

Finish Lines



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Yankee's Mike Lappin Elected VP of Golden Retriever Foundation

Dr. Michael Lappin, recently elected Vice President of the Golden Retriever Foundation, lost no time in getting involved in GRF endeavors. In October, he flew to Los Angeles to serve as GRF host to Dr. Matthew Breen of the North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine at "Brunch with Betty and Other Golden Friends." Betty White, a two-time Golden owner herself, was the official host of the GRF's first educational outreach event. Dr. Breen gave a Power Point presentation on "Canine Cancer: Questions in Search of Answers." He is one of several research scientists whose research is being sponsored by the GRF through the Canine Health Foundation. Several area veterinarians attended the brunch and most took advantage of the opportunity to discuss Golden-specific diseases with Dr. Breen.

Mike is currently producing DVDs of the Foundation's new video "*In Support of a Golden Cause*" for distribution to selected veterinarians, many of whom have asked for DVD versions of the video to be able to share the new film with their Golden clients. Several Yankee folks are included in the new GRF video, i.e. Mike Lappin, Donna Morgan's "Luke," Linda Erickson's "Glory" (both as illustrations of dogs lost to cancer), and Joy Viola's "Toby" and "Electra" lost to hemangiosarcoma. Also featured — Pagey Elliot as one of the pioneers of the breed, Jan Bramhall puppies, Christy Regan's "Ruby," and two Yankee Golden Retriever Rescue dogs.

Mike was invited to apply for the GRF Director position by GRF Director of Development and **YGRC** member, Joy Viola.



Mike Lappin, Betty White, and Joy Viola with Bijou and Edward, from Golden Retriever Rescue of Greater Los Angeles. "Edward" (held by Betty White) is 12 and a beneficiary of the GRF's April Fund. He had 7 bladder stones removed last fall!

"Mike's role in encouraging **YANKEE** to support the Zeke Fund was so appreciated that I really saw him as a role model for other clubs to emulate," says Joy. "The fact that he is a practicing veterinarian was also a plus as the Foundation has been talking about the need to undertake a major educational out-reach program to veterinarians. He's the perfect point man for such an effort." Several strong candidates applied this year, but the GRCA Board of Directors selected Mike to replace outgoing director Judy Rasmuson. Says Mike, "I am pleased to be part of the Golden Retriever Foundation, and look forward to the challenge."

The Golden Retriever Foundation was established in 1997 by the GRCA as a means of improving the health and well-being of the breed. The foundation raises money to fund canine medical research, aid Golden Retriever rescue groups throughout the country, and promote education on the proper care, breeding and training of Golden Retrievers. Currently the Foundation is seeking \$100,000 in matching funds in response to the Red Dog Challenge Gift announced by the donor, Judy Rasmuson and her husband Ron Wallace, at the GRCA National.

More information about the Red Dog \$100,000 Challenge is at www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org

MEMBERSHIP

The application procedure to become a voting member of the **YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB** is as follows:

1. Prospective members must attend two **YANKEE** meetings prior to becoming eligible for a full, voting membership. Club meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of odd-number months, earlier in November, at the Acton Congregational Church. Copies of the club constitution and Bylaws are available at each meeting.

2. A completed membership application, signed by two **YANKEE** members in good standing, and the membership dues for one year must be submitted to the membership chair.

3. Upon completion of the membership requirements, the membership chair will present the application at the next club meeting for a vote. All membership requirements must be completed within one year of application, or the application will expire and must be re-submitted.

NOTE: Non-members can subscribe to the **YANKEE GRC** newsletter, *Finish Lines*. Complete

the front page of the membership application and send it with the fee of \$25 to the membership chair.

Please note: Article 1 of the **YGRC** Bylaws states in part: During the month of November, a dues statement, payable on the first of February of the following year, shall be mailed to each club member. No members may vote who have not paid their dues for the current year. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if a member's dues remain unpaid 90 days after the first day of the fiscal year, *i.e.*, April 1. A \$10 late fee will be applied to any payments made after February 1.

Lapsed memberships are ineligible to vote, receive trophies, list wins in *Finish Lines*, list litters with Breeders' Referral, *etc.* To re-join the Club, the complete procedure described above must be followed.

If you have any questions about membership or if you need a membership application, contact Carolyn Zagami, membership chair at:

ygrcmembership@aol.com

Welcome new members! The following new applicants have completed their membership requirements and were voted in at the November meeting.

Martha Callaghan
Graciously chaired our Fall Match, even before she joined! Interests: Breeding, bench

Jean Deresienska
Interests: breeding, bench, obedience, field trials, hunt tests

Maryterese Russo
Willing to help at events! Interests: breeding, obedience, agility

Ernie and Jini Thibault
Willing to help at events! Interests: obedience, field, agility, tracking

NEW FINISH LINES Publication Schedule		
<u>Material Deadline</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Mailing Date</u>
December 15	January	January 1
February 15	March	March 1
April 15	May	May 1
June 15	July	July 1
August 15	September	September 1
October 15	November	November 1



Minute by Minute

The Board of Directors met in Acton MA on October 5, 2004. Business and committee reports are summarized below.

Advertising: National and Garden State ads were done.

Agility: Much interest in the Boston trials. The premium list is on the Web site. Motion 2004-20 Approved a donation to a thank-you ad for Ellen DeWolf who was instrumental in starting agility in the Northeast, including the **YGRC** agility program.

Bench: Match flyers were sent out. Stewards and helpers are needed.

Breeder Referral: Changes have been made and will be put on the new Web site.

Concessions: Investigating PayPal option; Photos to be taken of merchandise.

Field: WC/WCX and puppy stakes were a success. There were 22 WC entries with 7 Passes and 20 WCX entries with 11 passes.

Programs: Genetics talk postponed. Linda Hume will be rescheduled.

Puppy Kindergarten: Next class 10/21. Looking for a new location.

Specialty '04: Received check and financial statement of the show.

Specialty '05: Conformation judges' letters are signed and returned. Obedience still needs two judges. Peters info arrived.

Specialty '06: All of the conformation judges letters have been mailed.

Tracking: Motion 2004-21 Approved funds for new picnic tables at High Ridge.

Trophy: For specialty trophies the BOB trophy will be redonated, the BOS trophy was retired and will be replaced, as will the Bred-By Exhibitor Trophy.

Volunteers: Help-wanted ads to go in the newsletter

Web site: Transfer done. Kinks still need to be worked out. Motion 2004-22 Approved order of software to update Web site

Clinics: Neither of the doctors could do heart clinic on available date in November.

Other Business: Creative memories for Yankee. Motion 2004-23 Approved funds to make club scrapbooks.

Next Meeting: November 2, 2004

President's Message

I was going to start out wishing everyone "HAPPY HOLIDAYS", but then I realized that by the time you read this the Holidays will be over and it will be 2005! So here instead are "**BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR.**"

The 2004 year was another GREAT one for **YANKEE!** It started with one of the best Annual Meeting & Dinners ever. It finished with one of the best, if not the best, four-days of agility trials in Boston ever. You can read more about the agility trials elsewhere in this issue.

I haven't researched it, but my feeling is that we did more this year than any year since I joined Yankee, and that more members participated and worked at events than ever before. You are all to be congratulated for your efforts! But we can't rest on our laurels. We will be doing even more next year!

We want to start **YANKEE's** new year off with a bang, so get your RSVP in for the Annual Meeting and Dinner. Donna Morgan and Melanie Porter have

promised to outdo themselves this year, so **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR JANUARY 29, 2005!** And please remember to renew your membership!

