

MINUTES

The Golden Retriever Club of Greater Toronto
General Meeting #5 – 2008/2009
Saturday, March 21, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.
Palgrave, Ont.

- 1) Call to order at 2:22 p.m.
- 2) Acceptance of the Agenda. Motion to approve by Linda Brox; seconded by Danuta Booth. All in favor.
- 3) Minutes of the last General meeting – January 24, 2009 – posted on website
- 4) Reports: Secretary's report – Anna Morison
Treasurer's report - Bruce Russell. Financial statements for the Club, the Erik Strickland seminar, and the Obedience trial were submitted electronically. See attached. Motion to approve by Shelly Blom; seconded by Gord Kerr. All in favour.
Membership report – Danuta Booth. Currently 42 members. Eileen Ansell, Rob M., and Judy Doyle are eligible for regular membership. A new membership application was received from Mary Phillips of Waterloo. Motion by Dauta to have the above members approved as regular members and to accept Mary Phillips as a probationary member. Seconded by Shelly Blom. All in favour.
- 5) Old Business:
 - a) Awards program update (Gord Kerr). Gord presented the sample plaques to the membership and explained how the system will work. The main plaque is given to members when they become an ordinary member. He will be submitting the plaques for burning shortly and will be e-mailing the membership today to assure that their information is correct.
 - b) Revision of Constitution, By-Laws, Code of Ethics (Gord Kerr). Progress not sufficient for submission this year. Work will continue next year and new committee members were invited.
 - c) 2009 Obedience Trial Report Feb 8-9, 2009 (Danuta Booth). The event was very successful, although there were not as many entries as last year. Fewer people entered all trials. Danuta received a thank you note from the High In Trial winner - Diane Louden, from Michigan – praising the Club for the trial and indicating that it will be very memorable as this was her first HIT win.
 - d) 2010 CKC Priority Dates (Michele Rebelo/Danuta Booth). Information is expected from CKC very shortly as other Clubs have been told this.
 - e) Health Clinic – April 2-5, 2009 (Michele Rebelo). Submissions are about the same as last year at this time. Lots of last minute submissions are expected. There seems to be an effect of the economy and a larger number of eye clinics being held elsewhere. People who bring multiple dogs seem to be bringing fewer dogs. Helpers are needed for all days for registration, coordination, eye drops. A sign-up sheet was circulated. Michele mentioned that this will be the last year Joel Edwards will be coming up to do hearts due to health reasons. There was a discussion about doing something special to recognize his efforts. Carol Lee suggested a gift certificate for a restaurant near Albany, and possibly for golf, plus a plaque recognizing his work for us. Carol Lee will be hosting a dinner on the Saturday night for everyone. There was also a discussion about who we could get for next year to do hearts. Michele Rebelo also inquired about getting

- gifts for Carol Graham and the clinic staff. One suggestion was for restaurant gift cards.
- f) Connie Cleveland Seminar – May 9-10, 2009 (Carol Lee). Everything is lined up for the new obedience location in Barrie. Applications can be downloaded from the website. There has not been a very big response to date. There are 8 coming with dogs at \$220 and 6 without dogs at \$160, for a total of \$2720. If no more participants apply, we would lose about \$1000 plus Connie's meal and transport expenses. With a few more applications, we could break even. Nancy and Carol have contacted hundreds of people, but there has been very poor response, even from Club members. Part of the issue can be that the event is being held on Mother's Day; other reasons could include the economy; Campaign is also hosting a Diane Bauman event around the same time. Carol has set the start time at 9:00 a.m. so that some people can consider driving back and forth rather than staying over in Barrie.
 - g) AGM – April 18, 2009 (Anna Morison). Everything is booked. Nominations are being taken for all offices except Secretary. Renewals are due prior to the start of the meeting. Renewal can be done online or by mail. Last year the fee was \$25 with wine included. This year it was booked without wine. This year it was booked to start from 4:00 pm (meeting), with dinner at 6:00 pm. The meal will cost about \$52/person and appetizer snacks. The Club will pay for the dinners, not including alcoholic beverages, of all members. Non-member guests will be charged \$25. People need to inform Anna whether they are coming and whether they are bringing a guest a minimum of 24 hours before so she can inform the Delta.
 - i) There was a discussion about whether the AGM qualifies as the first or last meeting of the year. It is generally regarded as the last meeting; however, Molly previously counted the last AGM as the first meeting.
 - ii) For the few members that don't have e-mail, Anna will mail out meeting notices and minutes.
 - iii) Linda Brox suggested that the Club offer multi-year renewal of membership. Danuta Booth made a motion that the Club offer 1-5 year membership renewals (non-refundable); seconded by Anna Morison. All in favour.
 - iv) Danuta Booth requested clarification about how joint membership participation in events works when only one person goes to the event. The joint membership gets credit for only one event whether one person or both attend. The discussion continued about how to count participation for various events. Normally, the event chair is responsible for reporting who worked at the event. Gord Kerr made a motion that any questionable participation be forwarded to the Executive by Danuta Booth. All in favour.
 - h) GRCGT Specialty & GRCC Regional Specialty – Aug 8-9, 2009 (Danuta Booth).
 - i) Conformation chair – Danuta Booth
 - ii) Dates are approved. Kilbride's premium list is nearly ready. We need to get another judge as Charlie Fippin has withdrawn due to health issues. Danuta suggested that Steve Dainard is one possibility; other members suggested Cherie Berger or Sandra Lex. Sandra is ring stewarding so she is not a good option. By a show of hands, Cherie Berger will be contacted first, then Steve Dainard, then Vicki Umplebee.
 - iii) There is no obedience, no agility, no sweeps, but all other regular classes will be held. The Club agreed that there should be placements for the non-regular classes such as field dog, stud dog and brood bitch. For field dog, M/F will continue to compete in one class.
 - iv) Danuta noted that we are responsible for set up and our own premium list; that is, Kilbride is just giving us grounds.

