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Editor's Assistants' Notes



Asher, Vin and Duffy Orwig

Oh, woe is us! We had such a great time at the *Arizona Biltmore Golden Hour* and at their Team-Building event a few weeks later. We saw many of our canine and human friends and made some new ones, too. Now, it's too hot to go anywhere or do anything and we're mopey and going through withdrawal – can't

even swim, because the water in the pool is like a bath and not refreshing. Swimming in it, we get hotter not cooled off.

Ah, well, there are many great activities planned for the fall and winter. We hope you will attend and bring your dog to the ones where dogs are allowed. We love making new friends and helping *AGR* collect some sorely-needed donations. Please join us!

Wags and Woofs

By Deb Orwig, President

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Some of the regular column writers have taken the summer off – they deserve a vacation! None of them really likes to write, but they have been creating a column for this newsletter every quarter for years. As a matter of fact, I had not intended to produce an August newsletter at all. However, there have been quite a few adoptions finalized (*Magic Moments*, pages 16 - 22), we have spent a lot of money dealing with the health issues of several dogs (*Diamonds in the Ruff*, pages 13 - 14), and several dogs and two members have made their way to the Bridge. So, I decided not to wait until the November issue to cover all these items. In any event, this newsletter will be an abbreviated one. One thing to note in particular, though, is the list of *Upcoming Activities* on this page. There have been a couple of changes since this column was published in May. There are also some additions that you should put on your calendar.

NOTE: Some dates have changed since this column was printed in the May newsletter. Please revise your calendars.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Saturday, September 17th – 1 PM to 8 PM

Fore! Paws Golf Tournament: at the spectacular *McCormick Ranch Golf Club* in Scottsdale; dinner will be available for non-golfers as well as for golfers. **Deadline for Early Bird registration is August 17** – after that date, the fees will increase. Please plan to attend!

CHANGED DATE: Sunday, October 30th – "Dine Out With The Dogs" at *Paulie's Little Bite of Italy*, 15456 N 99th Ave, Sun City, AZ; Noon - 7 PM

NEW: Sunday, November 13th – PACC911's Glimmer of Hope Fundraiser, *Scottsdale Hilton Resort & Spa*, 11 AM - 3 PM

NEW: Saturday and Sunday, November 12th and 13th – "Phoenix Holiday Pet Expo" at *Bell Bank Park*, Mesa; Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM; Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM; set-up probably on Friday

NEW: Saturday, December 3rd – PACC911 Adopt-a-thon at *All Saints Episcopal Church*, 6300 N Central Ave, Phoenix, 10 AM - 3 PM; set-up starts at 8 AM

Saturday, December 10th – Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade, downtown Glendale, starts at 11 AM; need to be in the staging area by 10 AM. More details will follow in the November newsletter

NEW: Sunday, December 11th – PACC911 and Phoenix Metro Chamber of Commerce hosting Winter Adoption Event at *Floor & Décor*, 5880 W Bell Road, Glendale, 10 AM - 3 PM, set-up starts at 8 AM



Goldens on the Go!

By Carolyn Brown,
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Whew... it's 115° with impending thunderstorms on the horizon as I sit down at my computer to write this column. Two Goldens are tucked safely under my desk and a third one is just waiting for the rain to start so she can go frolic in it. The thunder and lightning will limit that activity, of course.

Looking back at the fun events **AGR** was invited to attend in April and May makes me even more anxious to search for new events for the fall and winter. These new events will help populate our calendar along with our popular tried-and-true activities.

So, while most of us are living through the monsoon madness and scorching temperatures, let's think about the fun we had at the **Arizona Biltmore** in April and May (see pages 24 - 27) and look ahead to events that will happen in the cooler and drier days to come. Also, give a thought to which of these fun events you are going to attend and which ones you will volunteer to work a shift at, when necessary. Which of these events would your family and friends like to attend? Are there other types of events you can suggest? If so, please feel free to call me at 602-781-1001 or email me at AZgoldenlady@gmail.com.

Volunteering is the power that helps **AGR** produce these events. And while they are important for raising awareness and funds to help cover the rising medical costs we incur, these events are also arranged to bring our members together so they and their Goldens can socialize with other members and the Golden-loving members of the general public.

As we push through the "dog-days" of summer and move into fall, our next event will be the annual **Fore! Paws Golf Tournament**, which will take place on Saturday, September 17th at the beautiful **McCormick Ranch Golf Club** in Scottsdale. Have you registered yet? You say you don't golf? Dinner tickets can be purchased separately. Be sure to see the article on page 23 written by Deb Orwig, the Tournament Chairperson.

DINE OUT WITH THE DOGS takes place on Sunday, October 30th from Noon until 7 PM at **Paulie's Little Bite of Italy** at 99th Ave and Greenway in Sun City. 20% of your food purchase will be donated to **AGR** by **Paulie's**. To make that happen, all you have to do is be sure your server knows you are dining to benefit **AGR** and they add a note to your order. In addition to great food, there will be raffles, silent auction items and our phenomenal member-crafted gifts available for purchase. Whether it is for your two- or four-legged family and friends, you can plan on starting your holi-

day shopping that day.

We will also be having an optional "Howl-o-ween" costume contest at the event. Photos of all dogs wearing a costume will be posted on the **AGR** Facebook page, and the pup receiving the most likes over the next week will be the winner and earn a prize. This event is open to all **AGR** members, family and friends, so spread the word.

The Phoenix Holiday Pet Expo will be held on Saturday and Sunday, November 12th and 13th indoors at **Bell Bank Park** in Mesa. **AGR** will be presenting our crafts for sale and will be spreading our Rescue story. Our Goldens and Golden mixes will be decked out in donation vests raising money to help with the medical costs we have from providing care, comfort, and a clean bill of health to those we rescue, rehabilitate and rehome. This will be a great chance for **AGR** members who live in the areas of the East Valley to volunteer and have some great fun.

PACC911 Adoption Event (and craft sale for **AGR**) will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at **All Saints Episcopal Church** at 6300 North Central Avenue in Phoenix. This is a central location and would be a great place to start your Christmas season by volunteering a few hours and stopping by to pick up great gifts for the holidays.

The Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade is one of the most fun events of the year. It will be held on Saturday, December 10th. This is an easy one-and-a-half-mile stroll through the downtown area of Glendale. We're not sure if the parade watchers or the **AGR** members and their dogs have the most fun that day. But this activity is definitely one to plan on attending!

PACC911 and **Phoenix Metro Chamber of Commerce** are teaming up once more for an adoption event at **Floor & Décor** at 59th Ave and Bell Rd on Sunday, December 11th from 11am to 3 pm. **AGR** has always been a favorite, and this is a good opportunity for us to sell some great last-minute Christmas gifts to the crowds. It is also an event where just sitting in your lawn chair with your Golden wearing a donation vest can make it a financially worthwhile event. So, dig out the lawn chair, add a Santa hat or antlers for your dog and help **AGR** make this event great.

There will still be some more events filling in the fall calendar, so watch for e-mails from AGRactivitiesinfo.com, check our Facebook page, and follow the Event calendar on our ArizonaGoldenRescue.com web page.

Sharing time with other Goldens is rewarding to other Goldens and humans, too. Looking forward to seeing you and your family and friends at some (or all) of our upcoming events. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have questions about these events or have any suggestions for other events that could benefit our membership. Have a safe summer.



DINE OUT
with
THE DOGS!

When you order from the regular restaurant menu...

Arizona Golden Rescue receives 20% of the proceeds from food & beverage sales, including bar*

*does not include tax or gratuity

Please be sure to mention Arizona Golden Rescue when ordering!

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Noon - 7:30 p.m.



Leaf-peeping Expedition on October 23, 2022

We invite you and your dog to join us in Flagstaff on Sunday, October 23rd to see the full colors and enjoy the cooler weather up there. We will meet on the NAU campus at Old Main at noon. Bring a lawn chair and a picnic lunch if you like. After lunch, we will head up to Snowbowl, a great picture spot! Questions? Contact Lauren Rudin at lauren@yourpetsitter.com or call 602-809-2522.

Home Evaluations and Transports

By Deb Orwig, President
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People take vacations, especially in the summer, and especially to get out of the Arizona heat in the summer. Intakes, home evaluations, dog placements, transports and dealing with canine medical issues do not take vacations. These functions of Rescue happen year round and sometimes 24/7. We are short-staffed for home evaluations and transports – we need more volunteers for both. Would you please consider helping with one or the other or both?

Home Evaluations



A home evaluation usually takes about an hour plus commute time (and gas) and the time – about another hour – to prepare the necessary report and send it to the Home Evaluations Coordinator. We provide a template for the report and instructions for sending it. You would need to have a computer – desktop, laptop or

tablet – a printer, a clipboard with a pen, and a cell phone with a decent camera. You will also need an **AGR** name tag (we will provide that at no charge) and an **AGR**-logo shirt (we have T-shirts in 5 different colors and in most common sizes for \$16 or \$18), which you will need to purchase if you do not already have one.

We could use new evaluators in all parts of the Valley. For home evaluations needed outside of the Phoenix Metro area, Sharon Flores conducts Facetime interviews. Currently, we have two members who are willing and able to go anywhere in the Phoenix Metro area, and one in Scottsdale. We require at least two ride-alongs with an experienced evaluator before we will ask you to do one solo, not only as a form of mentoring but also to help you grow comfortable in the role and to see details that you may want to have clarified before you lead your first evaluation. (You may choose to have a mentor accompany you on that occasion.) If you are willing to get trained as a home evaluator, please contact our Home Evaluations Coordinator, Sheila Joyce at: horsecrazymom@msn.com.