Throughout 2004 I used the recurring theme in my messages of "We work so our Goldens can play". It has been suggested that I have worn out that theme and it is time for a new one. So any suggestions for a theme for 2005 would be greatly appreciated.

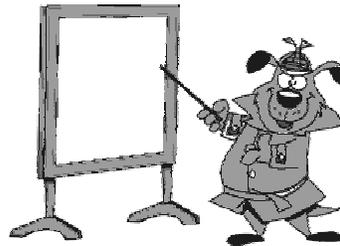
— Jim Downar
YGRC President

Club Business and Announcements

The nominating committee's slate of candidates was mailed to all club members. Two member meetings were held (11/16 and 11/30) and no other nominations for club officers or directors were made by the membership. Here is the **slate of candidates** as presented by the nominating committee to be voted on at the annual meeting:

President: Jim Downar †
Vice-President: Donna Morgan †
Secretary: Melanie Porter †
Treasurer: Pat Lindquist †
Directors, two-year term each:
Jan Bramhall, Geoff Stern, and
Carolyn Zagami
Director, one-year term:
Donna Cutler

† = incumbent



The club's **annual meeting** will be held Saturday, January 29, 2005 at Café Escadrille in Burlington MA. Reservations are due to Donna Morgan by January 12, 2005. RSVP form is at www.yankeegr.org.

TIME TO RENEW! YANKEE memberships and subscriptions end on December 31, 2004. Renewal forms were mailed in November. Please send your 2005 dues to:

Carolyn Zagami
YGRC Membership Chair

If you have any questions about the status of your **YGRC** membership, please contact Carolyn at:

ygrcmembershp@aol.com.

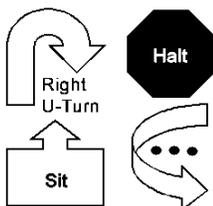
From the Middle of the Ring: YANKEE Obedience & Agility

Rally obedience becomes an AKC titling sport as of January 1, 2005. For more information, contact Mike Lappin (who's an approved rally judge) or visit the **YGRC** Web site at www.yankeegr.org/rallyobd.html, and the rally pages at the AKC Web site at www.akc.org/events/rally/index.cfm

learning about rally and how to be a rally steward, contact Mike Lappin, and we'll set up a one-day class.

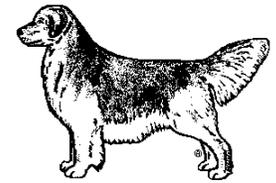


YANKEE is eager to hold more obedience and agility training parties during the winter — the club will arrange for ring space at one of the local training centers.. This is a good way to get involved in the sport or to keep your dog (and yourself) in shape during the long, winter months. If you're interested, please let Mike know.



By the way, **YANKEE** is offering rally at the 2005 specialty, and we'll need rally stewards to help lay out the course and usher people through. Stewarding is a great way to learn about this new sport. If you're interested in

YANKEE Fall 2004 Match Results



The **YANKEE GRC** Fall match was held on October 24, 2004, at MasterPeace Dog Training in Franklin MA. Nancy Dallaire and Lisa McCabe did a wonderful job judging conformation, and special thanks goes to Laurie Tinti and Heather Donnelly for their expert stewarding skills. Thanks also to Chris Weeks who handled the entry desk, as well as a thank you to all — and there were many — who helped this novice pull off this event. Julie Rembrandt-Seeley and Jenny Dickenson judged the obedience classes with able help from stewards Fran Masters, Kevin and Lisa McGlone, Lise Merrifield, Joyce DiBona, and others whom I have forgotten. Mike Lappin was an endless source of information, and Laurie Tinti's shopping skills were put to good use while choosing the prizes. Congratulations to all the winners!

— Martha Callaghan
YGRC Fall Match Chair

Regular Classes		Judge: Nancy Dallaire
<u>Dogs 3-6</u>		
1 / BP	Cloverdale Beyond the Sea / Zimmerman	
2	Nautilus Prince Spaghetti Day / MacKinnon	
3	Nautilus Hey Big Spender / Amsterdam, MacKinnon, Porter	
4	Valentines the Cabana Boy / O'Brien	
<u>Dogs 6-9</u>		
1	Nautilus Never Been Kissed / Porter, MacKinnon, Sneider	
2	Nautilus Everyone Loves Raymond / MacKinnon	
<u>Dogs 9-12</u>		
1	Cloverdale Tommy Bahama / Adametz, Zimmerman	
2	Little Country Power Player / Russo	
3	Daybreak Wedgwood USS Intrepid / Puglia, Foster	
<u>Dogs 12-18</u>		
1 / BOS Adult	Sunnyglen Feather River Run'r WC / Scotti	
2	Thistledown Three Penny Opera / Cutler	
<u>Dogs Novice</u>		
1	Thistledown Goodtime Charlie / Cutler	
<u>Dogs Veteran</u>		
1 / BV	CH Backgommons Mad About You / Henderson	
<u>Bitches 3-6</u>		
1	Beechwood Sophisticated Style / Decker	
2	Wedgwood Daybreak True Liberty / Puglia, Foster	
3	Nautilus Highland Princess / MacKinnon	
4	Nautilus Mirror Image / MacKinnon	
<u>Bitches 6-9</u>		
1 / BOS Puppy	Nautilus Paris Hilton / MacKinnon	
2	Pebwin Coel Namara / Welch	
3	Hunting Lane 1940 Red Ragtop / Dunn	
4	Colonials Melody for Leah / Russo	
<u>Bitches 9-12</u>		
1	Beechwoods Firestar from Afar / Bailey	
2	Backgammon MY Quest for Nova / Henderson	
3	Daunci's Pied Piper / Pernici	
<u>Bitches 12-18</u>		
1	Valentines Quintessential / Adametz	
2	Bonny Brae's Scottish Pipes / Topscott	
3	Errigal Winter's Kindred Spirit / Morgan	
<u>Bitches BBE</u>		
1 / Best Adult	GingerRun Naughty Redhead / Adametz, Porter	
2	Seamist Ready or Not Here I Am / Clarey	
3	Alex / Doyle	
<u>Bitches AmbRed</u>		
1	High Hopes Batterys Included N All CD / Clarey	
<u>Bitches Open</u>		
1	Seamist Sandcastle / Clarey	
Juniors		
Nov Jr	Morgan Tragot	
Open Jr	Megan Decker	
Nov Sr	Blake Howell	
Open Sr / BJ	Krista Baily	
Sweepstakes		Judge: Lisa McCabe
<u>Dogs 3 to 6</u>		
1 / BP	Beechwoods Sophisticated Style / Decker	
2	Cloverdale Nautilus Calamity Jane / Mackinnon	
3	Morningstar Toryglen Songbird / Castonguay	
4	Madison / Rogoff	

<u>Dogs 6 to 9</u>	
1	Nautilus Never Been Kissed / Porter, Mackinnon, Sneider
<u>Dogs 9-12</u>	
1	Little County Power Player / Russo
2	Daybreak Wedgwood USS Intrepid / Puglia, Foster
<u>Dogs Veteran</u>	
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<u>Bitches 3-6</u>	
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3	Morningstar Toryglen Songbird / Castonguay
4	Madison / Rogoff
<u>Bitches 6 to 9</u>	
1	Rhapsody Opening Day / Leveille
2	Colonials Melody For Leah / Russo
3	Hunting Lane 1940 Red Ragton / Dunn
4	Toryglen Orion My Dream Girl / Waldron
<u>Bitches 9-12</u>	
1	Beechwoods Firestar frm Afar / Bailey
2	Backgammon MY Quest for Nova / Henderson
3	Dauncis Pied Piper / Pernici

