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**The August meeting will be Wednesday,
August 28th at 7:00 pm, via Zoom.**

New Newsletter Editor and Email Blaster

Peter Gortner is taking over these tasks. His first issue will be the September Golden West. All information should be sent to him at:

pckmgortner2@hotmail.com

All requests for emails to be sent to the membership should also be sent to him, effective immediately. Please add his email to your address book.

Thank you, Peter!

Rescue #4: Roxie's Rescue Success!

Roxie, a Golden Retriever in urgent need of rehoming, found her forever home thanks to your support. Hailing from the Eastside of Washington, Roxie faced a challenging situation due to behavioral issues with her family's elderly small dog. To prevent the heartbreaking outcome of euthanasia, they turned to us for help. We're delighted to report that Roxie has found her perfect match! She's now living happily as an only dog with a loving family. Roxie is described as an absolute sweetheart, and we couldn't be happier with her new life. Stories like Roxie's remind us of the incredible impact we can make together. Thank you for your continued support!

If you find or hear of a Golden in immediate need please reach out.

Thank you!

Rachelle Mahoney, agoldensecondchance@gmail.com, 605-906-1991

A THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you so very much for EGRC's \$450 donation to the Golden Retriever Foundation Shine-On Project. This was a wonderful surprise this morning as I was doing by treasurer duties, which I am certain you can appreciate. Please extend my deepest thanks to all of the EGRC's members. The Foundation has supported multiple cancer studies with Morris Animal Foundation and AKC's Canine Health Foundation because we need to rid our blessed breed from this insidious disease. In our last fiscal year, (July 2023 - June 2024), we provided \$728,959 to these organizations for research in all areas that impact our breed. This generous gift will make a difference!

Thank you,

Linda





Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday July 24, 2024
Place: Via Zoom Conference Call

I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Nancy Light, President.

Present: Nancy Light, Marian Tillman, Kelli Armstrong, Peter Gortner, Amy Rosling, Susan Bell, Gene Daspit, Mavoureen Daspit, Deb Pampiks, Frank Pampiks, Dana Fare, Mike Lovlie, Lynn Anderson, Ron Colyer, Trish Hughes, Lisa Witte, Shari Phillips, Kathy Fisk, Debbi Seames, Sandy Scudder, Claudia Shaw, Pat Lindquist, Xavier Baines, Marj Deupree, Sharmin Dominke.

Guest: Matthew Palmer

II. Approval of Minutes:

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

III. Report of the President:

- Welcome members and guests.
- We have one person to vote on for membership tonight, Matthew Palmer.
- Thank you to Shari Phillips and her team for a highly successful Specialty.
- Also a big thank you to those who helped with the massive task of purchasing the trailer, moving the property from Run Wild storage to the trailer, outfitting the trailer with shelving, transporting it to the Colyer's and finally transporting it to our Specialty.
- Also many thanks to the members who supported our Hunt Test in June.

IV. Report of the Board (Nancy)

- The Board appointed the Nominating Committee.

V. Report of Corresponding Secretary (Susan)

- AKC has published CDC update as follows:
- Yesterday (July 22, 2024), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) provided an update to related to new CDC requirements effective August 1 for importing or traveling into the United States with a dog older than 6 months of age.
- The revisions to the rule no longer require an additional rabies vaccination form certified by a USDA-accredited veterinarian or an official government veterinarian in the exporting country. Instead, for dogs entering the U.S. from low-risk or dog-maintained rabies virus variant (DMRVV)-free countries like Canada, the revised rule simplifies entry by requiring one form—the CDC Dog Import Form—that does not have to be endorsed by a veterinarian. This form requires the dog's microchip number, a picture, and an attestation that the dog has not been in a high-risk country in the past six months.
- Additionally, instead of making travelers update this form for every entry, it will now be valid for six months. However, CDC will continue to require all dogs entering the U.S. to be at least six-months old and be microchipped.

As [stated in the update](#):

"To provide greater flexibility to the requirements for dogs coming from dog rabies-free or low-risk countries, when the rule goes into effect on August 1, 2024..., dogs that have spent the prior six months only in dog rabies-free or low-risk rabies countries will be able to enter the United States with a CDC Import Form online submission receipt as acceptable documentation. This form can be filled out the day of travel and the receipt can be shown to airlines and border officials as a printed copy or by phone. The receipt will be good for travel into the U.S. for six

months from the date of issuance, including multiple entries.

All dogs entering the United States must have a microchip and be over six months of age.”

The online CDC Dog Import Form, and other information regarding bringing dogs into the United States from low-risk countries [may be found on the CDC website](#).

*AKC continues to be concerned with the disproportionate impacts the new rule will have on low-risk importations for dogs between 4 and 6 months of age. **We urge you to send respectful comments to CDC and your members of Congress regarding this issue.** [Read AKC's previous alert](#) for talking points and more information on how to contact them regarding this issue.*

VI. Report of Treasurer (Kelli)

- Bank balances for checking, savings and PayPal were reported.
- Checks were sent to the six organizations approved by the membership for donations.