Transports

A transport involves the pick-up of a dog from one place and driving it to another (commute time and gas). There are several different transport scenarios:

- from a surrendering owner (SO) to a vet

- from an (SO) to a foster-only family
- from an SO to a foster-with-intent-to-adopt (FWITA)
- from a vet to a foster-only family
- from a vet to a FWITA
- from a foster-only family to a FWITA
- from a shelter to a veterinarian

Each of these scenarios requires some paperwork. A computer and printer are necessary, a clipboard with a pen, and a cell phone with a camera. You will also need an **AGR** name tag (we will provide that at no charge) and an **AGR**-logo shirt, which you will need to purchase. You will find that both the name tag and the logo shirt will come in handy at many of our popular volunteer events, such as Meet-and-Greets and parades.



In addition, you will need to have a vehicle large enough to accommodate a large crate, so some kind of mini-van or large SUV – for example, a Ford Expedition, a Dodge Grand Caravan, or a Toyota Sienna or something similar to these. We provide our transporters with leashes and collars, copies of our *Your New Dog* manual and extra copies of our newsletter. If the transport is to a foster-only family, we provide a form (two copies needed) for the family to sign. If the transport is to a FWITA, we provide the adoption contract (you will need one copy of the whole contract and one extra copy of the signing page).

To participate in shelter transports in Maricopa County, one must also complete the training program required by **Maricopa County Animal Care and Control Services (MCACCS)**. The program is now available online and takes 3-4 hours to complete. At the moment we have only 4 members who have been certified by **MCACCS** to pick up a dog at the Shelter and have done pick-ups, and two members who have completed the training but have not done a shelter transport since being certified. We get only one or two shelter dogs per year, so having only these few qualified to transport them is normally enough. Very rarely, we get requested by **Pinal County Shelter**, **Pima County Shelter**, or the **Arizona Humane Society** to take a dog. No particular certification is necessary to transport a dog from one of these places.

However, we do need help in all sections of the Valley for the other types of transports. Currently, five members are designated transporters, but each has natural limits to their availability, such

as vacation travel, illness, working a full-time job, living outside the Valley in the summer, living on the opposite side of the Valley from where a dog needs to be picked up or delivered (some times two transporters tag team to reduce the distances), and so on. Especially in the summer, several weeks may go by with only one transporter able to handle the logistics. So Transport is truly a case of "the more the merrier" – the more members who can do transports, the more this essential task can be shared around. We encourage all members with an interest in volunteering and with a suitable vehicle to talk to us about joining the Transport Team.

As with home evaluators, we require a new Transport person to do at least two ride-alongs with an experienced transporter before we will ask you to do one solo, and you may have the option to have a mentor ride with you when you lead your first. While it would be best if you could do one of each type of scenario (except shelter ones) before soloing that type, that is not always practical because of the sheer number of Transport types. Be assured we will work with you to help you learn the ropes and have the confidence that comes with experience. Each type of transport requires a different approach and different paperwork, both before and after.

Debbie Ball is currently putting together the transport section of a *Policies & Procedures Manual*. Once done, this document will have step-by-step instructions for each type of transport, which will make training new transporters easier. We will still require ride-alongs, though – there is no good substitute for in-person instruction. It would be terrific if we could get at least one person in the southwest Valley, one person in the southeast Valley and at least one person in the Scottsdale area trained to do transports.

Connie McCabe and Nick Dodson are willing to do long-distance transports, as am I, and Fred Prose has done a few, but it would be great to have at least one other transporter willing to drive to Flagstaff, Sedona, Payson, Lake Havasu City, Coolidge, etc. **AGR** does not usually compensate transporters for travel expenses, but the mileage may be tax deductible depending on your personal tax return status. If you are interested in getting trained as a transporter, please contact Debbie Ball at rlbdlb@cox.net.

**DO NOT GIVE
THESE FOODS/MEDS TO YOUR DOG**

Chocolate, grapes, macadamia nuts, onions, or raisins, and do not allow your dog to have any product containing xylitol (like sugarless gum and some peanut butters) – these all have toxic effects.

Also, do not give your dog aspirin, acetaminophen or ibuprofen. These drugs can cause gastrointestinal problems, respiratory difficulties, neurological problems, bleeding disorders and kidney failure. **Always check with your vet regarding medications.**

Oodles of Doodles!

By Deb Orwig, President
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There is no doubt that **AGR** is the go-to Rescue when someone needs to give up a Goldendoodle! Last year, of the 59 dogs we took in, 15 were Goldendoodles (25.4%). This year as of July 20, we have rescued 53 dogs and 22 (41.5%) have been Goldendoodles! And we're barely half-way through 2022. Since we've taken in so many Goldendoodles, I am going to include an updated article I wrote for the May 2021 issue, because I think everyone should know a little bit about these Golden-mix dogs.

Goldendoodles

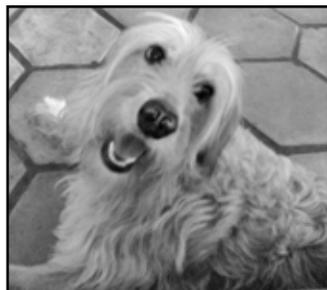
As far as we know, **Arizona Golden Rescue** is the only Golden rescue group in Arizona that will accept a Goldendoodle. So far in 2022, we have taken in a surprising number of these mixed-breed dogs.

You probably know that a Goldendoodle is a hybrid between a Golden Retriever parent and a Poodle parent. The mix was originally established due to a desire to produce a dog with Golden Retriever personality but with a Poodle-type non-shedding coat. Unlike Golden Retrievers, Poodles have hair instead of fur, and they generally do not produce much dander that causes many human allergies. Consequently, they are considered to be on the list of “hypoallergenic” dogs. Many Goldendoodles do not shed much – certainly not nearly the volume shed by a purebred Golden. However,



Very curly coat like that of 16-054 Ella is the most common type we have seen

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15-071 Pepper has a wavy coat



15-018 Cooper's coat is smooth like a Golden's but he still has the facial furnishings

the actual dog resulting from the cross of a Golden with a Poodle depends on genetics, i.e. which parent the offspring favors, and it is usually not 50/50.

There are three coat types found among Goldendoodles: smooth, wavy and



Some like 19-064 Libby have very heavy furnishings



21-025 Lucy has the very curly coat of her Poodle parent, but her head looks more like that of her Golden parent and her face has no furnishings

curly – we have had them all. Longer facial hair, including eyebrows, mustache and beard are found on most Goldendoodles. These characteristics are known as furnishings.

Though most Goldendoodles don't shed excessively, they still need to be brushed regularly, which removes dead hair and prevents nasty matting. To keep their skin and coat healthy, they need a moisturizing bath every few months. Depending on the dog, a Goldendoodle may grow long hair

over its eyes or between its toes and appropriate trimming is required.

There are numerous colors among Goldendoodles. In the litter of 5 that was surrendered to us in March 2021 when the pups were 6 weeks old, two were black and three were golden-colored, with one of the latter being a darker golden and two were more cream-



Our 2021 intake of a litter of 5 Goldendoodle puppies: Keely (darker Golden color), Guinness (black), Charm (cream), Kiera (black) and Aiden (cream)



17-045 Luna is a beautiful silver color; Liz Tataseo's girl Emma, now 6 years old, has been black until recently; she is now turning silver

colored. Of the Goldendoodles surrendered to us over the years (a total of 96 out of 1183 intakes by my count), the majority were white, several were black, one was silver, a couple were amber, one was peach-colored, two were red-gold, one was dark brown, and some were golden or cream-colored. In the most recent litter that was surrendered to **AGR**, all 7 of the puppies were light gold/cream-colored. Of the parvo-puppy littermates that came to us this year in May, one was black, one was gold and one was black-and-white. One unusual surrender in 2013 was a mixture of black and gold and looked more like a Gordon Setter than anything else. His appearance favored that of his mother, a purebred Golden who was surrendered at the same time, and his black color was from his father.



13-061 Oliver was our introduction to the “phantom type” of Goldendoodle – he looks more like a Gordon Setter than like any other breed, but his mother was a Golden and his father was a black Standard Poodle

For even more variety, there are patterns of these colors found



18-021 Natasha is an example of the abstract, mismarks or chrome type of Goldendoodle – she is red-gold but has a white blaze on her chest, white belly fur and white “socks” on her feet

in some Goldendoodles, including parti, merle, phantom (like the "Gordon Setter" one described above), and brindle. A parti-colored Goldendoodle is at least 50% white, with solid patches of any other color like Pinto at right. Solid color Goldendoodles with white markings that cover less than 50% of the body are known by several names: abstract, mismarks, or chrome. Merle is a varied coat pattern. Phantoms (like **13-061 Oliver**) have a specific pattern of markings on a solid background above each eye, on the sides of the muzzle, chest, inside the legs, and under the tail. Brindle patterns appear as stripes – the color and the width vary with each dog.



22-027 Pinto, now Oliver, a parti-colored Goldendoodle

If the parents are a Standard Poodle and a normal-size Golden, the puppies become large dogs, usually 70-90 pounds, and can be quite tall (Poodle legs). If one parent is a Golden and the other is a miniature Poodle, then the adult Doodles are usually small, generally 30-40 pounds.



12-141 Horton showing off his tall “Poodle legs”



Medium-size Goldendoodles like 13-030 Annie make popular family dogs, and many are used as therapy dogs

These are the “medium”

Doodles. There are smaller ones, too, which are called mini-Doodles.

With average to above-average energy levels, Goldendoodles require daily exercise and love to go for walks, runs, hikes, and swims. Their playful nature and retriever genes make them great fetch partners, too. Owners should aim for at

least 30 minutes of exercise each day.

