

GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF GREATER LOS ANGELES

# grecgla

the GOLDEN GAZETTE

August - September 2026

## *Celebrating Puppies!*



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## President's Message

Welcome to the Golden Retriever Club of Greater Los Angeles Board for 2026-2027.

As your president, I am incredibly excited to welcome our new board members, Vicki McGuire and Dana Montague, to the team. Fresh ideas always help our club grow, and I look forward to working together to make this a great year ahead as we continue supporting our Golden Retrievers and our members.

Last year's board began planning four specialty events for the upcoming year. With the help of our two new board members, I look forward to including a doggie event at our general meetings.

I also want to extend a huge thank you to our departing board members, Paula Rowan and Bob Rubin, for their incredible service, dedication, and contributions to our club. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Gerri Monohan  
GRCGLA President



## 2026-2027 GRCGLA Board of Directors

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Watch for future Newsletter requests from your Editors for submission of brags, bios, fun photos, articles and items of interest. Please submit those directly to Andrea Mraz. Thank you!

Andrea Mraz, (Brags, bios, articles, and\_requests)

Donna Lee (Technical questions)



## **2026**

**BOD Meeting September 8**

**BOD Meeting October 13**

**General Meeting and Practice (Woodley Park) October 17**

**SCDOC Top Dog Event November 7**

**BOD Meeting November 10**

**Holiday Get Together and General Meeting (Mimi's Monrovia) December 5**

**BOD Meeting December 8**

## **2027**

**GRCGLA Concurrent Specialty Palm Springs January 8**

**Sporting Dog Association, Palm Springs January 8**

**Relax and snack General Meeting Palm Springs January 8**

**BOD Meeting January 12**

**BOD Meeting February 9**

**BOD Meeting March 9**

**GRCGLA Agility Trial (Lake View Terrace) March 20-21**

**BOD Meeting April 13**

**GRCGLA Bakersfield Specialty April 3**

**GRCGLA Industry Specialty and General Meeting April date TBD**

**BOD Meeting May 11**

**BOD Meeting June 8**

**GRCGLA Agility Trial June date TBD**

**BOD Meeting July 13**

**Annual Awards Meeting July date TBD**





*Puppy  
Power!*

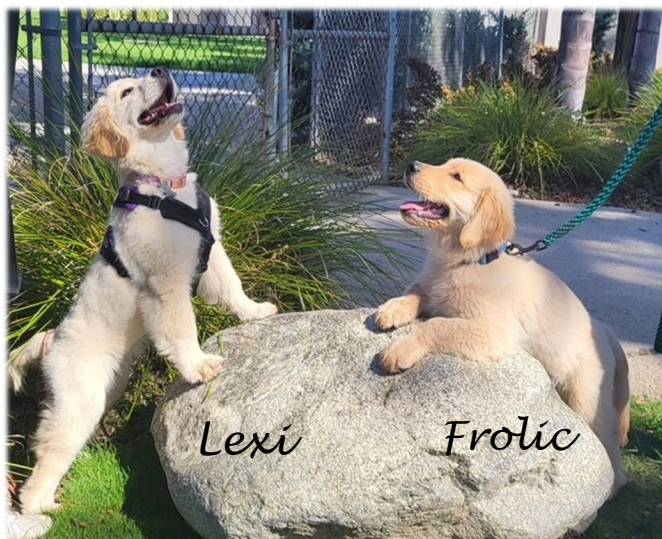


*GRCGLA*



*The way puppies go to (my) bed at Musicur; frozen  
bottles are the best pacifier! -Suzanne Wilson*

# *~ Puppies ~ exploring their world*



*~ Acting on instincts*



~ Having fun!!



Frolic



Cali puppies



Jack



Indy



Breezy



Brew

~ Testing their "Puppy License"

~Thankful for tolerant adults!



