

**Tarheel Golden
Retriever Club**
Raleigh, Durham,
Chapel Hill area

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GRCA National Specialty from my perspective—Patty McEwen



For most of you who have attended and exhibited at the GRCA National Specialty, you know what a treat it is to be part of this special event. This year, in Conyers, GA, was my first National Specialty. I didn't show my dog, Jack, in conformation but we did experience the Rally ring. It was such a sight to see so many Golden Retrievers at one venue.

I also attended the GR Foundation Gala where the TGRC had a table. First, there was a silent auction and social gathering, then dinner and live auction. After the live auction, the real fun began with the presentation of the Top 20 Golden Retrievers in the country. I felt like I was in Hollywood watching the celebrities of the Golden world. The Gala

I didn't stay for the BOB, which, in hindsight, I wished I had, so Jack and I journeyed home on Saturday morning. During the 7 hour drive home, I thought about the 4 days prior and mentally recapped our experience. This is what I learned for our next National Specialty adventure.

1. Everyone is very nice and willing to answer any question you may have.
2. If you want to hang with friends, initiate the invite.
3. Get a catalog; there are just too many dogs to keep track of.
4. Attend the GR Foundation Gala. It's a chance to meet people socially, bid on art items and raise money for a good cause.
5. Plan where you want to be and what you want to see.
6. Take advantage of the vendors; there are lots of great items to purchase.
7. Buy raffle tickets for the daily raffles.
8. Volunteer, for anything. The help is very much appreciated.
9. Stay for BOB. I wish I would have stayed to support my fellow club members.
10. And lastly, take it all in and have fun.

The National Special next year will be held at Purina Farms in St. Louis, MO, September 4—13, 2012.

Annual Awards Banquet & Auction Scheduled

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 11, 2012 for the annual awards banquet and auction. Jan Berie has graciously volunteered to have the dinner at her home in Winston-Salem. Details of the dinner will be coming soon. If you have any new items that you would like to donate for the auction, contact Patty McEwen.



How We Spent The Past 6 Months

Tarheel GRC Meeting and Swim Day

It was a typical hot summer day in North Carolina. It would have been a great day to stay indoors, with the air conditioning keeping the sweat from accumulating on the back of our necks, but some of us knew that club business had to be taken care of. We also knew that this was a great opportunity to bring our dogs for a swim day. And swim, they did.



The club meeting took place on Sunday, July 10th at the Teamworks dog training facility in Youngsville. Teamworks has a fully fenced in area with a pond and a dock diving dock. There were seasoned swimmers as well as puppies that got their paws wet for the first time.

TGRC's First A Match at the Tarheel Labor Day Cluster in Raleigh

The Tarheel GRC became one step closer to becoming an AKC licensed club after the success of holding our first A match at the Tarheel Labor Day Cluster on Saturday, September 3rd. Congratulations to Best Adult Dog in Match—ABOTT A'LAINN IRISH ROSE RA OAJ OA and Best Puppy in Match—WAGNTAIL REACH'N 4 THE STARS. Thank you Patty Pace for judging the match. AKC approved our first match and now we are ready to hold our second A match, pending AKC approval, scheduled for Saturday, March 24th.

GRCA National Specialty held in Atlanta, GA

Although the National Specialty wasn't a TGRC event, some members went as spectators to support the members who entered. Our club was well represented in agility, obedience, rally, field and conformation; we also had a team entered in the team obedience event. We attended the GR Foundation GALA, volunteered our time and donated a basket for the raffle. In addition, we supported the vendors with the many items that were purchased. Congratulations to our members who earned awards, legs and titles.

2011-2012 Club Officers elected

Club officers were elected at meeting in October for the 2011-2012 year. There were no changes in the officers or board members.

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In addition to voting on club officers, Yvonne Sargent conducted a grooming seminar for those in attendance.

Club Meeting and Tracking Seminar

With a breed like the golden retriever, there are so many events to do but not enough time to do them. Many of us don't get the opportunity to participate in the many events that are available to us. And there are events we aren't that familiar with. Tom and Marlene Anton, from Raleigh, gave club members a taste of what tracking is all about. After a brief explanation of what tracking is they took each individual dog and laid a basic track with an article for them to find. The dogs enjoyed being outside and enjoyed doing what they do best, using their noses. Tom and Marlene teach tracking classes in North Raleigh through Teamworks Dog Training.

Brag & Wags

If you would like to have your brag included in the newsletter, email Patty at pattymcewen@nc.rr.com for a form. The form helps me list your brag, short and sweet, and accurate. Thank you.

Wicklow-Hillside Just Can't Help Believin' RAE CGC CCA (Mick) - Marny & Dave Temple

Rally:

GR National, 9/28/2011, scored 92 in Excellent & 99 in Advanced, RAE title

Other:

IABCA, 10/29-30/2011, International Championship

Honored with an article in the GRNews, 7/2011, featuring Mick's experience being "the Golden" in the Celebrex commercial that ran nationally for 15 months.

