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**The April meeting will be Wednesday,
April 23rd at 7:00 pm, via Zoom.**

NEW Newsletter Editor and Email Blaster

Sharmin Dominke is the Newsletter Editor and email blaster effective today.

sharminbaumann@hotmail.com

All requests for emails to be sent to the membership should also be sent to her, effective immediately. Please add her email to your address book.

Marj Deupree will continue to update the website on a temporary basis. Her email is marjkd@gmail.com

We will be voting on a new member applicant

Yoshino Sakamoto

"I am originally from New Orleans and moved up to the Seattle area in 2014 to attend grad school at the UW. I then spent a few years in Washington DC and returned to the Seattle area again in 2022. I have a 3-year old Golden Retriever named Beignet who runs my life. We started going to agility class to find something fun to do together and also improve our teamwork and communication. Agility has also given us the opportunity to meet many amazing classmates, which is what led me here! Thank you Nancy, Jury and Lia! I am excited to join the EGRC."

SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 28-29, 2025
SKAGIT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
501 TAYLOR ST, MT VERNON, WA

JUDGES

SATURDAY

CONFORMATION, JRS, 4-6 MO...
 MS. PLUIS DAVERN
 SWEEPSTAKES... BETSY STROHL

SUNDAY

CONFORMATION, JRS, 4-6 MO....
 MS. KATHLEEN CARTER
 SWEEPSTAKES... MARTIN
 GLOVER

EGRC SUPPORTS THE ENTRY OF GOLDENS
 IN PSESSA'S ALL BREED OBEDIENCE AND
 RALLY TRIAL ON THE SAME SITE

PREMIUM LISTS WILL BE AT
 SUPERINTENDENT
DOGZIBIT



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JOIN US FOR FUN ACTIVITIES ALL WEEKEND!

- ✓ Best of the Best Competition for Breed, Bred By, Puppy, Junior and Veteran with ESS winners
- ✓ Canine Good Citizen, Trick Dog Novice & Intermediate, Fetch Novice & Intermediates
- ✓ Premium Ringside grooming with adjacent parking
- ✓ RV with Power and water and Bathroom/Shower on site
- ✓ Fundraising drawings
- ✓ Armband Drawings for those entered in all venues
- ✓ Saturday evening Social BBQ (Ticket info in Premium list)

Check out PSESSA's Logo Store!
 All proceeds support fun events
 for the weekend!

[Zazzle Store](#)



SAVE THE DATE: June 28-29, 2025

EGRC is teaming up with Puget Sound English Springer Spaniel Association to create a memorable 🍷 Camp Out weekend 🍷 in Mt Vernon! Featuring many fun activities to highlight all the fun we can have with our dogs!

Our amazing logos were created by Sophia LeBel of Hound and Hare Designs. The design is worthy of some great merch, so PSESSA has added 🍷 Camp Out 2025 collections 🍷 to their Zazzle Store so you can prepare for summer! Right now there is 15%-30% off many items and all versions of the logo are available.

🎯 🍷 Proceeds from the logo store go to the fun activities that make a Camp Out memorable: Food, Games and Memories!

https://www.zazzle.com/store/psessa_event_merch/collections

Premium list will be available on the Superintendent page DogZiBit.

Trophy Sponsorship slots are still open! Please contact Heather Downing if you would like to sponsor an award or class. **Downing234@outlook.com**

There a few volunteer positions open, including Fundraising Drawing and/or Silent Auction, Grounds (for someone staying on site), and help with Hospitality needs. Contact Maryke if you would like to volunteer (or have any donations for the Drawing and/or Silent Auction)

Is there anyone who is tech savvy who would like to form a committee to help develop a new website? If so, please contact a board member.



Sorry this is a month late.



Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday March 26, 2025
Place: Via Zoom Conference Call

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Amy Rosling, President.

Present: Lynn Anderson, Kelli Armstrong, Gene Daspit, Mavourneen Daspit, Kathy Daspit, Sharmin Dominke, Heather Downing, Dana Fare, Kathy Fisk Maryke Haynes, Trish Hughes, Nancy Light, Pat Lindquist, Suzy Miller, Deb Pampiks, Frank Pampiks, Shari Phillips, Pam Pullman Amy Rosling, Claudia Shaw, Marian Tillman, Lisa Witte.