*Breezy and Magic Mraz*



*Frolic and Magic Mraz*



*Maui and Koa Sato*



*Lexi and Indy Lee*

*~Tired puppies* 🥰



# *GRCGLA Annual Awards Banquet*

*7/26/26 ~ Mimi's Café, Monrovia*



## *GRCGLA Awards Banquet 7/26/26*



*~~ 2025 GRCGLA Challenge Awards ~~*



*~Puppy Of The Year*



*~Sunbeam Golden Leash Award (Dog)*



*~Best Male (breed level)*



*~Best Bred by Exhibitor*

## *~~ 2025 GRCGLA Challenge Awards ~~*



*~Best Overall (breed level)*



*Outstanding Brood Bitch*



*~Best Female (breed level)  
~High Scoring Utility Obedience  
~High Scoring Obedience Overall*



*~Pocahontas Challenge Award*

## *~ 2025 Challenge Awards ~*



*~Grand Championship Award*



*~High Scoring Open Obedience*



*~Dierdre's TC Brandybrook  
UDT WCX*



*~MACH Lady Belle Rose ADHF*

## *~ 2025 Challenge Awards ~*



*~High Scoring Open Agility Std (20")*



*~High Scoring Novice Agility Std (20")*  
*~High Scoring Open Agility Jumpers (20")*



*~High Scoring Novice Agility Jumpers (20")*



*~High Scoring Agility Overall*

### Puppy Of The Year

Donated by George Henderson, Eligible puppies from 6 months to 12 months of age, Points awarded only for WD/WB, RWD/RWB, BOSS/BISS

FIRE BURST'S OWN MR INCREDIBLE

KATHI & DAVE GARGES & TERRIE JOHNSON DVM & SABINE DOCHMASCHEWSKY

Dogs defeated 77

### Sunbeam Golden Leash Award (Dog)

Offered by William and Cathie Turner. Only class dogs in pursuit of the championship are eligible for the award. The dog has to go WD and earn the points to count the dogs defeated in its sex. If the dog goes BOW, the dogs defeated in both sexes are counted. If the dog goes BOB all the specials as dogs defeated are counted. It is for one calendar year.

CH VERDORO'S NATIONAL TREASURE SIN SCN

SHARON SHILKOFF

Dogs defeated 108

### Grand Championship Award

GCH Am/Can Ch Sunjoie'n Woodland Anyway U Slice it. Am/Can SDHF "Cutter" Grand Championship Award to be awarded in honor of GCH Am/Can Ch Sunjoie'n Woodland Anyway U Slice it. Am/Can SDHF donated by Sharon Shilkoff and Joyce Davis. The award shall be given to the dog or bitch receiving their AKC Grand Championship.

GCH JAZZIN'S UPLAND GIRL UD BN RA TDX SH MHU16 MHUA TKN CGCU ATT WCX VUX

GARY & JENNIFER DARCY

GCH CH ESQUIRE'S SWEET DAYS OF SUMMER BN RN NA NJP OAP OJP XF FITB ORT NW1

L1C L1I CCA

ANDREA MRAZ

#### Best Female (breed Level)

Points to be individually tabulated and will be equal to the number of actual dogs, male or female defeated at the breed level in the award year. Wins to be considered will be BOW, BOB, BOS and with the highest award on a given day to be used as the point basis.

GCH JAZZIN'S UPLAND GIRL UD BN RA TDX SH MHU16 MHUA TKN CGCU ATT WCX VUX  
GARY & JENNIFER DARCY  
Dogs defeated 53

#### Best Male (breed Level)

Points to be individually tabulated and will be equal to the number of actual dogs, male or female defeated at the breed level in the award year. Wins to be considered will be BOW, BOB, BOS and with the highest award on a given day to be used as the point basis.