Obedience	
<u>Novice B</u> Judge <u>Jenny Dickenson</u>	
1 / High In Match	Harry / Nancy Aldrich
<u>Open B</u> Judge <u>Jenny Dickenson</u>	
1	Zap / Donna Benoit
2	Busy / Lise Merrifield
<u>Utility B</u> Judge <u>Jenny Dickenson</u>	
1	Zap / Donna Benoit
<u>Pre-Novice</u> Judge <u>Julie Rembrandt Seeley</u>	
1	Eli / Joyce DiBona
2	Sasha / Kathy Waldron
3	Rio / Karen Scotti
<u>Rally Novice</u> Judge <u>Julie Rembrandt Seeley</u>	
1	Cassie / Nancy Aldrich
2	Joy / Mike Lappin
3	Sundance / Christie MaNamara
4	Nick / Kevin McGlone
5	Harry / Nancy Aldrich
6	Nala / Fran Masters
7	Scout / Susan Crum
8	Tashi / Judy Freiwirth
<u>Rally Advanced</u> Judge <u>Julie Rembrandt Seeley</u>	
1	Heidi / Mike Lappin
2	Harry / Nancy Aldrich
3	Sundance / Christie MaNamara
4	Cassie / Nancy Aldrich
5	Scout / Susan Crum
<u>Rally Excellent</u> Judge <u>Julie Rembrandt Seeley</u>	
1	Cassie / Nancy Aldrich
2	Heidi / Mike Lappin

YANKEE December 2004 Agility Trials

This was **YANKEE'S** seventh year of hosting four days of agility trials at the December Bayside Cluster Dog Shows in Boston MA. And, yes, **YGRC** members have done it yet again in our usual wonderful style.

We were able to get all 300 runs done before breed groups started at 2:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday. This year a huge number of club members helped get this trial up and running as smoothly as possible. I would like to thank everyone who stepped up to the plate and helped out — Karen Frink, who again took on the major task of trial secretary, Mike Lappin, Roseann Mandell and Laurie Tinti for organizing all the wonderful workers, Jim Downar and Ray Desmarais for getting the courses set in record time, Denise Ryan for getting ribbons handed out so quickly, Fran Lappin for taking care of our judges and the workers' raffles. Other



workers included Donna Benoit, Christa Bellows, Nancy Bishop, Jean Conrad, Donna Cutler, Joyce DiBona, Rita DeSalvio, Lynn Dowall, Judith Erlanger, Kathy Goodman, Kim Hatton, Karen Hocker, Kathy Joffe, Fran Masters, Christie McNamara, Lise Merrifield, Paula Orcutt, Marcia Peirce, Geoff Stern, Holly Stevenson, and Caroline Zagami. Sorry if I missed anyone. We couldn't have done this without *all* your help!

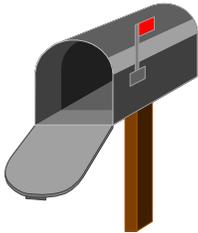
Our judges this year were Sally Gichner and John Senger [*ed. Note: see "Yankee Mail Box," below*]. Both created some very interesting chal-

lenges for us, especially the start of our course on Friday, which was in the middle of the ring! We had a great qualifying rate again this year, including the completion of 3 MACHs, and lots of other titles at well! **YANKEE** members were right up there with a good number of qualifying runs and titles. Way to go everyone! Results start on page 6.

Even though we didn't have a major snowstorm this year I can say that we all had a blast. A huge part of that is due to all the members that jump in when needed.

As much as we enjoyed the Boston trials, Karen Frink and I have already moved on to start working on the July trial in Derry NH. We hope that we will be able to see all of you there again. Thank You.

— Stacey Allard
YGRC Agility Trial Chair



YANKEE Mail Box

We received lots of compliments about the **YGRC** agility trials in Boston — everyone wants to run Bayside. Our judges sent the following notes to Stacey Allard and Karen Frink:

Karen & Stacey,

I just wanted to thank you both and the Yankee Golden Retriever Club for the chance to judge at your trial. It was a wonderful experience and I had a great time.

Everybody I met from the club went out of their way to be helpful and friendly. The club was incredibly generous with the welcome basket at the hotel, the L.L. Bean gift certificate, toys, blanket, great dinners, lunch sandwiches etc. Of course qualifying on Friday was an additional bonus that is priceless.

Please pass on my thanks to the club.

— Sally Gichner

Karen & Stacey,

Just wanted to thank you guys for a great weekend of agility. I really enjoyed coming up to judge for your club. Please pass my thanks along to everyone in the club and all of the volunteers who helped with course building, as ring crew, etc. It was one of the best run, most efficient trials I've ever been to, and that wouldn't be true without all of your and their hard work. And thank you very much for the toys, blanket, and gift certificate. I hope the gift certificate and the blanket last a little longer than the toys did. The dogs viewed them as their present for my being gone for three days so there's stuffing all over my living room floor right now!

Thanks again for a great trial. I had a great time and hope I'll be able to enter next year.

— John Senger



Golden Qualifiers at the 2004 YANKEE Agility Trials in Boston

SCORE	TIME	HEIGHT	DIVISION	PLACE	NAME	HANDLER
Thursday standard						
<i>100</i>	<i>34.87</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH</i>	<i>Hollander</i>
100	59.55	20	NOV B	2	Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP	DiSalvio
<i>100</i>	<i>72.98</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>NOV P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Shawfield Touched ByN Angel JH</i>	<i>Peirce</i>
95	58.79	16	NOV P	2	Masterspeace Nala Berry CDX OA OAJ	Masters
95	60.67	20	OPEN	2	O'Lugh's Star Struck Diva CDX NA NAJ	Stevenson
<i>100</i>	<i>60.81</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>EXC A P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Shawfield Teaser's Echo VCD2 UD JH MX MXJ OAP OJP</i>	<i>Peirce</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>45.75</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Gaylan's Brigantine MX MXJ</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>
100	51.10	20	EXC B	3	Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	52.80	20	EXC B	4	Sunfire's Silver Spring Spryte CDX MX AXJ	Sherman
100	57.95	20	EXC B		MACH Cross Creek Swatch of Pebwin	Miele
100	59.32	20	EXC B		Sunnyside's Bella Rebecca AX AXJ	McKinney
<i>100</i>	<i>53.83</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Glenbrook's Golden Angel CDX MX MXJ</i>	<i>DiBona</i>
100	59.57	24	EXC B	3	OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation TD SH UDX	Lindquist
<i>100</i>	<i>70.47</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Calliope's Lily of the Field TD JH MX MXP4 MXJ MJP4</i>	<i>Lindquist</i>
Thursday JWW						
<i>100</i>	<i>21.29</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH</i>	<i>Hollander</i>
100	33.62	20	NOV B	2	Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP	DiSalvio
<i>100</i>	<i>30.39</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Sunfire My Little Hotshot AX AXJ</i>	<i>Dowall</i>
100	34.49	20	EXC B	4	Sunfire's Silver Spring Spryte CDX MX AXJ	Sherman
100	35.08	20	EXC B		Miss Molly's Browneyed Girl UD MX MXJ JH	Hollander
100	37.59	20	EXC B		Electralon Free As The Wind AX AXJ	Bishop
100	39.79	20	EXC B		Jaebear Autumn Mist OA AXJ	Tinti
100	38.07	24	EXC B	1	OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation UDX TD SH	Lindquist
<i>100</i>	<i>31.39</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>MACH Synergold Ramhar Cleggan</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>
Friday standard						
<i>90</i>	<i>75.46</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV A</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Elysian's the Duck Stops Here TDX</i>	<i>Sila</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>46.7</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH</i>	<i>Hollander</i>
100	49.51	20	NOV B	2	Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP	DiSalvio
<i>95</i>	<i>62.42</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>NOV P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Colabaugh's Once Upon a Thyme UD OA NAJ</i>	<i>Moskovitz</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>42.4</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>OPEN P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Mirasol's I Luv Ricky Ricotta NAP</i>	<i>Goodman</i>
100	53.22	20	OPEN P	2	Harmonie Play It Again Sam CDX NAP NJP	Stevenson
100	64.24	20	EXC A	1	Jaebear Thief in the Night CD OA OAJ NAP NJP	Tinti
<i>100</i>	<i>63.39</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>EXC A</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Splashdown In Valen's Name SH OA AXJ</i>	<i>Erlanger</i>
100	45.86	20	EXC B	1	Second Wind Classy Lassie MX MXJ	Hocker
100	46.18	20	EXC B	2	CH/CT Mirasol's Femme Fatale CDX AX MXJ	Desmarais
100	48.49	20	EXC B		Winthrop's Busy Signal UD MX MXJ	Merrifield
100	51.23	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
<i>100</i>	<i>45.85</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>OTCH Winthrop's Light'N Zaps Twice UD AX AXJ</i>	<i>Benoit</i>
100	46.42	24	EXC B	2	OTCH Wingmaster's Fighting Irish UDX JH	Friedwald
100	46.86	24	EXC B	3	CH/CT Mirasol's Usual Suspect TDX AX MXJ	Desmarais
100	60.63	24	EXC B		MACH/OTCH Calliope's Singular Sensation TD SH UDX	Lindquist
<i>100</i>	<i>71.76</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Calliope's Lily of the Field TD JH MX MXP4 MXJ MJP4</i>	<i>Lindquist</i>