Guest: Yoshino Sakamoto

- II. **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 2025 GM meeting which were published in the March 2025 GW. **APPROVED.**

- III. **Report of the President:** no report

- IV. **Report of the Board** (Amy)

- The Board is working on improvements to the website including a private members only page. Will be discussed further at the April Board meeting.
- Trish Hughes will be the interim Vice President until we have elections.

- V. **Report of Corresponding Secretary** (Sharmin)

- No report

- VI. **Report of Treasurer** (Kelli) –

- Bank balances were reported as well as disbursements made.

- VII. **Report of Committees:**

Events:

1. Agility Nancy (*liaison and chair*) August 29-31, 2025
 - No further updates
 - Budget will be presented at an upcoming Board meeting.
2. Specialty Amy (*liaison*) Maryke (*chair*) June 28-29, 2025
 - Budget has been approved by the Board.
 - Last call for trophy donations if you want to be included in the program.
 - Let Claudia know how many pet toys are needed.
 - BBQ all set
 - We have a golf cart
 - One day of the Specialty will be dedicated in memory of Rich Anton and one day in memory of Monica Miller.
 - Pluis Davern will be judging in place of Rich Anton.
3. Judges Selection Committee - Sharmin (*liaison*) Trish (*chair*)
 - All judges for 2025 are secured.
 - Selection of judges for 2026 is complete. Committee to secure contracts.

4. Hunt Test – Nancy (*liaison and chair*) June 21-22, 2025
 - Board has approved the budget, but there were a few changes in the housing for the judges so the budget will be amended and re-submitted to the Board.
 - We are still in need of help, especially at the winger stations. Contact Nancy if you can assist.
 - Lisa Witte will be providing lunch.
 - The Board approved dedicating the Hunt Test in memory of Monica Miller.
5. Tracking (TD/TDX) No liaison and no chair.
6. WC/WCX (Nancy) September 6, 2025
 - Flat coats are responsible for 2025.
 - Ron Colyer is the liaison for the Flat coats. If you can help, contact Ron.
 - EGRC to host in 2026.
7. Holiday Party – Marian (*liaison*) Deb (chair) – too early to schedule for Dec.
8. Health Clinic – no liaison, no chair
9. CCA – Amy (*liaison*) Kerry (chair)
 - On hold for now. Looking at some time in October.
 - Board approved dedicating the event to Rich Anton.

FINANCES:

1. Audit/Budget Committee – Kelli (*liaison and chair*)
 - The board will officially appoint the committee at their next board meeting.
 - The members are Kelli Armstrong, Sheila Colyer, Frank Pampiks and Rachelle Mahoney.
2. Donations Committee – Dana (*liaison and chair*)
 - The Board will appoint the committee members in April.

CLUB AFFAIRS:

1. Membership – Marian (*liaison and chair*) 60 members (33 voting; 27 non-voting)
2. Golden West (Sharmin liaison) (Marj temporary chair)
3. Website – Board is working on updating the website with a secure “members only” section.
4. Puppy Referral – Sharmin (*liaison*) Claudia (chair) - no report
5. Rescue (Alice/Rachelle) – no report
6. Meetings:
 - Board Meeting April 14th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - General Membership Meeting April 23rd 7 p.m. via Zoom
7. Awards Pat (*liaison and chair*) – everything at the engravers
8. Awards Banquet Pat (*liaison and chair*) – April 19, 2025 4-8 p.m. Pot-luck
 - At the home of Deb and Frank Pampiks.
 - R.S.V.P. to Deb and what you will bring.

9. Property – need to confirm a Chair. Susan secured the Title to the Trailer from Peter and will send to Marian for safe-keeping.
10. GR News Column Pat (*liaison*) Rachelle (*chair*) – Columns ready to go. Waiting for GR News to catch up.
11. Sunshine Committee – Nancy (*liaison*) Suzy (*chair*) *no report*
12. Social media – Kelli (*liaison and chair*) – Thank you to Kathy for the great work being done on our FB page. Still need someone to manage our Instagram account.
13. Nominating Committee – Amy (*liaison*) TBD (*chair*) – Board will appoint committee members in July.
14. Election of New members -
 - Morgan Sigler was voted into membership.

