



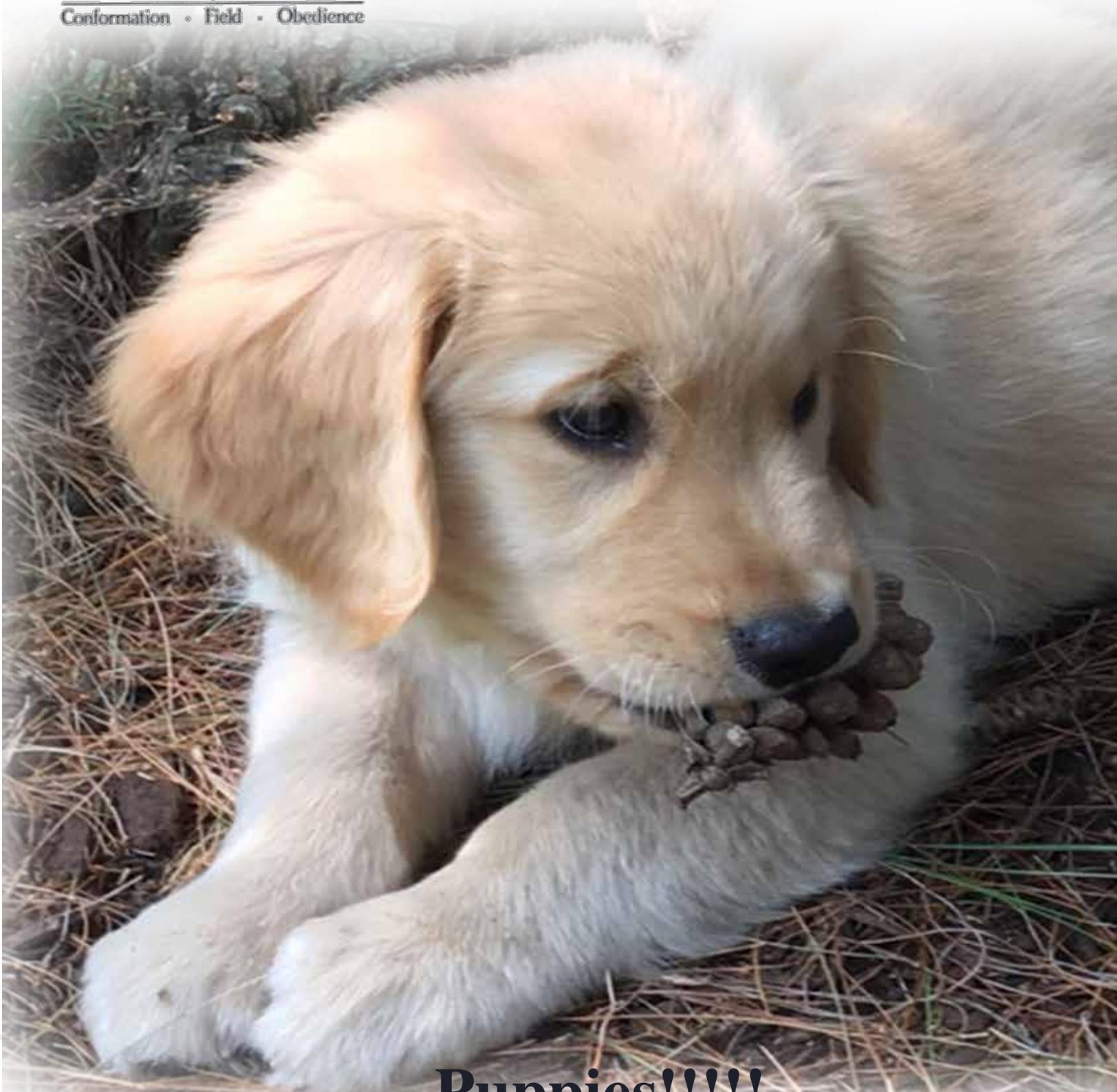
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Welcome New members!

Stephanie Podejko

ON THE COVER

**Our Cute Cover Boy this issue is
“Duffy” owned and loved by Carol Krehel**

Duffy is a Painting's and Storybook's puppy born on June 13, 2 017. Sire is Storybook's Sonny and Dam is Painting's Amber. Duffy loves the water, carrying almost anything in his mouth, balls, soft toys, treats, tunnels and his big brother Murphy and cat Sierra.

