



Evergreen Golden Retriever Club  
General Membership Meeting  
Place: via Zoom  
Date: Monday October 22, 2025

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Amy Rosling, President.  
Present: :Lynn Anderson, Kelli Armstrong, Gene Daspit, Mavourneen Daspit, Kathy Daspit, Sharmin Dominke, Dana Fare, Steve Hughes, Trish Hughes, Nancy Light, Pat Lindquist, Frank Pampiks, Shari Phillips, Amy Rosling, Claudia Shaw, Renee Stone, Marian Tillman, Lisa Witte.
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**  
**Motion** was made to approve the minutes of the August 2025 General Membership meeting which were published in the September GW. **APPROVED.**
- III. **Report of Corresponding Secretary (Sharmin)**
  - We will need a membership roster sent to AKC in the approved AKC format.
  - Marian prepared the roster in the format required and sent it to Sharmin.
- IV. **Report of Treasurer (Kelli)**
  - Checking and Savings balances were reported.
  - We received the 2025-26 general liability insurance policy renewal which includes the trailer. There was a 34% increase so the premium increased from \$1,220 to \$1,638. Premium was paid on October 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Kelli trying to wrap everything up for the transfer to Rachelle. Still waiting for an invoice for the ribbons for the Specialty. Amy will speak with the vendor and encourage them to send the invoice asap to Kelli.
- V. **Report of Committees:**  
Events:
  1. Agility Nancy (Chair) 2026
    - Judge are Laura Finco and Jill Crawford. (Crawford is replacing Christian Eckhoff who is not renewing his judging license.)
  2. Specialty – Maryke (2026 & 2027 Chair)
    - No report received
  3. Judges Selection Committee - Trish (Chair)
    - No report received
  4. Hunt Test Nancy (Chair) June 2026
    - Nancy was appointed Chair at the Board meeting.
    - As was true in 2025, the 2026 Hunt test will conflict with the Master Amateur in Wisconsin, which will affect some key workers. Will again need to call on club members and other volunteers. Susan will not be going to the Master Amateur, so she will be Secretary.
  5. WC/WCX - Nancy (Chair) Sept. 19, 2026
    - Nancy was appointed Chair.
    - Date has been reserved with Colin at Cascade Retrievers. Don't need to pay until next year.
    - Linda and Paul Johnson will be able to judge

- There was concern about people who enter but are not field people, and do not have much exposure to birds. They are there to get their dogs some titles.
- Suggest we get approval from GRCA as early as possible so we can let people know about training days and try to encourage those who don't have experience in field to do these trainings.

6. CCA –TBD (Chair)

- We are in need of a Chair who has some experience, who can take charge and form a committee so we can have a CCA in the Spring.
- Question was asked if we could have co-chairs. Amy said she would check out the rules and report back.

7. HOLIDAY PARTY – Deb (Chair)

- Frank confirmed the date to be Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m.
- Potluck and gift exchange (\$20-25).
- Announcement will be sent out. RSVP to Frank and Deb.

FINANCES:

1. Audit/Budget Committee TBD (Chair)

- Per the Standing Rules, "In January of each year the Board will appoint an Audit/Budget Committee consisting of a minimum of three (3) members including the incoming and outgoing Treasurer and (2) other non-Board members.
- Contact a Board member if you are interested.

CLUB AFFAIRS:

2. Upcoming Meetings/Events

11/10 Joint Board Meeting 7 pm PST via zoom
11/26 GM Meeting 7 pm PST via zoom
12/6 Holiday party at Pampiks'

3. Programs – Dana (Chair)

- Mark your calendars: February 26, 2026 we have secured Josh Stern to do a presentation on his new study (see New Business for links to this study). We need to spread the word and invite as many people as we can. The Zoom meeting has no limit so even if we want to invite other Golden Clubs, we can do that.
- Please send the board some suggestions for reaching a broader audience.

4. Golden West – TBD (Chair)

- We need a new editor/publisher for the Golden West.

5. Website – Kathy (Chair)

- Everything is up to date

6. Puppy referral - Claudia (Chair)

- Nothing new to report

7. Awards -Pat (Chair)

- Nothing new to report.

8. Property – Frank & Deb (Co-Chairs)

- With help from a friend, Mark Gorski, they were able to pull the trailer to Jennifer Kisker's house where it will be stored for the foreseeable future. Thank you Mark and Jennifer for your help.

- The contract with the storage facility should be closed out by Trish, whose name was on the storage contract. There should be no further charges as the trailer was moved before any charges were accrued.
- Frank put on the tire covers and locked the trailer.
- Claudia is still working on the inventory list, and it should be available shortly.
- Marian currently has the Trailer title and she will turn it over to Frank.

9. Sunshine Committee –Suzy (Chair) – it has been quiet.

10. Social media – Kathy (Chair)

- Looking for someone to do the Instagram account. Great way to keep the Club's name out in front of the public.

11. GRCA News Column – Rachelle (Chair)

- Nothing new to report

12. Nominating Committee – Kathy (Chair)

- Committee will be appointed in July 2026.

13. Membership Marian (Chair)

- 65 members – 37 voting and 28 non-voting
- Election of new member Courtney Williamson:
  - i. After a call for the vote, Courtney was voted into membership.

14. Website renewal – Steve (Chair)

- No report received

**VI. Unfinished Business –**

- For information on Dr. Stern's research: <https://thesternlab.com>

**VII. New Business: Election of Officers**

- President – Amy Rosling
- Vice President – Trish Hughes
- Treasurer – Rachelle Mahoney
- Corresponding Secretary – Sharmin Dominke
- Recording Secretary – Roger Pullman
- Board Members at Large – Dana Fare, Pat Lindquist, Lisa Witte.

There being no other nominees, and no opposition, the slate of officers were elected by acclamation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marian Tillman, Recording Secretary