

Everglades Golden Retriever Rescue Meeting, October 17, 2007

The meeting, held at the home of Hermine Scolnik, was called to order at 7:09 pm. Members in attendance were: Sharon Bennett, Claire Bertone, Ellen Bloome, Denise Carrier, Teri Goldman, Jeri Guise, Janet John, Ellen Lindenfeld, Jane Lipson, Stacey Lopater Hermine Scolnik, and Barb Sheedy.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the last meeting were sent via e-mail and uploaded to box.net. They were accepted as sent.

Treasurer's Report: In the absence of Marlene, Hermine presented the report, as of September 29, 2007. We have \$8,749.22 in the Checking Account and \$13,613.15 in the SOS Fund for a Total of \$22,362.37. Total income was \$2,134.23 and total expenses were \$8,970.99 for an overall loss of \$6,836.76. A request made to stop transferring money to SOS Fund temporarily. The majority present agreed.

Committee Reports:

- ?? **Adoptions** – It was reported that 10 dogs were adopted since the last meeting. The dogs adopted are BamBam, Baxter, Brittney & Fudge, Little Bear, Jet/Layla Lucky/Lacey/Lucy, Nikki, Pudder and Ragamuffin.
- ?? **Intake** – We have been contacted regarding the following possible home surrenders: Kohani, a 1½ year old spayed female, Roxy, a 5 year old female with a seizure disorder, and Sparky, a 5 year old neutered male.
- ?? **Foster** – There are currently 12 dogs either in foster homes or being boarded at our vets offices. Bear/Bruiser is with Kathy Keenan, Zeus Bear is with Jen Becker, Elvis/Casey is with Barbara Bauman, Rusty & Isabel ar with Marci Froehlig, and Buddy/Bugsy is with Barbara Sheedy. There are currently 5 dogs in Foster-to-Adopt homes: Pebbles/Lucy with Deborah and Doug Hamblen, Buddy, with Valentina Mayz, Mozart/Ranger, with Tom Adams, Dasha/Gracie, with Joanne and Daniel Russo, and Rhett, with Ellen Lindenfeld. Max, Shaq, Max/Matt, and Nugget are being boarded at Clint Moore, and Yeager is at Dr. Darko's. The deadline passed for Neal Katz to reclaim his dogs, and they are now considered to be the property of EGRR.
- ?? **Membership** – We have eight new members.families: Summar and Eric Clark, Carlyn and Andy Kowalsky, Ellen and Steve Okrent, Julie Varela and Lou Velotta, Laurie Kardon and Randy Sitzes, Tom Adams, Stephanie Critch, and Joanne and Daniel Russo
- ?? **Sunshine** – Sympathy cards were sent to Barbara Bauman for her dog, and to Mary Ellen Metro for Alfie. A get well card was sent for Stacey's father.

Old Business:

- ?? **Newsletter:**-- The newsletter has been posted to the website and sent out to the subscriber list.

?? **Fund Raising:**

- Count Your Blessings – Jane & Hermine will work on the list
- Mailing to businesses
- Coupons for specific items &/or general donation
- Sponsoring a dog
- Canisters – none in place to date
- iGive – Members can make a purchase on line and EGRR gets a percent from the sale. It was suggested that we have a link from EGRR website. Barbara Sheedy was going to look into this.

?? **Expo** – Due to a conflict with the Eastern Regional Specialty, the Expo has been change to Sunday, April 6, 2008. The location remains the same; Tradewinds Park, Appaloosa Shelter.

?? **Volunteers:**-- Nothing new to report.

?? **Coordination with Breed Club:**

- Grooming with Santa – Nov. 4th at Clint Moore, 11am – 3pm. The minimum donation for grooming has been raised to \$15. We will also hav pictures with Santa, bandanas (Claire), a bake sale with doggy cookies (Denise) and human cookies (Ellen L). Tracey and Stacy will make the cookie jars. Additional items for sale will be drinks, cookie cutters, ornaments (\$10). There will also be a Pet Psychic. We need to have tickets, donation jars, easy-ups, drinks, ice, and water for the dogs. Santa will give out tennis balls.
- EGRC Specialty – March 7, 2008 at South Florida Fair Grounds

?? **Grants –**

- Goldstock – We received \$317.00 for transportation
- GRF – A \$998.11 grant was received for the puppy and parent kidney screenings. We also received a \$2400 grant for infrastructure and technology improvements. We can only receive \$5000 from GRF, and have already submitted \$3100.. We need to start a photo file for this organization.
- Petco – Grant was denied.

?? **Website:**-- All changes are still on hold.

?? **Fostering** – Kara will be doing a demonstration of temperament testing at the November meeting.

?? **NRC Committee President's Group:**-- Topics included the Parade of Rescues at the GRCA National, mange and heartworm treatment (we get a very good deal), vet services (ours are average), foster homes, when to do blood work, and the new e-list for foster home coordinators.

?? **Adoption Process Revision** – Changes are still on hold.

?? **Events**

?? Storybook Festival, November 17th, 6hrs. We will need 2 volunteers

?? Woodstock – in Sunrise, December 1st and 2nd , food, crafts etc., 9am-5pm., Jane will review membership for volunteers, and will create a “sign-up”

New Business:

- ?? **Nominations** – The proposed slate was presented by Hermine. President, Hermine Scolnik; Vice President of Adoptions, Jane Lipson; Vice President of Fund Raising, Stacey Lopater; Secretary, Stacey Lopater; Treasurer, Marlene Goldman; Directors, Eunice Bajart, Kara Clark, Ellen Lindenfeld, Dianne Snow-Posner, and Barabara Sheedy; Webmaster, Tracey Eller.
- ?? **New Privacy Policy** -- No member is allowed to use the EGRR e-mail list for their own personal and/or business use.
- ?? **Advertising** – Stacey requested for a BusinessThank You page on website. This is on hold, She is investigating free air time on the radio.
- ?? **Healing Touch:** -- Ellen Bloome provided us with a very informative presentation.

The next meeting will be held on November 14th, 7:00pm., at the home of Kara Clark. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm

Meeting Minutes Recorded and Submitted by,
Stacey Lopater, Acting Secretary