CH VERDORO'S NATIONAL TREASURE SIN SCN  
SHARON SHILKOFF  
Dogs defeated 108

#### Best Overall (breed level)

To be awarded to the dog with the highest number of points (dogs defeated) at the breed level overall. Wins will be WB, WD, BOW, BOB and BOB

CH VERDORO'S NATIONAL TREASURE SIN SCN  
SHARON SHILKOFF  
Dogs defeated 108

#### Bred by Exhibitor Award (BBE Ch Jenlyn's Somebunny to love)

Offered to the dog or bitch winning the most Winners or Reserve awards from BBE class in AKC competitions for the year, with a minimum of 3 wins to quality.

FIRE BURST FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD  
DAVE & KATHI GARGES & TERRIE JOHNSON DVM

Dogs defeated 20

Oz is a super cool laid back guy until it comes to his ball he's intense. He also loves to talk to you. He's such a sweet boy he steals your heart.

Highest Scoring Open Dog – Casey Memorial Trophy  
Awarded to the dog earning the three best scores while earning a CDX

AMMO TLC'S QUEEN OF HEARTS

TERI CHANG

Average score of 192.7

Highest Scoring Utility Dog

Awarded to the dog earning the three best scores while earning a UD

GCH JAZZIN'S UPLAND GIRL UD BN RA TDX SH MHU16 MHUA TKN CGCU ATT WCX VUX

GARY & JENNIFER DARCY

Average score of 191

Highest Scoring Obedience Dog Overall

Awarded to the dog earning the five best scores in all regular classes

GCH JAZZIN'S UPLAND GIRL UD BN RA TDX SH MHU16 MHUA TKN CGCU ATT WCX VUX

GARY & JENNIFER DARCY

Average score of 194.4

High Scoring Novice Agility Dog 20"

To be awarded to the dog defeating the most dogs while earning an NA (20")

TURBO DON'T STOP THE MUSIC CDX PCD BN SH NA OAJ NF WCX

LAURA TURNER

Dogs Defeated 6

High Scoring Novice Agility Jumpers 20"

GCH CH ESQUIRE'S SWEET DAYS OF SUMMER BN RN NA NJP OAP OJP XF FITB ORT NW1

L1C L1I CCA

ANDREA MRAZ

High Scoring Open Agility Standard

To be awarded to the dog defeating the most dogs while earning an OA (20")

HIGH TIMES PLAYIN' WITH FIRE UD BN GN MH OA OAJ NF SWN WCX

LAURA TURNER

Dogs Defeated 10

High Scoring Open Agility Jumpers

To be awarded to the dog defeating the most dogs while earning an OAJ (20")

TURBO DON'T STOP THE MUSIC CDX PCD BN SH NA OAJ NF WCX

LAURA TURNER

Dogs Defeated 5

High Scoring Agility Dog Over All

To be awarded to the dog competing in Excellent Standard and Excellent Jumpers Classes.

WYNWOOD TLC'S YOU CAN DO MAGIC

TERI CHANG

680 points

MACH Lady Belle Rose ADHF

An Award donated by Stellar Goldens (Julia Wolfe & Gael Parks) to honor GRCGLA member owned dogs have earned both their MACH and entered the Agility Dog Hall of Fame (ADHF). This award is in honor of MACH Lady Belle Rose ADHF. Both titles do not need to be awarded the same calendar year.

AMMO TLC'S QUEEN OF HEARTS

Teri Chang

DIERDRE'S TC BRANDYBROOK UDT, WCX

To be awarded in memory of "Brandy". Donated by Miki Shannon. This award will be presented to the oldest dog that completes a working degree during the Award's year.

STELLAR'S LIGHT MY FIRE

JULIA WOLFE & GAEL PARKS

Title earned Novice Agility Jumper Preferred at 9 yrs old.

OUTSTANDING BROOD BITCH

To be awarded to the female whose get has earned the highest number of points during the awards year. This trophy is in honor of CH Jolly Stallar Amazing Grace AX MXJ OD and is offered by Julia Wolfe & Gael Parks.