A fenced yard is ideal for Goldendoodles to romp around, but they shouldn't be kept there all day. This social breed thrives with its family and friends indoors.



17-004 Emma leaping into the pool after a toy

Goldendoodles are obedient, athletic, and smart. According to the *American Kennel Club*, the



We rescued 18-051 Millman, now called Cooper, when he was only 6 weeks old; he looked very Golden then, but even by 10 weeks he was starting to develop the characteristic facial furnishings of a Goldendoodle; as an adult now, he looks like a typical wavy-coated Goldendoodle



21-012 Jangles is black all over with profuse facial furnishings, a Poodle coat and long Poodle legs



Golden Retriever and the Poodle are both among the top five of smartest dog breeds. Doodles take well to training and are eager to please, so agility comes to them naturally. Agility courses are a great place for a Goldendoodle to burn energy and create a strong bond with his owner and companion. There are training facilities in the Valley which offer agility classes. Among them are *Arizona Dog Sports* (12639 N 48th St, Phoenix), *MP Dog Training Academy* in the West Phoenix Valley, and *Partners Dog Training School* in Cave Creek. There are probably others. In general, due to their high intelligence Goldendoodles are not difficult to train. They respond best to positive, reward-based training and will gladly show off their tricks for a tasty treat.



I find the genetics of Goldendoodles fascinating. Here are the parents of Jangles, mother on the left and father on the right; mother is a parti and father is solid beige; both parents are Goldendoodles, which makes the appearance of offspring even more unpredictable than a cross between a Golden and a Standard Poodle – too much variability in offspring is the main reason why the *American Kennel Club* will not recognize the Goldendoodle as a breed; breed recognition by the *AKC* may happen eventually, though – after all, the Golden Retriever breed was created from a mix: the breed originated in the early 1800s from a Tweed Water Spaniel, which is an extinct breed nowadays, and a Yellow Flat Coated Retriever; the Tweed Water Spaniel itself was a mix of the now extinct St. John's Water Dog and local water dogs; the Golden Retriever was not recognized as a breed (i.e., breeding true) by the *AKC* until 1932.

Goldendoodles were first bred in 1969 to be guide dogs, but the breed gained popularity among breeders during the 1990s. The name of the mix was coined in 1992. Goldendoodles have been used as pets, agility dogs, guide dogs, therapy dogs, diabetic-detection dogs, and search-and-rescue dogs. Their lovability and patience have made them a popular choice for family dogs in recent years.

The breeding genetics of the Goldendoodle are a little confusing. You will see designa-

tions like F1, F2 F1B, F1BB, etc. What do these mean? The letter “F” stands for “Filial Hybrid.” This means that it is a hybrid dog that came from two purebred dogs. The B is an indicator that the Goldendoodle generation was bred back to a purebred Poodle. While some are bred back to a purebred Golden Retriever, this is not common. There are instances that you will see a double letter “BB” and this means that it was backcrossed twice with a poodle. Backcrossing is breeding a hybrid back to one of the breeds it originates from.

An F1 is a first-generation hybrid with a Poodle parent and a Golden Retriever Parent. The recent litter of 7 puppies we rescued are F1s. We cannot predict what these puppies will look like or which parent they will favor when they are mature. Due to being first-generation hybrids, they have the health benefits that come hand-in-hand with a phenomenon known as “hybrid vigor.” Scientifically known as heterosis, it refers to improved biological functions



due to genetic diversity. The mixture of genes tends to lead to a decrease in the health risks that may be associated with purebred specimens.

An F2 is a second-generation hybrid that is 50% Poodle. These are the result of breeding two F1 Goldendoodles together. This combination is generally not recommended by reputable breeders because there is a 75% chance of shedding puppies. Shedding is a trait that Goldendoodle breeders are trying to eliminate. Because both parents carry both Poodle and Retriever genes, there is a 25% chance that the shedding Retriever genes will unite in puppies, causing them to shed as much as a purebred Retriever (even more than both parents). Due to the way the genetics work, you can end up with either full Poodles or full Golden Retrievers when crossing two Doodles.

F1B is a first-generation backcross which ends up being 75% Poodle. An F1BB is a first generation backcross backcross, which ends up being 87.5% Poodle.

Crossing an F1 Doodle with an F1B creates an F2B. The results are really unpredictable, and genetic testing is usually advised.

F3s are produced by breeding an F1B to an F2B, F1B to an F1B, two F3s, two F2Bs, or an F2 to an F2. When it gets to this stage, breeders often refer to them as multi-generational – traits from either breed line can be emphasized either positively or negatively. At this stage, genetic testing and careful breeding make it possible to weed out disliked traits, like shedding, for a 100% full litter of non-shedding pups.

Those of you who have adopted a Goldendoodle may be inter-

ested in joining the **Goldendoodle Association of North America (GANA)**. Your membership in this organization helps to fund research and development regarding health, genetics, puppy development, and more. The **GANA** website has a great deal of information about these mixed-breed dogs: www.goldendoodleassociation.com. The **Goldendoodle Association of North America** breed club was created to document the lineage of the Goldendoodle as it is developed into multigenerational status. It is a place for reputable breeders to register their Goldendoodle breeding stock and litters, and **GANA** tracks the health certifications completed on all breeding stock. **GANA** is a non-profit organization that uses its funds to educate Goldendoodle breeders on cutting edge technology including DNA testing for coat traits and health, as well as providing education on the best breeding practices. **GANA** has developed a breed standard to serve as a road map, so that the Goldendoodle can become more consistent as the breed matures.

The Position of the Golden Retriever Club of America on Goldendoodles

The following statement is on the **GRCA** Website:

The Golden Retriever Club of America is dedicated to the health and welfare of the Golden Retriever breed while conserving the original breed function – that of a “working retriever.” A purebred dog offers to his owner the likelihood that he will be a specific size, shape, color and temperament.

The predictability of a breed comes from selection for traits that are desirable and away from traits that are undesirable. When a breed standard or type is set, the animals within that breed have less heterozygosity than do animals in a random population. The Goldendoodle is nothing more than an expensive mongrel. Because the genetic makeup is diverse from the Poodle genes and the Golden Retriever genes, the resultant first generation (F1) offspring is a complete genetic gamble. The dog may be any size, color, coat texture and temperament. Indeed, Goldendoodles do shed. Their coat may be wiry or silky and may mat. Body shape varies with parentage but tends to be lanky and narrow. Behavior varies with the dog and within a litter, with some puppies poodle-like in attitude and others somewhat like the Golden Retriever.

The Golden Retriever Club of America is opposed to cross-breeding of dogs and is particularly opposed to the deliberate crossing of Golden Retrievers with any other breed. These crossbreds are a deliberate attempt to mislead the public with the idea that there is an advantage to these designer dogs. The crossbred dogs are prone to all of the genetic disease of both breeds and offer none of the advantages that owning a purebred dog has to offer.

Letter to **GRCA** from a Goldendoodle breeder, December 2006:

*I am shocked and insulted by your information on the **Golden Retriever Club of America** website concerning Goldendoodles. We breed these dogs with every caution and 2 years of research and*

have had wonderful results. In my opinion your bias and negative comments are uncalled for; perhaps you should purchase one and find out for yourself before you make such bold statements.

~ Nancy _____

The Board of Directors of the **GRC**A responded:

The **Golden Retriever Club of America** stands behind the information on our Website. We are dedicated to the preservation of the Golden Retriever breed as defined by our standard, which is published on our Website.

You state that you have two years of research behind your breeding program. We have over 140 years of experience in our breed and can trace our entire breeding program back to the mating of two dogs in the 1860s with very careful notes and ledgers maintained on every single breeding. The history of the Golden Retriever is carefully preserved and documented.

You do not delineate what you mean by research. What we do in the way of research is fund many bona-fide grants designed to help identify and eliminate canine hereditary disease — diseases that are, by the way, passed on to your Goldendoodles. Are you aware of these diseases?

In addition, we request that all our members do the basic genetic testing for hips, eyes, hearts and elbows. We request that additional information be given to those who purchase Golden Retrievers about the overall health and longevity of the breed. We expect every breeder to support genetic research not only in doing the four major clearances, but also by contributing to a DNA databank available to researchers. The **Golden Retriever Club of America** is responsible for collecting DNA on over 1000 of our current dogs along with a detailed health profile. There is no such pool of available information on cross-bred animals.

You mention wonderful results. That is a rather broad statement. Golden Retrievers excel in multiple venues — field, obedience, conformation, agility, companionship, service, detection, comfort and search and rescue. We have a long history of stable temperaments, trainability and bidability carefully preserved and monitored by conscientious breeders. These breeders have the full resources of our club, our foundation and our membership at their disposal.

The **Golden Retriever Club of America** also works with the **Morris Animal Foundation** and **The Canine Health Foundation** in providing support and samples for vital research in genetics and health. We have never seen a grant application for the health of the Goldendoodle. We have never seen a donation by any Doodle organization to the betterment of canine health, only undocumented claims that their dogs have no health problems. We have never seen anyone breeding doodles of any kind talk about the basic genetic testing for both the Golden and the Poodle. Instead we only hear of these dogs showing up in rescue because

the promises of lack of shedding and allergies and stable temperament remain unfulfilled.

The **Golden Retriever Club of America** also has an extensive rescue network and is among the first to arrive on the scene during natural disasters to provide shelter and assistance to the Golden. Where were the Doodle people during Hurricane Katrina?

We do not condone actions such as the deliberate production of litters from two different AKC recognized breeds of dogs, which does not maintain the separate purpose and integrity of each breed. We speak for the Golden Retriever. We expect our breeders to demonstrate honesty, integrity, and fairness in dealing with other owners, breeders, purchasers of puppies and the general public. We feel that the deliberate production of “Golden Doodles” profoundly violates that trust. The Golden Retriever, as a purebred dog, comes from generations and generations of breeding dogs with a common gene pool and a characteristic appearance, temperament and function. Goldendoodles” are nothing more than mixed-breed dogs.