VIII. Unfinished Business – none

IX. New Business – none

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marian Tillman, Recording Secretary





Evergreen Golden Retriever Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Place: via Zoom
Date: Monday April 14, 2025

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Amy Rosling, President.
Present: Amy Rosling, Marian Tillman, Kelli Armstrong, Pat Lindquist, Nancy Light.
Sharmin Dominke, Trish Hughes.
Absent: Dana Fare
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**
Motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2025 Board meeting which were published in the March GW. **APPROVED.**
- III. **Report of the President – no report**
- IV. **Report of Corresponding Secretary (Sharmin)**
 - There was discussion regarding whether the AKC received the list of updated officers. Sharmin indicated that Susan had sent AKC the updated information. She will double check with Susan.
- V. **Report of Treasurer (Kelli)**
 - Officers were updated with the WA Secretary of State on 4/1/2025.
 - IRS 990-N was filed on 4/1/2025 for the year ending 12/31/2024.
 - Peter was deleted as a signer at US Bank on both our checking and money market accounts as of 4/9/2025.
 - We need to ensure that the Treasurer's monthly reports are reviewed by a board member or members.
 - Also need approval to appoint the Budget/Audit Committee:
MOTION: To appoint Sheila Colyer, Frank Pampiks, Rachelle Mahoney and Sharmin Dominke to the Budget/Audit Committee. **APPROVED**
- VI. **Report of Committees:**
Events:
 1. Agility Nancy (Chair) August 29-31, 2025
 - Will have budget at the next Board meeting.
 - Still not heard back with a contract from Sherry Spivey. AKC "recommends" but does not "require" a contract. Possibly some concerns as some recent trials have had low entries leading to reducing judges to one judge. Makes it hard to plan on entries.
 - Nancy will speak with Lori Sage if she submitted application to AKC and confirm that she updated the application with the current officers of the Club.
 2. Specialty June 28, 29 2025 Maryke (Chair)
 - Working on trophies and on ribbons.
 - E-mail was sent to Kim Anton that one day of the Specialty will be dedicated to Rich.
 3. Judges Selection Committee - Trish (Chair)
 - Contracts in place for 2025
 - Committee will contact 2026 judges

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4. Hunt Test Nancy (Chair) June 21-22, 2025
 - Revised budget with minor updates on judges' expenses, income, etc. was presented.
 - Reservations made at Redmond Inn for judges.
 - Hospitality confirmed with Lisa Witte for Friday helper/judges dinner.
 - Lisa will also pick up and distribute the worker lunches for Sat/Sun from Jersey Mikes.
 - Still working on workers, kid helpers.
 - Birds and grounds in place.

MOTION: To approve the Revised Hunt Test budget as presented. **APPROVED**

5. Tracking – no Chair – no event planned
6. WC/WCX - Sept. 6, 2025
 - Held at Cascade Retriever Training Grounds by Northwest Flat-coated Retriever Club with Ron Colyer as the contact person.
 - EGRC will cover again in 2026
7. CCA – Kerry (Chair)
 - On hold for now.
 - Cancelled with GRCA.
 - Amy will contact Kerry on the status of holding the CCA; budget and judges.
8. Holiday Party December 2025 Deb (Chair) – no report
9. Health Clinic – no event planned at this time

FINANCES:

1. Audit/Budget Committee Kelli (Chair)
 - See **Motion** under Treasurer's Report appointing Sheila Colyer, Frank Pampiks, Rachelle Mahoney and Sharmin Dominke to the Committee.
2. Donations Committee Chair - TBD
 - At the April Board meeting committee members will be appointed. Current members expressed their desire to remain on the committee.

MOTION: To appoint Kathy Fisk, Sandy Scudder and Stacia White to the Donations Committee. **APPROVED.**

CLUB AFFAIRS:

2. Membership - Marian (Chair)
 - 62 members. (35 voting and 27 non-voting)
 - Membership will vote on one prospective member: Yoshino Sakamoto.
3. Programs – Dana (Chair) – no report
4. Golden West –
 - Sharmin is working with Marj to take over the GW next month.
 - We will need to begin using a new software since Publisher will no longer be supported by Microsoft.
5. Website - Marj has agreed to continue to temporarily cover the Website until a replacement is found.