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Friday JWW						
93	48.03	20	NOV A	1	<i>Autumnwood Belle Fille</i>	<i>Bourgeois</i>
100	34.32	20	NOV B	2	<i>Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP</i>	<i>DiSalvio</i>
88	53.05	20	NOV B	3	Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH	Hollander
100	38.83	16	NOV P	2	<i>Masterspace Nala Berry CDX OA OAJ</i>	<i>Masters</i>
100	46.07	16	NOV P	3	Northern Lights Cracklin Rose SH OA OAJ NAP NJP	Ryan
95	39	24	OPEN	3	<i>Eastshore First in Flight CD OA NAJ</i>	<i>Downar</i>
100	45.71	20	EXC A	1	<i>Jaebear Thief in the Night CD OA OAJ NAP NJP</i>	<i>Tinti</i>
100	36.05	20	EXC B	1	<i>Sunfire's Silver Spring Spryte CDX MX AXJ</i>	<i>Sherman</i>
100	37.34	20	EXC B	4	OTCH Sunfires Silver Spring Cali UDX AX AXJ	Sherman
100	38.06	20	EXC B		Gaylan's Into the Wind CD AX AXJ	Morris
100	38.76	20	EXC B		MACH Cross Creek Swatch of Pebwin	Miele
100	39.5	20	EXC B		Jaebear Autumn Mist OA AXJ	Tinti
100	39.94	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	40.63	20	EXC B		MACH2 Rose Lake's Small Miracle CD JH	Ingvaldstad
100	41.46	20	EXC B		Electralon Free As The Wind AX AXJ	Bishop
100	38.11	24	EXC B	3	LorneDoone Encore! Encore! OA AXJ	Watkins
100	41.76	24	EXC B	4	OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation TD SH UDX	Lindquist
100	42.97	24	EXC B		Splashdown In Valen's Name SH OA AXJ	Erlanger
Saturday standard						
95	49.61	20	NOV B	1	<i>Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP</i>	<i>DiSalvio</i>
90	69.28	16	NOV P	1	Shawfield Touched ByN Angel JH	Peirce
100	44.93	20	NOV P	1	<i>Aubridge Nrthern Lightwave Ahead</i>	<i>Ryan</i>
100	49.89	20	EXC B	1	<i>Second Wind Classy Lassie MX MXJ</i>	<i>Hocker</i>
100	52.54	20	EXC B	3	CH/CT Mirasol's Femme Fatale CDX AX MXJ	Desmarais
100	52.76	20	EXC B	4	MACH2 Rose Lake's Small Miracle CD JH	Ingvaldstad
100	53.04	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	53.2	20	EXC B		Shamrock Hills Island Time CD AX OAJ	Bielakiewicz
100	63.34	20	EXC B		Mirasol's Curious Incident NAP AX AXJ	Mandell
100	53.94	24	EXC B	2	Drew Woods Amigo Franco AX AXJ	Franco
100	62.53	20	EXC B P	1	<i>Shawfield Hannah of Kinship AXP OJP</i>	<i>Hatton</i>
Saturday JWW						
100	31.33	20	NOV A	1	<i>Elysian's the Duck Stops Here TDX</i>	<i>Sila</i>
100	32.92	20	NOV B	1	<i>Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP</i>	<i>DiSalvio</i>
95	33.54	20	NOV B	3	Cross Creek I See Snow NA NAJ	Miele
100	28.07	16	NOV P	2	<i>Sunfires Toots Is Just Ducky UD JH MX MXJ</i>	<i>Harnick</i>
100	29.89	16	NOV P	3	Colabaugh's Once Upon a Thyme UD OA NAJ	Moskovitz
90	40.53	16	NOV P	4	Shawfield Touched ByN Angel JH	Peirce
100	24.34	20	OPEN	1	<i>Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH</i>	<i>Hollander</i>
100	26.49	20	OPEN	2	Lazydaze Jump for Joy CD OA NAP NAJ NJP	Lappin
100	35.58	20	EXC A	1	<i>Shamrock Hills Island Time CD AX OAJ</i>	<i>Bielakiewicz</i>
100	42.31	16	EXC A P	1	<i>Shawfield Teaser's Echo VCD2 UD JH AX AXJ</i>	<i>Peirce</i>
100	46.64	20	EXC A P	1	Shawfield Hannah of Kinship AXP OJP	Hatton
100	33.1	20	EXC B		<i>Second Wind Classy Lassie MX MXJ</i>	<i>Hocker</i>
100	34.38	20	EXC B		CH/CT Mirasol's Femme Fatale CDX AX MXJ	Desmarais
100	36.83	20	EXC B		MACH Cross Creek Swatch of Pebwin	Miele
100	38.31	20	EXC B		Electralon Free As The Wind AX AXJ	Bishop
100	38.49	20	EXC B		Jaebear Autumn Mist OA AXJ	Tinti
100	40.33	20	EXC B		Miss Molly's Browneyed Girl UD JH MX MXJ	Hollander
100	40.85	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	33.36	24	EXC B	3	LorneDoone Encore! Encore! OA AXJ	Watkins
100	33.9	24	EXC B	4	Glenbrook's Golden Angel CDX AX MXJ	DiBona
100	34.5	24	EXC B		Drew Woods Amigo Franco AX AXJ	Franco
100	39.62	24	EXC B		OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation TD SH UDX	Lindquist
100	29.28	20	EXC B P	1	<i>MACH Synergold Ramhar Cleggan</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>