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Where to Send It ... For

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All members are encouraged to contribute and submit material.

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ALL brags, all material you'd like to see on our website (www.grccny.org)

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Calendar of Events

February

10 – Grooming seminar –

Storybook Wags & Whiskers
Contact Carol to reserve a spot

March

15 – General meeting 7 PM @ Storybook in Cicero

Speaker topic: Fleas, ticks and Lyme disease;
Activity topic: tracking

31 – Specialty – NYS Fairgrounds

April

7 - CU Vet School Open House with GRRNCY

Cornell Vet School 10AM - 4PM

10 – Golden Tales deadline

12 – Canine First Aid & CPR seminar –

Veterinary Medical Center
Contact Carol if you plan to attend

June

10 – Meeting and Golden Fun Day

(guests:GRRNCY) – Over Rover in Cato

July

10 – Golden Tales deadline

August

9 – General meeting - location TBA

September

13-General meeting and nominations

Nationals in St. Louis (September 30- Oct 11)

TBA – WC/WCX

October

10 – Golden Tales deadline

18 – General meeting and elections

TBA - Eye Clinic @ Village Vet

November

1- Deadline for Title applications and Award nominations

December

9 – Annual Awards dinner

& brief general meeting – Barbagallos 1:00

2018 Field Training schedule TBA



President's Message



Hello Golden friends,

Happy New Year to all! We are looking forward to an exciting year for GRCCNY.

As you receive this newsletter your Board has met for their annual meeting. One of the many things we do is establish a calendar which includes our meeting dates. If we have an active email account for you, you will receive reminders of our meetings. You can also go onto our website www.grccny.org at any time for dates and information.

Let's all make a resolution this year to get more involved in our club and for our Golden. Efforts are being made improve our newsletter and all of you are a key element. Please resolve in 2018 to contribute to the newsletter. You can write an article, share tips for our dogs and/or for competitions or activities and send in photos of your Golden who may just end up on the cover. We also need people to write articles for the Golden Retriever Club of America (GRCA). We do not want our club to be left out. Please also participate by attending meetings and activities and volunteer for committees, eye clinic, Fun Day, etc.

I appreciate the feedback from those of you who completed surveys. If you have not renewed your membership yet, please do so as soon as possible and before January 31st. We will updating the 2018 Member Directory. Use your cards and invite new members to join GRCCNY as well. We love new members and want to welcome many this year.

Remember our club is for everyone from Golden lovers to new owners and veterans and inexperienced to championship competitors and breeders. Some of the feedback from members who do not show or compete was concern about fitting in. Let's remember that it can be intimidating to new people who don't know what we are talking about at times and/or who simply want to be good, responsible owners to their family Golden. We welcome all and can all learn from each other. If you don't usually come to meetings, please come and give it a try. You will meet a lot of wonderful, friendly Golden people.

Our first general meeting of 2018 will be on March 15th. A grooming seminar with limited spaces is being offered February 10th and on April 12th, another seminar will be offered: canine first aid and CPR. As you are setting up your 2018 calendars please do not forget about GRCCNY meetings, our Fun Day in June, the Eye Clinic in October and our annual Awards Dinner in December. There is a lot to look forward to this year; you will not want to miss it.

Again, please resolve to make 2018 your year to participate and get involved. I look forward to meeting more of you and to an educational and successful year for our club and our Golden.

Best to all,
Carol & (Murphy and Duffy too)

2018 Election Results

All current officers and board members have agreed to serve for another year

EYE CLINIC REPORT

Our 2017 eye clinic was a great success. Dr. Tom Kerns examined a total of 82 dogs. This was the 29th annual clinic held by GRCCNY at Village Vet in Canastota. Our chair Patti Gambier did an incredible job and several members volunteered. Many thanks to all!!

Our next eye clinic will take place in October 2018. Stay tuned for more details.



Specialty

from Beth Greenfield

The GRC of Central New York will hold its annual Specialty on March 31, in conjunction with the Salt City Cluster. We are also supporting the entry in Obedience and Rally. Our conformation judge is Donna Ernst, long time Golden Retriever and Terrier breeder. Our sweepstakes judge is Susan Paulius from New Jersey. Sue exhibits her dogs in conformation, obedience, rally, agility and field. She is also a Spinoni Italiano enthusiast. For more information, please refer to Rau Dog Shows superintendent.

