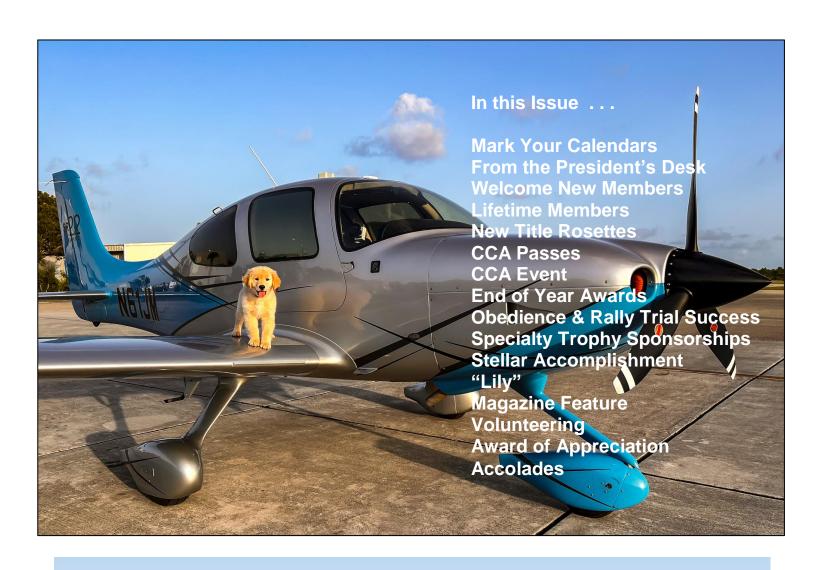
# Golden Tales

**SEPTEMBER 2022** 



MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB



#### Mark Your Calendars

MFGRC Photo Shoot - October 9 - Orlando, FL

MFGRC Fall Hunt Test - November 18-19-20 - Montverde, FL

MFGRC Specialty - December 16 - Orlando, FL

MFGRC Spring Hunt Test - February 10-11-12, 2023 Montverde, FL

(general meetings to be announced)





# From the President's Desk . . .

This year is flying by and it's hard to believe we're already in September. With kids back in school, the National in Michigan completed (congratulations to all for a great event), we can feel the fall season coming and hopefully enjoy a little bit of cooler weather soon.

The MFGRC has some exciting events coming in the next few months and I hope to see many of you attend. We start October with our dock diving fun day in Ocala, and then we're holding a photoshoot on October 9th in Orlando. It will be a great opportunity to get holiday photos taken with your dogs. Our hunt test will be in November, so be sure to sign up to volunteer and enjoy seeing our goldens doing what they were bred to do! Before we know it the holidays will be here and we have our specialty on December 16th and the annual Christmas party December 17th at the home of Ann Rowe.

Check your emails for updates on all the upcoming events, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Robin Burket

# Welcome New Club Members

The Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club welcomed many new members during its general meetings held in June and July.

Voted in as members in the June meeting were:



Libby Lyttle-Bryant of Largo, FL (sponsor was Julie Wangelin)



Jeff and Cindy Soell of Rockledge, FL (sponsor was Christine McDaniel)

Voted in as a new members in the July meeting were:





Tregler Family (Deborah, Lamar, Emily) of Lakeland, FL (sponsor was Camille Nasca). Emily is a former member.



# MFGRC Honors Seven With Lifetime Memberships

Recognizing members who have rendered extraordinary service to the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club over a long period of time, the club's Board of Directors has honored seven longtime members with Lifetime Memberships in the club.

Those named were Mike Orloff and Pat Kopco of Dover, Fla., Camille Nasca of Orlando, Fla., Ann and Bob Rowe of Sorrento, Fla., and Dee and John Thibodeaux of Sorrento, Fla.



Mike Orloff and Patricia "Pat" Kopco - Members of the club since 1994, the married team of Mike Orloff and Pat Kopco has been involved in almost every aspect of the club during that time. Both have served multiple terms as board members and Pat has been club president. Pat also has been active with the Golden Retriever Club of America, serving a four-year stint as Eastern Director for the GRCA Board of Directors. Both have assisted with working at many club events over the years, previously traveling from Miami to the Mid-Florida area before they relocated to their current residence. Both are multipletime winners of the club's "Mover and Shaker" and "Above and Beyond" awards and Pat was honored as Member of the Year for 2021 after leading the club's hosting of the 2021 GRCA National Specialty as chair. Mike retired from his position as Hunt Test chair for the MFGRC after 2021, a position he held for many years, but he and Pat remain active judges for hunt tests and WC/WCX events.

