



## GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF ILLINOIS Golden Moments Newsletter

August 2018

### GRCI News & Updates

Welcome to GRCI Golden Moments! This version is mobile device friendly! We hope that it will be even more convenient for member communication. While we try our best to get everything updated, if you notice something that could be better or a link that isn't working, please give us your feedback.

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### Message from GRCI's President

Hello GRCI Members!

Summer is in full swing, and we have accomplished a TON as a club this past month. In early June we had our annual Conformation, Obedience & Rally events as part of the Grayslake cluster. This is no small undertaking as all events were put on with other clubs and in two locations. A huge thanks to Nolan Ryan (chairperson), Jan Williams, Nancy Pederson, Jane Coen, Pat Covek and Mark Rusley (steward) for a job very well done. A special thanks to Nolan for working to get our events as part of the larger cluster which saved us money and effort by combining forces.



In another location, and a different building all together, we had our performance events. For the first time we had two rally and two obedience trials in one day, which worked out perfectly. For the first time in a long time we should break even on this event. Another huge thanks to Murray Mitchneck (Obedience chairperson), Deb Domick (Rally chairperson), Cheri Mitchneck and again Jan, Nancy and Jane for

all their efforts to pull this off. In both locations, I heard great comments from both judges and competitors. Believe me - if they were not happy we would have heard about it, but instead we got a lot of great compliments. Thanks to all also who volunteered as stewards at the Obedience & Rally trials. None of these events can be done without a lot of help!

Upcoming events are our July Agility trial, and then our picnic and awards event in August. Have you sent in your form to join us at the picnic on August 12? This year in addition to games, you can also go through AKC Canine Good Citizen testing and walk away with a potential new title! Food, socializing and a new title - it must be a dog event! Please join in the fun!

On September 23rd we will be hosting a Grooming and Handling seminar! We've been trying to come up with a date for months, but finally it is all coming together. It will be a working seminar and we will review the basics of grooming a Golden as well as how to handle a dog in the show ring. The seminar will be taught by the mother-daughter team of Deb Oster and Kristi Falkenthal. Both of whom have many, many years of experience in grooming and handling. This should be a very educational and fun day. Watch for the flyer to come out shortly. GRCI Members get a discount and will take priority for working spots.

I want to end on a bit of a serious note. Our club is a wonderful club but it is not a huge club. We put on a lot of events and pretty much break even with our budget. We could desperately use a bit more help in so many areas. Many of the board members not only are on the board they run multiple events. Chairpersons and committee members in cases have been doing the job for years. To be frank this concerns me. We are burning our core team out and what happens when they decide they have just given enough? So I ask you, can you help? If you have an interest in an event reach out to the chairperson. If you have no idea where to help and want to chat about it call me or any other board member! Thank you for thinking about it!

Donna Bihner. GRCI President  
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**GRCI Annual Picnic and Awards Ceremony**  
**Sunday, August 12, 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.**



## Golden Retriever Club of Illinois

### Picnic and Annual Awards Meeting

Sunday, August 12, 2018

Our Annual Picnic and Awards Meeting has been planned for all GRCI members, GOLDENS, and their families. You are invited to join us. Lunch will be served about 1:00 p.m., we will have a brief business meeting, and introduce our new board members. We will also have our annual awards presentation. Games for Golden Retrievers will follow.

**Date:** Sunday, August 12, 2018  
**Time:** 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Hawthorne's Backyard  
1200 Hawthorne Lane  
West Chicago, Illinois 60185-1816  
Hawthorne's Phone: 630-293-6700

### **RAIN or SHINE**

**Menu:** The "BBQ": Ribs, BBQ Chicken, BBQ Beef Brisket, Baked Beans, Corn Kernels, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls and Butter, Soda, Water, Ice Tea, Coffee, Cookies and Brownies

**Cost:** Members \$10.00      Guests \$20.00.

Send the reservation form below with your check to Cheri by AUGUST 4<sup>th</sup>.