CALICO'S SECRETS OF THE HEART

MARY THOMPSON

Pocahontas Challenge Award for Triple Purpose Goldens-

To be awarded in honor of Ch Lloque's Pocahontas of Auroras, CDX, WC and Ch Pocahontas Bufflehead, CDX, WC.

Donated by Bill & Linda Hurd. The requirements for this award are equally balanced between show, field and obedience. It is non-competitive and shall be awarded to any dog who qualifies: possession will be shared if more than one dog earns the award in the same award's year.

GCH JAZZIN'S UPLAND GIRL UD BN RA TDX SH MHU16 MUHA TKN CGCU ATT WCX VUX

GARY & JENNIFER DARCY

# **GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB**



## **GRCGLA Meeting and Practice Sat 10/17 at 9 AM Woodley Park**

6350 Woodley Ave  
Van Nuys CA

Join us for our general  
meeting,  
plus obedience, rally and  
scentwork practice

Bring lunch and beverage for yourself, and  
water for your dogs

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Southern California Dog Obedience Council (SCDOC)

# ★ TOP DOG ★

## OBEDIENCE AND RALLY CHALLENGE

★ AND PRACTICE MATCH ★

*Saturday, November 7, 2026*

≧ **\$700 in Cash Prizes,** ≦  
plus 50/50 Drawing and Raffle



**Pikes Peak**  
97 Sixth Street  
Norco, CA 92360



**Entries:** Obedience 8:00-9:30 a.m., Rally 8:00-10:30am

**Judging begins:** Obedience 9:00 a.m.; Rally 11am.

- ★ SCDOC Club Teams: Obedience \$40 Rally Team \$30
- ★ Independent Teams: Obedience \$50 Rally \$40
- ★ Single entry \$10 additional entries of same dog \$5

**Four Rings – 1 Novice, 1 Open, 1 Utility and 1 Rally (Intermediate)**

**★ AKC Rules apply in Challenge Competition\* ★**

*(\*with exceptions as noted in Top Dog Rules)*

Verbal corrections or gentle guidance of the dogs allowed in practice.  
No harsh corrections.  
Must pick up after your dog!

**Bring your own food, beverages and shade.**  
(No food provided)

★ **NO SETUPS BEFORE 6:30 a.m.** ★

★ Questions? Contact Match Chair Gabrielle Beaubrun 310-418-1620 ★

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YOU ARE INVITED TO  
**GRCGLA**  
**HOLIDAY**

*Get Together*

DINNER&DESSERT \$25/PERSON  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE NOT  
COVERED

GENERAL MEETING AND  
GIFT AUCTION

**DECEMBER 5, 2026**  
**5:00PM-8:00PM**

Please bring a wrapped gift value of \$20.00 or  
higher if you'd like to participate in the auction,  
proceeds from auction will benefit

GRCGLA Rescue

RSVP Sharon by November 27 at  
[woodlandgr@gmail.com](mailto:woodlandgr@gmail.com)

MIMI'S CAFE  
500 W HUNTINGTON DR  
MONROVIA 91016



# grrrrla Brags ....and Special Moments



My magical girl is proud to tell you she passed her NACSW ORT and is looking forward to a fun future of NoseWork searches. I am so thrilled that Magic used her nose to get the job done, as she conquered her novel building insecurities! Luv ya girlie!

Andrea Mraz

**Magic, Esquire's Two Believe In Magic NJP RI RA RE CD-V TKN CGC ORT**



**Rebel, CH Rosecreek's Get Outta My Way**

Rebel was awarded 4 majors and finished her Champion at just 10 months of age.

Sharon Wilson and Maddie McCue



**Dylan, Calico's Blowin' In The Wind CGC**

Dylan is visiting from AZ this summer and came in for grooming and a few photo shoots with me. This is the RED boy from my "WEATHER" litter, CH Shelby X GCH Whisper. He is currently loving life being shown and has earned 6 points towards his CH.

