

# SGRS MEMBERS' NEWS SHEET

June 2017



Welcome to your NEWS SHEET. Your Committee will be sending this out a few times a year so please check your emails and your spam folder (just in case).

Those of you that are long-standing members will be saddened to hear of the death of Margaret Balaam (Pinecrest) a few months ago. It is hoped to have a memorial article about her life in Goldens later in the year. Her much loved dog Pinecrest Salvador is in fact our club emblem shown above.

Members may be interested to learn of a new structure to the class fees at the 2017 Open Show in October (schedules available shortly)

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> entry/first dog              | Member £5 | Non-Member £7 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> and additional dogs          | Member £2 | Non-Member £3 |
| Second and subsequent classes                | £1        |               |
| Veterans                                     | £1        |               |
| Catalogue                                    | £1        |               |
| Puppy Walk NFC (lunchtime)                   | £1        |               |
| (book in on arrival to obtain a ring number) |           |               |

Members who enjoy working their dogs are reminded that there is a Working Test on 30<sup>th</sup> July with Special Puppy, Veteran and Open classes. To be held at Elstead Surrey.

<http://www.southerngoldenretriever.com/show1.html#working>

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On Sunday 13th August is our **Limited (to Golden Retrievers) Obedience and Agility Show** at Hazel and Mike Evans beautiful home Ad Astra, Crowhurst Road, Crowhurst, Surrey, RH7 6LY. Once again, the Schedules and Entry Forms are on the SGRS website. The Agility entries close on the 19th July and the Obedience entries on the 29th July.

<http://www.southerngoldenretriever.com/show1.html#agility>

Many of you will know that the Society has a Face Book page <https://www.facebook.com/SouthernGoldenRetrieverSociety>

We would love to have members celebrate major or interesting successes with their dogs.

Please contact Sue Ashley [ashley258@btinternet.com](mailto:ashley258@btinternet.com) or Lisa Baker [lisa.baker177@btinternet.com](mailto:lisa.baker177@btinternet.com) if you have any interesting news and photos to share.

## **Rolling Raffle.**

The Society will, once again, be running a 'Rolling Raffle' during the year with the Draw taking place at the Open Show in October. All money raised will be for Medical Detection Dogs.

There will be a choice of two prizes this year.....a beautiful limited edition print, by artist Lynn Paterson, of three Golden Retrievers posing at Guisachan in Scotland. This has been kindly donated by Stewart Weller. And also the opportunity of having a valuable water colour painting of your own dog painted and donated by artist and SGRS member Trevor Hartley.

Tickets, which will be £1 each, will be available at SGRS events held during the year. If you would like a ticket(s) but can't get to SGRS events you can contact David Wimsett([david-wimsett1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:david-wimsett1@hotmail.co.uk)) who will, on receipt of the appropriate money, be able to allocate you tickets and put you on the register of ticket holders.

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## Obedience & Agility Show 2017



**We are again holding our show at Ad Astra, Crowhurst, Surrey RH7 6LY on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> of August 2017.**

**For Golden Retrievers only, this is a KC limited open show with both Obedience and Agility Classes. Details of how to enter can be found on our SGRS website or by contacting our Show secretary Jan Wilton on:- 01634 666785 or by e-mail - [vallhund@btinternet.com](mailto:vallhund@btinternet.com)**

**Also on the day you can enter a Scurry and have a go in the Agility training ring.**

**Not forgetting Hazel's Bar-B- Q and our SGRS raffle.**

Do you have any unwanted gifts/items that would be suitable for a Raffle prize? The SGRS are always happy to accept items for prizes at events. Either bring them along to any of the SGRS events, such as the Fun Day or training classes. or contact a local Committee Member.

Please remember that w.e.f this year, there will no longer be an annual Year Book published and sent to Members. Most information will be available either within the regular e-news sheets or on the website. If you would like to receive a list of members' contact details then please contact Ann Stephenson ([asteph33@aol.com](mailto:asteph33@aol.com)) .

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## WORKING TEST

The SGRS Special Puppy, Veteran & Open Working Tests are on Sunday 30th July 2017 LIMITED TO GOLDEN RETRIEVERS at Deerbridge House, Milford Road, Elstead, Surrey. GU8 6LA (by kind permission of Mr J & Mrs E Barnes)

Entries by 21st July. Full Schedule and entry form can be downloaded from the website.

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Once again, as it has established itself as an annual event in the calendar, there will be a **SGRS Sponsored Walk from Lullingstone Golf Club 11.a.m. start on Sunday 24<sup>h</sup> September**. Put it in your diaries. The previous walks have raised over £6,855 for Medical Detection Dogs We would like to make that £8,500 after this year's walk. If you can join us David Wimsett is the organiser [david-wimsett1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:david-wimsett1@hotmail.co.uk) so contact him for entry and sponsorship forms. All breeds welcome and it's only £5 for one or two dogs per handler. Shorter walk also organised for puppies, older dogs – or older handlers!

And finally...

The SGRS held a Novice Dog/Novice Handler and Novice WT on the 18<sup>th</sup> June which was a thoroughly enjoyable day. Here's some photos to enjoy. Results will be on the website soon.

<http://photos.221146.uk/SGRSGunDogTest2017/>