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### RETURN RESERVATION FORM BY AUGUST 4<sup>th</sup>

Please mail this form with your check payable to GRCI to:  
Cheri Mitchneck, 39 E. Dahlia Lane, Round Lake Beach, IL 60073.  
Cheri's phone: 847-722-4287      email: agility12@aol.com

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# of Members @\$10.00 each \_\_\_\_\_ # of Guests@\$20.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed check payable to GRCI: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Worker compensation coupons can be used toward the picnic cost.)

## Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Test

Our very own GRCI member, Sandy Heimberg, will be the evaluator for the Canine Good Citizen Test at the GRCI Picnic.

- Sunday August 12th, 2018
- 12 Noon to 4pm
- Hawthorne's Backyard
- 1200 Hawthorne Lane, West Chicago

What is the Canine Good Citizen Program?

"The AKC Canine Good Citizen Program started in 1989 [and] is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The CGC program is a two part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10 step CGC Test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club."

<https://www.akc.org/products-services/training-programs/canine-good-citizen/what-is-canine-good-citizen/>

CGC is an official AKC title. Owners must submit the paperwork to AKC. (See "Cost.")

Cost:

1. No fee on the day of the test.
2. CGC as a Title: The processing fee is \$20. You will receive the CGC certificate, you may use the suffix "CGC" after the dog's name, and CGC will be added to the dog's title record. The dog must be registered or listed with AKC (an AKC number, PAL, or AKC Canine Partners)
3. CGC certificate only: The processing fee is \$10. CGC will not be added to the dog's title record.

More Information

Attached is some information about the program and the test information. Please let Michelle Kolb know if you are interested and plan on being evaluated so we have an idea of how many dogs will be tested. (We will try to accommodate all interested dog/handler teams but may have a limit depending on how much time we have at the restaurant.)

You can sign up formally at the Picnic.

Michelle Kolb  
Partyinthepaint1@sbcglobal.net

847/800-6124

## **GRCI's AKC Scent Work Trial**

GRCI'S FIRST AKC SCENTWORK TRIAL WILL  
BE HELD OCTOBER 27 AND OCTOBER 28,  
2018  
AT DASH K9 IN GENEVA!



Entries are currently being accepted - see premium  
for full details

2 Trials per day!!

Events:

10/27: Container and Exterior (Novice, Advanced, Excellent and Master)

10/28: Interior (Novice, Advanced, Excellent & Master)

Buried (Novice and Advanced only)

All Breeds Including All-American are Welcome

GRCI Member Workers Welcome Also!!

Please contact Helen Borosak at [hbgolden@comcast.net](mailto:hbgolden@comcast.net) or more information, or to volunteer,  
please contact volunteer coordinator, Cathy Williams at [cwilliams0727@gmail.com](mailto:cwilliams0727@gmail.com)

[AKC Scent Trial Premium](#)

## **Other Announcements**

The Lincolnwood Dog Training Club, Inc., will hold a Temperament Test  
on Saturday, September 22, 2018 in Glenview, Illinois. The test is open to all  
breeds of dog, one year or  
older. See file:///C:/Users/betty/AppData/Local/Temp/TEMPERAMENT%20TEST%2  
02018%20FORM.pdf for details.



## 2018 GSDCA TEMPERAMENT TEST

Sponsored by Lincolnwood Training Club, Inc. for German Shepherd Dogs  
**Saturday, September 22, 2018**, Check-in at 8:30 a.m., with testing commencing at 9:00 a.m., rain or shine. Entry Fee: \$25.00 per dog

Open to all breeds and mixes, including bitches in season • Dogs must be one year or older  
For a description of the test components, go to the German Shepherd Dog Club of America's website:  
<https://gsdca.org/events/temperament-testing>

**Location:** LTC Training Grounds, Corner of Dearlove Road and Central Street in Glenview, Illinois

LTC will have food and beverages on site for purchase throughout the day. A luncheon will be held after all testing is done where Jim York, the GSDCA evaluator, will be available to share insights and discuss test results.

Mail-in entries must be received by **September 15, 2018**. Entries will not be accepted without receipt of entry fee payment, completion of the following information, and signature under Agreement below. Entries will be accepted on the day of the test if 30-dog limit has not been reached.