- Nancy forwarded information from Kato Deupree, who is a professional web designer (and Marj's daughter). This included ideas on a web design. It would not be much different from the current website, but would have a "members only" section, not accessible to the public, but which would include things such as financial reports and budgets from events and the Club as a whole, monthly Treasurer reports, and the membership Roster. There are still a lot of things that are unclear such as how old documents would be stored and what to do about our current hosting site, Network Solutions.
 - There was much to understand and the board needs further investigation and understanding as to how it all would work and the costs involved (both one-time cost and on-going costs).
 - Marian will contact Marj to put a notice in the GW that we are looking for tech-savvy members who would be interested in forming a committee to research the development of a new website that would contain, among other things, a confidential "members only" section.
6. Puppy referral - Claudia (Chair) no report
7. Rescue- Rachelle (Chair) – no report
8. Meetings:
- General Membership meeting March 26th 7 p.m. via Zoom.
 - Board Meeting – April 14th, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
 - Awards Banquet April 19th @ the Pampiks' 4-8 p.m.
 - General Membership meeting April 23rd, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
9. Awards -Pat (Chair)
- Only 7 people have RSVP'd to the Pampiks. Marj will send out a email immediately to members to send their RSVPs in to the Pampiks asap.
10. Awards Banquet Pat (Chair) @ Deb & Frank Pampiks
- April 19th 4-8 p.m.
11. Property – Chair - TBD
- Marian received the title to the trailer from Susan.
 - At our next Board meeting we will discuss the term "property chair" regarding the trailer. Ron was not comfortable with that title, and would prefer "trailer property chair."
12. Sunshine Committee – Suzy (Chair) – no report
13. Social media – Kelli (Chair) – Kathy Fisk was not able to sync up our FB page with our Instagram page.
14. GRCA News Column – Rachelle (Chair) - no report
15. Nominating Committee – Chair TBD
- Committee to be appointed at our July Board meeting.

VII. Unfinished Business –

- “Liaison” vs. “Chair” – it was discussed that if a member of the board is a Chair of a Committee, then there is no need for a “liaison.”
- As well, the Corresponding Secretary is responsible to send out the Agenda and to obtain information directly from each Chair which makes it quicker to obtain needed information.

MOTION: To eliminate the “liaison” position unless specifically needed for a certain committee.
APPROVED.

VIII. New Business –

- Pam and Roger Pullman were dropped as members due to not renewing their membership in the prescribed time. Per our By-laws, “in meritorious cases” the Board agreed that they should be reinstated without the need to re-apply.

MOTION: To approve reinstatement to membership of Pam and Roger Pullman.
APPROVED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Tillman,
Recording Secretary



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Special Events

2025 Agility	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2025 Hunt Test	Nancy Light	425-354-3609
2025 Specialty	Maryke Haynes	206-351-3095
2024 Awards	Pat Lindquist	253-888-9733
2024 Holiday Party	Deb, Frank Pampiks	425-881-0867
WC/WCX	Susan Bell	425-318-9754
	Nancy Light	425-354-3609

The Objectives of the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club

- To preserve the structure, soundness, temperament, natural abilities and personality of the Golden Retriever as described in the breed standard and to do all possible to bring their natural abilities and qualities to perfection.
- To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the AKC as the only standard of excellence by which the Golden Retriever shall be judged.
- To protect and advance the interest of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike conduct at dog shows, field events, obedience trials and all functions and events where EGRC is being represented.
- To conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows, field events, obedience trials and tracking under the rules of AKC and
- To educate members and the public in all aspects of owning a Golden Retriever.

General Information

General Meetings are usually held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Check the calendar on the web site at www.egrc.org. The **Board of Directors** usually meets once a month. Contact a Board member for upcoming meeting dates. Members wishing to attend must call the President to state their business.

Application for Membership: Prospective members must attend either one or two meetings or functions before application of intent to join is accepted. Application forms may be obtained from Board members, the Membership Chair, or from the web site.

Change of Address. If you have moved, changed your phone number or your e-mail address, please e-mail our Membership Chair, Marian Tillman, marian@ridesoft.com, with this change. This is the only way we will be able to keep our membership rosters up to date.

