



## GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF ILLINOIS Golden Moments Newsletter

October 2019

### 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, Donna Bihner

Hello GRCI Members!

Happy Fall Everyone! Well, at least it is supposed to be fall, but the past few days have felt a bit more like summer. However, Fall is my favorite kind of weather so the longer it lasts is perfect in my book.



Fall has of course brought our newest activity - the Scent Work Trial. This is our second year hosting this activity, and again it was very successful. A big round of applause to Helen Borosak, Kaye Dahlquist, Jane Coen, Cathy Williams, Michelle Kolb, Laurie Stecker, and Deb Domick for all their hard work. Competitors and judges both sent back nice words of thanks, and competitors posted a lot of successful run pictures on FaceBook. This has been a fast growing sport, and a big thanks to Helen for suggesting we do a trial and then making it happen. Next year Kaye Dahlquist will lead the charge, YAY Kaye! Thanks everyone for a job well done!

At the August picnic a suggestion was made to try a membership meeting conducted via a conference call. We have looked into it, and we will give it a test run this month on October 21st. Hopefully a lot of you will take the opportunity to join in, as I know it can be hard to travel on a Monday night to a meeting location. To be honest, I do a lot of conference calls for my job, but not normally with a big crowd of people. This will be a learning experience for us all, and at the end we will decide if we want to more meetings on the phone. We won't do all of them that way but if we can mix it up a bit. I'm hoping this allows us to get more input from you, the members!

We are hearing a lot about the upcoming GRCA National in California. Hopefully a few of you can attend. I know our GRCI numbers will be down, as that is quite a journey, but it is always fun to attend. I'm thinking maybe next year in Florida, but more definitely the following year in Ohio. If you have never attended you should consider it.

Still lots of upcoming events for the year. Make sure you mark your calendars - especially for the Holiday Party!

#### Upcoming Events:

Agility Trial - Rush N Around Manhattan October 4 - 6  
October Membership Meeting October 21  
Agility Trial - Rush N Around Manhattan November 30 & December 1  
December Membership Meeting/Holiday Party December 2

Hope to see you there!

Donna Bihner  
GRCI President  
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### **GRCI Membership Meeting October 21, 7:00 P.M Via Conference call**



Membership Meeting  
via Conference Call!

October 21<sup>st</sup> 7PM



For more information, contact Kathy  
Bova (630) 215-8276

Details to be emailed  
just prior to the call



## *Tracking Anyone???*

We have not held a tracking test for two years. As tracking tests can be difficult to enter (lots of waiting lists) we'd like to hold one in the Fall of 2020....however we need a committee. And remember Goldens are accepted first in our test!

We have a secretary but need a chairperson,  
hospitality, and workers.

*Interested?* Contact Donna  
dbihner@gmail.com



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

The 2nd Annual GRCI AKC Scentwork trial which was held on September 14 and 15 was a success!

The judges, Amy Wukotich, Lori Waters and Dave Conroy did a great job and were all friendly and welcoming.

The volunteers, coordinated by Cathy Williams and Jane Coen, were awesome as usual and the trial ran very smoothly.

Thanks to all that participated!!

We're looking forward to next year's trial which will be in September 2020. Kaye Dahlquist will be taking over as the Chairperson.

It's been an honor, privilege and alot of fun working with GRCI members the past 2 years. Thank you all.

Helen Borosak



## Wags and Brags

Kaye Dahlquist had fun in the fields with Timer, who got her Tracking Dog title at the Rand Park Tracking Test. Good girl, Timer!



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!

**GRCI has a BRAND NEW online merchandise store! 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.**

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## 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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