Camille Nasca – A member of MFGRC since 1987, Camille has been an active and integral part of the development of this club. She served two terms as president, multiple terms as vice president, treasurer and board member and is a member of the 2022 board. In 1997 she and another club member spearheaded the process of applying to the AKC for licensing, leading to her serving as chair when the club hosted the 1998 GRCA Eastern Regional. In 2002, she was the general chair when MFGRC hosted its first GRCA National Specialty. Through the years she has chaired a number of WC/WCX's, supported entries and agility trials and in recent years she has been the trophy chair for the club's annual specialty and was trophy chair for the 2021 GRCA National. She has received numerous awards from the club, including being named "Member of the Year" for 2015. She also spent several years as secretary for the Golden Retriever Foundation; a member of a nominating committee and chair of the CCA for the Ohio National.



# Lifetime Members continued . . .



Ann and Bob Rowe - Ann, who has been a member of MFGRC since the formation of the club in 1984, has served numerous terms as president, most recently from 2018-2021. She also has held the vice president position multiple times and continues this year as a board member. Over the years, she has chaired WC/WCX events for the club and in 2021 was hospitality chair for the club's hosting of the GRCA National Specialty. Ann and Bob have organized and hosted the club's annual Christmas party at their home, with few exceptions, for more than 20 years. They also host the club's annual Fun Match, an AKC-sanctioned "B" Match, of which Ann is the chair, at their home. She has been breeding and exhibiting Goldens for 35 years.

**Dee and John Thibodeaux** – having served MFGRC as president two times and vice president, and as a board member and event chair, Dee retired from her role as treasurer at the end of 2021. Most recently, she was chair of the club's two annual agility trials from 2017 through 2021, building the trials into large profit centers for the club with full entries and much praise within the agility community. In past years she worked at nearly every type of event the club has staged, including judging hunt tests and WC tests. Members of the club since 1990, Dee and John worked together on the agility trials and other events and both have received recognitions from the club. In 2019, Dee was honored with the Lloyd Kiernan Service Award and in 2016, John received the club's "Above and Beyond" award.





### New Title Rosettes Available to Eligible MFGRC Members for Accomplishments in 2022

Members of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club who earn new AKC or GRCA titles for their Goldens during calendar year 2022 may be eligible to receive a new title rosette from the club. The new title rosette program has been part of the MFGRC for many years and is one the club leadership is happy to continue.

In order to be eligible to receive a new title rosette from the club, a member must have worked at least one club event during the year, or have done equivalent work for the club behind-the-scenes (subject to verification). The stipulation is in place to encourage members to help with club events and activities.

The program is for new AKC or GRCA titles won between Jan. 1, 2022, and Dec. 31, 2022. The deadline for receiving applications is end of business on Jan. 5, 2023.

This year, there have been some modifications to the program to make the process work more smoothly for all involved. Please read and follow directions carefully:

There is only one way to request a new title rosette: the requests must be sent via email to MFGRC board member Pam Ginn at this address: <a href="mailto:info@kestrelfarmgoldens.com">info@kestrelfarmgoldens.com</a>.

No requests sent to any other email address or via text, phone call or any other method will be accepted. All requests will get an acknowledgement via email when received.

The subject line of the email should be "New Title Rosettes." Requests should be in the body of the email (not as an attachment) using this format:

#### A. OWNER NAME

B. **DOG'S REGISTERED NAME** including all titles (and do not add in titles that are precursors for others, only the highest title for that venue – example, do not list 'Sam's Susie Q, RN, RA, RE' because the Rally Novice and Rally Advanced titles are precursors for the Rally Excellent title. Your request should just say 'Sam's Susie Q, RE' in the dog's registered name.

C. LIST ALL AKC AND/OR GRCA TITLES EARNED IN **2022:** This is the place to put in precursor titles, IF they were earned in 2022. Again, please do not list them as part of the dog's registered name. This creates additional work for the rosettes committee.

D. **VOLUNTEER WORK**: Please list what events you worked at or what you did for the club in 2022 (all subject to verification).

