



Badger Golden Retriever Club Newsletter



The Badger Golden Retriever Club Newsletter is published bimonthly throughout the year.

For information about the club, club events, new puppy referrals, older dogs availability, and membership, call **414-299-0787** or email to bgrc@juno.com

BGRC Website www.bgrc-wi.org

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CLUB PURPOSE

The objectives of the Badger Golden Retriever Club are to:

- Encourage members to perfect, by selective breeding, sound Golden retrievers and to do all possible to develop and promote their natural ability and quality, while still maintaining their exceptionally good dispositions;
- Urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club, as the only standard of excellence by which Golden retrievers shall be judged;
- Do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field trials, obedience trials, and tracking tests;
- Conduct sanctioned and licensed specialty shows, field trials, and tracking tests under the rules of the American Kennel Club and WC/WCX tests under the rules of the GRCA; and
- Support and further the interests of the Golden Retriever Club of America.

Message From the President

Submitted by Bill McEachern

Happy New Year to all our members, their furry companions, and friends of BGRC. I hope 2008 has, in spite of the economy, been a great year for everyone and 2009 will be even better.

Two big events are just around the corner – the Annual Awards Banquet on February 1 (see sidebar for details) and our Specialty on February 27 and 28 (premium and entry form are available on our web page). I look forward to seeing you all at the banquet and joining in the celebration of our members' competitive achievements. A big thank you in advance to Julie Strey Johnson for coordinating the awards this year, and to Sandy Stoller for again coordinating the banquet!

A big thank you as well to all the folks involved in planning and coordinating the Specialty. As you know, we have a new venue this year and are looking forward to a great entry. As always **we need volunteers and raffle donations**. Please check with the chairs and organizers listed in the premium to assist us in making this event a success – we cannot do it without YOU.

See you in February! Stay warm.
-- Bill

BGRC Annual Awards Banquet

**Sunday,
February 1, 2009
Noon**

**Thunder Bay Grille
I-94 & Hwy J (Exit 294)
Pewaukee, WI**

All-you-can-eat buffet including eggs, bacon, made-to-order omelets, roast beef, deep fried shrimp, ribs, potatoes, salads, and desserts.

\$17 per person

**Reservations must be received by Friday,
January 23, 2009**

**Mail reservations and checks payable to
BGRC to:**

Sandy Stoller
6621 W. Tripoli Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53220

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2009 Officer and Board Nominees

The Nominating Committee (Pat Smith, Linda Gensch, and Pat Vanden Heuvel) completed their work and the list of nominees was distributed in a recent mailing. No additional nominees were submitted to the secretary by the December 15 deadline.

Ballots will be mailed to voting members by mid-January. All voting members who paid their membership dues by January 1 are eligible to vote.

2009 Nominees:

Officers

President: Bill McEachern
 Vice president: Pat Smith
 Treasurer: Joan Kaml
 Secretary: Carol Pacetti

Board of Directors

Field: John Stoller
 Conformation: Jean Taylor
 Obedience: Shirley Wolcyk
 At-large: Deb Klemp

Dogs We Have Lost This Year

While we recognize dogs lost during the year in the newsletter *In Memorial* column, Jean Granger suggested we might also honor all the companions lost during the past year in a special memorial at the Annual Banquet. If you would like to recognize a dog you lost during the past year, please submit the dog's name, a nonreturnable photo, and a brief (50-100 word statement) for inclusion in the memorial exhibit.

Send your information (preferably in electronic format but printed materials also acceptable) to Bill McEachern at wmceach@yahoo.com or 3255 S. 44th Street, Greenfield, WI 53219 no later than Monday, January 19.

BGRC General Membership Meeting Minutes November 16, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Bill McEachern at 5:22 p.m. at HAWS.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes of the September 12, 2008, General Membership Meeting were accepted and approved as published in the November 2008 Newsletter.

President's Report: No report.

Secretary's Report: Carol mentioned that on November 4, 2008, she had mailed the nominating letter to voting members which lists the officers/board members to be elected.

Treasurer's Report: Joan Kaml said that there is a positive balance in the Club's check book.

Committee Reports:

Specialty Report: Joan said the Specialty premiums are being worked on now. The 2009 Specialty will be held at the Cudahy Kennel Club Building. A chief ring steward is needed for conformation; Lynn Guerndt volunteered to help for conformation for one of the days. Bob Reed is also helping. A Grounds Committee for clean-up needs to be established. Volunteers are also needed to help with the sale and/or preparation of the food. Some suggestions regarding the luncheon format were discussed.

Membership: Sandy Stoller mentioned a survey was included in the membership packets. Julie Strey announced the Awards packet was sent out and the application for awards was due December 1. Julie noted that if people are signed up for December shows, they should contact her and they will be able to send their information to her after those shows.

Breeder Referral: Pat Smith noted she had 77 calls to date for puppies.

Field: Nothing to report.

Obedience: Nothing to report.

Conformation: Nothing to report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Discussion about the Specialty food sales continued. Joanne Hartzheim volunteered to be the Specialty Food Committee chairperson. Any ideas should be submitted to the Board.

