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# Badger Golden Retriever Club



The Badger Golden Retriever Club Newsletter is published bi-monthly throughout the year.

For current information about the club, club events and membership, visit the BGRC website at [www.bgrc-wi.org](http://www.bgrc-wi.org)

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## President's message

*Have you been enjoying our events? Dock diving and water sports... Fun Field Day... Both activities our retrievers enjoy and were bred to do! It's so fun to watch our dogs enjoying life!*

*Do you know what it takes to offer these to all of you? Volunteers!! Who would have thought! More on that coming up...*

*Thank you to Anne Millane and Josie Trad for offering the property and the learning/fun for our dogs on May 11! You're the best! Thank you to so many of you for allowing your dogs the opportunity to try this; to experience a duck or pheasant. We enjoyed seeing new faces, too! Those young dogs, those beginner dogs, also the ones who have been there and can show the others!*

*So, volunteers... Thank you many times over to Susan Scherber (and Steve, her partner in all of this) for being the BGRC Field Rep on the board, along with other numerous jobs they took on. Susan is stepping back for awhile, but how lucky we were to have her experience and knowledge as a judge, and as a field trainer.*

*Kurt Hackbarth has agreed to take over that position until the end of the year. He is new to field work, but has worked with a trainer with his dog and has the enthusiasm to be a part of this. So, thank you, Kurt, and welcome!*

Sometimes we have positions that open up and need a chairperson, or volunteers to assist. The chairperson is in communication with the BGRC board; the chairperson posts notices to the membership as he/she sees fit, so all can be informed. I, as President, appreciate it when someone comes forward to ask about doing a job, so I don't end up trying to guess who might fit the position. I feel when you say, "yes", that you are able to decide how to run that position (with the board's guidance and information on past experiences). Remember members, YOU ARE THE CLUB! Any help you can give makes this club, and our dogs, who we are, so thank you, thank you!

So, the membership chairperson is a job still open... Most of this can be done on your own schedule, but coming to membership meetings to welcome the new members is usually good. You will communicate with the BGRC board, but you don't need to attend those board meetings. Let me know if you can help.

Thank you to all of you for being there, for supporting our Golden Retrievers!

Let me hear from you!

Sandy Flaaten, President

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**WE NEED YOU**



**WC/WCX @ Bong Recreation Area**

**Sunday, August 18 @ 9:00 a.m.**

**BGRC is hosting this field event;  
volunteers needed!**

**(These are field events following GRCA rules.)**

## 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 abilities 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 licenses 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;
- Support and further the interests of the Golden Retriever Club of America.

## Golden Rescue Groups

### Golden Retriever Rescue of Wisconsin, Inc. - GRROW

Surrender Hotline: 888-655-4753  
Website: [www.grow.org](http://www.grow.org)

### Wisconsin Adopt A Golden Retriever, Inc. - WAAGR

Surrender Hotline: 414-517-7725  
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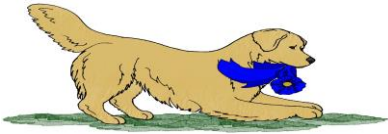
### Membership Information:

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 bi-monthly, with the program and location announced in our newsletter.

### Annual Dues:

Family Voting Membership \$25  
Single Voting Membership \$20  
Associate (non-voting) \$15  
Newsletter Subscription Only \$10

The BGRC Newsletter is published bi-monthly and mailed the beginning of the month. Deadline for submissions is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication. Please submit show wins, event information, columns, informative articles and other information for publication to the editor (Sue Loucks, [proofpawsitive@wi.rr.com](mailto:proofpawsitive@wi.rr.com), 262-717-5047) by the above deadline. Information received subsequent to the deadline will be published in the next newsletter if not time sensitive. Advertising Rates: Full page \$20; Half page \$10; Quarter page \$5; Commercial advertising – Contact Editor