## E. IF UNSURE ABOUT WHICH TITLES ARE LISTED AND WHICH ARE NOT:

- Got to akc.org
- Click "products and services" tab
- On the left of that page, click 'individual dog award record and points progression'
- Click "find a dog"
- Input YOUR dog's name or registration number and then click the dog's name
- Once the dog is on the report page, click 'view points' to the right and your dog's info will populate
- Please note the order the AKC lists the titles in titles have a specified order and MFGRC wants to be correct on new title rosettes
- Please DO NOT use K9 data as a reference to order new title rosettes as the information there is often not listed in proper AKC form

#### HERE'S AN EXAMPLE of what the email should look like:

- A. Pam Ginn
- B. Richwood's Every Move You Make at Kestrel Farm JH WC CCA
- C. JH CCA
- D. Worked at the Feb and Nov Hunt Tests

The goal is the get the rosettes done and into the hands of eligible members as fast as possible. Distribution is planned for the February Hunt Test.

NOTE: If you will not be able to pick up your rosette(s) at the February Hunt Test, and since we no longer have the Agility Trial for pickups of rosettes, the rosettes will be mailed to you. You must mail a check for \$10, per owner, up to three rosettes, made out to MFGRC, to:

Robin Bowen 3001 SW College Rd. PMB41 Ocala, FL 34474

The deadline for payment is Jan. 30, 2023. If you are lucky enough to have more than three, you will need to include another \$10 for the next rosettes to be mailed.

Congratulations on your successes in 2022 and please let us know of any questions.

Pam Ginn Robin Bowen MFGRC New Title Rosettes Committee

# MFGRC CCA in Ocala Draws Full Entry and Lots of Passes

The MFGRC held a **CCA** (Certificate of Conformation Assessment) on July 16 in Ocala at the MADTA building. The event was accompanied by an eye clinic and a presentation on the breed standard for Golden Retrievers.

The CCA had a full field and almost all entered passed.

Those who passed are pictured below:



(L-R) Sunfire Guns N Roses (Barbagallo); Prism's Diamonds on the Soles of Her Shoes (Peterson); Twincreek's Softwind Reason to Believe (Swegle); Dahling Dare to Dream at Lookout (Keim); BBG's Terrific Torch McPoufy (Beck); Knightdrmz Believe in the Beginning (Scott) Magik's Right to Romaine Silent (Lambert); Richwood Every Move You Make@ Kestrel Farm (Ginn); Mischief's Pas De Deux (Nasca). Evaluators rear: Kristin Sipus, Nancy Talbott, Mustapha El Khorchi...



(L-R) Cachet's Dare to Dream (Throm); Prism's Late Night Rendezvous (Sherman); Goldhaven's You've Got Mail (Gillen); Magik's Spirit of the Storm (Stokes); Magik's Works Like a Charm (Stokes). Evaluators back row: Kristin Sipus, Nancy Talbott, Mustapha El Khorchi.

Not pictured: Magik's Bahama Breeze (Jeffrey) and Bridgeton's Fly Away it Ain't Over (Wiegand)

# Thanks to All for CCA, Eye Clinic and Breed Standard Presentation



Thank you to Robin Bowen for a very successful CCA. This is a huge undertaking that Robin keeps organized from start to finish with much behind the scenes skill and attention to detail.

The CCA is a wonderful event and a terrific learning experience. If you have a Golden Retriever, at least 18 months of age, this is a great way to learn about the breed and your dog.

Thank you also to the three evaluators, Nancy Talbut, Krisitn Sipus and Mustapha El Khorchi (Musta) who kept this event fun and educational. A special shout out to Musta for stepping up to evaluate when we lost our second Cat. 1 evaluator at the last minute.

Nancy Talbut was kind enough, after spending the day evaluating the 24 dogs in the CCA, to present a wonderful seminar about structure and function in the Golden Retriever. This was especially "genius" to combine the seminar with the CCA. I hope many of the participants stayed for the seminar. It went a long way in giving an explanation of the "why" behind the evaluation given on our dogs.

Thank you Krisin Sipus for organizing this seminar.

Thank you to the club members who stepped up and volunteered to help out with the eye clinic MFGRC hosted on the same day as the CCA. This clinic ran with efficiency and friendliness. We did not have any of the long lines that typically occur in this type of clinic.