SCORE	TIME	HEIGHT	DIVISION	PLACE	NAME	HANDLER
Sunday standard						
<i>90</i>	<i>61.4</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV A</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Autumnwood Belle Fille</i>	<i>Bourgeois</i>
<i>90</i>	<i>70.73</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>NOV P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Aubridge Nrthern Lightwave Ahead</i>	<i>Ryan</i>
<i>95</i>	<i>55.61</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>OPEN</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP</i>	<i>DiSalvio</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>43.25</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Gaylan's Brigantine MX MXJ</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>
100	51.43	20	EXC B	4	Second Wind Classy Lassie MX MXJ	Hocker
100	53.71	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	57.63	20	EXC B		OTCH Sunfires Silver Spring Cali UDX AX AXJ	Sherman
100	50.01	24	EXC B	4	OTCH Wingmaster's Fighting Irish UDX JH MX MXJ	Friedwald
100	54.32	24	EXC B		Drew Woods Amigo Franco AX AXJ	Franco
100	60.76	24	EXC B		OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation UDX TD SH	Lindquist
100	68.83	24	EXC B		Splashdown In Valen's Name SH OA AXJ	Erlanger
<i>100</i>	<i>46.1</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>MACH Synergold Ramhar Cleggan</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>
100	68.71	20	EXC B P	2	Calliope's Lily of the Field TD JH MX MXP4 MXJ MJP4	Lindquist
Sunday JWW						
<i>100</i>	<i>32.99</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>NOV B</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Francalia Che Awesome Reign NA</i>	<i>Franco</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>36.6</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>OPEN</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP</i>	<i>DiSalvio</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>30.83</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>EXC B</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Gaylan's Brigantine MX MXJ</i>	<i>Orcutt</i>
100	34.72	20	EXC B		Sunfire's Silver Spring Spryte CDX MX AXJ	Sherman
100	35.09	20	EXC B		CH/CT Mirasol's Femme Fatale CDX AX MXJ	Desmarias
100	35.58	20	EXC B		Hartoom's Tinseltown Tomboy CDX JH MX MXJ	Harnick
100	35.87	20	EXC B		Second Wind Classy Lassie MX MXJ	Hocker
100	36.23	20	EXC B		OTCH Sunfires Silver Spring Cali UDX AX AXJ	Sherman
100	37.23	20	EXC B		MACH2 Rose Lake's Small Miracle CD JH	Ingvaldstad
100	40.13	20	EXC B		Electralon Free As The Wind AX AXJ	Bishop
100	41.19	20	EXC B		Electralon Deevine Destinee CD MX MXJ	Bishop
100	42.06	20	EXC B		Jaebear Autumn Mist OA AXJ	Tinti
100	42.54	20	EXC B		Mirasol's Curious Incident NAP AX AXJ	Mandell
100	34.69	24	EXC B	4	LorneDoone Encore! Encore! OA AXJ	Watkins
100	35.07	24	EXC B		CH/CT Mirasol's Usual Suspect AX MXJ	Desmarias
100	36.77	24	EXC B		Drew Woods Amigo Franco AX AXJ	Franco
100	37.72	24	EXC B		Gaylan's Lunar Mission CD AX MXJ	Lukiewicz
100	37.77	24	EXC B		OTCH Tricon Starchaser UDX2 AX MXJ	Frink
100	38.25	24	EXC B		Lookout Mystery at Gaylans	Lamphere
100	41.44	24	EXC B		OTCH/MACH Calliope's Singular Sensation TD SH UDX	Lindquist
<i>100</i>	<i>45.32</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>EXC B P</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Rookery's NFL Blackout CDX AX AXJ AXP AJP</i>	<i>Lappin</i>
100	47.89	20	EXC B P	1	Calliope's Lily of the Field TD JH MX MXP4 MXJ MJP4	Lindquist

italics indicate High Scoring Golden

New Titles earned by Golden at the Boston Agility Trials



Name	Handler	New Title(s)
Shawnfield Teaser's Echo VCD2 UD JH MX MXJ OAP OJP	Peirce	AXP
Splashdown In Valen's Name SH OA AXJ	Erlanger	AX
Eastshore First in Flight CD OA NAJ	Downar	OAJ
Marathon's Go For the Gold TD AXP MJP	DiSalvio	NA, NAJ
Cross Creek I See Snow NA	Miele	NAJ
Jaebear Thief in the Night CD OA OAJ NAP NJP	Tinti	AXJ
Shawnfield Hannah of Kinship AXP OJP	Hatton	AJP
Drew Woods Amigo Franco AX AXJ	Franco	MX, MXJ

Congratulations to all!

BREEDERS' REFERRAL

Breeders' Referral Listing & Newsletter Listing Policy

YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB offers the Breeders' Referral as a service to breeders and prospective puppy owners. Acceptance of a listing does not guarantee placement of puppies, and does not constitute endorsement by the Club or any of its members. Neither the Club nor its board of directors assumes responsibility for the quality, health, soundness, or temperament of any litters listed. **YANKEE** recommends that a fully executed, written purchase agreement setting forth all the terms of purchase be obtained before possession of a puppy is transferred to a purchaser. **YGRC** members may list litters, older puppies, and adult dogs with the Breeders' Referral Listing and in *Finish Lines* if the breeder has been a member of **YGRC** or another GRCA-member club for a minimum of one year, and submits the following:

- Copies of AKC registration certificates, thereby verifying that both the sire and dam were over 2 years old at the time of breeding.
- Eye clearances on both the sire and dam, issued by a veterinary ophthalmologist who is certified by the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists. Clearances must be current during the time the litter is listed. Eye clearances on dogs under 8 years of age are valid only for one year from the date of issue. CERF certificates will be accepted.
- Hip clearances on both the sire and dam. Dogs must have final OFA Certification or PennHip Distraction Indexes below the median done at or after 6 months of age, with no radio-graphic evidence of hip dysplasia.
- Final heart clearances on both the sire and dam, issued by a veterinary cardiologist who is certified by the ACVIM (Cardiology).

- A *Litter Listing Agreement*, completed and signed for each litter listed.

LITTER LISTING AGREEMENT

In consideration for the **YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB** listing the breeding of _____ (Sire), to _____ (Dam) the undersigned agrees to indemnify and defend **YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB** for and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, causes of action, damages, and costs asserted against and/or imposed upon **YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB** which are in any manner connect with the forgoing breeding.

Dated _____ Signed _____

Printed name _____

All listings and copies of clearances should be sent to the Breeders' Referral Chair listed on the back page. Referral listings will run for 10 weeks; please contact the Chair to pull or extend the listing. The listing fee is \$30 for the calendar year or \$15 for listing just in *Finish Lines*. Litters listed with the Breeders' Referral Service are automatically listed in the newsletter. Litters listed only in the newsletter are not given to prospective buyers who contact Breeders' Referral as a result of **YGRC**'s regular ad in the *Boston Globe*.