## General Membership Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2019

### Golden Nuggets

#### Jan Nyland and Tristan

On April 6th & 7th, at the Wisconsin Spring Fling Freestyle Shows in Jefferson, we finished our Perfect Dance Partner (PDP) Titles In both freestyle and Heelwork to Music, with Three 1st places and one 2nd, with scores ranging from one 9.6, the rest 9.7 to 9.9. The Freestyle title was the 2nd PDP in Wisconsin. The HTM (heelwork to Music) was the first PDP title in Wisconsin. You get scored twice for each performance, one for technical merit, and one for artistic impression. You must have scores of 9.5 or better in Each category, it cannot be an average score. And you must pass 5 Shows. Wisconsin just has one weekend of Freestyle a year, in April, so we traveled to Michigan for a couple shows. We got the Championship (Advanced) titles 2 years ago. This PDP is like a UDX or otch title. I could Not have done it without my eager Golden Retriever Tristan. He loves it. I am not graceful. He made up for me! Think about doing Freestyle! It is FUN! You pick your own music, choreograph it with moves you teach your dog, and freestyle is: anything that won't injure your dog. No required moves.

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Board members present: Sandy Flaaten-President, Joan Kaml-Treasurer, Jan Nyland-Conformation, Anne Millane-Secretary, and Kurt Hackbarth-Field. Absent: Kim Hanna-Vice President, Barb Weber-Obedience and Bobette Holbert-At Large.

Call to Order- Sandy Flaaten called the meeting to order at 12:12PM at Josie Trad's property. Today is BGRC Fun Field Day event. Thanks to Josie and Anne for setting up the fun field day.

Minutes of March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting were in the newsletter. Motion to accept Josie Trad, Joan Kaml seconded, accepted.

Secretary Report-None

Treasurer Report- Joan Kaml, Treasurer reported on the treasury as of April 30<sup>th</sup>. Biggest bill in April was the storage space for two trailers.

Report of Committees

Newsletter articles are due May 15<sup>th</sup>. Online publication will be available soon.

Specialty Committee- Looking for donations to the silent auction get those to Kim Hanna. Still need someone who can help with organizing the auction. Trophy donations are being sought for individuals to sponsor classes, there are three shows in the specialty. \$20 for regular class, \$30 for special classes and \$40 for best in show. Set up people are needed for Friday afternoon, grooming area, clean up on Sunday afternoon, please consider volunteering. People will be allowed to set up grooming spaces on Friday afternoon. Julie Strey Johnson has sent out a lot of social media contacts to promote the specialty shows. Obedience /rally trials are in October. Need an advertising person to get ads for the catalogue.

Field-Thank you to Kurt Hackbarth for stepping into the role of Field board member replacing Susan Scherber who has been struggling with health issues. WC/WCX at Bong Recreation Area on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Anne Millane will offer field training at Glenn Kania's property for spring, watch for announcements. Terry Barton is organizing a group to train at West Allis Training Club near Big Bend on EF and Hwy 164. Contact Terry if you are interested

Two new members at this meeting, voted in James and Becky Coppersmith. We have one visitor-Ted Kumbier who has an 11 month old golden retriever.

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## **Golden Nuggets, Cont'd**

### **Julie Strey-Johnson & Sundae**

Sundae returned to the Rally ring after six years, and quickly earned the Rally Excellent (RE) title. She is now:

SHR, U-CD, RO2, U-CH  
Keepers Sweet Treat CDX,  
BN, GN, RE, JH, RATN, CCA,  
WCX

### **Susie Loucks & Riley**

Riley has been sniffing his way to a new AKC nosework title, that of SCN (containers) and two legs two towards his SEN (exteriors). He also completed his UKC Superior Containers and overall UKC Superior Title a few weeks later.