Thank you to Connie and Bob Adams for coming early to open the building, for setting up the exam room and for general set up. And a special thank you for helping with the doctor and the dogs.

Thank you also to Kathy Cudak for keeping the clinic running smoothly and efficiently. The clinic ran so well, in large part, because of Kathy.

Thank you to Linda Upton (who is not even a member), Debbie O'Hanlon, her daughter Karli Pixley, and Susan Howard. None of this happens without the invaluable assistant of our club members. Thanks also to Karli for taking care of my puppy Shimmer at her first "doggie event."

I also want to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Ralph Hamor for giving up his Saturday to be a part of MFGRC's eye clinic. He was pleasant and patient with all of the 57 dogs he examined.

Camille Nasca Event Chair



# Entry Form for MFGRC's 2022 End of Year Awards Sent to Members

During the summer, the entry form for the MFGRC's end of year awards for dogs was sent to club members. The MFGRC encourages all members who meet the eligibility requirements to enter and compete for the awards and there is no charge to enter.

MFGRC is offering the following awards for 2022:

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

Tracking Dog of the Year

Versatility Award
(calculated by adding points from at least three separate categories)

Fallchase Owner-Handler Award

Gold Standard Challenge

To be eligible, a member must have worked one event (minimum of four hours) for the club during the awards period (reduced from previous requirement of two events) or the equivalent behind-the-scenes work (all subject to verification).

The entry deadline is November 30. Winners will be presented at the club's annual Christmas party on December 17.

Full details are in the entry form. Any member who did not receive the entry form can request one from club secretary Andy Hall at <a href="mailto:andyhall58@hotmail.com">andyhall58@hotmail.com</a>.



# MFGRC Obedience & Rally Trial Success

Thanks to All for MFGRC Obedience & Rally Trial Success!

As chair of the 2022 Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club Obedience and Rally Trial, I would like to thank everyone involved who helped make the event the biggest and most successful since our club began holding the current version of the trial in 2013.

Our host, the Obedience Club of Daytona, once again gave us a fantastic facility with everything needed to run a trial. As always, OCOD and MFGRC members Ralph and Maria Orlando were everywhere, including helping get the building ready and set up on Wednesday and Thursday, keeping the building running and pitching in wherever needed on competition days and leading the clean-up after we finished on Sunday. It was my pleasure to present an Award of Appreciation to them on Sunday morning – dinner for two at the Chart House in Daytona Beach – for their cumulative efforts since we moved the trial to OCOD.

Many other MFGRC members volunteered their time to serve as ring or table stewards during the three days of competition, an invaluable and under-appreciated aspect of the trial. Our judges were highly complimentary of our stewards and how well they did their jobs. They included MFGRC members Butch and Patricia Albano, Ellen Bartkus, Robin Bowen, Robin Burket, Nina DePetris, Susan Howard, Christine McDaniel, D'Nette Musser, Camille Nasca, Maria Orlando, Barbara Page, Dalia Ruffatto, Elizabeth Scherer, Vickie Boyd Schroeder, Sally Sherman, Susan Sherman, Tyler Sikora, Michele Throm, Jack Torielli and Joe and Diane Wolak. Thanks to all!

Special thanks to Christine McDaniel and Susan Sherman for staying late on Sunday to help clean and re-set the building (including vacuuming up lots of dog fur) and to Nina DePetris and MFGRC member Walter Kennedy for helping me pack up our club's things and assisting with the re-set of the building.

Also helping as stewards during the trial and deserving of thanks were OCOD members Janet Berry, Kris Davenport, Pat Dean, Susan Handy and Claire Israelson. And a big thanks to Emily Heidt who answered the bell on Friday when I needed a Rally steward and worked the full first trial. The OCOD members and Emily also helped mentor some of our club members who had not stewarded before and that was greatly appreciated.

OCOD/MFGRC member Joyce Swegle also was a help all weekend and joined Ralph and Maria in leading the clean-up and re-set process Sunday afternoon. MFGRC president Michele Lemole, treasurer Renee Johnson and building rental chair (and MFGRC member) Coralee Leon were all great to work with leading up to the event. And additional thanks to OCOD member Nancy Miles for helping with setup on Thursday and for getting the signs, holders and other materials ready for Friday's Rally trials.