If you are offended by our website, imagine how we feel about the proliferation of boutique dogs taking advantage of the public and misusing the careful and selectively bred Golden Retriever.

The Position of Arizona Golden Rescue on Goldendoodles

If a dog is a Golden mix, regardless of the heritage of the "mix," and it needs rescuing, we will accept it unless it is known to be aggressive. And that is the end of that story. However, you should know that because of the **GRC**A's stance on Goldendoodles, we cannot get any grant money from them to help with Doodle extraordinary medical expenses, such as we had with **22-014 Apollo** (broken leg fix cost us \$8,252) and the parvo puppies **22-025 Salsa**, **22-026 Chips** and **22-027 Pinto** (total expense to save their lives: \$21,782). Besides the Goldendoodles mentioned here and in the *Diamonds In The Ruff* column on page 13, other Goldendoodles that have cost **AGR** significantly more than their adoption fee in the last year include: **21-006 Maple** (\$1,254), **21-023 Zuzu** (\$7,412), **21-025 Lucy** (\$6,166), **21-033 Bennett** (\$6,764), **21-041 Goldie** (\$1,611), **21-042 Dude** (\$2,698), **22-001 Baron** (\$1,186), **22-006 Vader** (\$1,430), **22-008 Madonna** (\$2,866), and **22-011 Theo** (\$6,111). No grant money from any source was able to help **AGR** with any of these expenses.



AGR's two most recent Goldendoodle intakes: 22-052 Herman (left) and 22-053 Henry (right); Herman has been placed with a FWITA; Henry is with a foster family



The Financial Picture

By Deb Orwig

As you can see by reviewing the financial table on page 12, our vet expenses for just the first half of 2022 were over \$127,000. At this rate (which hopefully will not continue, but who knows?), we will spend well over \$200,000 just for vet treatments before the end of this year, and this amount includes the discounts given to our Rescue by our generous vets. Yeow! We had some really expensive dogs during the first half of 2022!

We will not skimp on expenses for our rescued dogs – we do for them whatever our vets recommend. You can see where most of the money has gone for the 53 dogs we have rescued so far this year by reading the *Diamonds In The Ruff* column on pages 13-14. We don't even have expenses recorded by the end of June for several of the dogs we rescued in the second quarter or since.

Please read the article on page 12 and contribute whatever you can to our *Summer Fundraiser for Special Needs Dogs*. We need your help so that we don't go into the red during the summer.

Giving Grid for Independence Day

Giving Grid was a new online venue we recently tried for fundraising. For a couple years, we had contemplated using this venue, but just did not get around to trying it. So, when we incurred over \$21,000 in vet bills for three Goldendoodle puppies that came into Rescue with parvo in May, we felt we had to try it.

Our thanks to **AGR** member Mike Harman for getting all the details and setting up our *Giving Grid* site with help for the photos from Connie McCabe. We raised a total of **\$4,093**, which was a fantastic return from a first-time effort!

However, due to some complaints from our donors, we will not be using *Giving Grid* again. The complaints were basically in two categories. One type regarded the extra fee that *Giving Grid* asked a donor to support on this supposedly-fee-free donation site. The donor did not have to pay that extra fee, but denying the extra was not made easy, so most donors paid it – and weren't happy about it. The other type of complaint centered around marketing materials on subjects unrelated to *Giving Grid* being sent by e-mail to our donors, which indicates that *Giving Grid* sold our donors' e-mail addresses to other businesses. This is totally unacceptable.

In **AGR**, we take great pains to keep contact information for our members and supporters proprietary. I shred credit card information, and I also tear mailing labels off of envelopes that come in

with checks and shred the mailing labels. Please rest assured that we would never sell our e-mail list or any other contact information, no matter how much we were offered.

We sincerely thank all of you who made donations through *Giving Grid* or because our Independence Day fundraiser was advertised to our members and supporters via Facebook.

Becky and Mark Allegra	Connie McCabe and
Pat Amaral	Nick Dodson
Teddi and Delwin Axne	Robin Mish
Debbie Ball	Marcie and David Moody
Betty and Richard Bichler	Janis and Randy Moore
Kathy Blue	Pat Morgan
Carolyn and Peter Brown	Joyce and Ron Moser
Pattye Brown	Cathey Moses
Anne Bryant	Trishia Murphy
Adam Cardinal and	Howard Myers
Duane Borho	Wendy and John Nelson
Joni Cipollone	Deb and Larry Orwig
April Crow	Patrick Parker
Karen and Phil Davis	Linda and George Penman
Isabel Fastiggi and	Janet Pogue
Cathy Gorham	Jean and Bernie Quick
Janet Fiebig	Casey Rarrick
Sharon Flores	Amanda and Anthony Romano
Kelly and Jeff Gorski	Linda Rosato and Tom Wehr
Teri and Jeff Guilbault	Josephine Sala
Anne and Richard Gutekunst	Terry Sandidge
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Donna and Jeff Kozel	Janelle and Colin Weaver
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Amy Maynard and	
Steve Deshler	

He is your friend, your partner
Your defender, your dog.
You are his life, his love,
his leader.
He will be yours, faithful and true,
To the last beat of his heart.
You owe it to him
To be worthy of such devotion.

Anon.

Reporting period: January 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022**Total Assets as of July 18, 2022: \$291,847.38**

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Adoption Application Fee	\$ 3,125.00	\$ 1,175.00
Adoption Income	13,901.00	
Calendars		
Sales	289.00	
Sponsorships	1,861.00	
Credit Card & PayPal Expense		726.43
Donations		
General Fund	41,012.67	
Honorary	10,550.00	
Memorial	5,063.00	
Event Expense		100.00
Golf Tournament		141.02
Donations	280.00	
Golfers	552.00	
Meals	480.00	
Tee Sponsorships	1,000.00	
Grants	24,000.00	
Insurance		627.85
Interest	11.67	
Internet Services		357.60
Legal & Professional Fees		10.00
Memberships	12,670.00	
Merchandise & shipping	4,114.70	358.36
Newsletter subscriptions	16.00	
Office Expenses		519.44
Paws At The Park	1,460.80	230.49
Auction	1,020.00	
Donations	458.54	
Prizes	810.00	
Postage		1,405.40
Rent or Lease		1,726.47
Stationery & Printing		4,862.24
Telephone		109.83
Dog-related Expenses		
Behavioral Training		140.00
Boarding		1,248.00
Food (Rx and for Puppies)		1,359.03
Grooming		85.00
Microchip Expense		89.82
Veterinary Services		127,744.95
TOTAL	\$ 122,675.38	143,016.93
NET INCOME: - \$20,341.55		
Checking Account as of 04-20-22:		\$180,561.20
The Debbe Begley Memorial Fund as of 04-20-22:		\$ 7,141.32
Savings Account as of 04-20-22:		\$104,144.86
Outstanding Credit Card Balance on 04-20-22:		\$ 13,995.98

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If you are an **AGR** adopter, you will receive a mailing in July about our *Summer Fundraiser for Special Needs Dogs*. The letter is basically a plea for donations to support our July 2021 through June 2022 Special Needs Dogs, including many of those mentioned in *Diamonds in the Ruff* columns in the last year.

Years ago when **AGR** co-founder Debbe Begley passed away, we established the *Debbe Begley Memorial Fund*. The money in this account has been used for dogs coming into Rescue with cancer (we have had several) or to help with medical bills that amount to over \$5,000 for any one dog (again, several dogs are always in this category in a given year). In years past when we hosted *Paws & Pasta* or *Dine Out With The Dogs*, we deposited that revenue in the *Debbe Begley Memorial Fund*. We have also occasionally received individual donations to this fund outside of dedicated events. With the numerous expensive-to-treat dogs we have taken in since last July, we have really hit this Fund hard.

During the summer, we usually take in more dogs than in any other 3-month period, but we have no significant fundraisers between April and September. Even the Meet-and-Greets are cancelled due to the extreme heat. With very few of our rescues, the amount of money we need to spend to ensure that the dog is healthy is less than the dog's adoption fee. However, for the majority of dogs we have placed in new forever homes, our costs have been more than the adoption fee, and in some cases thousands of dollars more.

We do not for a moment begrudge any amount of money we have spent improving the health of our rescued dogs. But the money we have spent above and beyond what was covered by the adoption fees has to be recovered by other means, and those means are our fundraisers.

You do not have to be an adopter of an **AGR** dog to help us raise some needed funds at this time of year when nothing much is coming in. If you can help **AGR** financially, please send your check to **AGR**, 5350 W Bell Rd, Ste C122-158, Glendale, AZ 85308. Zelle transactions (Chase bank, **Arizona Golden Rescue**, info@arizonagoldenrescue.org) are also gratefully received as they do not cost the donor or **AGR** anything. Or, you can contact Deb Orwig by e-mail (dorwigaz@cox.net) or phone (623-693-0589) to let her know you want to donate using a credit card. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. All donations that are sent in during July and August will go into the *Debbe Begley Memorial Fund*.





Diamonds in the Ruff
By Debbie Ball, Director of Operations
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Diamonds in the Ruff are dogs on which **AGR** has had to spend at least \$2,000 in expenses. In the second quarter of 2022, we had eight such dogs. Please consider donating to help with the expenses of a specific dog, or just earmark it for *Diamonds in the Ruff*. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law, of course, and will be acknowledged as such.



