that we needed to address some issues concerning the Puppy Referral program. As a result, our board has decided to make the following listing requirements:

#### New Puppy Referral Requirements for Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club

- Must be a regular member in good standing during the previous 12 months
- Puppy referral listing will be limited to 4 months after litter whelp date
- Fee Schedule:
  - If member has attended 2 general club meetings <u>and</u> worked at 1 MFGRC sponsored event during the previous 12 months the fee is \$25.00\*
  - If member has not attended 2 general club meetings <u>and</u> has not worked at 1 MFGRC sponsored event during the previous 12 months the fee is \$250.00

\*It is the responsibility of the club member to notify the club secretary and the event chairperson to receive credit for these requirements.

#### Examples of MFGRC sponsored events that qualify for puppy referral:

Winter Hunt Test
Golden Retriever Rescue Grooming Day
Spring Match
Heart and Eye Clinic
Annual Specialty
Tracking Test
Fall Hunt Test
Agility Trial
CCA
WC/WCX
Participation on club sponsored teams (DAC

Participation on club sponsored teams (DACOF/DOCOF)

Submitted by: Deb Farris, Puppy Referral Coordinator





Offered as a service in conjunction with MFGRC's puppy referral.

Health clearances and \$25 must be submitted to the puppy referral coordinator.

**DEB FARRIS** 

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#### LITTER LISTING:

Caroline/Chris Roetzer (Clearwater) 727-724-3664 Ingotgoldens@verzion.net CH Magik' Southerns Captain Jack RN x Ingot's Double Trouble Born 9/12/09 1 Female

Jerrie Morrison (Sarasota) 941-650-4214 omnigolden@aol.com Am/Int CH Magik Southerns Captain Jack RN X Omni's Jet Set Born 1/24/11, 3 males

Nancy Sigmon (Tarpon Springs) 727-938-4271 longlost22@yahoo.com Ch. Col. Am. Ch. Ag-Golden Age Porto Alegre and Magiks Golden Goose on the Luce, CGC Born 1/30/11 1 male, 1 female

Cyntha Resare (Inverness) 352-344-3123 resarecyn@aol.com Moonstruck Kelly of Misty Ridge x CH Fall Chase First Call Born 3/10/11 3 males , 3 females

Michelle Whitney (Largo) 727-596-6426 home 727-515-6184 cell twhit72069@aol.com
GCH CH. Hillock HoneyBear's Purple Pizzazz X Hillock's All The Way May JH,WC Born April 1, 2011 5 males, 4 females

Tom/Debbie Young (Pinellas Park) 727-742-8562 wedlv95@aol.com CH De La Vega Heir Apparent x CH Boca Gold Shooting Start Born 4/8/11 3 males, 2 females

Paula Veibl (Melbourne) 321-480-4442 Pveibl@cfl.rr.com CH Gemini's Furst Responder CD RN X Lakewood's Kiss My Irish Lass CD RN JH WCX CCA Born 4/11/11, 5 males, 7 females

Other litters will become available soon. Puppies can go to their new homes after 8 weeks of age. If you have questions regarding purchasing a Golden Retriever, please contact our Puppy Referral Coordinator, Deb Farris at E-Mail: <a href="mailto:Faragold@yahoo.com">Faragold@yahoo.com</a>.

We encourage you to do research prior to adding a puppy to your family. The Golden Retriever Club of America's online publication "Acquiring a Golden Retriever" is an excellent resource. You can find this information at www.grca.org. If you are interested in obtaining a rescue golden, you can contact the Golden Retriever Rescue of Mid-Florida at <a href="mailto:info@grrmf.org">info@grrmf.org</a>.

#### **MEET THE MEMBERS**

Editors note: Tammy Hodgkins is our newest Board member, and has been with the Club for two and a half years! She has been a welcome addition to the Board, bringing her design skills for ads and flyers and she is a terrific photographer as well. Tammy was a loving, caring friend to Susan Fulenwider before and during her illness, and was with her at her passing. We thought you might like to meet this amazing woman, since we certainly have enjoyed getting to know her! Thanks Tammy, for spending some time with us!