MFGRC members also contributed to the success of the trial in other ways: thanks to Chris Jeffrey, Paula Black and Robin Bowen for assembling rosettes in advance of the event. The awards we had were beautiful and well-received.

Our judges were great to work with all weekend: Jeff Kern, Ted McCall, Deb Neufeld and Linda Unger. Also thanks to our trial secretary Adrienne Swanick.

My wife Barbara Hall was a tremendous help to me during the months leading up to the event and on that weekend. As hospitality chair, she took care of lunches for judges and stewards and added some nice touches including snacks and our daughter Shelley's homemade cookies.

Thanks to my fellow MFGRC board members for the support and help with the trial. We'll be back in Daytona Beach next year – August 11-12-13 – and I'm already working on a list of things to improve. We had the largest entry in the event's history and hope to keep building on success.

Thanks, Andy Hall Obedience/Rally Chair

# Trophy Sponsorships Available for MFGRC Specialty in December

Hello Fellow MFGRC Members,

In 2021 the Officers and Board of Directors decided that our club would sponsor the specialty trophies in honor of the members of MFGRC who worked so hard and so long to help make the 2021 National Specialty such an overwhelming success.

Well, I am writing now to make the request for trophy sponsorships for our annual independent specialty held at the Orange County Convention Center in December. The specialty will top off 3 days of all breed shows starting on Tues, December 13th. Our specialty will be held on Friday, December 16th, 2022. And is followed by the 2022 AKC National Championship sponsored by Royal Canin on Sat and Sun, Dec. 17 & 18, 2022.

We hope you will join us for one of the largest gatherings of Golden Retrievers in the U.S. (other than National and Regional Specialties).

This year our top trophies are beautiful custom designed wood and resin charcuterie boards. The Trophy Spreadsheet for the remainder of the trophies that will be awarded can be seen on the club website mfgrc.org.

Along with your sponsorship checks, please include the award you wish to sponsor and the verbiage you would like to have placed on the sponsorship board. This board will be prominently displayed ringside at the specialty.

If you would like to support our trophies, but not sponsor an individual trophy, you may donate to the General Fund. All additional donations will help to defray the cost or our specialty.

Please make checks payable to MFGRC and mail to Camille Nasca, 4008 Bradley Ave., Orlando, FL 32839. If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>mischiefgolden@amail.com</u>.

As always, I, along with Show Chair Caroline Kendrick, appreciate your support of our annual specialty.

#### Camille Nasca



# STELLAR ACCOMPLISHMENT

# Susan Howard's Winston Finishes Two Big Obedience Titles in Same Day

Susan Howard's outstanding Golden boy Winston was featured in a previous edition of *Golden Tales* – he is still adding to his list of accomplishments.

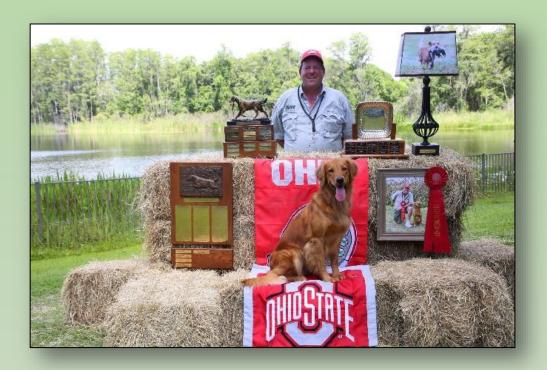
In the MFGRC's Obedience and Rally Trial in August in Daytona Beach, Winston finished two big AKC Obedience titles: OTCH5 and UDX8.

The OTCH5 title (Obedience Trial champion – 5<sup>th</sup> time) combines points for Winston's performances in the Open B and Utility B classes. UDX8 is Utility Dog Excellent for the 8<sup>th</sup> time.

In the Sunday, Aug. 14, day of the trial, Susan and Winston scored Susan's first-ever Utility perfect score (200). They won both Utility B and Open B in Trial 1 and Trial 2, and won High in Trial, High in Trial Golden, High Combined and High Combined Golden in both trials.

Winston is OTCH5 RATCH HRCH Electralon Snows No Boundaries UDX8 OGM PUTD VER SH CAA DJ TKA FDC CGC TT NW3Elite VC CCA WCX OBHF.





