



The Golden West

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**The March meeting will be Wednesday,
March 26th at 7:00 pm, via Zoom.**

Temporary Newsletter Editor and Email Blaster

Marj Deupree will be the Newsletter Editor on a temporary basis.

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



SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 28-29, 2025
SKAGIT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
501 TAYLOR ST, MT VERNON, WA

JUDGES

SATURDAY

CONFORMATION, JRS, 4-6 MO...
 MS. PLUIS DAVERN
 SWEEPSTAKES... BETSY STROHL

SUNDAY

CONFORMATION, JRS, 4-6 MO....
 MS. KATHLEEN CARTER
 SWEEPSTAKES... MARTIN
 GLOVER

EGRC SUPPORTS THE ENTRY OF GOLDENS
 IN PSESSA'S ALL BREED OBEDIENCE AND
 RALLY TRIAL ON THE SAME SITE

PREMIUM LISTS WILL BE AT
 SUPERINTENDENT
DOGZIBIT



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JOIN US FOR FUN ACTIVITIES ALL WEEKEND!

- ✓ Best of the Best Competition for Breed, Bred By, Puppy, Junior and Veteran with ESS winners
- ✓ Canine Good Citizen, Trick Dog Novice & Intermediate, Fetch Novice & Intermediates
- ✓ Premium Ringside grooming with adjacent parking
- ✓ RV with Power and water and Bathroom/Shower on site
- ✓ Fundraising drawings
- ✓ Armband Drawings for those entered in all venues
- ✓ Saturday evening Social BBQ (Ticket info in Premium list)

Check out PSESSA's Logo Store!
 All proceeds support fun events
 for the weekend!

[Zazzle Store](#)



SAVE THE DATE: June 28-29, 2025

EGRC is teaming up with Puget Sound English Springer Spaniel Association to create a memorable 🔥 Camp Out weekend 🔥 in Mt Vernon! Featuring many fun activities to highlight all the fun we can have with our dogs!

Our amazing logos were created by Sophia LeBel of Hound and Hare Designs. The design is worthy of some great merch, so PSESSA has added 🔥 Camp Out 2025 collections 🔥 to their Zazzle Store so you can prepare for summer! Right now there is 15%-30% off many items and all versions of the logo are available.

🎯🌲 Proceeds from the logo store go to the fun activities that make a Camp Out memorable: Food, Games and Memories!

https://www.zazzle.com/store/psessa_event_merch/collections

Premium list will be available on the Superintendent page DogZiBit.

Trophy Sponsorship slots are still open! Please contact Heather Downing if you would like to sponsor an award or class. **Downing234@outlook.com**

There are a few volunteer positions open, including Fundraising Drawing and/or Silent Auction, Grounds (for someone staying on site), and help with Hospitality needs. Contact Maryke if you would like to volunteer (or have any donations for the Drawing and/or Silent Auction)

We will be voting on a new member applicant

Morgan Sigler

From Yakima

Sponsors: Lynn Anderson & Kerry Miller

"As we all live and breathe Gold, I enjoy going to conformation shows the most. I have helped a little with health clinics and would love to help more where I can. I'm relatively new to the show/breeding side of things but am already "about to be" on my 3rd finished Golden!"





Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday February 26, 2025
Place: Via Zoom Conference Call

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Amy Rosling, President.

Present: Lynn Anderson, Kelli Armstrong, Ron Colyer, Gene Daspit, Mavourneen Daspit, Kathy Daspit, Sharmin Dominke, Dana Fare, Carol Hachtel, Hach Hachtel, Maryke Haynes, Trish Hughes, Jennifer Kisker, Nancy Light, Pat Lindquist, Suzy Miller, Matthew Palmer, Deb Pampiks, Frank Pampiks, Shari Phillips, Amy Rosling, Claudia Shaw, Jonathon Stone, Renee Stone, Marian Tillman, Stacia White, Lisa Witte.

Guests: Bex Lazok (guest speaker), Morgan Siegler

- II. **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the January 2025 GM meeting which were published in the February 2025 GW. **APPROVED.**

- III. **Report of the President:**

- Welcome members and guest(s)
- Upcoming changes – Peter has resigned from the board and we will be seeking his replacement on the board as well as taking over the GW and our website. Please notify Amy if you have any interest. Marj Deupree has agreed to temporarily pick up the GW and website until we find a replacement (as well as train whoever takes over).