How did you get involved with goldens? My best friend, Tish, in Wisconsin has been breeding goldens for over 10 years. My husband, Pat and I were ready for a new family member and I asked her if she would consider bringing me one of her pups. As with children, we did not care if we got a boy or a girl, only that the pup was healthy. At 9 weeks, Tish and Cheyenne Dakota flew down and we picked them up at the airport. As a "thank you" to my friend, I took her on a cruise and left Cheyenne Dakota & Daddy to bond with one another. We couldn't ask for a better dog!

How many dogs do you have and what are their names? We have 2 girls; Cheyenne Dakota age 5 and the biggest girl from her first litter, Palin, almost 2 years old.

Do you participate in any events with your goldens? We had Cheyenne in agility training at Best Paw Forward until we bred her and found out she would be having pups.

Are you considering giving something a try? Palin would be great at Agility and tracking looks fun! I also like the hunt tests.

I think I know the answer to this question, but who has been an inspiration to you in the world of golden retrievers? I would like to express my sincere love and thanks to my mentor, "my angel", and friend, Susan Fulenwider. If it were not for Susan, I would not be involved with this club. I had the privilege of knowing her for only three short years and I was at her side when she passed away. As a new board member for MFGRC and to honor her memory, I will continue learning and promoting this wonderful breed Susan loved so much.

Tammy Hodgkins Rookie of the Year Award--2009 Board Member--2011









## MFGRC AGILITY FUN DAY Saturday, April 23, 2011



GOLDEN TALES MAY 2011









## Fun, Fun, FUN!!!!





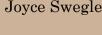


Our club's annual Tracking Dog test was held on May 1st. The weather was perfect, and the grounds were perfect, but unfortunately there were no passes. We started off good with 7 entries, but one dog was pulled due to illness, one was pulled because they were able to earn their TD the weekend prior. We also lost a dog a couple of days before the test due to a death in the family. So, where we had a 7 dog test, we ended up with only a 4 dog test, which was a huge change from last year's full entry. All of the dogs entered did great, and there is a TD title is in all of their futures. The heartbreaker of the day was Janet Narushka's young bitch. She did a great job and ran right over the glove.

Though we had no passes, we want to thank our judges, Ron and Luci Seeley, for their hard work, and the lovely tracks that were plotted. I also want to thank our track layers — we had 5! A huge thanks to Judi Volpe, Jodie Faist, Betty Lambert, Debbie Finch, and Paul Reep, who doesn't even have goldens but loves to track and is always willing and ready to help. Bless you all, I know I can always count on you.

We have already started to plan on next years TD test and we hope to have some exciting news concerning that. I will let you all know as soon as everything is ironed out. Happy tracking!

Joyce Swegle











# FGRC TRACK-ZO

## A TOUT, A ASSET MICHEL DRAW BASKET

**The Draw** 

Judge Ron Seeley



**Sunday May 1, 2011** 



Tracklayers,
Judges and Tracking Test Secretary

#### **DOCOF 2011**

I can hardly believe it, DOCOF is less than six months away and MFGRC is well on their way to have two strong teams --- again. DOCOF is Labor Day weekend every year and teams from all over the state get together to compete to see who the top scoring teams are.

A tradition was started years ago, when Susan Fulenwider was Captain of our teams, to always ask people from the previous year if they wanted to return. This year a few have either not responded or chosen not to be on the team again. But the good news is, we have had new people e-mail and ask if they could be on our team.

As a Specialty Club, we all train in various facilities so I totally understand people wanting to be on the teams that they train with. I am truly appreciative (and always will be) for those who remain with us -- and to the new people who choose to compete and have fun with us.