# "LILY" the Outstanding Dam

MFGRC members Pat and Ron Rubrecht's Golden girl Lily has qualified for the Outstanding Dam recognition from the Golden Retriever Club of America. Lily (HRCH Turbo Flash Dragon CDX MH QA2 AD WCX OD) was bred by the Rubrecht's Turbo Retrievers and has been an outstanding performer in field work and other venues.



The future of the Golden Retriever rests with the sires and dams that produce each successive generation. In recognition of their contributions to the breed, the GRCA awards the titles of Outstanding Sire (OS) and Outstanding Dam (OD) to Golden Retrievers whose offspring reflect the breed's character and purpose. This degree of excellence is evidenced by the earned AKC and GRCA titles of these offspring. Those Goldens whose offspring earn the required number of points (as determined by the GRCA) through these earned titles are these titles.

# MFGRC Member Karyn Angel Featured in Magazine





Karyn Angel and her accomplished Golden boys Cody and Timer were the subjects of a feature in the South DeLand and Victoria Park edition of *Neighbors* magazine this summer.

Karyn and her husband Carl spend their winters in DeLand. Cody was the 2021 MFGRC Versatility Dog of the Year award winner.

### **VOLUNTEERING...**

# Opportunities to Volunteer are Upcoming

Members of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club are encouraged to help at events that the club stages.

In order to be eligible for year-end awards offered by the club, members must have worked as a volunteer during the year.

#### **Fall Hunt Test**

The club will hold a three-day Hunt Test Nov. 18-19-20 at Golden Oaks Ranch in Montverde, Fla. Volunteers are needed to unload and set up equipment on Thursday, Nov. 17, and to help pack up equipment after completion of the test on Sunday, Nov. 20. Volunteers also will be needed to be marshals, move equipment and other jobs. Those who can help are asked to contact volunteer coordinator Pat Rubrecht at <a href="mailto:prubrecht@gmail.com">prubrecht@gmail.com</a>.

Help also will be needed with hospitality, including preparing lunches and distributing lunches to workers. If able to help with hospitality, please contact hospitality coordinator Michele Throm at

michelethrom@yahoo.com.

### Ralph and Maria Orlando Presented with MFGRC Award of Appreciation

Longtime MFGRC members Ralph and Maria Orlando were presented with an award of appreciation by the MFGRC for their yearly dedication and work behind-the-scenes with the club's Obedience and Rally Trial. Club secretary and obedience/rally chair Andy Hall made the presentation before the trial's final day at the Obedience Club of Daytona Beach on Aug. 14. The award included dinner for two at the Chart House in Daytona Beach.





# **ACCOLADES**

Cynthia Rothman's Golden girl Maia earned her Rally Novice title at the September MADTA Rally Trial in Ocala, FL.



Marilyn Guard's champion dock diver Mystic added to her list of titles at 24K 's Diving Dogs Freedom Splash 2022 in Cairo, Ga., earning her DMX, AJX2, and HDNX titles.



Destiny Martel's Golden boy Honor was six months old when he earned his Barn Hunt Novice title as well as his Trick Dog Novice and Canine Good Citizen, all in the Tampa cluster in June He also placed in every conformation show he competed in during the cluster while being handled by MFGRC member Chatham Napoli (pictured).



Trinity Lonsdale, family member of the MFGRC with her grandmother Micheline Laberge, competed in dock diving with Ruffles the Golden during the Tampa cluster in August and they finished Ruffles' Dock Junior title. Trinity also won her Open Junior class in Conformation.



Libby Lyttle-Bryant and Julie Wangelin's co-owned Golden boy Derry finished his championship in the Atlanta Golden Retriever Club Specialty in Lawrenceville, Ga., on his 18-month birthday. Julie showed him in AOH and WD and Libby showed him in BOW.



Karen Brady's Golden girl Bimini, handled by Janice Granada (pictured), finished her championship during the Tampa cluster in June. Karen said Bimini became KaraGold Goldens' 71st champion.



Paula Black and Courtney Roxby's co-owned Golden boy Rip finished his championship in the Tampa shows at 19 months of age. Two Winner's Dog wins during the cluster cemented the title. (pictured with Courtney)



Gunnar, a Golden boy belonging to Jenny Ford, finished his conformation championship with a five-point major at the Mile-Hi Golden Retriever Specialty Colorado for Jenny's first AKC champion.