- IV. **Report of the Board** (Amy) no report

- V. **Report of Corresponding Secretary** (Sharmin)

- No report

- VI. **Report of Treasurer** (Kelli) –

- Bank balances were reported as well as disbursements made.
- Suggested we look to combine our insurance into one carrier and wait until the fall when it gets closer to renewal time.

- VII. **Report of Committees:**

Events:

1. Agility Nancy (*liaison and chair*) August 29-31, 2025
 - No further updates to the report that can be found in the February 10th Board minutes.
2. Specialty Amy (*liaison*) Maryke (*chair*) June 28-29, 2025
 - Budget has been submitted to the Board
 - Fetch has been approved by AKC
 - Lynn has done a lot of work on trophies
 - Goal is to raise \$3200 for trophies (already have secured over \$2,000).
 - Paypal invoices will go out March 1st.
 - Our logo is ready
 - Working together with Springers has offset many costs that we share
 - The food for the judges will be provided by "She's Got Bowls"
 - Still need help for:

- Grounds
 - Fund raising (obtaining silent auction items and Raffle)
 - Setting up on the day of
 - Coordinating the BBQ with Double Barrel BBQ
- Pls contact Maryke if you can help.
- 3. Judges Selection Committee - Sharmin (*liaison*) Trish (*chair*)
 - Hach secured judges for 2026 – names will be forthcoming.
- 4. Hunt Test – Nancy (*liaison and chair*) June 21-22, 2025
 - Will have the budget at the March Board meeting
 - Because Peter is stepping down, we will have to find another way to pick up the birds. If anyone is willing to pick them up, let Nancy know. Otherwise, we will have to pay the supplier to bring them up here.
 - Need volunteers for several areas (gunners, working stations, need a committee of 5)
- 5. Tracking (TD/TDX) No liaison and no chair.
- 6. WC/WCX (Nancy) September 6, 2025
 - Flat coats are responsible for 2025.
 - Ron Colyer is the liaison for the Flat coats.
 - EGRC responsible for 2026.
- 7. Holiday Party – Marian (*liaison*) Deb (*chair*) – too early to schedule for Dec.
- 8. Health Clinic – no liaison, no chair
- 9. CCA – Amy (*liaison*) Kerry (*chair*)
 - Date has been set for April 13, 2025 at Sharol Colvin's.

FINANCES:

1. Audit/Budget Committee – Kelli (*liaison and chair*)
 - Looking for two members to join Kelli on this committee. Please contact Kelli or Amy if anyone is interested.
2. Donations Committee – Dana (*liaison and chair*)
 - The Board will appoint the committee members in April.

CLUB AFFAIRS:

1. Membership – Marian (*liaison and chair*) 71 members 55 paid 16 still not paid; 1 said not renewing. March 1st is the deadline before membership lapses. Notices have been sent to those who have not yet renewed.
2. Golden West (Marj) Deadline March 12th, Publishing around March 17th.
3. Website – no report
4. Puppy – Sharmin (*liaison*) Claudia (*chair*) - no report
5. Rescue (Alice/Rachelle) – no report

6. Meetings:
 - Board Meeting March 10th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - General Membership Meeting March 26th, 7 p.m.
7. Awards Pat (*liaison and chair*) – no report
8. Awards Banquet Pat (*liaison and chair*) –
 - Date set for Saturday April 19, 2025 from 4-8 p.m. at the home of Deb and Frank Pampiks. The usual potluck.
 - Requested nominations for member of the year. Send your nomination along with a paragraph of why you are nominating the person to either Sharmin or Amy.
 - Previous recipients:
 - Nancy Light
 - Sheila Colyer
 - Linda Johnson
 - Lynn Anderson
 - Marian Tillman
 - Hach & Carol Hatchtel
9. Property (Deb) no report
10. GR News Column Pat (*liaison*) Rachelle (*chair*) – no report
11. Sunshine Committee – Nancy (*liaison*) Suzy (*chair*) reminded everyone to send Suzy names of any members who need a card of “sunshine.”
12. Social media – Kelli (*liaison and chair*) – no report
13. Nominating Committee – Amy (*liaison*) TBD (*chair*)
14. Election of New members -
 - Briana Nolesco was voted into membership.