VII. Report of Committees:

Events:

1. Agility (Nancy) August 30-31 September 1, 2024 –
 - Details of accommodation for the judges are being finalized.
 - Need help with hospitality (food for the judges and snacks available for helpers).
2. Specialty (Shari) June 29, 30 2024
 - Thank you everyone who volunteered. Specialty was a great success.
 - Results were positive – the unofficial tally is that we made \$5,552.00.
 - Logo wear is available for order – check the GW for details on how to order.
 - Fleece vest can also be ordered.
 - Deadline August 15th.
 - You can also order directly from the manufacturer. Info in the GW.
3. Specialty (Maryke) 2025 -
4. Judges Selection Committee (Trish) Trish will coordinate with Maryke on the judges for the 2025 Specialty
5. Hunt Test (Nancy/Susan) June 22-23, 2024
 - We did have a loss of a few hundred dollars. One factor was a lower-than-expected entry due to competition from the Master Amateur; competing with the HRC test in Oregon (who changed their date so it did not conflict with Master Amateur), this should not happen next year; and some Tri-club expenses went to the Hunt Test.
 - We had a high participation by members which contributes to the support of field events.
6. Tracking (TD/TDX) No report
7. WC/WCX (Susan & Nancy) 2024
 - Application sent to GRCA and accepted.
 - Thank you, Peter for making the entry form “fillable.”
 - We will be offering on-line entries using PayPal for payment while the entry form can be printed out and mailed in. This will make it easier for Susan to create the catalog.

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- Lisa Witte, as hospitality chair, will certainly have some delightful edibles.
8. Holiday Party – no report
 9. Health Clinic – nothing planned by the Club. Several members are offering private clinics at their property.
 10. CCA (Caroline) – So far nothing is planned.

FINANCES:

1. Budget Committee (Susan/Kelli/Rachelle/Trish) –no report.
2. Donations Committee (Sandy, Stacia, Kathy) – reported under Treasurer’s report.

CLUB AFFAIRS:

1. Membership (Marian) 69 members (40 voting/29 non-voting) election tonight for one new member.
2. Golden West (Nancy) Deadline August 16, Publishing around August 22.
 - Marj will not be renewing her membership for 2025. She will continue in her role (website and GW) for the rest of this year.
 - We need to find someone to take over these duties. Marj will certainly assist the new editor and web manager in the transition. Please let Nancy know of you are interested in taking on this position.
3. Website – no report
4. Puppy referral (Claudia) no report
5. Rescue (Alice/Rachelle) –
6. Meetings:
 - Board Meeting August 12, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - General Membership Meeting August 28, 7 p.m. via Zoom
7. Awards (Pat) – no report
8. Awards Banquet (Nancy) no report
9. Property (Deb) no report
10. GR News Column (Rachelle) –
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12. Sunshine Committee - no report
13. Social Media (Marj, Kathy, Marian, Kelli, Kerry) – Posted on our Facebook page, two dogs north of Portland needing foster.
14. Nominating Committee – the Board appointed Trish Hughes, Ron Colyer and Lisa Witte to the committee. They advised that Ron is the Chair.
15. Election of new Member Matthew Palmer.

MOTION: To elect Matthew Palmer to membership in EGRC. **APPROVED**

VIII. Unfinished Business – none

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IX. New Business – –

1. The National Specialty is asking for a donation to the event in Maine. It was agreed that Deb and Claudia would prepare a raffle basket with local items and Pat Lindquist would take it to the Specialty. The club will reimburse Deb and Claudia for the items, not to exceed \$100.
2. Discussed placing an ad in the catalog for the National. August 7th is the due date to get our ad in. Our ad last year was okay except for the background colors. There are several members who have the artistic ability to create an ad and Mike Lovely will reach out to Kerri Miller and Amy Rosling will check with her daughter. Any design will be presented to the board prior to August 7th.

MOTION: To approve spending up to \$150 to place an EGRC ad in the 2024 National catalog. APPROVED.

3. Shari mentioned that one of the donated items for our Specialty did not sell. It is an agility trophy of a dog jumping through a tire. Nothing was decided as to what to do with it (such as donate to GRCA; use it at our Agility trials; or something else). Nothing was decided.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marian Tillman, Recording Secretary





Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Place: via Zoom
Date: Monday August 12, 2024

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Nancy Light, President.
Present: Nancy, Marian, Kelli, Pat, Peter, Alice, Amy.
Guest: Trish Hughes
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**
Motion was made to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2024 Board meeting which were published in the July GW. **APPROVED.**
- III. **Report of the President – discussion for tonight:**
 - Trish Hughes was invited to the Board meeting to discuss challenges they were having due to issues with communication among the committee and by current Board members not wanting to retain their current positions. We will address as first committee report.
 - Vacancy that will be left by Marj for Website and Golden West to be discussed under New Business.
- IV. **Report of Corresponding Secretary** (Susan) no report
- V. **Report of Treasurer** (Kelli) – Bank balances for checking and savings were reported.
 - Still waiting for financials from Shari on the Specialty.
 - Does not recommend using profits from sale of logo-wear to be included with the Specialty report.
- VI. **Report of Committees:**

Nominating Committee: Due to some communication issues, Trish and Ron agreed that Trish would take over as committee chair. Trish and the Board discussed ideas about how to handle impending changes. The slate needs to be reported to the Board by the September 9th Board meeting.