Honorary MFGRC member Robin Scott finished two Obedience titles over the summer. She and her Golden girl Faith won the Utility A class in back-to-back trials at the Obedience Club of Daytona to finish her UDX title. A few weeks later in the MFGRC Obdience trial, Robin and her Golden girl Lovie finished Lovie's CDX title.



MFGRC board member Jan Paddock and her Golden boy Woody finished Woody's Rally Intermediate title in the MFGRC Obedience and Rally Trial.





MFGRC board member Michele Throm finished Rally Advanced titles on her Golden girls Mia and Ary in the MFGRC trial in August in Daytona Beach. Mia also earned her CCA title in July.



Vickie Schroeder and her Golden boy Levi finished two titles during the weekend of the MFGRC Obedience and Rally Trial in August – Rally Advanced and Obedience CD.



Barb Page's Golden girl Autumn was the 2022 MFRC Rally Dog of the Year award winner and continues to earn accolades -- at the Tampa Fairgrounds, Autumn finished her Rally Master 4 title with two High Triple awards and a High Combined. And in the Upper Suncoast Dog Training Club trial in St. Petersburg, Autumn finished her RAE4 title (Rally Advanced Excellent - Level 4).





Heidi Buck and her Golden girl Briar earned two agility titles – Briar finished her Time to Beat title in a trial at Bratty Paws Dog Plex in Punta Gorda, Fla. Later in the summer, Briar finished her Master FAST title in a trial in New Cumberland, Pa.



Wendy Huntzinger's Golden girl Bristol earned her CCA title during the Atlanta Golden Retriever Club event in Lawrenceville, Ga.





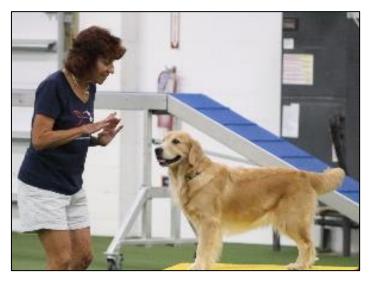
Nina DePetris' very accomplished Golden girl Peaches finished Peaches' PACH (Preferred Agility Champion) title to go with the MACH (Master Agility Champion) title she earned in her younger years. Peaches is a two-time MFGRC Agility Dog of the Year, having earned the award the last two times it was presented (2019, 2021). Meanwhile her younger girl Pippa had what Nina described as her "best weekend ever" in agility while competing in the Chattahoochie/Atlanta agility trial in Perry, Ga. Pippa finished her Excellent Jumpers title with a 1st place and other had Qs in Master Fast, T2B, Master Standard and Master Jumpers.



It was a new Dock Senior title for Shannon Keim and her daughter Skyler with their Golden boy Dash. He finished the title in an event at 24K Diving Dogs in Cairo, Ga. Skyler threw for Dash all weekend, her first time throwing.



Sally Sherman and her Goldens Boom and Boom's son Flare have had a great summer - Boom and Flare added another number to their AKC Obedience Utility Dog titles in the Upper Suncoast Dog Training Club trial in St. Petersburg - Boom finished her UDX15 and two-year-old Flare finished his UDX2.



Lisa Boudreau's Golden girl Spice finished her Open Standard agility title with a first-place run in the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg agility trial.



Laura Bellochi's Golden boy Everest finished his GCH in Wrentham, Mass., by going Select – Laura and Everest also won BOBOH and Group 3 OH.



Joyce Swegle and her Golden boy Benjamin finished his RAE (Rally Advanced Excellent) title in the MFGRC Obedience and Rally Trial.



Connie Adams' Golden girl Katie earned her Scent Work title in Advanced Containers at the SWCO Trials held at the WEC in Ocala. In September, Katie Buried Advanced and Interior Advanced titles at NorAust's first AKC Scent Work Trial in Lady Lake, Fla.



Susie Rezy's Golden boy Badger earned his Advanced Buried title which finished his overall Advanced title.



Karyn Angel's Golden boys Cody and Timer added to their list of accomplishments in Rally while competing in the Greenville (SC) Kennel Club trial. Cody finished his RAE5 title (Rally Advanced Excellent - 5th time) and Timer finished his first RAE.