In the Ring by Carol Krehel

There are so many terms and abbreviations for newcomers to the dog world. So, to start what is the difference between a match, a trial and a show?

A match is a more informal event that is good for fun and/or practice. It is also great for education. Various classes are judged and ribbons are awarded but no points or credit toward titles are earned. One can usually enter a match on the same day.



Cameo's MACH.

A trial is more formal and an AKC trial has AKC judges. Exhibitors/participants enter ahead of time by completing an entry form in a premium from a sponsoring club or through the AKC (check under events at AKC.org.) Various classes, with specific elements are judged and competitors earn points depending upon their performance. When enough points are earned to receive a qualifying score, a "leg" is earned toward a title. Check akc.org for the various classes, titles and requirements. You can also view all of the abbreviations for the titles at the AKC website.

Finally, a show usually refers to conformation but is sometimes used interchangeably with matches and trials. GRCCNY has members who are lovers of Goldens, pets at home, Goldens who participate in various activities and competitors from beginning levels to champions. Your fellow members can provide you with multitudes of information.

Remember the most important thing is to have fun with your dog!

How I became a Golden Owner

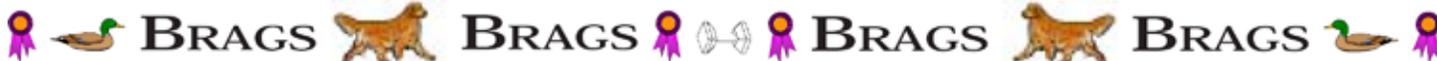
By Kelly Mueller

Life was great I just graduated from college and had a job. The bonus of the job was I received an apartment, but the icing on the cake I could have a dog. My parents had our Wire Fox and Welsh Terriers who were older and I didn't want to split the boys up. So I decided I was going to get my dream dog, no not a golden, but a beautiful Gordon Setter. Growing up family friends had a Setters they hunted with. I figured they could be a good pet. As always I was doing research to find my dream puppy. Meanwhile I worked at Guiding Eyes for the Blind with 80-100 retrievers.

At the end of the kennel were what we lovingly called the rejects (dogs who were not going to make guide dogs but wonderful pets) In this group was this 50 pound blonde, shy 18 month old Golden Retriever named Molly. Molly and her sister Misty were donated by a breeder in Connecticut. Why was a whole another story but they were from England according to the breeders daughter. Molly decided she was only going to listen to me or eat when I fed her and this was not going well with rest of the staff. This sweet girl was scheduled to be adopted by the school board member but he was not ready to take her yet.

A couple weeks go by and this little girl is growing on me. I ask my boss if I could try her out to see if we could live together. Ted (my boss) checked with the board member and he said he couldn't take a dog for six months, so I was given permission to take Molly into my home. After a week I knew we were to be a family. My boyfriend Joe (husband now) was coming to visit and said I better not have that dog at my apartment when he came to visit. I was not giving any dog up for a guy. Joe thought I had gotten a Lab and his Aunt always had labs that were not very smart. Well, on Sunday night when Joe was leaving he asked if Molly could go back to Syracuse with him. Of course I said no.

Molly was a dream dog and my first child. She was great at OB, making everyone fall in love with her, bringing flowers to my grandmother and picking her own apples off the tree. She was able to meet my first two children and lived until she was 13 years old. Thinking of her still brings tears to my eyes and a little laugh of seeing her in my varsity swim suit and goggles on Halloween in a child's parade. She has caused a place in my heart always for a golden. Love you High Ho Molly-O! Oh her reason to be rejected she loved squirrels too much and she would lie down in puddles with her harness on.



Waynewoods How Sweet It Is CCA BN received her Novice title and owned by Kelly Mueller

Waynewood's You've Got A Friend CCA BN passed his CGC and received two legs toward his RN and is owned by Kelly Mueller

Wilson received his Novice title and two legs toward his RN and is owned by Peggy Mooney

Special thanks to MAX 200 for the meeting door prize.



Meet the Breeder

1) *How long have you been breeding Golden Retrievers and what is your official kennel name?*

Our official kennel name is Storybook.

