



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**AGILITY TRIAL-Nov. 27-29**

**Independent Specialty- Dec 3**

**DEC.20 2020 WC/WCX**



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Mark your calendars for Thursday, October 8th at 7pm

There will be a Membership Meeting via Teleconference call

Dial-in number and Access Code will be emailed closer to that date.

Please check the Membership list to be sure your contact information is correct..

Email me if your information needs to be updated..Or, if you have never gone in and logged in to the Members Only page...

Thank you,

Kathy

## URGENT – 2020 GRCA National Cancelled

We all held hopes that life would be back to normal before the end of October and that our National Specialty would not be affected like so many other events so far this year.

Unfortunately, today we were informed by the 2020 host club that the World Equestrian Center in Ocala, FL has cancelled all events through March, 2021 – including our National which was to be their premier event.

Obviously, the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club is stunned and will need your patience and understanding as they work through the necessary details to process the impact of this cancellation and how they wish to move forward. Please join us in expressing our gratitude and support through these unprecedented times.

The decision by the facility is based upon actions to ensure the health and safety of the many workers involved in the construction of their site as well as the new infrastructure immediately in their area. We applaud the World Equestrian Center for their willingness to protect others and for taking bold, decisive action to mitigate risk.

Rest assured your GRCA Board is already hard at work to determine best next steps and how we may use this hardship to benefit our event in 2021 and beyond. Again, we will provide updated information as soon as it can be made available.

Thank you very much. We hope all members and those around them stay safe

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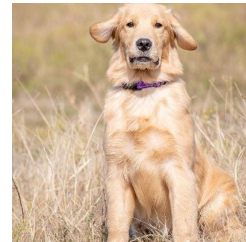
### BRAGS

#### OBEDIENCE

##### Tri Cities KC March 8

1 st UDX leg

Charm, Belvedere Third Times a Charm, (Ingram)



#### Conformation

##### Claremore KC of Oklahoma 6/29/20

WD/BOW 3pt Major from Open  
AUBERGINE'S ROYAL BURGESS DS CGC TKN (Bruce)

##### Mid-Del-Tinker Kennel Club 6/30/20

WD/BOW 3pt Major from Open  
AUBERGINE'S ROYAL BURGESS DS CGC TKN (Bruce)

##### Bald Eagle Kennel Club 7/26/20

WD/BOW 5pt major from Open **NEW CHAMPION**  
CH\* AUBERGINE'S ROYAL BURGESS DS CGC TKN (Bruce)

## **DALLAS-FT. WORTH METRO GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB**

### **BOARD MINUTES, CONFERENCE CALL, MARCH 16, 2020**

On line were Lesley Pettengill, Kathy Felix, Carol Sandusky, Barbara Brown, and Nancy DuBois.

This meeting was called due to the cancellation of the Club's Specialty. The City of Fort Worth closed our facility due to the COVID-19 virus.

Kathy explained that it will be 7 days or so before we get guidelines from Onofrio about our options. Terry James (Onofrio) said our basic options are Full Refund, Partial Refund, or No Refund. But we don't have any details yet on how the process works or how much a partial refund would be.

Barbara reminded the Board that our Club is a member of the Texas Combined Specialty Association, and they are who has the contract with Onofrio, not DFWMGRC. David Brown is our Club's representative to the TCSA, so we are assuming he will get to vote on what the TCSA wants to do.

Then Kathy explained the Bench Committee's suggestions:

Switch the raffle from the cancelled show to the July Show. Rest of July show remains the same.

Our March, 2021 Specialty will be able to use this year's trophies. Patti will be Chair and we will use same judges if possible. Kemah Plusk has agreed to come in 2021, but Patti hasn't heard back from Bradley Jenkins yet. Also, donations for this year will roll over to 2021. So basically, our 2021 March Specialty "will be" the Specialty that was cancelled.

The Board discussed the judges' airfare. Kemah was coming as a non-rev. since she's a flight attendant and Bradley was coming by Southwest Airlines so probably his airfare will be refunded by the airline, or he will get credit towards another trip. Carol said the club's expenses at this point are \$2400. Lesley mentioned that Shari Degan offered to store raffle items at her house until the July Specialty.

Kathy, as Corresponding Secretary, said she would put together an email to the membership explaining these decisions.

Barbara said she would update the Board when David gets more information from TCSA, and we'll go from there.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Brown, Recording Secretary

## DFWMGRC BOARD MEETING

Thursday, September 23, 2020

The Board met via teleconference, set up by Shari Degan, for a meeting at 3:00 p.m. All members attended.

First on the agenda was the need to appoint a Nominating Committee because Oct 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for nominee list to be sent to Corresponding Secretary. It was suggested and agreed that, since there was very little to no activity by the 2020 Board due to the virus, we (with the approval of the membership) "roll over" the 2020 Board to/through 2021. Nominations from the floor can still be made at the November meeting. Everyone's term would be extended 1 year. Everyone agreed to continue except our treasurer, Carol Sandusky, who wanted a break. That means the Nominating Committee would only have to fill one position. Lesley said she would first ask Linda Miller, then Donna Todd and then Shari Farmer, if necessary, to head the Nominating Committee.

Next there was discussion about having future Club meetings. A meeting at the upcoming agility trial or by zoom was suggested, but it was ultimately agreed to do another teleconference meeting for the entire Club. Shari Degan said her HOA had met by teleconference with about 20 people and it worked fine; however she mentioned that there needed to be rules, or a process, which we follow to make things go smoothly. She will set up meetings for October, November and December. Lesley suggested the Board meet via the teleconference prior to the general membership getting on. The October meeting will be Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. Then the November and December meetings will be the first Wednesday of those months, with Board meeting before general meeting.

With these meetings coming up, it was decided to not waive meeting requirements for trophies. Trophies need to be in the hands of new Trophy Chair, Shari Degan, by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. They can either be taken to Agility Trial or directly to Shari's home. The list of recipients will be emailed to membership by Kathy Felix, our Corresponding Secretary, and be included in Newsletter, IF there is one.

Lesley wanted to discuss the problem with the "Friends of DFWMGRC" Facebook page. Rules are being broken and people we don't know are listing litters in a roundabout way to not get caught. Lesley and Shari suggested we have the page open only to members of DFWMGRC and members of other GRCA Clubs. The page would stay the same, but we would just change the requirement for who can be on there, and Shari said she could easily remove the people who shouldn't be there. The Board agreed we do this.

Kathy had questions about membership applicants. It was decided to let Amanda Pratt's application expire since she applied 5/10/19 and did not attend a meeting until 2/19/20. Regarding the other two applicants, Claudio Martinez-Valle and Nancy Gadd, it was decided to put their applications on "hold" and wait for them to attend a person to person meeting when we start having them. Lesley stated that she was uncomfortable letting someone meet attendance requirements on the phone, without actually being with them and getting to know them. They can still help at agility trial though.

The WC will probably be the weekend before Christmas, and could also count as a meeting if the Fricks allow it. They may not want many people there because of distancing requirements.

Onofrio is not the superintendent for December shows. It's MBF, and Kathy will let everyone know about that.

Shari said for the agility trial she will be using DenTex for equipment and DAWGS for timer, just to spread money around a little. Carol gave her figures from last year.

Board decided to not have our annual Christmas Party or the Banquet, due to Covid requirements and personal preferences to still not be in a crowd.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Brown, Recording Secretary