- v) Danuta inquired about what entry fee we should charge. Many shows are increasing their fees. The Club agreed to set the entry fee at whatever amount Kilbride is charging.
 - vi) Rhonda Hovan Seminar - (Betsey Ryan). Danuta reported that Rhonda has not responded to her inquiries about topics for the seminar. Betsey noted that we had previously decided that the topic would be cancer as it applies to Golden Retrievers and all breeds. Tony offered to provide a PA system.
 - i) WC/Hunt Test – Sept 12-13 Update (Michele Rebelo for Sandy Brodie). Approval received from CKC. Sheila is still working on the judges. The location is still NET campground.
- 6) New Business:
- a) 2010 National Specialty – There was a request for interest from Michele. We need to get organized quickly if we are going to host the show. Anna indicated that she will contact the hotel in Stratford that cancelled on us to see if the new management will change their mind. Michele noted that Linda Brox had previously tentatively offered to chair. She indicated that she would reply to the Executive by the AGM. Linda Brox indicated she knew someone who might judge. Valerie Foss from Scotland was suggested as a judge. We will need chairs & supporters for all areas, obedience, agility, field, fundraising, etc.
 - b) Next General Meeting – AGM
 - c) Carol Lee mentioned that Carol Graham is looking for test dogs/stud dogs for a program to study benign prostatic hyperplasia. Dogs that have been diagnosed and control dogs are needed for the study. There is a vet at OVC named Adrian Cooke that is conducting the study.
- 7) Other – n/a
- 8) Next Meeting – AGM
- a) Saturday, April 18, 2009
 - b) Time: Meeting at 4:30 pm; Dinner and Awards Banquet at 6:00 p.m.
 - c) Location: Delta Meadowvale, 6750 Mississauga Road, Mississauga
- 9) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Norm Bowler at 4:10 p.m., seconded by Linda Brox; all in favour.



GRCGT Financial Report

**Mar. 21st 2009
GRCGT Directors & General Meeting
At Carol & Jim Lee's**

CIBC Bank balance as of Feb.28th 2009 - \$7596.07 + GIC \$3861.74 =\$11,457.81

**Outstanding Cheques as of the Feb. 28th. 2009
Cheque # None**

Deposits - 0

**BMO Bank balance as of today(Feb.25th, 2009)
\$2365.39**

**Outstanding Cheques as of Feb. 25th, 2009
Cheque # 007 GRCC club renewal \$35.00
#023 Michele Rebelo OB Trial expences**

Bruce Russell

Erik Strickland

Handling Seminar

Golden Retriever Club of Greater Toronto
October 18th & 19th 2008

Financial Statements in CAD

Revenue

Gross Sales - with Dog @ \$185.00 X 18
Gross Sales - with out dog @ \$135.00 X 8
Less: Sales Refunds and Allowances
Net Sales

	3330.00
	1080.00
	0.00
	4410.00

Expenses

Hall Rental - Top Dogs - Barrie
Erik's Fee - \$2500.00 U.S.
Erik's Airfare, Nancy Cosburn
Erik's Hotel (HolidayInn/Delta Airport)
Water/Pop/Cookies
Coffee for two days
Carol Lee's Expenses
Total Expenses

	0.00
	2930.80
	565.37
	541.93
	179.95
	115.26
	403.18
	4736.49

Net Operating Income

-326.49

Net Income (Loss)

-326.49

2009 Obedience Trials

Golden Retriever Club of Greater Toronto

7th & 8th, February, 2009

Financial Statements in CAD

Revenue

Gross Sales - Entries	4197.90	
Gross Sales - Catalogue	6.00	
Gross Sales - Food	0.00	
Less: Sales Refunds and Allowances	0.00	
Net Sales		4203.90

Expenses

Secretary's Expenses	109.43	
Refunded - Entries/Over Payment	168.40	
Michi's Expenses for Food	139.26	
Ribbons	197.03	
CKC Fees	493.76	
P. Townshen - Judge	222.00	
P. Stewart - Judge	180.00	
P. Oslach - Judge	173.80	
S. DesCotes - Judge	190.00	
Hall Rental	1311.50	
Prizes	250.00	
Total Expenses		3435.18
Net Operating Income		768.72
Net Income (Loss)		768.72