Make checks payable to: Lincolnwood Training Club, Inc.  
Mail entries and payment to: Wendy Israel, 2411 Payne Street, Evanston, IL 60201-2512  
Questions: Call Wendy Israel at 847-431-1834

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name of Dog \_\_\_\_\_ Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
List Current Titles \_\_\_\_\_  
AKC Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_ ILP/PAL Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Foreign Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_  
Sire \_\_\_\_\_ Dam \_\_\_\_\_  
Actual Owner(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Handler if not Owner \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_

A confirmation email will be sent to you confirming receipt of payment and entry form.

**AGREEMENT:** I (we) certify that I (we) am (are) the actual owner(s) of the dog, or that I (we) am (are) the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I (we) have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the GSDCA and Lincolnwood Training Club, Inc. for German Shepherd Dogs in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in this application for this event, and further agree to be bound by this "Agreement." I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to people or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accord with them.

I (we) agree that the Club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for any cause that the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) agree to hold the GSDCA, the event giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary(s) and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employee or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any GSDCA approved evaluator(s) judging at this event, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any claim and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation, or lack thereof, in this event, however such, injuries, death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other persons. I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT(S) BETWEEN THE GSDCA, THE LINCOLNWOOD TRAINING CLUB, INC. AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION, ALL APPLICABLE GSDCA BY-LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE GSDCA AND BY-LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Temperament Test sponsored by the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. and Lincolnwood Training Club, Inc. for German Shepherd Dogs, the undersigned agrees that the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. and the above named Regional Club are not responsible for any injuries or damages suffered by persons or animals participating in the Temperament Test during, before, or after the actual test by acting as a spectator and/or participating in any capacity. I (we) waive any right of action against the GSDCA and will hold the GSDCA harmless if any action, or lack of action by my (our) dog(s) or by me (we) results against the sponsoring Club(s).

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

LTC Temperament Test - 9/22/18

**Wags and Brags**

Sandy Heimberg reports: My little gem Treasure earned her MACH at the GRCI Agility trial on July 28th and I am overjoyed!! Treasure is an incredible golden retriever who earned the ADHF accolade just six months ago and now the achievement of an agility champion at 5 years young!!! She is my first agility dog so these achievements are super special. I am enjoying every minute of our journey together and hope for many more years of fun!

My little MACH Star is not one of a million...she is one of one.

MACH Argo's Heavenscent Golden Treasure UD PCD OM1 BN GN MX MXB MXJ MJB NF T2B ADHF CCA



Sandy and MACH Treasure!

Kaye Dahlquist reports that she and Jayda went to Paw Power's AKC Scent Work Trials and finished 4 Novice titles - Containers, Buried, Exterior and Interior on June 24. She passed 14 out of 15 events and placed in all but one. Look at all that loot!!



Jayda with AKC Novice Scent Work ribbons and placements!

Cheri Mitchneck reports:

Misty is having a great summer! She earned her Rally Excellent title at GRCI'S Obedience & Rally trial on June 16, 2018 at the Libertyville Sports Center. Then on June 17, 2018 at the North Shore Dog Training Club's Obedience & Rally Trial she earned her first leg towards her RAE. On July 13, 2018 Misty earned her first leg towards Novice Standard Agility at WAGS Agility Trial finishing in Second Place! On July 28, 2018 at GRCI'S Agility trial at McCook Misty earned her Second leg towards Novice Standard Agility finishing in First Place! So proud of my hardworking little girl who overcame a lot of obstacles along the way on this journey.







Please share your Golden's accomplishments! Send an email summary and a photo to Cathy Williams at [cwilliams0727@gmail.com](mailto:cwilliams0727@gmail.com) to be included in the next Golden Moments!

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### **Shop GRCI Merchandise!**

Show your support of GRCI through logo apparel, hats and outerwear. Check out the website - choose any item and size you like! They are nice for GRCI event chairs and committees, or for your competitions.



### **Sunshine Notes**

Do you know someone in the hospital, sick or in need of some Sunshine in his or her life?

Call Laurie Stecker at 847-705-9172 or email at [Aylwyn1@aol.com](mailto:Aylwyn1@aol.com). She will arrange a cards or other forms of "sunshine" to brighten their day.

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