21-011 Toyko/Raya came into Rescue as a beautiful young 9-month-old female purebred Golden who was an emergency surrender in late March 2021 by her owner due to his living arrangements. She was initially boarded at **Ken-nel Care** in Chandler and subsequently received initial vetting at **Four-Legged Friends** for some tests and medications related to an apparent "bug". In May

2021 after a surgical consult and radiographs were done, it was determined that she would need to have two hip surgeries for hip dysplasia, with the right one being worse than the left. In June 2021, she had her first hip replacement and that procedure alone was over \$8,700. In January 2022, she had an epispioplasty (vulva fix) due to unresolved urinary tract infections. In April 2022, she had her second hip replacement for another \$8,600+. **Toyko** is currently being fostered by Teri and Jeff in Sun City; they plan to adopt her and have renamed her **Raya**. Second quarter 2022 expenses cost **AGR \$8,716**. Total expenses for **Raya** since intake have been **\$24,621**.

22-013 Oliver came to **AGR** as a 10-month-old male Goldendoodle full of energy. He was surrendered by his prior family as he was too active for them and knocked down their young children. He also had been diagnosed with valley fever which had settled in one of his eyes. During initial vetting at **Academy West Animal Hospital** in Glendale, he received his regular testing, vaccines, blood work, cocci profile, and some meds. In April, he was seen at **EyeCare for Animals** for evaluation on his bad eye. The vet said that efforts to save the eye were unnecessary as he could not see out of it anyway, and it was best to simply remove the eye by enucleation procedure, which was done in June. **Oliver** had been fostered by several member families and is now with Mike and Kendall in Scottsdale. We are hopeful they might



consider adopting him. **Oliver's** expenses since intake have so far cost **AGR \$3,131**.

22-021 Nubbs, now **Trooper**, is a 7-year-old male Golden mix (probably a doodle) surrendered by the **High County Humane Society** after his prior owner was incarcerated. **Nubbs** has a deformed front leg and stress colitis. He received initial vetting at **Academy West** and was further seen at **VetMed** for evaluation of bloody diarrhea. Since **Nubbs** was known to have a prostate infection, it was recommended he be neutered ASAP, which was done at **Stetson Hills Animal Hospital**. In early May, **Nubbs** had a sudden hemorrhage from his intestines and was taken again to **VetMed** for a CT scan and other medical work; a week later, **VetMed** performed a colon resection after a polyp was found which was thought to be the culprit. **Nubbs** has been adopted by his loving fosters, Bill and Diane in Peoria, who have renamed him **Trooper**. His expenses have cost **AGR \$10,148**.



22-022 Cali is a 10-year-old female purebred Golden whose prior owner relinquished her to Rescue because they could not afford the necessary cranial cruciate ligament surgery that **Cali** needed on her left knee. **Cali** was initially vetted at **Academy West** in Glendale for her necessary vaccines, blood work, and cocci profile. Then in early May, she was seen at **VetMed** for surgical consult and radiographs, and in mid May she had her TPLO (tibial plateau leveling osteotomy) surgery. **Cali** has been in foster care with one of our foster members, Judy in Phoenix, and is now with Deb and Larry in Glendale. We hope she will be adopted by a family who wants a senior Golden girl. Second quarter expenses for **Cali** have amounted to **\$6,411**.



22-025 Salsa



22-026 Chips

22-025 Salsa, **22-026 Chips**, and **22-027 Pinto**. These three 10-week-old Golden-doodle pups came to us the last day

of April. They had all contracted parvovirus and the surrendering owner could not afford their medical care. Salsa and Chips were

immediately taken to *First Pet Vet* and then to *Animal Medical & Surgical Center* in Scottsdale for special isolation care; **22-026 Chips** was released after two days; **22-025 Salsa** was discharged after five days. **22-027 Pinto** was surrendered a week after the other two since he did not exhibit any symptoms at the same time as the other two. He had to spend twelve days in the ER. It has cost *AGR* **\$21,782** so far to help these pups survive and gain their independence. While that total includes their initial vetting expenses and vaccines done at *Stetson Hills Animal Hospital*, all three will still need neutering in the future when they are of age. They are all now doing well and have been placed in their forever homes; Danielle and Todd in Phoenix have adopted both **22-025 Salsa** (renamed **Tucker**) and **22-026 Chips** (renamed **Jaxson**). Janis in Phoenix has adopted **22-027 Pinto** (renamed **Oliver**). A special fundraiser was done online via GivingGrid.com as a July 4th Independence Day tribute (see page 11) and our generous supporters donated \$4,089 to help offset these veterinary expenses.



22-027 Pinto



22-037 Starbuck is a 7-month-old purebred male Golden that initially got sick on June 3rd. His surrendering owner took him to the regular vet and twice to an emergency vet over the weekend. Since he was still sick, on June 9th he was taken to *VetMed* ER, but the owner could not afford any more tests and asked about euthanasia – that's when *VetMed* suggested Rescue and arrangements were made for the surrender papers to be signed. While under *AGR*'s "ownership", radiographs, an ultrasound, fluids, medications, hospitalization and nursing were all done to curb **Starbuck's** regurgitation and diarrhea. Within two days, **Starbuck** was improving substantially. The surrendering owner contacted *AGR* and requested that **Starbuck** be returned to him, and he was willing to pay all costs that *AGR* had incurred. After consultation with Board members, it was decided this was fair, and **Starbuck** was returned to his former owner, who met Deb Orwig at *VetMed* with a large amount of cash including an extra payment for an Amber membership and also a significant donation. **Starbuck's** veterinary costs at *VetMed* totalled **\$5,297**, and we thank Anthony, the surrendering owner, for his generous reimbursement, upgraded membership and donation. We would also like to thank the *Golden Retriever Foundation* for sending us a grant from their April Fund.



Calendar Sponsorships

By Connie McCabe

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Would you like to help sponsor the *AGR* 2023 calendar? And have your dog's photo in the centerfold Sponsor Gallery?

If you would like to sponsor your dog(s) in the centerfold Gallery of our 2023 calendar, let me know as soon as possible. I would like to have all of the spots filled by **August 15**. We have plenty of photo spots available – don't be shy! The total number will be limited to 44 spots, first come, first served. Photo spots are reserved for *AGR* members only, but the dog (or other pet) does not have to be from *AGR*, and they do not have to be a Golden Retriever. Any breed, any species except human.

Donations for the sponsorships are fully tax deductible if you are able to itemize deductions on your tax return. A photo may show more than one dog. Since printing costs have gone up significantly and the Gallery photos help pay for the printing of the calendar, each photo is now **\$60**, no matter how many dogs are in the picture. The photo may be of a dog or any other animal you currently have (doesn't matter if it's a Golden or not) or may be of one who has gone to the Bridge. No people in the photos, please. You don't have to have a photo in order to reserve a spot – your payment is your reservation. However, please do not submit payment until you have verified via e-mail, text or phone that there are spots remaining, as they sell out quickly. If you have no suitable photo, I will be happy to help you get one. Or, we have several photographers around the Valley who might be willing to help. If it's an *AGR* dog, then I probably have a photo that would be suitable. If you have a high-resolution photo you want to use, e-mail it to Connie McCabe at photocraf@aol.com or send a glossy hard copy photo to our PO Box. Or, let me know if you need help with getting a photo.

If your *AGR* dog was adopted in the second half of 2021 or first half of 2022, their photo may be in the calendar anyway at no charge, either as a small photo or a feature photo. But you are always welcome to buy a sponsorship photo, too, or sponsor another dog (or any other pet). You can always check with me at photocraf@aol.com to verify if your 2021/2022 dog will be in the calendar anyway. Remember, your money is your reservation! Please secure your reservation by sending your check, using Zelle, or calling Deb Orwig (see below).

Please send a check for **\$60** per photo to *AGR*, 5350 W Bell Rd, Ste C122-158, Glendale, AZ 85308 or call Deb Orwig with your credit card information: 623-693-0589. If you pay by credit card, we charge a 4% convenience fee, which will make the cost of one sponsorship **\$62.40**. Please do not e-mail credit card information! You may also pay by Zelle: our bank is *Chase*, our account name is Arizona Golden Rescue and our e-mail address is info@arizongoldenrescue.org.

OVER THE RAINBOW

We honor the memory of our human and animal companions who have passed on...



11-055 Mylee Quick



12-079 Lady Kaminski-Stephens



12-082 Chaco Updike



12-108 Mia Ghezzi



13-069 Guinan Kagan



13-109 Zoe Ware



13-111 Bismark Zandler



13-121 Jack Cananza



15-049 Bruno Swartz-Sutherland



15-074 Rusty Murray



16-039 Kenna Pheils



18-066 Phoebe Stroud



19-036 Chase Dulian

The Rainbow Bridge

There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It is called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors.

Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of meadows, hills and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, the pet goes to this place. There is always food and water and warm spring weather. The old and frail animals are young again. Those who are maimed are made whole again. They play all day with each other.

There is only one thing missing. They are not with their special person who loved them on Earth.

So each day they run and play until the day comes when one suddenly stops playing and looks up! The nose twitches! The ears are up! The eyes are staring! And this one suddenly runs from the group!

You have been seen, and when you and your special friend meet, you take him or her in your arms and embrace.

Your face is kissed again and again and again, and you look once more into the eyes of your trusting pet.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.