2) *Why did you decide to become a breeder?*

I became a breeder because Dave and I love the Golden Retriever breed. We knew we would want to raise strong quality dogs that could perform in conformation, performance, field, and all that they were bred to do. We were always looking for that puppy of good temperament, conformation correct, intelligent, healthy, and most of all our loving family pet. At the same time, we wanted to be able to provide puppies to good homes and to try to help eliminate the backyard breeder, puppy mills, pet stores, etc., which still is an ongoing battle. But, at least we knew we could help a few deserving people have a puppy they could love and a puppy that would love them back.



Janis and David Tyler

3) *How many litters have you bred and how often do you breed?*

We have had Golden Retrievers since 1989 and had our first litter in 1996. From then until the present we have had ten litters. We breed only occasionally.

4) *What qualities do you look for in the sire and dam?*

The qualities that we look in for sire and dam are first and foremost good health, good temperament, and we try our best to shoot for longevity. We also try and look at structure of the Sire and Dam and see how they may complement each other. Our idea of breeding is to try to breed to improve what we have at present. We also, try to review pedigrees and look at the contributing dogs that will be making up the new pedigree.

5) *Do you provide health certifications/clearances for the sire and dam to the owners?*

The health clearances that we provide at the present time for both Sire and Dam are hips, elbows, eyes, and heart.

6) *How many generations of pedigree do you consider for each litter?*

We provide and review four or five generations of pedigree.

7) *How do you socialize your puppies?*

Socializing our puppies begins almost immediately. Once we know that every pup is doing well after whelping, we begin to handle them some. Once eyes and ears are fully functioning we begin to handle them more touching the bottoms of their paws and toes and holding them on their backs; these are dominance tactics. The pups begin to have toys. Around four weeks they can have visitors, adults, kids, etc. We play a thunder and rain CD as well as vacuum often to familiarize them with noise. We begin to let them out of the whelping box to explore. At about five weeks if 'weather is permissible' we take them out in the backyard. We also try to be sure they touch all types of surfaces. We are sure to make loud noise to get them accustomed to noise. We add a crate to the whelping box as well as a toy play structure. They also are partially housebroken when they go to their new homes.

8) *What indicators do you look for in each puppy matching to an owner?*

When placing a puppy with their new family, we take into consideration the family and the puppy. If a family has children, we try to be sure that we are placing an outgoing, stronger, and tougher puppy if 'we can' with them. If we have an elderly person, we try to put a puppy that is a bit calmer with them. If a buyer is going to do performance, then we try to place an outgoing pup with them and one that shows strong intelligence.

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9) *Are your puppies examined by a vet before they go to their forever homes and typically what vaccinations and/or checks have been done when they leave with their new owner?*

Yes our puppies are checked by a vet before they go to their homes. At the present time, first vaccinations should not be given before eight weeks. So, they receive their first vaccination which is the Distemper series. The vet checks them over completely and listens to their hearts. A fecal is also checked to be sure they are free of worms before they leave.

10) *Do you have an opinion or recommendation regarding spay/neuter?*

I agree with the trend of today regarding spay and neuter. If done too early; it is a contributing cause to health conditions when they get older. We ask that the owners let the females have preferably two heat cycles and that males not be neutered before two years of age.

11) *Are you a member of GRCA and GRCCNY?*

I am a member of GRCA, GRCCNY, OKA, and SOTC.

12) *What do you look for in your selections of a responsible owner?*

For typical new owners, I speak in depth with them on an initial telephone call and ask them several questions. We try to be sure that they have had a dog before and are familiar with the breed- that they are large, active, and need room to run. If worthy at that point, we have them come and see the litter and meet with them. We try to be sure if possible, they have a home or townhouse and if at all possible a fenced yard. We also try to be sure that pups are not going to be alone for a long length of time and that they are going to use a crate to train.

13) *Do you provide a detailed sales contract with the purchase of each puppy?*

Yes, we do have a detailed puppy sales contract that and any puppy that is to be a pet is sold with a limited contract and not to be used for breeding. We also, state in our contract that if for any reason they are ever to rehome or give up their puppy that we want to be notified first to have the opportunity of taking the pup back or finding a new suitable home for the dog.

14) *Do you provide ongoing communication with your owners?*

We invite ongoing communication with new puppy owners. Dave and I like to keep in touch even if it is just an occasional email or photo. We also welcome new owners to call on us anytime for any questions or concerns they may have.

15) *Do any of your dogs participate in activities and/or competitions?*

Yes, our dogs participate in the activities of conformation, performance, and sometimes field.