Brag: Bill mentioned that Dan Feisthommel was invited to and competed in the National.

Next Meeting: Sunday, February 1, 2009, at the Thunder Bay Grille for the Annual Banquet/Brunch. The details will be in the next newsletter.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Pacetti, Secretary.



BGRC 2008 Meeting & Event Calendar

Sunday, February 1, 2009
BGRC Annual Banquet and Awards Brunch: Noon till ?
Thunder Bay Grille
Interstate 94 & Hwy J
Pewaukee, WI

February 27 and 28, 2009
BGRC Specialty
Cudahy Kennel Club Training Facility
3820 S. Pennsylvania Avenue
St. Francis, WI.



In the Ribbons!

New titles are in bold type
Owner's comments in quotes

Reported by Barb Mattheis on
November 21, 2008

"I have 2 new TD titles to report on brothers. The first one passed his TD at NFGRC's TD test at

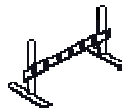
Hartman Creek on October 5. He is Tailwind's Stixtu Me Loo **TD**. His brother passed his TD test at GRCI's test at Pecatonica on October 12. He is Tailwind's Just Callme Jader **TD**, and they are sons of my "Beats." They both did a great job, finding their gloves in less than 5 minutes each. They are now training for TDX and VST and are loving it!"

Reported by Deb Klemp on
November 21, 2008

"It is with great joy and enthusiasm that I share that Noah received his Therapy Dog title today. He passed his 3rd observation which was at St. Colleta's in Jefferson. The facility is for the profoundly mentally challenged. Noah received an abundance of hugs and kisses from the residents which he felt obliged to reciprocate."



In the Ribbons! wants to celebrate the achievements of all members' dogs. Send information related to new titles or certificates, legs toward a title, points, reserve wins, match wins, junior wins or placements, and specialty placements to wmceach@yahoo.com
We welcome news about your dogs' other activities as well.



Raffle Donations

Submitted by Sandy Flaaten

Bring your donations for our BGRC Specialty Raffle to the banquet. This can include: Golden Retriever items, dog toys, dog treats, and Golden Retriever logo-wear, as examples. If you're buying something for your dog, get two (one for the BGRC Raffle).

We'll put theme baskets together with 3-4 items or we'll use large items for the Silent Auction table. Tickets are sold for the raffle tables and people place tickets in the respective bags next to the baskets.

Any monetary donation is also appreciated to purchase supplies. Last year we netted over \$2,000 for BGRC. Let's do it again!!

For further information, contact Sandy Flaaten
Raffle Chairperson
Phone: 262-251-0805
E-mail: PawsTalk@wi.rr.com.

Sunshine Club

The "sunshine person" sends condolences, get-well wishes, etc., to club members. In order to do this, she needs your help. If you know of a club member who has been sick, hospitalized, or lost a loved one, contact **Jean Granger at 262-547-9068**.

Our prayers and sympathy go out to Josie Trad who lost her father, Joseph Weishaupt, in December. Mr. Weishaupt attended the BGRC picnic at Minooka Park last summer and enjoyed watching all the doggy games.



The Whelping Box Plus

[Editor's note: Please contact me at wmceach@yahoo.com and, if possible, post to BadgerGold information on any older dogs that need placement. Puppy information should go to Edell Schaefer.]

Breeder referral listings included in this column are from members of the BGRC who abide by the GRCA Code of Ethics, have submitted all health clearances to the BGRC Breeder Referral chair, and are approved for referrals.

Lynn Guerndt
262-338-6134

Litter due: November 2, 2008
Sire: Hyline Thatstway Ahuh Ilikit
Dam: Clearviews Best Intention

From BadgerGold

Submitted by Julie Strey Johnson

From BadgerGold summarizes key information and updates posted to BadgerGold, our club's private listserv to enhance communication among members. During the period of October 29 – December 30, 2008, many postings to BadgerGold were provided by the Dog Federation of Wisconsin (DFOW). Due to the rapid pace of changes related to the DFOW's efforts, these postings are not summarized and provided here. The remaining postings relate to time-sensitive club events.

If you are not currently a subscriber to BadgerGold, you can subscribe simply by sending an email to [badgergold-
subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:badgergold-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). Be sure to provide your full name and the email address you want to use. The BadgerGold URL is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/badgergold/>.

DFOW

[Editor's Note: Wendy Biewer serves as the club's legislative liaison and regularly posts updates to BadgerGold.]

Dog Federation of Wisconsin (DFOW) newsletters are available at www.dfow.org.

New Obedience Regulations Launch in 2009

Submitted by Julie Strey Johnson

The AKC Board of Directors recently approved the recommendations of the AKC Obedience Advisory Committee. The recommendations include changes designed to improve the overall obedience program and offer exhibitors more chances to compete. The majority of these changes will go into effect on January 1, 2009, while other changes will become active in 2010 or 2011.

This article identifies the changes that offer exhibitors more chances to compete, available beginning January 1, 2009.