Breeders' Referral Representatives

The breeders' referral representatives listed below have a current list of **YGRC** members who have puppies or older dogs available:

Connie Harris	781 826-3060	Joan Schiff	508 358-2334
Barb Lukis	413 283-5744	Sherry Washburn	781 235-7137

Litter Listings

Sire: Trowsnest Wild Card Raleigh CGC

Dam: Thistledown Marithyme L'Lamb

Sire: Trowsnest Bentley's EZ Ryde CGC

Dam: Maritime's Anchors Away

**Puppies available in late March or early April.
Raw diet raised on low vaccine protocols.**

**Stephanie Mullins
Marithyme Goldens
978 250-0285**

Best Doggy Books for 2004

Here's a list of some of the best doggy books I came across this year:

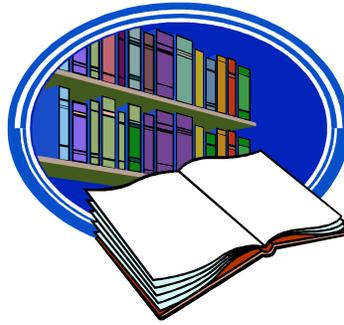
Doggerel: Poems about Dogs, ed. Carmela Ciuraru, is very nice anthology of canine verse with all the old favorites (Kipling, Jeffers, Wordsworth) and some new gems.

First Aid for the Active Dog by Sid Gustafson, DVM, is a nice little book, well-illustrated — handy to keep in your training bag.

Remembering to Breathe: Inside Obedience Competition by Willard Bailey tells the story of training his Golden Retriever from Novice A to OTCH. Bailey is sometimes a little whiny and gripey, blunt, candid — especially about an allegedly incompetent judge — and he's preachy about "cookie power" training. But he's also funny, and the book does capture the obsessiveness of the dedicated obedience competitor.

Another Piece of the Puzzle: Puppy Development, ed. by Pat Hastings & Erin Ann Rouse is a sequel or companion to Hastings' earlier book on puppy evaluation, *Tricks of the Trade: From Best Intentions to Best in Show*. This new one is sort of an anthology of brief articles, at least some of which are quite good.

Conquering Ring Nerves: A Step-by-Step Program for All Dog Sports by Diane P. Meyer is an advice book for exhibitors. All of us tend to leak oil



under pressure. This book helps keep you from having a major breakdown in the ring.

K9 Complete Care: A Manual for Physically and Mentally Healthy Working Dogs by Resi Gerritsen & Ruud Haak is the latest in their series of books. Like some of the others, it's somewhat textbookish, but there are some interesting, cogent hints on warm-ups and other stuff.

Adee Schoon & Ruud Haak's **K9 Suspect Discrimination** may not be very useful for civilians, but I was fascinated by the account of scent training for police dogs, and I loved the historical anecdote about one of the foundation Malinois, Tom, and M'sieur Huyghebaert.

Working Dogs: True Stories of Dogs and Their Handlers by Kristin Mehus-Roe is pleasant reading, with some lovely pictures. Occasional preachy tone, as though the author is worried about offending the animal

rights faction which deprecates sport dogs and working dogs. Still, might be a nice book for kids.

Fight! A Practical Guide to the Treatment of Dog-Dog Aggression by Jean Donaldson (best known for *The Culture Clash*) is very good, although somewhat jargony, as though she were lecturing to a bunch of trainers (and I suspect the book is a rehash of some seminar or lecture notes).

How Dogs Think: Understanding the Canine Mind by Stanley Coren continues the themes he started *The Intelligence of Dogs* and other books. The style and vocabulary are simple, and easily suitable for a youngster. Coren's comments on canine vision, for example, are informative of what colors to choose for retrieving toys, maybe of the color shirt you'd wear in distance exercises.

A Dog's History of America: How Our Best Friend Explored, Conquered, and Settled a Continent by Mark Derr is somewhat dry and humorless, but seems to be very well researched.

An Eye for a Dog: Illustrated Guide to Judging Purebred Dogs is a posthumous collection of Robert Cole's writings and drawings on breed type which appeared in *Dogs in Canada* and other magazines. This book will become, deservedly, a classic of dog literature.

— Geoff Stern

Word Search Puzzle: How many words from the Golden Retriever Breed Standard can you find?

A X F X R E A Y T B J D V L E
 C T X V A E L R O Y E I I U T
 T L N G G D L L V C G N F F I
 I A E E N O U I N N T G M R B
 V R E E D O D A A E U B G E S
 E M I C V I L G L B N U Z W R
 T R E L A A F L N Y L G N O O
 F R X F B N I N M I N E M P S
 N E D L O G S U O R T S U L S
 N B L G E Z A U R C M N T H I
 F E U N F Y O G C A F H U N C
 W C T M U S C U L A R L F H S
 H Y H T R O W T S U R T E C E
 C T R Q B T F Q M M D Q K S G
 S Y M M E T R I C A L S Q K L

WELLBALANCED
 TRUSTWORTHY
 SYMMETRICAL
 SELFCONFIDENT
 SCISSORSBITE
 RELIABLE
 POWERFUL
 MUSCULAR
 LUSTROUSGOLDEN
 INTELLIGENT
 HUNTINGDOG
 FRIENDLY
 EAGER
 ALERT
 ACTIVE

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Bench

New Champion: CH GFA's Gabe's Hope For Colette (Colette Scott). "Gabe" finished by winning WD at *Lewiston-Auburn KC*.

Wins:

Colette Scott reports that Gabe's daughters are on a roll! Sunnybrae's Rainyday's Awsom Blossom took a 4 pt major at *Eastern DC* in Boston: 1st in 6-9 month, Winners Bitch, and Best of Opp, and also Best puppy. She is 6 months, 2 weeks. Groview's Diamond in the Ruff took reserve in Albany at 9 months.

CH Highlight's Constant Comment (Loves & Creamer). "C.C." won Group 2 at *Caribe KC I* and Group 4 at *Caribe KC II*; also Group 3 at *The National Dog Show*, Philadelphia, handled by Joy Quallenberg, and televised on Thanksgiving day.

Field

New Senior Hunter: Sunfire's All Wound Up CDX SH WC (Bernadette Bove). "Spin" finished his SH title at the *Long Island Golden Retriever Club's* hunt test, 10/23/04.

New Working Certificate Excellent: GreatBay's Moondance JH WC (Jeannine Vieten). "Meggie" earned her WCX at the *Northeast Flat-Coated Retriever Club* test 10/3/04.

New Working Certificate: North Star Pebwin Crossroads (Berna Welch). Jeannine Vieten handled "T" to his WC, also at the *NEFCRC* test.

New Junior Hunter and new Working Certificate:

Miss Molly's Brown-eyed Girl UD MX MXJ JH WC (Karen Hollander). "Molly" earned her first leg at **YGRC**, second leg at *Yankee Waterfowlers HRC*, third leg at *MRTC*, fourth leg plus a bumper leg at *GBLRC*. She earned her WC at the **YGRC** test. "I'm especially proud of Molly as she entered the hunt game at 6½ years old. She loves the game!"

Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH WC (Karen Hollander). "Annie" earned her first leg at *LCRC*, her second leg at *Yankee Waterfowlers HRC*, her third leg at *MRTC*, her fourth leg plus a bumper leg at *GBLRC*. She earned her WC at the **YGRC** test.

New Junior Hunter:

Second Wind Classy Lassie JH MXJ MX CGC WC (Karen Hocker). "Allegra" earned her legs 9/13/03, *GRCA National*; 6/25/04, *Southern Berkshire GRC*; 8/7/04, *Yankee Waterfowlers HRC*; and title 10/16/04 at *Potomac Valley GRC*.

Pine Run's Photo Finish JH AX AXJ WC (Karen Hocker). "Nikon" earned his legs 9/13/03, *GRCA National*; 6/25/04 *Southern Berkshire GRC*; 8/7/04, *Yankee Waterfowlers HRC*; and title 11/13/04 *Maryland Retriever Club*.