9/18/2011, Glory and Mick welcomed a new baby sister, Irish Setter puppy, Wicklow Playin' with Fire (Maggie)

One Ash Come Beck To Carolina CDX RE BN GN AX AXJ XF (Beck) - Denise McDonald

Obedience:

Lynchburg DTC, 9/18/2011, GN title

Star City Training Club of Roanoke, 11/6/2011, CDX title

Agility:

Moore County KC, 6/12/2011, AX title

Other:

GRCA National, 9/26/2011, CCA

Highmark's Skye So Blue CDX RE THD CGC TDIA (Skye) - Diane Blackman, CPDT-KA

Obedience:

Susque-Nango KC, 7/24/2011, CDX title

Therapy:

9/10/2011, THD title

Honeylake Two Under Par RN THD CGC TDIA (Eagle) - Diane Blackman

Therapy:

9/10/2011, THD title

Shenandoah Kings of Scots BN (Duncan) - Diane Blackman

Obedience:

Burlington OTC, 11/5/2011, 3rd place, scored 197.5, BN title

CH DonGlen Face of Love (Jewel) - Donna Pace

GRC National, Sept. 2011, 2nd place in AmBred

CH Southpaw A Song For U Far Away CD RE (Bailey) - Donna Pace

GRC National, Sept. 2011, 4th place in Brood Bitch with Lola and Jewel

DonGlen Lola Lo-Lo-Lo-Lo Lola JH RN (Lola) - Donna Pace

GRC National, Sept. 2011, Final cut in BOB



Braggs & Wags

continued

CH Crescent's Tin Woodman, CD RA NAP NJP CGC THD

Therapy:

7/27/2011, THD title

Crescent Back to Glory, CDX RE NAP NJP CGC (Glory) - Sharon Pitz

Agility:

CCPC, 6/24/2011, OJP, 1st leg, 1st place, scored 100

CPAC, 8/20/2011, OJP, 2nd leg, 2nd place, scored 100

CPAC, 9/20/2011, OAP, 1st leg, 1st place, scored 95

Tahnee's Northern Lights, CDX RA MX MXJ AXP AJP OFP, CGC (Aurora) - Sharon Pitz 5/26/2001—9/14/2011

Agility:

CCPC, 6/24/2011, OJP, 7th leg, 1st place, scored 100

CCPC, 6/25/2011, OJP, 8th leg, 2nd place, scored 100

CPAC, 8/18/2011, OAP, 5th leg, 2nd place, scored 100

Application in process for her THD title. Aurora was still very active in Agility and pet Therapy up to her last day.

Abott Heat Lightening, CD RE OA NAJ CGC (Electra) - Sharon Pitz

CCPC, 6/25/2011, OA STD, 1st leg, 3rd place, scored 100

GRCA National, 9/27/2011, OA STD 2nd leg, 2nd place, scored 100

DKC, 10/2/2011, OA STD, 3rd leg (Title), 2nd place, scored 100

DKC, 10/2/2011, OJWW, 2nd leg, 1st place, scored 100

My Buddy's Make Way For Ducklings CGC (Jack) - Patty McEwen

Rally:

Alamance Kennel Club, 9/2/2011, Rally Novice B, 1st leg

Durham Kennel Club, 9/3/2011, Rally Novice B, 2nd leg



From the Kitchen

2-1/4 cups whole wheat flour

1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour

1-1/2 cups cornmeal

3/4 cup uncooked regular oats

1/3 cup instant nonfat dry milk powder

1 tablespoon garlic powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1-3/4 cups beef broth

1/2 cup vegetable oil

2 large eggs

1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

Combine first 7 ingredients; make a well in center of dry ingredients.

Whisk together broth, oil, and 1 egg; add to dry ingredients, stirring until a soft dough forms.

Roll dough to 1/2-inch thickness on a lightly floured surface. Cut with a 4-inch dog bone-shaped cookie cutter, and place on ungreased baking sheets.

Whisk together remaining egg and Worcestershire sauce; brush on cookies.

Position oven racks to divide oven into thirds. Bake at 300° for 2 hours, placing a baking sheet on each rack. Turn oven off, and let cookies stay in oven with door closed 2 more hours. Yield: 40 (4-inch) canine cookies.



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Drawing will be at the **2012 Grapes for Goldens Gala** on
February 24, 2012 at the Hampton Inn in Raleigh N.C. (Brier Creek location).



NRGRR Featured Golden—Windsor

Windsor, a handsome two-and-a-half year-old, purebred male came into NRGRR at the end of August. Windsor had been having seizures on a monthly basis. Following a weekend in which he had 15 seizures Windsor's owner requested that the vet euthanize him. Thankfully, Windsor instead was surrendered to NRGRR. He was transported immediately to the wonderful doctors at CareFirst Grace Park for evaluation. Following his evaluation, he was taken to his foster home.

As Windsor settled in to a routine and bonded with his foster family, a lot of work was being done 'behind the scenes' to evaluate the effects of multiple seizures on dogs, and also to determine which seizure medications would be right for Windsor. Sadly, Windsor had another seizure shortly after he was placed in his foster home, requiring hospitalization because he bit through his tongue and was running a very high fever.