- *Optional Titling Classes*
- *New Non-Regular Classes*
- *Master Program*

The next issue of the Badger Golden Retriever Club Newsletter will focus on the changes designed to improve the overall obedience program. Refer to <http://www.akc.org/events/obedience/> for more information.

Optional Titling Classes

Three optional titling classes have been developed from current regulations:

- Graduate Novice (GN)
- Graduate Open (GO)
- Versatility (VER)

For each of these classes:

- A dog may be entered in these classes without any pre-title requirement.
- The dog must earn a qualifying score as described in the *Obedience Regulations*.

About the Graduate Notice (GN)

Class:

1. Heel on Leash & Figure Eight	40 points
2. Drop on Recall	40 points
3. Dumbbell Recall	30 points
4. Recall Over High Jump	30 points
5. Recall Over Broad Jump	30 points
6. Long Down	30 points
Maximum Total Score	200 points

About the Graduate Open (GO)

Class:

1. Signal Exercise	40 points
2. Scent Discrimination	30 points
3. Directed Retrieve	30 points
4. Moving Stand & Examination	30 points
5. Go Out	30 points
6. Directed Jumping	40 points
Maximum Total Score	200 points

About the Versatility (VER) Class:

Six exercises will be performed: two each from the Novice, Open, and Utility classes. There will be no group exercises.

Novice exercise No. 1	25 points
Novice exercise No. 2	25 points
Open exercise No. 1	35 points
Open exercise No. 2	35 points
Utility exercise No. 1	40 points
Utility exercise No. 2	40 points
Maximum Total Score	200 points

New Non-Regular Classes

Three new non-regular classes have been added to the Obedience Regulations:

- Wild Card Novice
- Wild Card Open
- Wild Card Utility

These non-regular classes follow the *Obedience Regulations* and requirements for each class level: Novice, Open, and Utility. The difference is that, when checking in for the class, the handler will identify one of the required exercises in that class as their wild card. The handler may choose to perform or not to perform the exercise, but in any case the dog and handler will receive a perfect score for this one exercise. If the handler chooses to perform the exercise, they must comply with the regulations in their performance. The wild card exercise is not meant to be a training opportunity for the dog and handler.

- A dog may be entered in these classes without any pre-title requirement.
- The class exercises will be performed and judged as in the regulations, except that verbal

praise during the exercises, except for the signal exercise in Utility, is to be encouraged and not penalized. Handlers may give additional commands, but they will be penalized accordingly.

- Obedience Master Points will be recorded for those dogs earning a score of 190 or better in Open B or Utility B, according to the schedule of points established by the AKC Board of Directors.

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See details in announcement on next page.

Master Program

The Master /Grand Master title program was developed to recognize consistently high scoring dogs within the sport of obedience. Dogs can work their way through 10 Master levels, and once they have attained the 10th level, they will be awarded a Grand Master title. The Grand Master title will not have a numerical designation.

- Obedience Master title and Obedience Grand Master title points will be recorded for dogs that have earned the Utility Dog title.

Canine Health Clinic

The Western Waukesha County Dog Training Club will hold a health clinic on Saturday, March 7, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at their training facility in Ixonia. Veterinarians will be on hand to conduct heartworm and rabies tests, CERF eye exams, and cardiac screening. SCAMP (Malamute Rescue) will do microchipping. For further information, contact Joan Kaml at

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The GRCA columnist writes a bimonthly article for *The Golden Retriever News*, the GRCA national magazine, to keep the Golden world abreast of what BGRC is doing. Send Edell information on your wins, finishing a title in AKC, major points in conformation, and field wins for inclusion in the next article.

Membership Chairperson:

Sandy Stoller
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BGRC invites all prospective members to their events and meetings. If you are interested in joining our club, please contact the membership chairperson.

Meetings are held bimonthly starting with the Annual Awards Banquet in February. Programs and locations are announced in the bimonthly newsletter. A complimentary newsletter will be sent to each prospective member.

Annual dues:	Family Voting Membership	\$25
	Single Voting Membership	\$20
	Associate (nonvoting)	\$15
	Newsletter Subscription only	\$10

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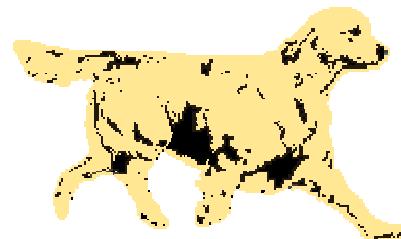
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October/November	10/15	11/1
December/January	12/15	1/1

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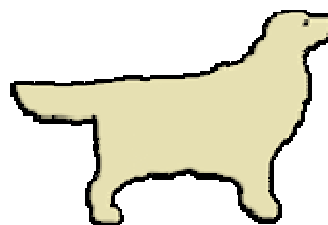
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Woof!
Post me where
you'll find me!

Upcoming Meetings

TBA

Run Thru Calendar

- 1st Fridays**
Oshkosh Kennel Club
- 2nd Fridays**
Cudahy Kennel Club
- 3rd Fridays**
K-9 Obedience Training Club
- 4th Fridays**
Western Waukesha Dog Training Club
- 5th Fridays**
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