Owned and loved by Dave & Nancy Elm  
Breeder/Co-owner Mary Thompson

# grrrrla Brags ....and Special Moments



**Sanders, CH Calico's Secret Recipe DN CGC TKI  
Rain, CH Calico's The Perfect Storm BN RE FDC RATN  
DJ CGCA CGCU TKA VSWI FITB FTN**

Mary Benson-Thompson, myself, and Laura Nichols are happy to report that Sanders, CH Calico's Secret Recipe DN CGC TKI, can now add CGCA and ATT to his name after passing his requirements at the Santa Ana Valley KC fun day in July. Rain, CH Calico's The Perfect Storm BN RE FDC RATN DJ CGCA CGCU TKA VSWI FITB FTN, also added ATT to her already very long name at the same event ❤️. I couldn't be prouder of these two.

Vicki McGwire



2004 National, Sister and Brother team. After an 8 year break I had to start all over again with a new line Enter Deli and Wings (McBear Goldens) who were born in Sept. of 2000.

These pictures make me proud after I told several breeder friends that I was not entering because I did not have National material to show.

I was talked into entering them and boy did they make fun of my words!

Deli went on to finish her CH and was my foundation bitch of everything I currently have.

Mary Thompson

## Deli and Wings



# grcgla Brags

....and Special Moments



**Bravo, CH Bearabella 24KT Exceptional One**

New Champion! Our handsome BRAVO, Bearabella 24KT Exceptional One, finished up his championship in short order. Bravo is only 19 months old, and when Janice Hayes so graciously took on this young dog, she completed his championship in three weeks with an additional major and the two extra points he needed. Bravo is sired by our GCH Luca x CH Treasure . And I am proud to say he is our 36th champion to date . Many thanks go out to Janice Hayes for her professionalism and skill. And to Helena Lamont, who brought Luca to her champion girl, Treasure.

Judi Voss



**GCH Jazzin's Upland Girl UD BN RA TDX SH MHUA MHU16 TKN ATT CGCU WCX VCM**

The GRCGLA Awards Banquet was so much fun and Cali had a great night! She won Highest Scoring Utility Dog, Highest Scoring Obedience Dog Overall, Best Female Dog (Best of Breed points), an award for achieving a Grand Championship and the best award of all! She won the Pocahontas Challenge Award for triple purpose Goldens awarded to dogs with high level titles in conformation, obedience and field work. It hadn't been awarded since 1999! I am really proud of her.

Jennifer Darcy



**Cali, GCH Jazzin's Upland Girl UD BN RA TDX SH MHUA MHU16 TKN ATT CGCU WCX VCM**

At last year's Awards Banquet, Terrie Johnson talked to me about the GRCGLA Pocahontas Challenge Award and encouraged me to apply. This trophy is awarded to triple purpose Goldens that have achieved titles in conformation, field and obedience. It has not been awarded since 1999 when Terrie's own dog, CH Ashford Shadoj Dare T' Dream OA OAJ JH WCX "Ben" received it. Terrie presented the award at the banquet which really meant a lot to me. I am grateful to the club for this award because versatility awards which include field titles are very meaningful to me. I am really proud of Cali!

Jennifer Darcy

# grecula Brags ....and Special Moments



**Carly, Woodland the Stuff that Dreams Are Made Of**

"Carly" Woodland the Stuff that Dreams Are Made Of - completed her NAP title at the GRCGLA Agility Trial and needs just one more pass for her Jumpers Title! Carly is bred, owned and handled by Sharon Shilkoff.

Sharon Shilkoff



**Breezy, GCH CH Esquire's Sweet Days of Summer BN RI NA OAP OJP MFP FITB CCA NW2 ORT L2C L2I**

Breezy admires the lovely new title ribbons he earned at the NACSW L2 Containers and L2 Interiors NoseWork trials where he found 16/16 odors in 8 searches. Breezy loves the sport of NoseWork since he gets to lead the way, while Mom follows along. We are enjoying our journey together!