October 2011

Early in October, and again just two weeks later, Windsor had two other significant seizure events, the latter once again requiring hospitalization. With medication, Windsor has been seizure-free since the mid-October event. Thankfully, an MRI revealed that there was no evidence of a tumor, which has been known to cause seizures in both dogs and people. Unfortunately, Windsor has shown significant weakening in his hind legs. This could either be caused by the multiple seizures that he has experienced in the past year, or it could be a reaction to the seizure medication, which is now effectively preventing more seizure events. It has also been discovered that Windsor has hip dysplasia in both hips and a thyroid condition, which will require daily medication for the rest of his life.

November 2011

Despite all of Windsor's medical issues, he is a loving goofball, who trusts that he will be cared for, loved, and kept safe. Each day, he enthusiastically demands his morning walk and insists on being underfoot constantly! It is uncertain when, or if, Windsor will be "adoption ready", but know that his foster family and NRGRR are doing everything possible to give this wonderful boy the chance at a full and happy life. Check out his recent photo...he really enjoys his naps!



Getting To Know You

Name: Patti Covert

Town you currently live in? Sanford, NC

Originally From Where? Ridgefield, NJ

Family? Husband, Doug, and 4 children, Doug, Jr, Daniel, Kevin and Stephen

Pets? Some Golden Retrievers, some Afghan Hounds and a couple of cats

When did you get your first Golden and what was his/her name? 1996 - Jazz

What got you interested in participating in dog events? I went to a lot of horse shows as a child and it transferred to dogs.

Your most memorable dog show? Roanoke, 2002? Ch Blaze (handled by me) went BOS to Yogi, over other specials which included Teddy with Kelly

Favorite thing to do with your dogs? Going to the beach or the mountains

Favorite way to spend a day off? Swimming/retrieving/snuggling with my dogs

Favorite movie? Eat, Pray, Love

Favorite type of music? Soft rock

Last book you read? I just finished the 7 volumes of The Chronicles of Narnia

Favorite food? Italian

Favorite time of year and why? Spring/Fall - good time to be outside with my dogs

Favorite travel or vacation destination? West Indies

Whom do you most admire and why? My mom for her unconditional love

What is a little-known fact about you? That I started in dogs, with Afghan Hounds, in 1976 and also showed horses when I lived in Miami, FL

If you had a bucket list, what would be the top three things on it? Take a cruise to Bermuda, visit some of the European Golden Retrievers kennels, finish my house.

What's the scariest or most exciting thing you've done? The plane I was on almost ran out of fuel coming home from London - we stopped on the runway as soon as we landed and had to be towed to the terminal.

If you could go anywhere in the world where would it be? Italy

What did you want to be when you were little? A wife and mom after I decided not to be a nun!

Your greatest accomplishment? My 25 year marriage and my 4 children



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From the Editor—Patty McEwen

With permission from the Board, I have volunteered to write the newsletter for the club. My intention was to have the newsletter out bi-monthly, but this schedule proved to be a bit more time consuming than I thought, so I've decided to publish the newsletter quarterly. This newsletter is YOUR newsletter, so your input, stories, experiences with dogs, etc. is very much welcomed, and in fact it's necessary for me to put the newsletter together. The following is a publication schedule so that I can get the newsletter out in a timely matter. Please email me with your stories, accomplishments or any information you feel the club members would enjoy.

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Publication Schedule		
Material Deadline	Issue	Emailing Date
November 15	Winter Issue	December 1
February 15	Spring Issue	March 1
May 15	Summer Issue	June 1
August 15	Fall Issue	September 1

What's Coming Up

Tarheel GRC Events:

Annual Awards Banquet and Auction—Saturday, February 11, 2012—Jan Berie's home: Details to follow

NC Club Events:

Dec 4—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club, Inc.—Lewisville (TR)
Dec 9-11—Carolina Piedmont Agility Club—Yadkinville (AG)
Dec 9—Great Hickory KC—Winston-Salem (AB)
Dec 10-11—Forsyth Kennel Club—Winston-Salem (AB, JSHW, O, R)
Dec 16—Durham Kennel Club—Durham (R)
Dec 17-18—Durham Kennel Club—Durham (O)
Jan 8—Charlotte Dog Training Club—Huntersville (TR)
Jan 20-22—Blue Ridge Agility Club—Fletcher (AG)
Feb 4-5—Charlotte Dog Training Club—Charlotte (O, R)
Feb 12—Durham Kennel Club—Rougemont (TR)
Feb 19—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club—Winston-Salem (TR)
Feb 24—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club—Yadkinville (AG)
Feb 25-26—Cape Fear Dog Training Club—Lumberton (O)
Feb 25-26—Carolina Piedmont Agility Club—Yadkinville (AG)
Mar 2—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club—Winston-Salem (R)
Mar 3—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club—Winston-Salem (O, R)
Mar 4—Winston-Salem Dog Training Club—Winston-Salem (O)
Mar 4—Tarheel Weimaraner Club—Pinehurst (TR)
Mar 9-11—Charlotte Dog Training Club—Monroe (AG)