VIII. Unfinished Business – none

IX. New Business –

- **MOTION:** To approve payment to Doug Billman in the sum of \$347.10 for 23 wooden pens to be used as trophies at our 2025 Specialty. **APPROVED.**
- Discussion regarding the Club offering “Scent work”/“Nose work” as a workshop for membership to learn more about it and eventually offer it as a trial.
 - AKC vs. NACSW (National Association of Canine Scent Work) are different and it was suggested by Jennifer that it’s best to decide on one or the other if you decide to get your dog involved in the sport.
 - The Board will continue the discussion at their next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marian Tillman, Recording Secretary



Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Place: via Zoom
Date: Monday March 10, 2025

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Amy Rosling, President.
Present: Amy Rosling, Marian Tillman, Dana Fare, Kelli Armstrong, Pat Lindquist, Nancy Light, Sharmin Dominke.
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**
Motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2025 Board meeting which were published in the February GW. **APPROVED.**
- III. **Report of the President**
 - Tonight, under New Business we will cover several topics.
- IV. **Report of Corresponding Secretary (Sharmin)**
 - AKC/GRCA/OTHERS – no updates
- V. **Report of Treasurer (Kelli)**
 - Bank balances for checking and savings were reported.
 - Suggested we try to bundle our insurance coverage with one carrier. Best time to do this would be in August.
- VI. **Report of Committees:**
Events:
 1. Agility Nancy (liaison and Chair) August 29-31, 2025
 - Will have the budget to the Board by April or May.
 2. Specialty June 28, 29 2025 Amy (liaison) Maryke (Chair)
 - Budget was submitted and reviewed by the Board.
 - See dedication under “New Business.”
 - Discussed allowing dogs/bitches up to 24 months of age into conformation Sweeps by submitting a special request to AKC.
 - The decision was to keep it at 18 months.

MOTION: To approve the 2025 Specialty Budget as submitted. **APPROVED**
MOTION: To keep Sweeps entries age restriction to 6-18 months. **APPROVED**
 3. Judges Selection Committee Sharmin (liaison) Trish (Chair)
 - Amy will contact Hach for the signed contracts for the 2025 Specialty.
 - The JSC will be responsible for contacting the judges for the 2026 Specialty and securing the contracts.
 - All contact in the future to selected judges will be conducted by members of the JSC only.

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4. Hunt Test Nancy (liaison and Chair) June 21-22, 2025
 - Budget was submitted and reviewed by the Board.
 - Transportation is higher than normal since we need to pay for delivery of the birds as we don't have anyone to pick up the birds.
 - May have to adjust the figures until we know how much ammo we need.
 - Susan will meet with Peter to get the ammo and gas cannisters.
 - Ron Colyer will euthanize the birds.
 - Judges, property, bird order, hospitality are all in place. We could use help for working gun stations and marshals.
 - See dedication under "new business."

MOTION: To approve the Hunt Test budget as presented. **APPROVED**

5. Tracking – no liaison; no Chair – no report
6. WC/WCX Nancy (liaison) TBD (chair) Sept. 6, 2025
 - Flat Coats are responsible for 2025. Ron Colyer is the contact person for the NW Flat Coated Retriever Club.
 - EGRC will cover again in 2026
 - Location: Cascade Retriever Training Grounds (Colin's place)
7. CCA – Amy (liaison) Kerry (Chair) -
 - The budget was presented to the Board. There were some questions by the board.
 - Due to some issues with the budget, the timing of the event, the confusion about the judges, and the short amount of time in publicizing the event in the GW to our membership, the decision was made to postpone the event to later in the summer.
 - Amy will speak with Kerry regarding next steps and canceling the event date with the GRCA.
8. Holiday Party December 2025 Marian (liaison) Deb (Chair) – no report
9. Health Clinic – no liaison or chair

FINANCES:

1. Audit/Budget Committee Kelli (liaison and Chair)
 - Currently we have Sheila and Sharmin on the committee along with Kelli. Sharmin will attempt to recruit a third (non-board) member for the committee.
2. Donations Committee Dana (liaison) TBD (chair)
 - At the April Board meeting committee members will be appointed.