Andrea Mraz



**Juice, MACH Ammo TLC's Queen Of Hearts CDX RE JH MXG MJS MXF MFB T2B3 SWM SHDM TKI WC ADHF**

Welcome to our singleton boy born August 4th to our California Dreamin' litter! His new puppy owner sent these puppies so he wouldn't get lonely!

He is loving having the best seat in the house at the milk bar!

Emberain Wingman RE SH NF WCX (Manny) X

MACH Ammo TLC's Queen Of Hearts CDX RE JH MXG MJS MXF MFB T2B3 SWM SHDM TKI WC ADHF (Juice)

Teri Chang

# gucula *Braggs* ....and Special Moments



**Dandi, Seasons Regalgold Dashing Thru The Show**

Dandi earned her GCH Bronze at the end of June. We are very proud of Dandi's accomplishment at the age of 21 months This came 3 months after earning her Championship title.

Co-owners: Gerri Monohan, Mary Fry and Paula and Bill Rowan



**Roxy, Versatyl Hunting Girl**

Introducing the newest member of our family! Her name is Versatyl Hunting Girl, "Roxy". Cali had four puppies, 1 boy and 3 girls. I couldn't decide which girl to keep. It was a lovely litter and I think I could have been happy with any of the girls but I kept coming back to the Orange girl. I am having so much fun with her and Cali is still the very best mom! She plays with Roxy all the time, otherwise I wouldn't get anything done!

Jennifer Darcy



**Monroe, BOSS GCHB CH Calico's Some Like It Hot CGCA CGCU**

So very proud of Monroe, BOSS GCHB CH Calico's Some Like It Hot CGCA CGCU FDC ATT TKN FTN. She has consistently ranked in the Top 15 this year in both Breed and All Breed Systems, and has now qualified for the GRCA 2026 Top Twenty Invitational. Forever grateful to Maddie McCue, whose hard work and passion helped to make this dream come true. It has been an exciting journey and we appreciate the many club members who have shared the joy. We look forward to the celebration!

Owned by Lynn Feldner, Joe Benzoni & Mary Thompson

# grecia Brags ....and Special Moments



**Demi, Rosecreek's Here We Go Again CGC TKI FTN FDC**

Demi earned her cap and gown! This summer Demi went to a 6 week therapy prep school through Pawsitive Teams. Demi is now a certified therapy dog through Helen Woodward Animal Companion Center, and doing visits at a school for children with disabilities and businesses for staff stress relief. Demi really turns on the Golden charm and brings smiles to everyone she meets. We are so proud of this young girl.

Owned by Lynn Feldner, Joe Benzoni, Sharon Wilson and Maddie McCue



**Rory, Woodecoy Cinnamon Teal SH CGC TKA FITS CCA WCX Canadian JH  
Bryn, Woodecoy Echoes of Eternity JH CGC TKA FITS WC**

Rory, (left) and Bryn had a successful hunt test weekend at the Upper Island Retriever Club hunt test July 25 & 26 at Swamp Dog Farms in Black Creek, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada. Each earned 2 CKC Senior Hunter passes. Bryn's mother Loki was a successful test dog for the Senior test on Saturday. Rory, Bryn, and Loki are owned, bred, trained and loved by Danette and Brad Weich.

Danette and Brad Weich



**Cali, GCH Jazzin's Upland Girl UD BN RA TDX SH MHUA MHU16 TKN ATT CGCU WCX VCM**



I am writing this the day after Cali's last puppy went to his new home. We are missing them so much! I kept "Orange Girl" who has always been my favorite because she is so much like her mom. Please appreciate your breeders because it is so much work raising puppies but it was so much fun sharing another adventure with Cali. I was so proud of her because she was the best mom! Thank you to our many friends who came to our house to play with them!

Jennifer Darcy