

SOUTHERN INDIANA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB
S.I.G.R.C. News Letter August 2, 2006

Vice President Dick Blackburn called the meeting to order.

There was no Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report:

FLASH balance remained the same: \$3382.17

S.I.G.R.C. balance: \$1939.59. The profit/loss from the Eye Heart Clinic has not been determined yet. Polly reported a number of deposits and expenses.

Old Business: 501 c 3 status:

Dick has talked to IRS rep and IRS rep has pointed out that our Constitution does not mention our rescue work and educational outreach efforts and those are requirements to obtain 501c3 status. Dick will prepare language to amend Constitution to add statement re: rescue work/education and submit to Board for review and approval and eventual vote of the Club. IRS rep also had questions re: why we charge amount we do for our Eye/Heart Clinic. Discussion included covering costs of vets, hotel, food, travel, small amount to cover emergencies that arise.

Eye/ Heart Clinic: Clinic went well—Thanks Polly and all who worked to make it a success. Dr. Nichols' clinic was very nice. Dr. Hahn said he may increase his fees next year by \$5.00. Not sure if we will still be competitive with other Clubs offering Clinics if we have to raise our prices. Members will keep on eye on prices for eye/heart clinics being charged by other clubs at shows in the coming months to see what they charge. Also be alert to finding other vets for our own Clinic.

A Match at Owensboro: Thanks to Terry for all her hard work organizing the A Match. Although small, the Match was successful. Terry has sent in the paperwork to AKC. We will need to hold another A Match within 6 months. **We will send out an email to see if a Club member can hold an A Match for just Club members on their property. Also, Terry is waiting for gas cards from Tom as thank you gifts for the judges.**

Basket for the National: If you have any additional items to donate for the basket bring them to the Sept meeting. Faye has the basket and will prepare and make it beautiful. Members who are attending the National will make arrangements among themselves to transport the basket.

Rescue: Nothing active in the Club at present. Barb got an email from a woman in Vincennes who does rescue work independently who has a 3 year old Golden with behavior problems—bit a child, aggressive over food, possessive. Polly advised her to find a trainer to help with behavior problems. Dick will send her address of Susan Hunt, who helped with Sam.

Fall Picnic: Will be at Wesselman's Woods at the #2 South location on Saturday, October 7, 2006. We will meet at 11:30 AM. Bring potluck dish to pass, own drinks. Club will purchase fried chicken. **Connie will be in charge of games. Bring your dog**

and your game face! Everyone should contact people they have worked with who have adopted Golden Retrievers in the past and invite them to the picnic—the more the merrier.

New business: Nomination Committee—volunteers Nancy and Terry. **We need an additional volunteer and an alternate.** Will send out email soliciting volunteers. Will try to meet at the Ellis Park Race Track.

Visitor: Warm welcome to **Tracy Adams.** She bought a Golden puppy from Lisa Reff. Puppy is named **Lana** and is now 3 months old. Tracy and her 8 year old daughter are co-owners of Lana who is enrolled in obedience class. She found the puppy through our club's puppy referral site. Tracy teaches at South Spencer HS and IVY Tech. Glad to have you with us!

Braggs: Polly-Eddy is doing well; Holiday is heeling well.

Faye-Joey took winner's dog at Owensboro for 2 points. He has 8 or 9 points. Stanley took best of breed at our A Match.

Connie- has a new grandson, Brody Charles, born 2 weeks ago. Pick of the litter! (Are his eyes open yet?) Taz's tail is doing well. Hopes he looks good for going to the Nationals Senior Division.

Terry-Dealer turned 13.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Whyms