Obedience & Tracking

New Companion Dog Excellent: Tangleloft Sunstorm Encore CDX (Joanne Baker). "Amber" finished her CDX at the *Merrimack Valley KC* obedience trial, 10/16/04. She won the Open A class with a score of 198!

New Champion Tracker: Am./Can. CH CT Mirasol's Usual Suspect AX MXJ (Desmarais). "Keyser" earned his CT title by passing the VST test at *Hudson Valley Tracking Club* 10/24/04, becoming only the third breed champion/tracking champion in Goldens — and Alison & Ray's second CT dog.

New Companion Dog: Our Golden Reflection CD CGC (Vic & Jackie Testa). First Leg at *Merrimack Valley KC* on 10/16, 4th place finish, second leg at *OTC Club of RI* (high-scoring Golden) 11/6, and third leg at *Nathan Hale OC* on 11/7/04.

New Companion Dog, new Canine Good Citizen, new Therapy

Dog: Windwards Broadmeadow CD CGC TDI (Carl & Joye Wirsen). "Meadow" earned her CD legs at *Wampanoag KC*, *South Shore KC*, and *Concord DTC*. In late September she passed her CGC and Therapy Dog International test. The Wirsens write, "Through the Companion Animal Program on Cape Cod, she is visiting a nursing home and a day care for mentally retarded adults along with her 9 year old Golden 'sister,' Jessamine. She loves and does a great job retrieving the birds as well, so she is truly an all-around Golden and we are real proud of her."

New Tracking Dog, new Companion Dog:

UCH UCD Mirasol's Curious Incident CD TD AX AXJ CGC, ASCA-CD (Mandell & Stern). "Lindy" earned her TD 10/24/04 at the *Tracking Club of MA* test — first time out — and finished her CD at the *New England Dog Training Club* trial, 11/14/04.

New Canadian Companion Dog, new Companion Dog:

Shawnfield Touched ByN Angel WC JH CD Can.CD (Marcia Peirce). "Tess" earned her CKC CD with placings in four straight shows at *Club Canin Chomedey*, Blainville QC. She also won the Halloween costume contest held as part of the show! Tess earned her first and second CD legs at the *MVKC* trials, titled at *OTC of RI*, and earned a bumper legs at *Nathan Hale OC*, *Windham County KC*, and *Holyoke KC* going six for six!

Agility

New Master Agility Excellent: CH. CT Mirasol's Femme Fatale CDX MX MXJ WC VCX; Can. CDX (Desmarais). "Nikita" finished her MX at *LEAP* trial in Springfield with a double-Q!

New Agility Excellent and Excellent Agility Jumpers: UCH UCD Mirasol's Curious Incident CD TD AX AXJ CGC, CD-ASCA (Mandell & Stern). "Lindy" (who's been a busy girl) double-Q'd at *LEAP* 11/21/04 to finish her AX and AXJ titles.

New Novice Jumpers:

Marathon's Pistol Packin' Mama JH WC (Karen Hollander). "Annie" earned her first NAJ leg at *Cheshire KC*, 1st place; second leg, 1st place and highest scoring Golden, and third leg, 3rd place, at the **YGRC** trial.. Also earned her first Open jumpers leg at **YGRC**, 1st place and highest scoring golden. She earned her first two NA legs at **YGRC** with two 1st place wins, both were highest scoring Golden. Quite a weekend for Annie!

New Open Jumpers:

Eastshore First in Flight CD OA OAJ Can.CD (Downar/Frink). Jim and "Flyer" soared to his OAJ on 12/3/04 at the **YGRC** trial with a 3rd place & High Scoring Golden!

New Excellent Jumpers Preferred:

Rookery's NFL Blackout CDX AX AXJ AXP AJP (Lappin, Lappin, Weeks, Harris), ran to her AJP title — and scored 3 MXP legs — in Springfield.

Wins:

Shamrock Hill's Island Time, (Gerilyn Bielakiewicz). Cool runnin' for "Reggae" who earned his first MX leg and his second AXJ leg and a 1st place in the 20" class at the **YGRC** trial.

Second Wind Classy Lassie JH MXJ MX CGC WC

(Karen Hocker). A symphony of placements for "Allegra"— 10/30/04 Exc B JWW 2nd place; 10/31/04 Exc B standard 1st place, Exc B JWW 2nd place; 12/3/04 Exc B standard 1st place; 12/04/04 Exc B standard 1st place; 12/05/04 Exc B standard 4th place.

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★ ★ ★ **Finish Lines**, continued from previous page

Pine Run's Photo Finish JH AX AXJ WC (Karen Hocker). "Nikon" earned MX legs 8/21/04, 3rd place, *Lakes Region KC* and 10/30/04, 1st place, *Hudson Valley GRC*. He earned MXJ legs 9/26/04 *Talcott Mtn AC* and 10/2/04, *South Windsor KC*.

More News

Marcia Peirce writes that "Echo" (UOCH/Can OTCH Shawnfield Teasers Echo UDX JH MX MXJ OAP OJP WCX, Can.WC TD) has just done another TV cameo for the Comcast Christmas ad.

Check out the photos of **YANKEE** members at the Boston agility trials! <http://members.cox.net/cmarkabbott/index.html>

YANKEE wants to celebrate the accomplishments of all members' dogs. The criteria for listing wins in *Finish Lines* include achieving any of the following:

- Titles or certificates
- Points
- Legs towards a title
- Reserve wins
- Match wins
- Junior wins or placements
- Specialty placements

And we want to hear about your dogs' other activities, too. Send your news to yankeefinishlines@att.net



would like to announce that

Buck Shope

will be training retrievers full time beginning in April 2005

- We will continue to offer our "Train the Trainer" classes every Tuesday in the central Massachusetts area.
- New, beginning the spring of 2005, we will also be offering workshops, held every Monday night for 4 weeks throughout the summer. This workshop will be designed to help those who would like to make the jump to the Senior and Master levels. Limited openings available.
- For more information on these classes or other questions, call or email Buck at 978 544-7891 or swiftriverretrievers@yahoo.com.
- Check out our Web site: www.swiftriverretrievers.com
- Openings still available for the 2005 Hunt Test season!

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WAGGING TALES from Pick-pocket Golden: The Golden Who Stole Christmas

This weekend I was in the basement sorting through the boxes of holiday decorations to see what I had for candles. I had two large plastic boxes on the floor, with their tops off so I could rummage through them. In through the door there sprang in a flash, a red golden looking to rob my stash. Quick as a wink he snatched something from the box. He disappeared in such a clatter, I knew quickly, some-thing was the matter. I chased Seamus upstairs to find him *very* proud of his new toy. He had his neck arched, tail thrashing and a very pleading look in his eyes. Seamus had swiped the infamous Wal-Mart Christmas Golden puppy. Not only that, he had a firm grasp on the puppy by its face, he had it stuffed so far



down his throat only the ears were visible. Not looking like a great candidate for fatherhood, Seamus.

Well, what can you do when those conniving Golden use the melting eyes tactic? The puppy was his to do with as his pleased. And he pleased to chew its nose off, toss it in the air, pounce on it, and above all, Seamus wanted to lie on his back, holding the puppy above him cradled in his paws while he gnawed on it. I tried pushing the button on the puppy's paw that would cause it to bark out three Christmas carols in a row but that didn't even slow Seamus down. He just perked up his ears and continued playing.

This will be the first Christmas in three years that won't be celebrated with barked out Christmas carols. I don't know, maybe that is not such a bad thing.