19-053 Jackson McCabe / Dodson



19-082 Cassie Flores



20-018 Izzie Brzycki



22-016 Daisy Engelhardt



Blake Roter



Blueberry Triplett

And

Henry Holland
Beloved father of AGR member Cara Holland

Carolyn Blean, AGR Member

John Kreger
Beloved husband of AGR Member Bonnie Kreger

MAGIC MOMENTS

By Deb Orwig

*Magic Moments... when a stray Golden Retriever or Golden mix is spotted in a shelter kennel and does a happy dance when taken out; when a neglected backyard dog is surrendered by its owner to a member of our Transport Team and is delivered to a foster family that shows the dog love, comfort, toys and good-quality food for, perhaps, the first time in the dog's life; and the most magical of all... when a rescued dog meets his or her forever family and we see the dog's excitement and the sparkle in the family's eyes. As rescuers, we are privileged to share in these Magic Moments. Below are stories of **Arizona Golden Rescue's** Magic Moments from April 16, 2022 through July 20, 2022. All adoptions finalized after July 20th will be in the next issue.*



22-006 Vader came to **AGR** as a 3½-year-old Goldendoodle (was 4 in May). With kids and work, the owner did not have time for him. He is very energetic and wants to play. After the second child they decided he could live in the backyard, so for the last 6 months with them he had lived outside all the time – unless it was too cold, then they put him in the

laundry room. The owner did not know if he is neutered – when she got him from Craigslist he didn't have testicles, so she assumed he was neutered. Our vet checked him and he is, indeed, neutered. **Vader** was free fed, which turned him into a picky eater. That, along with various changes in food, led to bouts of diarrhea, which has now been controlled with a prescription food. He also was scratching a lot and when Benedryl and mild oatmeal shampoo did not help, we had him evaluated for allergies and he was given a cytopoint injection, medicated shampoo and a supplement for his dry skin, which did help.

As far as placement goes, three times was the charm for **Vader** – he did not work out at the first two homes where he was placed. Seems he had some jealousy issues with the resident dogs. So, we found him a permanent home with Diane in Scottsdale where there were no other pets. Diane said: *Thank you for making me a dog mom! Vader will be well taken care of! Vader (as in Darth) is the new love of my life, and I think the feeling is mutual. He's a happy, fun and smart boy and loves being the center of attention. This is especially so on our daily walks where his name is called by neighbors as he skips down the block in search of his favorite smells. Vader makes friends easily and has several buddies he looks for when we walk, like Bella, Happy, Tank and the Whippet family. He will sit by the kitchen pantry where his treats are kept and hand you his paw for a reward. He also loves to swim in the backyard pool and dash around the edge in lightning speed without a misstep. But Vader's favorite thing to do is ride in the car to the baseball field to catch tennis balls! It's so funny to see him suddenly wake from a deep sleep if I mention a "car ride" in a conversation. My "Velcro Dog" Vader is a big Mama's boy*

*and is just as spoiled as my grandkids! A huge "Thank You" to **Arizona Golden Rescue** for bringing us together! We are really glad **Vader** has finally landed in his forever home!*



22-010 Finn is an 8-year-old pure-bred Golden. His original owner took him to a vet in Queen Creek with a request to have him euthanized because his medical needs, as well as those of the humans in the household, were just too overwhelming. The vet refused and gave the dog to one of his techs, who then gave him to his girlfriend, but the girl couldn't keep

the dog. She then called **AGR** and offered to drive **Finn** from Chandler to **Academy West Animal Hospital** in Glendale – so nice of her to do that! Once in the lobby, **Finn** let everyone know he was there by barking a greeting. He was a reasonable weight at 76 pounds, maybe even a tad underweight for his size. He is a big boy with a big head and one of the worst skin conditions we've ever seen – he was furless on his chest, belly and sides halfway down to his tail, which looked like it was missing most of the fur. The skin was angry-looking, red between the folds (it was folded like a hippo's skin), and was infected probably from him scratching himself so much. He also had some hematomas on his ear flaps. We thought his skin condition might have indicated hypothyroidism, but the test came back in the normal range, so it was just allergies that had run rampant. At **AW**, he was given an antibiotic injection, some pills, and a vitamin supplement for his skin. We found him a great home with Mike and Lew in Scottsdale. They have adopted from us before and really love the senior dogs. They also live within walking distance of **Dermatology for Animals** where we had **Finn's** skin condition analyzed. They did a full workup on him and prescribed a regimen of meds, baths and a change in food. **Finn** is now doing well.

Mike and Lew asked **Finn** for his input: *Hello, nice people of **AGR**. My name is **Finnegan** but most folks just call me "Finn". I came to **AGR** earlier this year with a pretty bad skin condition. Allergies of some sort that made me scratch and claw at my skin*

all the time. I couldn't help it. I was always very itchy. So, **AGR** folks found me a new home with my new dads, and it has been great. They put me on a special high protein diet, and gave me medicine and a weekly medicated bath. I didn't understand it all at first, but my itching soon stopped and my pretty golden fur has all grown back now. I feel GREAT! I love my new home with my dads. We go for walks in the big park right next to our house. My favorite game is tug-of-war with the leash. Dad did not understand this at first, so I had to teach him how to play the game. Now we have lots of playing it every day. My new sister is Miss Kitty, and she and I have lots of fun together. I am also a good watchdog. Whenever someone comes to the door, I bark furiously then greet them with the "Woobie of Welcome" as they come inside. I'm so very thankful to the kind folks at **AGR** for finding me this new, special home. It feels good not to be itchy and scratchy all the time, and I love my new family. I think this is the place for me. Love, **Finn**



22-015 Sir Raleigh is one of three purebred Golden Retrievers surrendered to **AGR** by the same owner. He was the only male, 8 years old, and was not neutered. The owner's wife had passed away some time ago, and he had a new companion who lives in Florida. In commuting back and forth from AZ to FL, he realized that

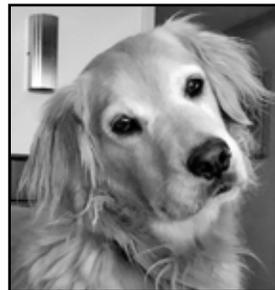
it wasn't good for his three Golden Retrievers to be left with a pet sitter as much as he had to do. **Raleigh** needed all our standard tests and vaccines and, of course, to be neutered. Fortunately, he was negative for both valley fever and heartworm. When he was neutered, the vet discovered that one of **Raleigh's** incisors needed extraction, but the loss of that tooth does not hamper his eating at all. Connie delivered him to Tom in Phoenix, who has adopted senior dogs from **AGR** before. It was love at first sight, as we thought it would be! **Raleigh** hit it off well with Tom's resident Golden female, **Marley** – no surprise, since **Raleigh** had been living with two female Golden Retrievers. Tom renamed the boy **JoJo**. Here is what Tom had to say: *JoJo has brought so much joy and happiness into our lives. He is such a HAPPY BOY! Every day he sings, talks, also sits in front of the TV and watches the dog channel! JoJo has made my life complete at a time I so much needed when 21-021 Romeo crossed the Rainbow Bridge. LOVE YOU, JoJo! Looking forward for us to spend many playful years together... Thank You, AGR.*

22-016 Daisy was one of the two female Golden Retrievers that were surrendered with **Sir Raleigh**. She was 7 years old and already spayed. Because her chosen adopters, Jackie and Dave in Tempe, wanted her so badly and because they did not have any other pets, Connie transported **Daisy** to them right away. They took care of her vetting at **Kennel Care**, where she checked out healthy, although

she needed all the standard tests and vaccines. The next day, Jackie wrote: *It's all wonderful – we love her! She's found the toy box and slept in bed with us last night. She still eats too fast, even with the supplied slow feeder, so we are going to get her a more complicated kind. She stays close to each of us; had a walk yesterday; her appetite is good; no barking yet; Ideal Golden!*



The vet said she looked good and test results were fine. However, only three weeks after we delivered her to her new family, we were told she ate breakfast then wandered into the bedroom and passed away. We were all just totally shocked! The vet said it was probably a heart attack but could not speculate on what might have caused that in such a young dog. **Daisy** was well cared for during the time she was with Jackie and Dave, and we know they enjoyed each other's company. It's just a shame the companionship lasted such a short time.



22-017 Abbey was one of the three Golden Retrievers surrendered by an owner whose wife had passed away some time ago and who had a new companion that lives in Florida. He was commuting between AZ and FL and leaving the dogs with a pet sitter. He finally realized he was not doing the dogs any favors. Connie and Nick picked up the three dogs at Sunset Point. The owner

had made up a nice bag for each dog that had food, treats, blankets and other things. **Abbey** was already spayed and just needed tests for valley fever and heartworm and a leptospirosis vaccine. Her vetting was done at **Academy West Animal Hospital**. Deb took her to Connie and Marshall in Sun City West. After just a day, Marshall posted on **AGR's** Facebook page: *We are so fortunate to have Abbey, a sweet 6-year-old Golden, come to our home yesterday. She settled in nicely and not one bark out of her until the pest control guy came to spray the yard today. When I said it's okay, she stopped and laid down. Perfect. She met one of our neighbors already. This is gonna be good. Thank you, AGR, for all you do. Later, Connie wrote: Abbey has captured our hearts. This beautiful six-year-old, sweet girl has only been with us for about a month, but she has accepted her new home with open paws, literally! Who are these new folks I'm living with that let me play all day, she must be thinking as she romps and jumps with all her new toys Ms. Deb brought her. She lovingly welcomes her early morning and late afternoon walks on pathways that have to be new to her, yet she behaves as if everything is perfectly normal, friendly to all she meets. Then after a very energetic day, she loves to bounce into our bed and tongue-tickle our feet. She's just a joy! We will never stop being thankful to AGR for all they do, and our volunteering is the best reward to be adoptive parents.*

We look forward to long, love-fulfilled and happy lives with our dear **Abbey**.