2017 Annual Awards Dinner and Holiday Party

GRCCNY celebrated the holidays and the achievements of many members, including the presentation of our two special annual awards Heart of Gold (Cindy Berry's Keeper) and the Carol Allen Golden Member (Lynn Mickinkle), on December 10th at Barbagallos in Syracuse.

Many thanks again to Marcia Martin as she accepted nominations and coordinated the titles and awards. Thanks to Dave Tyler for his fine craftsmanship on the beautiful award plaques. In addition to the awards, happy socializing, and dinner, there was also a doggie related gift exchange.

If you missed it, you didn't get to see the wonderful cake Kelly designed for Wegmans to make –featuring our GRCCNY logo.

A Golden time was had by all and we hope to see even more of you in 2018; you do not need a title to attend and have fun!

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2017 Annual Awards Dinner and Holiday Party



Becky Byrnes receiving award



Becky Byrns and Rubee receiving The Versatility



**Cindy Berry receiving the Heart Of gold award
on behalf of "Keeper"**



Cindy Berry receiving award



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Todd Clickner receiving award



Kathy McCloskey receiving her awards

2017 Awards

Gary Fischer and Rippling Kelsey
JH 2017

Kelly Mueller and Wayewood's How Sweet It Is CCA
BN 2017

Judi Questel and Bonefeather's Cast Carl's 67 Tpl
Crown

CGC 2014
CCA 2016
CD 2017
RN 2017

Lynn Mickinkle and Comet

T2B 2017
TKN 2017

Lynn Mickinkle and Amity

ACT1 2017
JH 2017
WCX 2017
TKN 2017
CGC 2017

Kathy McCloskey and Cameo

RAE 2017

Kathy McCloskey and Popcorn

AX 2017
AXJ 2017
OF 2017

CD 2017
CDX 2017
JH 2017

Maxine Clark and Topflite Million Dollar Baby

BN 2017

Maxine Clark and Topflite Bye Bye Birdie

RN 2017

Todd Clicknerr and Torch

SH 2017

Becky Byrnes and Rubee

ASCA CD 2016
CDX 2017
JH 2017

Becky Byrnes and Rubee

ASCA COX 2017
GO 2017
GRCA VERS 2017

Cindy Berry and Keeper

ASCACD 2017

For a list and explanation of AKC award titles visit: <http://www.akc.org/events/titles/>

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“Heart of Gold” Nomination

I would like to nominate my boy Keeper for the “Heart of Gold” award. No, he hasn’t saved me from a raging fire or traveled a 1000 miles to get back to my side but he follows me to the bathroom and his eyes meet mine if I think of leaving the room.

I got Keeper in October of 2007 as an obedience prospect with high hopes of getting a UD maybe even a UDX. I had wonderful attention as he followed me everywhere and stared up at me no matter what I did or where I was. Then when he was about 6 or 7 months old I began to notice that he scuffed his back feet when he walked or trotted and bunny hopped when he ran. Off to my vet to have him checked then to a specialist. Unfortunately, he said it may be this, it could be that but inconclusive. X rays showed a left hip that, in his words it was nothing to write home about, a narrowing of the spinal column, possible spinal stenosis congenital but not hereditary. His prognosis was lets wait and see.

Fast forward a few years, we got a CD and an RN, he really loved to work, but had problems with sitting and downs and of course jumping was out of the question although he tried to do whatever I ask of him. Around 2010 a member of the club, Maxine invited us to check out field work and we went to watch a fun event called Super Singles and we were hooked. Keeper’s bad back and hip didn’t impede him at all as he ran(bunny hopped) to get that bumper or duck. We loved our field training days and tried never to miss one. We made many new friends along the way both human and canine, Keeper always trying even when not up to it.

In 2014 if it hadn’t been for two of my newly made friends I might have lost Keeper to drowning. He was getting his 2nd duck in water when I noticed he was having trouble keeping his butt up and started swimming in circles barely keeping his head above water. I called him to me but he wasn’t making any headway. He might have been able to swim to me I think had he dropped the duck, but no way, it was his duck and he wasn’t about to let it go. Have I mentioned how stubborn he is?

Two of my friends Pam and Dianne along with myself jumped in the water to rescue him, clothes and all. my friends got there first and disaster was averted. I am eternally grateful to them as my story may have ended there. Keeper was totally unaffected and wondered what all the fuss was about.