- The current board members advised Trish of who is staying on and who is leaving their position.
- With that information, the committee will proceed to contact membership to find volunteers to fill the open position(s).

Events:

1. Agility (Nancy) August 30-31, September 1, 2024 –
 - Entries close on Friday August 16.
 - A reminder notice was put on our FB page by Kathy for people to enter.
 - Since Lisa Witte will be away, Susan has volunteered to do hospitality for the judges and a few light snacks for exhibitors.
 - Will settle other details with Lori after entries close.
2. Specialty (Nancy) June 29-30, 2024 – Financial report still needed. Nancy will check with Shari as to the status of the report.

3. Specialty June 28, 29 2025 (Alice) –
 - Maryke has some questions that she will discuss with Shari while at Enumclaw. (i.e. themes, payment methods, etc.)
4. Judges Selection Committee (Amy) Trish reported:
 - We have signed contracts for 2025 judges Pluis Davern, Kathleen Carter and Ann Greenbank for Sweeps. The only judge who has not yet returned a signed contract is Laurie Jordan-Fenner for Sweeps. Spoke with Hach. If he does not hear back from her by the end of this week, he will move on to the next judge on the list.
 - Once everyone is back from Enumclaw, Trish will send out an email to members for nominations of judges for the 2026 Specialty.
5. Hunt Test (Nancy/Susan) June 22-23, 2024
 - Nancy and Kelli will talk this weekend about some remaining discrepancies in the figures for the Hunt Test financial report. The owner of the grounds does not send out an invoice, but we should be able to get an email from him for the grounds, porta potties and dumpster. Should have final report by next Board meeting.
6. Tracking (TD/TDX) no report
7. WC/WCX (Nancy) October 13, 2024 (Nancy) –
 - Application to GRCA has been sent and approved.
 - Updated regulations and guidelines have been sent to the judges.
 - Premium list and entry forms are ready. Will be available after Shari closes options for logo-wear.
 - Online entries and payment will be accepted, in addition to the usual paper/check entries.
 - Discussed payment methods (check, PayPal) and agreed we would not charge a fee to those paying by PayPal and just absorb the cost for our own convenience. Exhibitors will send their online entries to Kelli, who will invoice the exhibitor, accept payment, and send entry information and AKC registration to Susan, who is the Test Secretary.
 - Shari will bring the card reader to the WC/WCX so people can enter day-of with a credit card.
8. Holiday Party December 2024 – Marian will check with Deb and Frank if they are going to host this year and get a date.
9. Health Clinic –nothing planned by the Club. Alice has an eye clinic on Sept. 15th.

FINANCES:

1. Budget Committee (Susan/Kelli) no report
2. Donations Committee (Susan) no report

CLUB AFFAIRS:

1. Membership (Marian) 70 members (41 voting/ 29 non-voting).
2. Golden West (Nancy) Deadline August 16. Publishing around August 22.

3. Website – (Marian) – no report
4. Puppy referral (Amy) - no report
5. Rescue (Alice)
 - The two older dogs that Rachelle was trying to place have been placed.
 - A \$50 donation has been sent to Rachelle by a member to help with her rescue expenses. Alice is planning to call members regarding donating to Rachelle's rescue.
6. Meetings:
 - General Membership Meeting August 28. 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - Board Meeting September 9, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - General Membership Meeting, September 25, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
7. Awards (Pat) – Pat will review the rules that might require clarification.
8. Awards Banquet (Marian) No report
9. Property (Nancy) The trailer registration and title had the wrong address (Shari's instead of Ron's). Correct information was sent to insurance broker and Dept. of Licensing.
10. CCA (Nancy) – No one has come forward yet. Will put another notice in the GW and announce at the next membership meeting.
11. Sunshine Committee (Nancy) card sent to Trish on the loss of her dog Raspberry.
12. Social media (Kelli)- no report
13. GRCA Delegate (Amy) – no report.
14. GRCA News Columnist (Alice) – The March-April issue is late. Rachelle has several columns waiting to be published.

VII. Unfinished Business – none

VIII. New Business – Website & Golden West

- Peter has offered to step into the Website and GW position that is being vacated by Marj. He will be in touch with Marj to get up to speed and with Alice for access to Network Solutions.

MOTION: To appoint Peter Gortner as Newsletter Editor and Website Manager beginning at the end of the year. **APPROVED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Tillman,
Recording Secretary

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Donation Comm.	Stacia White	360-629-6567
	Sandy Scudder Kathy Fisk	
Rescue Committee	Rachelle Mahoney	

Special Events

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

The Objectives of the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club

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

General Information

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

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

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