22-019 Riley is a one-year-old, unneutered, purebred Golden. His owner recently divorced and had to move into an apartment, which was not the best situation for energetic **Riley**. When Connie picked him up, she described him as “a gorgeous blur of Golden fur, very friendly to a fault.” **Riley** needed all our standard vet work: vaccines, tests for heartworm and valley fever and to be neutered. When Connie collected him from **Academy West** to transport him to Justin and Angela in Phoenix, she noted that **Riley** peed on the counter in the reception area and he reportedly peed in his kennel there, too – so, the owner’s report of him being house broken was greatly exaggerated. He had so much energy and loved to swim – our Placement Team found the perfect home for him. They had another dog, **Benny**, for him to play with and a pool. They changed **Riley's** name to **Beans** (for jumping beans). Justin and Angela wisely put **Beans** in training while they left the area for 4 weeks to get married and they generously took care of all his vet needs after he was moved to their home. They recently sent us this message: *Since adopting Beans 3 months ago he has changed our lives. He loves to chase the bunnies in the morning and go for a swim. He loves to get the squeaker out of every toy and steal his older brother Benny's tennis ball. He's got an obsession with his stuffed pizza toy right now and refuses to tear it apart (he must love pizza just like his dad). He has endless energy that rubs off on anyone that comes into contact with him. He's the sweetest boy, and there isn't a hug or pet that he won't try to weasel his way into. We couldn't be happier to add Beans into our family and can't wait to see what he'll do next.*



22-020 Yogi is a 13-year-old not neutered male. He was not up to date on vaccines – had not been to a vet in at least 3 years. He had an eye infection that they were treating with drops and a cream (a family member in Mexico is a vet so sent this medication for him). A family member had been going through chemo for over a year, so at that time they put **Yogi** in the backyard to live. He has lived outside 24/7 since she was diagnosed. They finally realized he needed a new home, so they found **AGR** and surrendered him. He had a growth removed from his eye and was neutered and vaccinated at **Academy West**. His coat was so matted, he had to be shaved down. When Connie transported him to Pat in Surprise, it became apparent that he was not a fan of car rides – throughout the trip, he serenaded her with an interesting sound like a Chewbacca trill! Once at Pat’s, he immediately ran to the back yard and started playing with toys. He



was a little reticent to go into the house, but Connie and Pat finally coaxed him inside where he relaxed and ate a good meal and had some water. Pat, who had adopted two seniors from **AGR** previously, commented: *Sweet senior! Yogi came into my life on April 12, 2022. He is 13 years young! He was in pretty bad shape when AGR picked him up. He had been outside for a year and needed to be shaved because he was soooooo matted. He had an eye infection (still does as a matter of fact) and had never been "fixed." Can you believe that?! But thank the Good Lord for AGR and Academy West Animal Hospital. They got him ready to go to a loving home (mine, thankfully!). He had to wear a cone for two months because of his eye infection (I had the wrong one on for a month, so that didn't help). He is now looking like the beautiful Golden that he is. He is so loving and such a good companion. He loves to put his face in your lap and be petted. That same face also wakes me up at 5 AM to be fed... ha! He loves to help me water my plants or, more specifically, he wants to be watered! Love, love, love him! Thanks, again, for adding joy to my life.*

22-021 Nubbs was surrendered after 10 days of being alone when his owner was incarcerated. The **High County Humane Society** had taken possession of the dog after the owner did not claim him after 5 days. Connie went to Flagstaff to pick him up and observed that he had the softest fur with a Golden head and a Poodle coat and body and beautiful, piercing golden eyes. He also had a stunted right front leg. He exhibited signs of a prostate infection and had bloody diarrhea. We had him evaluated at **VetMed** and then neutered at **Stetson Hills Animal Hospital**. Connie and Nick fostered him for a while and noted that he exhibited possession aggression whenever food or toys were around, but he was playful and friendly otherwise, although he kept trying to hump **Jackson**. So, we decided he would be best off in a home without other dogs, which is what our wonderful Placement Team found with Diane and Bill in Peoria. They renamed him **Trooper**, which he really is!



Diane has a home-based business where people are coming in and going out of the house frequently. At first, **Trooper** was very wary of the strangers, and let them know with low growls to keep their distance, but this behavior is diminishing as time passes and he gets more relaxed. His intestinal issues continued, though, and after he had a hemorrhage, we had an ultrasound done at **Vet-Med**. It showed a single mass in the intestine, so surgery was done and, great news!, the mass turned out to be benign – probably a polyp that had never stopped growing. The poop issues continued, though the stool became more solid and the frequency did diminish with time. **Trooper** finally seems like he is on the mend, so his adoption was finalized.

Diane wrote: *On April 21, 2022, our lives got turned upside down. A few weeks earlier we had filled out an application and*

explained to Connie that what we really wanted was a Golden-doodle because I wanted a dog that didn't shed and one that had no medical problems. Well, 4 PM on that Thursday afternoon, Connie shows up at our house with a long-haired, 3 1/2-legged dog with just about every medical malady known to man, which we didn't know at the time. We tried to remind her that this dog was everything we didn't want. Well, we committed to fostering the dog, signed papers and Connie left and left the dog behind. He was absolutely crestfallen that yet another person (Connie) whom he had gotten close to left him. After we had heard everything he had been through, we sure didn't blame him. It took no time at all for **Nubbs**, now **Trooper**, to worm his way into our hearts. We hadn't realized how much until a major visit to the emergency vet where we found out it was very likely we were going to lose him. My husband and I were both hysterical as the vet explained if she couldn't get the tumor out of him without breaking his pelvic bone, she would have to put him down while he was still knocked out. If he didn't have the surgery, he didn't have long to live. Liz was with us and said they would do the surgery if that is what we wanted to do. The next 2 1/2 hours were some of the longest in our lives. Dr. Owen called, said the surgery went great but now we had to see if the tumor was malignant or not. She warned us that 95% of the time they are, but we had faith that God would see to it that **Trooper** pulled through this, too. The following week we found out the tumor was benign and we were going to have our boy around for quite some time. He had some issues to clear up before adoption could happen but today was that day. Even though I have dog hair all over my house, this little creature has brought us so much joy. He seemed to know he was official today, because he had a serious case of the zoomies this afternoon. So, he was absolutely everything we thought we did NOT want, but he turned out to be exactly everything we needed. It is a love affair all the way around. Thank you, Connie and Liz, for helping make this happen.



22-023 Levi, a 25-month-old purebred English Cream Golden, came to **AGR** from a breeder in California who has surrendered dogs to us in the past. Fred Prose made the long trip to pick up **Levi** and graciously donated the trip expenses – thanks, Fred! **Levi** was thought to have some leg or hip issues that the owner was treating with holistic supplements that were not working. He had

only lived in outdoor kennels and had never been inside a house. On the trip back to AZ, Fred tried twice to get **Levi** out of the travel crate to potty, but **Levi** wasn't interested. He also wasn't interested in leaving the crate once Fred got it into his back yard – Fred had to take the gate and the top of the crate off in order to get **Levi** out, and he finally did potty. **Levi** was introduced to **Gracie**, another dog that Fred and Jill, who live in Glendale, had gotten from this same California breeder. The two dogs were quite fine with each other, but **Levi** exhibited some anxiousness when strangers

came to the house. After a week Fred reported that **Levi** was conquering his fears. He would finally enter any room in the house except the family room when the TV was on; he was also less nervous when meeting strangers. He discovered rabbits (wanted to chase), and when walking with Fred, still showed some fear when a car or truck passed by. He needed everything at the vet: all vaccines, tests for valley fever and heartworm and, of course, to be neutered. **Levi** has been seen by two different vets and both said “wait and see” regarding his legs and hips. Fred commented that **Levi** sort of waddles when he walks. He was running around with Connie and Nick's **Danny** for two weeks (while they were on vacation) but has not shown any evidence of pain even though his front legs make a cracking sound like someone cracking their knuckles. **Levi** is currently taking Cosequin as a joint supplement, as well as Boswellia, reportedly an effective anti-inflammatory.

When I wrote to Fred asking for a statement about how **Levi** was doing, Fred decided to have **Levi** respond: *My name is Levi and I was born in the Ukraine two years ago. At six months I was shipped to the USA to become a breeding stud, but I had to wait until I was older to get started. And waiting meant life in a kennel. As I approached my second birthday I had to be tested to make sure I met Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) standards. This was a test I would eventually fail and that meant my life as a gigolo was over before it even began. I was sent to Arizona Golden Rescue to be rehabilitated as a family dog. When my new family brought me home, I was really amazed at what I had missed in life. I was afraid of everything, especially if it made noises. Don't even get me started about that thing on the wall people call a TV! I didn't know what the inside of a home looked like and places where it was safe and soft to take a nap. I didn't know that there were certain places I could relieve myself and that didn't include inside the house. I didn't know humans could be used for cuddling and affection. I didn't know there were things called treats in between meals. But I found that I really liked walks and playing with toys. I'm glad my new sister was there to help me through the process. She taught me all the good things and a few bad things very quickly. I found I had big dog “shoes” to fill when I moved in (my family had very recently lost their AGR adoptee, Jasper, who had lived here since 2012), but I help out as best I can. I enjoy helping Dad put his shoes on and playing fetch with his socks. I like to stay very close to him during the day moving from room to room with him. And I'm a great guard dog protecting the home from any strange noise - at 1 am in the morning.*

We are really glad **Levi** is finally in a home with some wonderful, caring people and will never again be an outside-only dog. Welcome to your new life, **Levi**!