CLUB AFFAIRS:

2. Membership - Marian (liaison and Chair)
 - 61 members. 10 members did not renew and were deleted from the Roster.
 - Marian will double check all renewals from "voting" members to be sure they have met their 2024 requirement of attending two (2) regular meetings and providing one (1) service to the club.
 - Membership will vote on one prospective member: Morgan Sigler.

3. Programs – Dana (liaison and Chair) – no response from members for suggestions. Dana will send out a Survey Monkey for suggestions/ideas of what members are interested in and if they have any contacts.
4. Golden West – Marj Deupree has agreed to take over the GW until another member steps up. Submit articles by March 17th. Publishing March 21st.
 - Sharmin has volunteered to take over GW and will work with Marj for the transition.**MOTION:** to appoint Sharmin Dominke as Golden West editor. **APPROVED.**
5. Website - Marj has also agreed to temporarily cover the Website until a replacement is found.
 - Kathy Fisk expressed an interest in taking over the website. Amy will speak with her for a definite decision.
 - There was discussion about moving away from OneDrive, where our current documents are stored, to a "Members Only" secure page on our website where these documents can reside so everyone can view them at any time.
 - Network Solutions currently hosts our website.
 - We need to find out if they can create a secure Members Only section.
 - Also need to find out who Network Solutions has listed from EGRC as the person with whom they will speak.
 - We will continue to pursue this issue and bring back any information to the next board meeting.
6. Puppy referral - Sharmin (liaison) Claudia (Chair) no report
7. Rescue- Pat (liaison) Rachelle (Chair) – no report
8. Meetings:
 - General Membership meeting March 26th 7 p.m. via Zoom.
 - Board Meeting – April 14th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - Awards Banquet April 19th @ the Pampiks' 4-8 p.m.
 - General Membership meeting April 23rd, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
9. Awards -Pat (liaison and Chair)
 - At the engravers.
10. Awards Banquet (Pat) @ Deb & Frank Pampiks
 - April 19th 4-8 p.m.
 - Need to get info into the GW – will be a pot-luck
11. Property -Nancy (liaison) TBD (Chair)
 - When Susan meets with Peter regarding Hunt Test items, she will get the Title to the Trailer from him. Marian said she would be willing to keep the title in her safe.
 - Since the trailer is on Ron and Sheila's property, it was suggested that either of them could be the chair for Property. Amy will contact them to see if they are willing to Chair.**MOTION:** To appoint Ron & Sheila Colyer as Property Chair, pending their agreement.
APPROVED
12. Sunshine Committee – Nancy (liaison) Suzy (Chair) – no report

13. Social media – Kelli (liaison and Chair) – Kathy Fisk doing a great job with our FB page.
We need someone to manage our Instagram account.

14. GRCA News Column – Pat (liaison) Rachelle (Chair)
- Columns have been written – waiting for publication.

15. Nominating Committee – Amy (liaison) TBD (Chair)
- Committee to be appointed at our July Board meeting.
 - We will need a Treasurer.

VII. Unfinished Business –

- **Member of the year nominations – concluded.**

VIII. New Business –

- **Filling Vice President position**
 - After reviewing the submissions by membership, the Board selected Trish Hughes as VP.

MOTION: To appoint Trish Hughes to fill the vacant Vice President position.
APPROVED.

- **Signers on our bank accounts**
 - Since Peter Gortner is no longer on the Board, he needs to be removed as a signer on our accounts.

MOTION: To update the signers on our Money Market and Checking Accounts held at U.S. Bank to be Kelli Armstrong and Nancy Light and to remove Peter Gortner. **APPROVED.**

- **Dedications –**

MOTION: To dedicate the CCA and 1 day of the Specialty in memory of Rich Anton as well as dedicating 1 day of the Specialty and the Hunt Test in memory of Monica Miller. **APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Tillman,
Recording Secretary

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	Trish Hughes	
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	Trish Hughes	
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Special Events

2025 Agility	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2025 Hunt Test	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2025 Specialty	Maryke Haynes	206-351-3095
2024 Awards	Pat Lindquist	253-888-9733
2024 Holiday Party	Deb, Frank Pampiks	425-881-0867
WC/WCX	Susan Bell	425-318-9754
	Nancy Light	425-354-3609

The Objectives of the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- To conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows, field events, obedience trials and tracking under the rules of AKC and
- 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.