The food is the best and the comraderie unbeatable. We are in this competition to show team support, cheer each other on and hopefully move up in the standings. Moving up is not our priority -- team support -- and of course the food -- those are important!

So members - here is my request -- if you want to be on the team -- please e-mail me and let me know what level your golden is available for. I look forward to hearing from every interested member.

Submitted by:

Robin Scott fourdogsr@embarqmail.com



2010 DOCOF TEAM

#### **MFGRC Fun Day**

#### Bob Dennis' Stanley Pond Tree Farm in Astatula FL

When: Saturday, May 21, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
Where: Stanley Pond Tree Farm, Astatula, FL

Events: Doggie Swim and Play

There will be a POT LUCK lunch so bring your favorite dish to share. Bring a chair, your dog'(s) favorite water toy(s), water for your dog(s) and sun screen.

PLEASE NOTE: Entry to the field has changed!!! LOOK FOR THE MFGRC SIGNS TO TELL YOU HOW TO ACCESS THE AREA!!!!

THIS YEAR WE WILL HAVE A SPECIAL PLAY AND SWIM AREA JUST FOR PUPPIES. PLEASE SUPERVISE YOUR DOG(S) AT ALL TIMES SO THAT EVERYONE CAN HAVE A GOOD TIME AND BE SAFE!

DIRECTIONS: FROM OCALA: Take I-75 South to Florida Turnpike. Stay on the turnpike until you get to exit #289 - this is Route 27. Follow Route 27 south approximately 4 miles then make a left on State Road 19N. Go for about 2.5 miles and then turn right on Route #455. Go for about 2 miles then make a left onto Route #561. Continue on this route until you see the sign for Route 48 (about 3.8 miles) and make a right. Stanley Tree Farm is approximately 2.4 miles on your right.

FROM IHE NORIH: Take 441 south, passing through Eustis and the turn to Mt. Dora.

Go past Vincent's restaurant, and turn RIGHT onto Sadler Road; there is a Citgo type gas station and convenience store on the corner. You'll go through the Lake Jem area of nice houses on Sadler Road. Where Sadler Road ends, turn LEFT onto 448A. Go two miles on 448A and turn RIGHT onto 48 West. The Tree Farm is on this road, down about 1 ½ miles, on the left. You'll see the pond just before the driveway.

FROM IHE WEST COAST: Take I-4 East to US 27- Haines City Clermont Exit. Take US 27 North towards Clermont for approx. 28 miles to CR 561. Turn Right on CR 561 & go approx. 7 miles to CR 48. Turn Right on CR 48 for approx 2 miles- Stanley Pond Tree Farm will be on your Right.

FROM THE EAST COAST: Take I-4 West to SR 436 Altamonte Springs. Go West on 436 approx 7 miles to HWY 441 in Apopka. Go North on HWY 441 to Jones Ave & follow Directions From Orlando.

FROM IHE SOUTH: Take the Florida Turnpike to the exit for Toll Road 429. Take the 429 to the end, and turn left onto 441. Stay on 441 into Zellwood. Look for Duda Road, Route 48 (marked with a blue and yellow sign). Turn Left onto Duda Rd., and take it to the end. Turn left onto 448A. Drive approx. ½ mile on 448A, and turn right onto 48 West. The Tree Farm is down this road about 1½ miles, on the left. You'll see the pond just before the driveway.



Area Motels: Ramada Inn, 3260 US Hwy. 98 Lakeland, Florida-863-680-8080 Motel 6, 3120 US Hwy 98, Lakeland, Florida-863-682-0643

#### AN AKC HUNT TEST RETRIEVER SEMINAR FOR JUDGES AND HANDLERS HOSTED BY:

#### Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club

407-859-4571

Location: 3910 Water Oak Drive, Lakeland, F1 - Next to Tom & Joanne Hell's House SATURDAY, June 4th, 2011

The program will be presented utilizing multimedia demonstrations, lecture and group discussions. The seminar will cover subjects such as:

- The purpose of Hunting Tests
- Performance standard for Junior, Senior, and Master
- Hunting Test scoring
  The guidelines for Judges of Hunting Tests
- How to apply and conduct a Hunting Test
- The responsibility of the key personnel involved
- Gun Safety How to handle misconduct

#### SCHEDULE:

Registration 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Classroom 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Lunch 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Classroom 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

#### REGISTRATION DEADLINE AND FEE:

Registration is \$25 per person. Lunch \$7 extra. Please enroll by MAY 26TH, 2011 Registration forms and fees should be sent to:

> Camille Doehring mischiefgolden@gmail.com 3015 Delaney Ave. Orlando, Fl. 32806

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	Email:
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## HANDLING SEMINAR GROOMING &

## DATES/TIMES:

August 7, 2011 (8:30 am-4:30 pm) August 6, 2011 (9 am 6 pm)

COST: \$150 for participant w/dog (BRUAKIAST & LUNCH PROVIDED) or \$100 for observer

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#### Milestones & Achievements



Here is a picture of my dog Ozzie aka Meadowpond I Don't Give A Darn RN TD doing what he loves most.....tracking! This photo shows him coming out of the field with the glove in his mouth. What a good boy! We are training and working towards our TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) title. We spend every Sunday possible training towards this goal and have a wonderful time doing so.

Luci Seeley

#### Milestones & Achievements

On April 30 and May 1st Cody won back-to-back Best in Shows at the Treasure Coast Kennel Club in Vero, FL. He is currently ranked the number 1 Golden Retriever in both Breed and All-Breed. Cody's owners are Yvonne Herrera, Jose Herrera, Maura Roxby, and Cindi Metcalf; Breeders are Cindi Metcalf and Barbara Tucker

Camden Nicholas had a great weekend at the Cool Critters NADAC trial in Palmetto Easter weekend. Not only did he have a PERFECT Sunday (6 for 6) but ended up qualifying in 11 of his 12 runs! He also earned 3 new titles. Slightly non- golden "Flame" got to celebrate his 13th birthday at the trial with cupcakes and his friends all around!

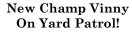
Nancy Clinchy is proud to say that Bridgeton's Hearts On Fire SH completed her AX and AXJ by qualifying 6 out of 8 runs in Perry, GA.

Coralee Leon's Bertie (Morningstar Burlington Bertie) earned his CD title with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Jacksonville in April. Way to go Bertie!!!!!!!

Janet Narushka has some news about Hillock's Tortuga Gold "T.G." RN CGC. On the weekend of May 7-8, TG completed her International Championship going BOB all 4 shows: 2 group one's, a group 2 and a group 3. TG is handled by Janet.

Linda Hitchcock is the proud breeder of the 2 Golden pups in the photos on the right. With 2 bumpers in her mouth, which she retrieved to hand on one fetch, is Violet (49erGold Skye's Little Deuce Coupe). She is only 16 weeks old in this photo. Also shown is Rocky (49erGold Gonna' Be A Rock Star!) leaping off the bank of a pond for a water retrieve (40 yards!). Rocky is 16 weeks old and this was only his 2<sup>nd</sup> water outing. The remainder of this litter went to performance homes in Maine, Vermont, Canada, South Dakota, and North Florida."

BREAKING NEWS! Kim and Linda Hitchcock's boy Vinny just got his Championship title in North Fort Myers. Vinny was ably handled by Janice Granda exclusively and is co-owned by Kim and Linda Hitchcock and Karen Brady. He is now CH Venture KaraGold's Play'n W/The Big Boys!! Linda says, "We are ecstatic with this win thanks to Judge Sue Goldberg for recognizing Vinny's many attributes. Two hours after receiving his title he is watering the plants in our yard as he has not been home in 6 months. He will be going back into Field Work handled by Linda."









Bertie earns his CD!



ROCKY!



Violet

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