Badger Golden Retriever Club
Recognition & Achievement Awards Program

Awards Requirements

Effective January 1 – December 31 of each year.

The club sponsored achievement awards are offered in agility, conformation, field, obedience, rally, tracking, and other venues recognized by AKC, UKC, GRCA and foreign registries. The purpose of these awards is to recognize the **active voting members** of the club for **their** efforts in titling their dogs. The following policies are in effect when applying for awards:

1. Owner of eligible dog must be an **active voting member** of BGRC for the qualifying year. An active member involves:
   - Payment of his/her voting membership dues prior to December 31st of the previous year.
   - Attending at least two general membership meetings in the qualifying year.
   - Contributing at least 5 hours of service to the club at an event (hunt test, specialty, etc.), club related activity or holds an elected position in the qualifying year.

2. **The first title must be an AKC title or GRCA certificate (to be eligible for a plaque)**.
   - Any GRCA title meets this eligibility requirement.
   - Eligible AKC titles are those requiring three or more qualifications (passes), and AKC tracking titles.
   - AKC titles that require a single qualification (pass) are eligible provided three or more such titles are obtained. Example: CGC, TKN, TKI.
   - The title certificate must be obtained from AKC or GRCA.

3. In the case of co-ownership of a dog, primary owners must be members of the club and meet all requirements of an active voting member of BGRC (see #1 above) and.
   - **The dog must be living with the applicant throughout the applying year.**
   - The awards application must be signed by the owner **and** co-owner (if not the breeder).

4. All members applying for club awards must report their wins in writing on the form provided by the club before the December 15th deadline. Wins credited after December 15th and before December 31st may be called in (or e-mailed) to the program chair provided the original application was submitted by the established deadline.

5. Awards will be given out at the annual awards banquet. No awards will be mailed.

6. An owner applying for Outstanding Producer Award must have retained personal ownership and responsibility for the dog or bitch's breeding career. Dogs neutered and bitches spayed at the conclusion of their breeding careers are eligible. All other eligibility requirements must be met, including active voting membership requirements.

7. Only one plaque will be provided to a dog. Duplicate plaques are not provided by the club and cannot be purchased.

Awards Continuity

The BGRC recognizes the desire of its members to maintain the completeness of their achievement award. For this purpose, the following situations are recognized:

- Plates for a title earned in a prior year the applicant was a BGRC member may be purchased at the owner's expense (provided the member remains an active voting member).
- When a plaque is created for a dog already having titles, the titles achieved in prior years will appear as part of the dog's name. There is no charge for adding the existing titles to a new plaque.

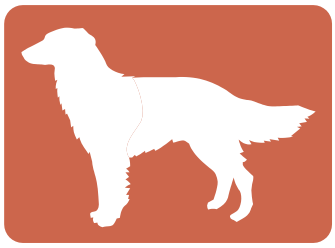
Refer to the Frequently Asked Questions found at the end of this document for more information.

BGRC Recognition Awards

Hammerlock/Triple Phase Award

Originated by Janet and Richard Telvick and awarded to the owner(s) of dogs and bitches who have competed and placed in bench (conformation), field, and obedience in the course of their careers. The following criteria must (all) be met by each dog or bitch:

1. Received a qualifying score in Novice, Open or Utility at an AKC licensed trial, and
2. Received a placement in a licensed AKC bench (conformation) show, and
3. Passed a WC or WCX test, or
   Earned a leg toward a Junior, Senior or Master Hunter title, or
   Earned a placement at an AKC licensed field trial.



OUTSTANDING PRODUCER AWARD

Awarded to owners of dogs/bitches that received an Outstanding Producer certificate from the GRCA. Each dog or bitch may receive this award only once in their lifetime. The owner must provide copy of GRCA certificate when applying for this award.

JUNIOR HANDLER AWARD

Junior Handlers participating in Junior Showmanship competition will be recognized with a BGRC Recognition Award. Eligibility consists of having earned three (3) first places in Novice or Open Junior Showmanship classes.

Title Achievement Awards

Titles obtained from the following domestic registries / organizations are eligible for awards:

- American Kennel Club (AKC)
- United Kennel Club (UKC)*
- Golden Retriever Club of America (GRCA)
- Foreign registries including but not limited to the Canadian Kennel Club (CKC), Bermuda, etc. provided such titles are earned at licensed events in that country.*

Refer to website for each respective club to identify the titles currently available.
The first title must be an AKC title or GRCA certificate.

*The member must provide a copy of the certificate of achievement from the respective registry if other than AKC or GRCA. **DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS.**

Frequently Asked Questions

A. My dog earned a CGC in a prior year, and now earned a first title. How will the CGC appear on the plaque?

The CGC will appear as part of the dog's name, provided you obtained the certificate from AKC. The title achieved in the current year will appear below the dog's name, along with the year the new title was achieved.

Example (where current year = 2019):
Golden In Search of Success CGC
2019 – CD U-CD CAN CD

B. I am a new member. My dog achieved a title prior to when I joined BGRC. Can I have the titles achieved in prior years included on a plaque?

Titles obtained prior to becoming a member of BGRC will be recognized when your dog achieves a new title, provided you meet the requirements of acting voting membership in the year you apply for the plaque. The titles earned in prior years will appear on the plaque as part of the dog's name. The title(s) achieved in the current year will appear below the dog's name, along with the year the new title(s) was achieved.

Example (where current year = 2019):
CH Golden Wanting to Win CD SHR
2019 – CDX JH

C. My dog was awarded a plaque in a previous year. This year my dog achieved a CGC and I met the requirements of an active voting member. Can I obtain a plate for my dog?

Once a plaque is obtained through the achievement of a title, the BGRC recognizes the CGC. Since you already have a plaque, you are able to obtain a plate in the year you were awarded the CGC, provided all requirement of an active voting member are met and the certificate is obtained from AKC. The plate will appear as shown below (for the example year of 2019):
2011 – CGC

D. I failed to apply for awards last year, although my dog achieved a new title. Can I still get an award?

The club provides awards to active voting members in the year titles are achieved. You are able to obtain an award for the missed title the next year in which you are an active voting member. Refer to the section titled Awards Continuity regarding the fee.

E. I did not meet the requirements of active voting membership, but my dog achieved a new title. Can I pay for the plaque/plate to show the new title?

The club provides awards to active voting members in the year titles are achieved. Awards are not available for purchase, with the exception of the situations described in the section titled Awards Continuity. In all situations, the requirements of an active voting member must be met before an award is obtained (or purchased, when applicable).

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