— Carrie Tremblay (all three of my gentle Golden girls never bothered that poor puppy)
Spirit (you didn't tell them how slobbery he got that puppy. icky)
Seamus (wheee! Christmas came early this year!)

Upcoming Seminars and Studies

February 5, 2005 — Cranston RI

AKC Retriever Hunt Test Seminar for judges and handlers hosted by *Yankee Waterfowlers Hunting Retriever Club*. All-day hunting test seminar will be presented, using multimedia demonstration lecture and group discussions. The seminar will cover subjects such as: the purpose of hunting tests; performance standard for Junior, Senior, and Master; hunting test scoring; guidelines for judges of hunting tests; how to apply and conduct a hunting test; responsibility of the key personnel involved; gun safety; and how to handle misconduct. Registration \$50. Please enroll by *January 24, 2005*. Send check, name, address, phone, and e-mail to: Gerrie Owren.

February 26 & 27, 2005 — Pine Grove PA

Golden Extravaganza. A weekend of education on the Golden Retriever— history, conformation, breeding, grooming, handling, alternative veterinary medicine, nutrition, the new CCA program, and more, featuring Marcia Schlehr of *Kyrie*, breeder, author, AKC judge, exhibitor; Laurie Doumaux of *Oahu*, breeder, AKC Judge, exhibitor; Berna Welch of *Pebwin*, noted breeder and exhibitor; Wendy Volhard, author, nutrition and obedience seminar presenter, originator of the natural diet and puppy testing; Judith Shoemaker DVM, complementary medicine and therapy, veterinarian to the U.S. Agility Team Members; Carol Brown, AKC judge and retired professional handler. Registration fee \$175 for two days includes continental breakfast and lunch. FMI: Romaine Halupa.

April 16-17, 2005 — Hardwick MA

Tracking Dog Excellent Seminar presented by AKC tracking judges Mary Thompson and Ray Desmarais. Sponsored by **YGRC**. Limited to 10 working teams and 20 auditors. **YANKEE** members have preference until February 15, 2005. FMI: Kathy Goodman

May 1, 2005 — Hardwick MA

Tracking Dog Seminar presented by AKC Tracking judge Ray Desmarais. Sponsored by **YGRC**. Limited to 10 working teams and 20 auditors. **YANKEE** members have preference until February 15, 2005. FMI: Kathy Goodman,



Osteosarcoma Study

Looks at dogs with osteosarcoma and tries to identify genetic risk factors. The primary breeds to be studied in addition to the Golden Retriever are: Greyhound, Great Dane, St. Bernard, Scottish Deerhound, Great Pyrenees, Irish Wolfhound, Akita, Rottweiler, Newfoundland, Mastiff, and Bullmastiff. The study group will supply a collection kit for a blood sample which is submitted with a copy of the dog's pathology report and pedigree. Studies like this one are very important for all dogs! FMI: Kenine Comstock PhD, keninec@med.umich.edu.

2005 Calendar of Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January					1 <i>Port Chester OTC, O/R, Hamden CT</i> <i>DOTC of Rochester, O/R, Henrietta NY</i>	2 <i>Port Chester OTC, O/R, Hamden CT</i> <i>DOTC of Rochester, O/R, Henrietta NY</i>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <i>KC of Niagara Falls, AB/O, Hamburg NY</i>	14 <i>KC of Niagara Falls, AB/O, Hamburg NY</i>	15 <i>KC of Buffalo, AB/O, Hamburg NY</i> <i>Greater Lowell KC, AB, Fitchburg MA</i>	16 <i>Ashtabula KC, AB/O, Hamburg NY</i> <i>Merrimack Valley KC, AB, Fitchburg MA</i>
17 <i>Merrimack Valley KC, AB, Fitchburg MA</i>	18	19	20	21	22 <i>Schenectady DTC, O, Schenectady NY</i>	23 <i>Schenectady DTC, O, Schenectady NY</i>
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
February	1	2	3	4 <i>Glens Falls KC, AB, Saratoga Springs NY</i>	5 <i>Saratoga NY KC, AB, Saratoga Springs NY</i>	6 <i>Mohawk Valley KC, AB, Saratoga Springs NY</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 <i>Westminster KC, AB, New York NY</i>	15 <i>Westminster KC AB, New York NY</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>Elm City KC, AB/O, Hartford CT</i> <i>Wyoming Valley KC, AB, Clarence NY</i> <i>Staten Island Companion DTC, O, Staten Is NY</i>	20 <i>First Co. Governor's Foot Guard Ath. Assn, AB/O, Hartford CT</i> <i>Olean KC, AB, Clarence NY</i> <i>Bayshore Companion Dog Club, O, Staten Is NY</i>
21	22	23	24	25	26 <i>Rockland Co. KC, AB/O, Suffern NY</i>	27 <i>Rockland Co. KC, AB/O, Suffern NY</i>
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AB — All Breed Show
S — Specialty Show

AG — Agility Trial
O — Obedience Trial

TR — Tracking
R — Rally Obedience

TX — Tracking Excellent
VST — Variable Surface Tracking

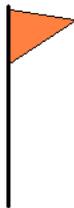
HT — Hunting Test
FT — Field Trial

More information about **YGRC** events is available on line at www.yankeegr.org

UPCOMING 2005 YANKEE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB Events

Jan 6	YGRC puppy kindergarten starts	Hudson MA	Donna Cutler, YankeeGRCPK@aol.com
Jan 29	YGRC Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner	Burlington MA	Donna Morgan
March 22	YGRC Membership Meeting & Program	Acton Congregational Church, Acton MA	Marsha Wilcox
March	YGRC Spring Match		
Apr 16-17	YGRC TDX Tracking Seminar	Cloverhill Farm, Hardwick MA	Kathy Goodman
May 1	YGRC Beginner Tracking Seminar	Cloverhill Farm, Hardwick MA	Kathy Goodman
May	YGRC Spring Eye Clinic	Concord MA	Arlee Recktenwald
May 24	YGRC Membership Meeting & Program	Acton Congregational Church, Acton MA	Marsha Wilcox
June 3	YGRC Specialty Show & Obedience Trial with Rally	Crackerbarrel Fairgrounds, Wrentham MA	Show Chair: Linda Erickson Obed.: Geoff Stern
July	YGRC All-Breed Agility Trials	Sportszone, Derry NH	Karen Frink
July 26	YGRC Membership Mtg & Ice Cream Social	NARA Park, Acton MA	Marsha Wilcox
August 13	YGRC Variable Surface Tracking (VST) Test	Univ. of NH, Durham NH	Roseann Mandell
August	YGRC Hunting Retriever Tests		
Sept 18	YGRC Tracking Test (TD and TDX)	High Ridge Wildlife Mgt Area, Gardner MA	Ray Desmarais
Sept 27	YGRC Membership Meeting & Program	Acton Congregational Church, Acton MA	Marsha Wilcox
October	YGRC Fall Match		
Nov 15	YGRC Membership Meeting & Program	Acton Congregational Church, Acton MA	Marsha Wilcox
November	YGRC Fall Eye Clinic & Heart Clinic	Concord MA	Arlee Recktenwald
December	YGRC All-Breed Agility Trials	Bayside Expo Ctr, Boston MA	Karen Frink

HELP WANTED



**Secretary, hospitality coordinator, and chief tracklayer
needed for YANKEE's September TD/TDX test
in Gardner MA.**

Will train — no experience required!

FMI: Ray Desmarais



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