**Congrats to our club  
members and their goldens!**

## **General Membership Meeting Minutes – Cont'd**

Unfinished Business-BGRC award requirements have been reviewed by the board and will be published in the upcoming newsletter. Membership vote will occur in September meeting to take effect in 2020. The application is being revised to a simpler format. With additional options for titling it makes sense to balance some of the requirements for awards. Expansion to include some additional events like dock diving, CGC, manners, farm dog, etc. Eligibility will require three passes in different dog sports for a single pass title. Co-ownership requirements will be changed so the person who earned the title with the dog will be the only person that has to sign the application.

New Business- Bobbie Hackbarth is updating our tri-fold flyer to be used for advertising, outreach and information.

Next membership meetings

September 8<sup>th</sup> Trick Dog evaluation day at WWCDTC, details in the upcoming newsletter.

November 17<sup>th</sup> Health Problems in our dogs as a program

Adjournment-Motion to adjourn by Joan Kaml, seconded by Joan Parrish meeting concluded at 12:46PM.

Members in Attendance:

Sandy Flaaten-President  
Joan Kaml-Treasurer  
Jan Nyland-Conformation  
Anne Millane-Secretary  
Kurt Hackbarth-Field  
Terry Barton  
Julie Strey Johnson  
Jean Taylor  
Eve Soens  
Barbara Wolf  
Chelsea Schaack  
Holly Sutcliffe  
James Coppersmith  
Becky Coppersmith  
Josie Trad  
Joan Parrish



## **Newsletter Going Digital!!**

After several discussions, the board has made the decision to take our newsletter digital. It will still contain the same information and be available for you to download or save to your computer for future reference.

If you are unable to receive the newsletter in this format, please contact me, Sue Loucks at 262-717-5047 and I can get a print copy to you.

Thanks for all your help in getting information to me on a timely basis and all your ideas/articles that you send. It makes my job so much easier and I appreciate you all!

## Recognition & Achievement Awards Program Proposed Changes

The BGRC Recognition & Achievement Awards Program recognizes the active voting members of the club for their efforts in titling their dogs. This program is revisited every few years to ensure it maintains the intent of the program and accounts for changes in the titles available from AKC and GRCA. The following changes are approved by the Board, and will be voted on during the next voting meeting (September 2019). Please plan to attend so your voice is included! If approved, these changes would be effective beginning January 1, 2020. They would not apply to awards earned in the current year.

Old: The club sponsored achievement awards are offered in agility, conformation, field, obedience, tracking and rally.

New: The club sponsored achievement awards are offered in agility, conformation, dock diving, field, obedience, tracking, rally, and other venues recognized by AKC, UKC, GRCA and foreign registries.

*Comment: The change is intended to address titles recognized by AKC, UKC, GRCA and foreign registries (eg. Canadian Kennel Club) now and in the future.*

Old: The first title must be an AKC title or GRCA certificate (to be eligible for a plaque).

New: The first title must be an AKC title or GRCA certificate (to be eligible for a plaque).

- Eligible AKC titles are those requiring three or more qualifications (passes).
- 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.

*Comment: The change balances the requirements of various titles, and reinforces the requirement that a title certificate is obtained. The AKC Title Recognition program requires that the owner complete the title requirements and submit a title application to AKC. The program is currently available for barn hunt, flyball, diving dogs, search and rescue, therapy dog, and more.*

Old: The awards application must be signed by the owner and co-owner.

New: The awards application must be signed by the owner and co-owner (if not the breeder).

*Comment: The change refines the intent of application program, which is to recognize owners for achieving titles with their dogs. Co-owned dogs commonly do not live with the breeder. This additional signature is a logistical challenge. Removing it does not alter the intent of this requirement.*

**Please feel free to email [juliestrey3@gmail.com](mailto:juliestrey3@gmail.com) with questions regarding these proposed changes or to receive an email copy of the current Recognition & Achievement Awards Program document.**



## We Need You!!

Badger Golden Retriever Club all breed obedience/rally specialty on October 19th and October 20th is fast approaching. I am the chief ring steward and we need stewards to hold this event. We need your help. If you can steward all day that would be great! If you can only give us a few hours, that's ok also. If you have never stewarded before we will train you, plus you get a free lunch and beverages. We will have 2 rings, plus rally.