Unfortunately for me, not Keeper of course, our journey was a long one as he would not pick up a live duck no matter how I tried to coax him. If it wasn’t dead he wasn’t about to pick it up and bring it to me.

In 2014 we finally got our WC and in 2015 that elusive last leg of our JH Title. Years of supplements that helped a little, we discovered acupuncture, laser therapy and a vet that did chiropractic adjustments that have kept him comfortable moving and able to play with ducks in the field and swim in stinky ponds, a Golden Retrievers heaven. It is now 2017 and Keeper is officially retired, he is 10 after all. He still follows me room to room not because he wants to work but just in case there might be a treat in it for him, his stomach seems to be a bottomless pit. Keeper is and will always be my very special boy....

Cindy Berry



Keeper



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The Carol Allen Memorial Golden Member Nomination

I would like to nominate Lynn McKinkle for the Carol Allen Memorial Golden Member award.

Lynn has served as secretary for our club for several years. She has done an outstanding job keeping us all informed of club news and events.

Did you know she ALWAYS works the WC/WCX and is one of three people that have the famous cookie recipe and bakes them when needed.

You can also find her at the CCA when that is taking place.

Lynn is a pitch-in and get it done member, always willing to help.

Always courteous and kind she has the temperament of a Golden. Her loving care and treatment of her dogs are a wonderful example to all dog owners

I am proud to call her my friend and very happy that she chose Golden Retrievers and our club to be a part of. Yes, Lynn should receive the Carol Allen Memorial Golden Member Award.

PUPPIES, PUPPIES PUPPIES

Is there anything cuter than a Golden puppy? These little balls of fluff can't help but warm your heart and bring a smile to your face. Four of our featured puppies are siblings bred by two of our members, Lee Painting's (Paintings Goldens) Amber and Janis & Dave Tyler's (Storybook Goldens) Sonny. Painting's Mayzie and Bodie, co-owned by the Tylers and Stephanie Podejko, produced another featured puppy.

Another member/breeder Carol Lantiegne had a litter. The O'Connells also welcomed a new puppy. Hopefully, we will get to watch many of them grow and enjoy the countless stories of the mischief they can get into. Surely, every owner has a priceless puppy story to share.

When considering a puppy, there is obviously have a wealth of knowledge and experience with GRCCNY. Choose a responsible, quality breeder, feed a high quality food, socialize, find a good vet and get recommendations from your club and the AKC. Then laugh (it's impossible not too) and enjoy!

Welcome to all our new puppies and congratulations to all you new Moms and Dads!!



Golden Tip: Current research, as cited by Dr. Renee Streeter, has found that puppies up to 14 months old benefit from a daily probiotic. It results in a boost to their immune system. There has not, however, been a significant effect found for older dogs.

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Our 2017 Puppies



**Duncan (Maplemoon's Somethings Brewing)
is owned and loved by The O'Connells**



**Clementine Wooley owned and loved by
Fred and Joanne Wooley**



**Scarlett (Paintings N' Storybook's Shining Ruby's)
own and loved by Janis and David Tyler**



**Haley Brown is owned and loved
by Nickie and Kerry Brown**

Our 2017 Puppies

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Story owned by Kelley Green Davis and Stephanie Podejko. She was born June 16, 2017 her parents are Lee Painting's girl, Mayzie and Stephanie Podejko and Tyler's co-owned boy, Bodie.



Adirondac Kiss Me Karma MH WCX CCA owned by Carol Lantiegne

Seniors and Dogs

by Beth Greenfield

Recently there has been a sad tale of a well know breeder of schnauzers that was targeted by animal rights groups in Pennsylvania. One of the unfortunate outcomes was that all her dogs were seized, I believe the number to be about 28 dogs in total. At age 83, she had that many dogs, some with co- ownership status. My point and problem is how many dogs should someone own when they get into the golden years?



It has been advised, of course, that all your dogs should be clearly identified and tagged in the case of your eventual death. Also that in your Will, the provisions for your dogs must be made. The executors of your Will should know these dogs, which one is which etc. The Will also must be updated to reflect the current dogs owned.

Going forward, how realistic is it to have a large amount of dogs that can be cared for properly when you hit the big 70 and beyond. Would one or two dogs suffice for you to keep active in your dog activities? Having a training routine would certainly be adding to the quality of your health.