If you would like to steward please contact me, Barb Weber at [bw655@yahoo.com](mailto:bw655@yahoo.com).

### Advertisements

#1

Put the BGRC on your shopping list for your next adventure.

Items are needed for the Silent Auction at the BRGC Specialty.

Dog related items needed - Golden Retriever items are a bonus

#2

Do you want to honor a special friend or achievement?

Donate to the BGRC Specialty fund, with a special dedication.

When the Trophy Fund Coordinator calls, respond with **yes, I can help!**



### New Member Corner

Denise Nolden  
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She presently owns one golden. She is joining BGRC because she loves goldens and is interested in training and education for her puppy, and also volunteer opportunities. She likes sewing, kayaking and photography.

Please welcome Denise to BGRC!

### Sunshine Corner

A longtime member of Badger Golden Retriever Club, Sue Kutchera, passed away May 12th., Mother's Day. Her husband, Leonard, survives. Many of us have fond memories of Sue and her Golden boys.

### Group Field Training

Training land and water for WC, WCX, JH level.

Serious trainers willing to share work, with dogs under control off lead.

Various locations and various days based on weather and best availability for all.

Meet weekly.

Contact Terry Barton  
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## Do You Have a Trick Dog!?!

We have an exciting meeting planned for Sunday September 8, 2019. Times will be published in the next newsletter. We are going to hold an AKC Trick Dog test, Novice and Intermediate levels. For the Novice Trick dog test, if you have a CGC title on record with the AKC you only need to perform 5 tricks. Otherwise 10 tricks will need to be performed.

For more information on the tricks and how they are to be performed go to AKC.org and in the search engine type "trick dog". Sample sheets and descriptions on how the tricks are performed are on the AKC web site. Each trick needs to be performed two times. There are 20 tricks to choose from. Have an idea on which tricks you want your golden to perform before the meeting. Don't worry, if you have 10 tricks picked out and your dog can't perform one you can just choose another trick to be tested. I will bring the big equipment and the paperwork for the Novice and Intermediate levels. Please bring your own articles for the tricks that will make your dog the most comfortable using. For example, his own crate, bed, fetch toy, ect.

There will be no fee to take the test, but if you pass and want the AKC title, the AKC fee is \$20.00 per title. Both titles can be earned on the same night. If you earn both titles, the paperwork plus \$40.00 needs to be included in the same envelope to AKC. If you are interested in being tested please send me, Barb Weber. an email at [bw655@yahoo.com](mailto:bw655@yahoo.com) Please include your name, your dogs' name and the Trick Dog test you will be performing. I want to make use I bring enough forms with me.

Have a lot of fun this summer teaching your dogs tricks!





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### Upcoming Meetings & Events

**August 18th**  
**WC/WCX**  
**Bong Rec Area**

**September 8th**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**& Trick Dog Testing**

**September 14th & 15th**  
**Conformation Specialty**  
**WWCDTC**

**October 19th & 20th**  
**All Breed Obedience Trial**  
**WWCDTC**

### Run Thru Calendar

#### **Obedience**

**1st Fridays**  
Oshkosh Kennel Club  
Greater Racine Kennel Club

**2nd Fridays**  
Cudahy Kennel Club  
Badger Kennel Club –Except  
July & August

**3rd Fridays**  
K-9 Obedience Training Club

**4th Fridays**  
Western Waukesha Dog Training Club

**5th Fridays**  
K-9 Obedience Club

#### **Rally**

**1st Fridays**  
WWCDTC  
February, April,  
May, June

**Mondays - weekly**  
Cudahy KC

#### **Agility**

**4th Fridays**  
Greater Racine KC