Should you take on a puppy? Knowing full well that they will live to at least 10-12 years and you might not? Can you adopt out your dogs to a family you feel can give this dog a good permanent home? A good rescue organization can be a good resource. Because it is your dog, I feel strongly that continuous communication with the new owners is a must in order to relieve anxiety issues.

The key word is preparedness. An unfortunate fall could leave you with hip replacement surgery with rehabilitation leaving you with a wheelchair, walker and or cane. Can you maneuver around your dogs with these? How will you provide the basic canine and veterinary care if you yourself are immobile? You must have a back -up plan with family members (who like dogs) and friends.



Did you know we are now on Facebook? You can access us from your facebook page (just search for Golden Retriever Club of Central New York) or press the facebook link on our club website: WWW.GRCCNY.ORG. You don't need to have a Facebook account to see our facebook page, but you will need a facebook account if you would want to "like" our page or post a picture of your pooch.



Kudos to Carol

by Maxine Clark

In 2016 GRCCNY lost our President, Carol Allen. Kathy McCloskey, our V.P. stepped in until elections in the fall.

A yellow caution light went on immediately. Who would be willing to step up as President following someone like Carol Allen with her knowledge, love of Golden Retrievers and leadership skills? Add in that she was well known and had the love and respect of club members. As with many clubs getting members to take leadership roles is very hard.



Well along came Carol Krehel who said she'd like to give it a try. So with the caution light on, Carol became our President. The challenges were many and Carol was a fairly new member and not well known. She was immediately faced with finding a new meeting place and small attendance at meetings among other things. She met these challenges head on and by lots of hard work found meeting places. Then with even more hard work she organized programs for meetings to boost attendance. We have enjoyed and learned a lot from guest speakers on topics such as nutrition, acupuncture, and GRCA Life Study to name a few. She put some members to work providing short programs on Golden activities such as obedience, field and dock diving. Attendance has improved and we also have a few new members. Many more programs and activities are planned for this year. She has been super at listening to the wishes of the membership.

It hasn't all been roses for Carol since becoming President, after all you can't please everyone at the same time. But she has handled situations with fairness and kindness.

With her hard work, leadership skills, enthusiasm, and Golden personality she has turned the green light on for our club. Thank you Carol, we are smiling as is Carol Allen in heaven.

Those Silly, Funny Golden Retrievers!

Murphy, my wild man and quite the clown went to his first advanced rally trial outdoors. So excited, knew all the signs, sat nicely and looked as I said "ready". Then in a burst of excitement took the first sign, a jump, circled around past me, out of the ring, into the field, past several people, dodging, running through legs until he looped back into the ring and did a finish left with a perfect obedience sit. We were excused, I was embarrassed but my exuberant got lots of attention and had a great time. submitted by Carol Krehel

* Have you had a funny moment with your golden? Send your funny stories to Carol Krehel to be included in the next Golden Tales!



Eve Gray

New Feature for next issue: Ask the Expert! Have a question about health, grooming, events, titles, training, etc. Ask your question and we will have the expert answer it in the next issues! Contact Carol Krehel with your questions.

Lifetime Study Update

Five years into the study analysis is already showing the beginning of some links. The age of spay/neuter and health was recently investigated by Dr. Missy Simpson with preliminary results suggesting “an association between spay or neuter and obesity and overweight”. She also looked at a common orthopedic injury, non-traumatic cranial ligament rupture, and “found a link between age of spay/neuter and injury”. The data will continue to be researched as the study continues.



In Memoriam



Karen Boyd's dog

Sallie Lennox let us know that Abby and Jack passed.

Norm and Muriel Bartlett's Kerry 10 yrs old passed.

Murphy Smurphy Taxton Wing, owned and missed by Julie Wing

Chole, 11 years old
passed on in December 15, 2017 to aggressive bone cancer.
She was adopted in April 2011 by Cindy, Fred and Jaclyn Snyder.

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Upcoming Events



February 10 – Grooming Seminar –

Storybook Wags & Whiskers

Contact Carol Krehel to reserve a spot

March 15 – General meeting 7 PM

Storybook Wags & Whiskers

Speaker topic: Fleas, ticks and Lyme disease; Activity topic: tracking

March 31 – Specialty

NYS Fairgrounds

April 7 - CU Vet School Open House with GRRRCNY

Cornell Vet School 10AM - 4PM

April 12 – Canine First Aid & CPR seminar –

Veterinary Medical Center

Contact Carol Krehel if you plan to attend