22-024 Piper is a sweet little two-year-old female Golden mix. She was surrendered due to lack of time and attention by the owners. She had been well cared for, however, as she was already



spayed, had all her vaccines up to date and was even micro-chipped. She is a jumper, though, and when first placed with Brianna in Chandler, she climbed up on a pile of toys against the block wall, jumped over the wall and escaped. She was recovered, the toys were moved and there have been no more problems. She loves to swim and had to learn that NO means "not right now." She gets along

well with the resident dog, and they play until he gets tired, then Brianna plays more with her until **Piper** has had enough. Brianna reported: **Piper** definitely has made her presence known in the house. She likes to talk and tell me that she is very much ready for breakfast and walks. She has made two doggy friends (in addition to my dog **Oliver**) and we are getting more and more comfortable around other dogs. **Piper** is still very excited when human friends come over but responds well when the new friends are stern about not jumping. We are still working on no jumping period. Good news is, even when her older brother is naughty and digs in the backyard, she does not. She doesn't like to cuddle in the bed or on the couch, but she is willing to give long hugs and lets me give her kisses all the time. **Piper** is sensitive to loud noises, but we stay inside and turn some music on to help. She knows when I'm upset and will "nose" my hand to have me pet her, which realistically, will cheer anybody up. I am so happy, and I know **Oliver** is thankful to have a fur sibling too. Thank you, **AGR!**

22-025 Salsa and **22-026 Chips** are two 10-week-old male Goldendoodle puppies that were surrendered to **AGR** at the end of April. The entire litter had contracted parvovirus with three already having passed away, and the owner could not afford to have these two treated. They were originally cared for at **Ist Pet**, but they were there only 24 hours before they were transported to **Animal**



Medical & Surgical Center in Scottsdale. **Chips** was discharged after only one more day, but **Salsa** had to stay an extra three days. After our Placement Team member, Keri, made many phone calls, she finally found a family that was willing to foster both **Chips** and **Salsa**. The pups were transported one at a time to Danielle and Todd in Phoenix. Danielle observed that during the four days **Chips** was at their house alone he seemed depressed and let everyone know he didn't like being by himself. He really perked up when **Salsa** was finally delivered. Of the two, **Chips** is the more vocal, but **Salsa's** presence helped to reduce the singing lessons. It did not take long for the family to realize that these pups are much better together than alone, so they agreed to adopt both! By the end of June, the pups were completely recovered and had been fully vaccinated and micro-chipped. The family was given a con-

tract addendum for the neuter surgery to be funded by **AGR** when the pups are about a year old. The family renamed **Salsa** as **Tucker** and **Chips** as **Jaxson**. When I asked the family for some input about how the pups have done at their home, Danielle responded: *Since bringing **Tucker** and **Jaxson** home we have been BUSY! When they first came, it was quite an adjustment because they were both sick with parvo and needed to be quarantined from our other two dogs. It was hard because they were so cute and wanted to be held and snuggled and hated to be separated from us, but we had to play it safe to keep everyone healthy. After their quarantine was up (about a month), the boys have been exploring all things possible. They are inseparable from each other and love to wrestle and play. **Jaxson** was especially a fast learner who started fetch*



*on his own accord and will relentlessly bring you the ball to be thrown. **Tucker** has*

a laid-back attitude and is very easy going. He loves to sleep on his back and pull on his brother's legs. Both love to play with their big sisters (human and dog alike). The boys recently went on a 3-week road trip with our family in our camper. They enjoyed the adventure!!

22-027 Pinto was a third puppy surrendered by the same owner who had had **Chips** and **Salsa**. They said **Pinto** had not shown any parvo symptoms until a week after the other two had left. Perhaps he really did not, but the parvo hit him the hardest – he was very sick, had to spend eight days in isolation at **AMSC** and even had to have a feeding tube inserted and a blood transfusion during that time. Finally, 13 days after he had started to exhibit parvo symptoms, he was over the hump and ready to go to his permanent home with Janis in Phoenix. Janis, who has renamed the puppy **Oliver**, said: *I was very fortunate to foster little **Oliver** (aka **Pinto** or "bean") when he was 3 months old and suffering from parvovirus, which thankfully he recovered from after 5-6 weeks. He was very sweet and quiet when he arrived. Even while sick, **Oliver** was very playful and adventurous. I'm very happy to say, he is not so quiet now and even more adventurous and playful! He loves playing with his octopus and will definitely snag your socks when you're not looking! He is very smart and is training quickly, but in true Doodle fashion, very clumsy. I'm very grateful to have the opportunity to adopt such an amazing pup! Thank you to **AGR** for all of the amazing work you do to get pups into their forever homes.*



Editor's Note: Since the mother was a Goldendoodle (F1) and the father was a Poodle, the pups are F1B, i.e., 75% Poodle and 25% Golden. Even though it was very expensive, we are so happy we were able to save the lives of all three puppies and that they will be healthy, wonderful family pets for a long time.

22-029 Luna is a 4-year old, spayed, purebred female Golden. She was reportedly good around other dogs (had lived with another Golden) and children. Due to finances and the husband's disability, which prevents him from working, **Luna** was living outside and not getting the attention she deserved. At 80 pounds, she was quite overweight. We had all the standard vetting done, and the green bean diet was recommended. She was placed with a family that had a dog and a cat. She had no issues with the cat, and for three weeks, she and the resident dog played well together – at least that is what we were told. However, just three days after those initial three weeks had passed and we had finalized **Luna's** adoption, the family requested that **Luna** be returned because the resident dog attacked **Luna** and the family did not feel they could keep her safe. We thank the family for their consideration. Because we had finalized, we gave **Luna** a new intake number: **22-042**. Read the rest of her story on page 22.



22-030 Stevie Rae, a 5-month-old black Goldendoodle, was surrendered with her brother, **Johnny Rotten**, in May. Both were up to date on vaccines but were not sterilized. There were three other Doodles, an adult cat and a kitten living in the household when a "surprise" litter of 8 was whelped in November 2021 (they did not think their unneutered male could "perform" before he was a year old. Ho, Ho, Ho!). They could find homes for only 6 of the 8 puppies and finally decided that so many dogs in the house were too many. Connie, who transported the two puppies to *Academy West Animal Hospital*, reported that they were not happy riders. **Stevie** barked and whined and peed in the crate, and then on the subsequent trip to her new home with Barbara in Gilbert, threw up in the crate. Once at Barbara's, **Stevie** (Barbara dropped the "Rae") claimed the couch as hers, met the cats with no issues and seemed to be much more at ease than after her transport to the vet the day before. Barbara works outside the home but she has a camera set-up so she can watch the animals while away. At first, **Stevie** barked after Barbara had left, but she told the dog through the camera mic to be quiet and she was the rest of the day, amazingly enough! After a couple weeks, Barbara related: *Stevie is doing very well. She has gotten into a routine every night for bed by going in her kennel when I turn off light and*

*does the same thing on the days I work... she sees me putting stuff in my car, so she goes into her kennel. She had a good time yesterday at my cousins' house. She was very friendly to their dogs and made herself at home. They fell in love with her too. She's still a little skittish when we walk around the neighborhood, especially when encountering other dogs and people, so it surprised me last night at my cousins' – she wasn't skittish at all. All in all, she's working out and I'm getting used to being a dog owner again, which takes some getting used to but I'm managing the changes. Recently, Barbara passed along some other observations: **Stevie** has come a long way since that first week. She loves to play with her toys and takes them to bed with her. She gets her "zoomies" in when she goes out in the morning. My cats have gotten used to her and have started rubbing on her, showing approval. She likes visiting my cousins' dogs when we go over to their house where she has tried swimming. She still needs to work on her doggie paddling, since it's more like splashing than paddling. **Stevie** is a very good dog and I'm glad we have found each other. We will have many adventures together in the future. Thanks, **AGR**. Barbara was issued an adoption contract addendum for spay surgery to be done when **Stevie** is a year old.*

22-031 Johnny Rotten, Stevie Rae's brother, is a 5-month-old cream-colored Goldendoodle. He, too, was up to date on vaccines but not yet neutered. **Johnny** was also not a happy camper when being transported to *Academy West Animal Hospital*. He peed and threw up in the crate and drooled a lot. Fortunately, neither he nor **Stevie** pooped in the crates during transport. Cindy transported him to his new home with Casey in Phoenix and said when she picked him up from *AW*, he was frightened to the point of being unable to move, so the *AW* staff had to load him into Cindy's vehicle, where he spent the drive drooling with his head on her arm. The first night he was at Casey's home, she tried to have him sleep downstairs in his crate, but he let her know he didn't like being separated from her, so she moved the crate to her bedroom and he settled down. Casey renamed him **Gus** and told us he is very smart – she had set up a bell by the door and he quickly learned how to ring it to let her know he needs to go out to potty. When his anxiety did not decrease and seemed to be worse when Casey left for work, a consultation with the vet was warranted. **Gus** was started on trazadone and calming chews and seems to have improved a lot, seems calmer and happier. Sometimes it just takes a little medication to take the edge off the anxiety. When I asked for some input on how he is doing now, Casey wrote: *Gus has adjusted very quickly to his new life! He is a very big boy already weighing 60 lbs at 7 months and clumsy as can be – I often refer to him as a baby giraffe! He is my shadow and lies at my feet the entire day while I work and loves to cuddle. He loves playing with tennis balls – whether it be fetch or tossing them around to entertain*



himself. **Gus** is shy initially when meeting new people but warms up very quickly. He loves playing with other dogs and has become very popular in the neighborhood, thriving off of all the attention he gets on our walks. It sounds like **Gus** is now enjoying life and Casey is loving it with him. Happy new life, **Gus**!



22-035 Dandy, a handsome 4-year-old purebred neutered English Cream Golden, was surrendered because the family said they were moving to a place where they cannot have dogs. They told us that **Dandy** could be hyper (probably the result of living in an apartment and having to be taken out on leash), was good around other dogs and friendly

with people. They said that **Dandy** had been trained to "redirect" with a treat if he had something in his mouth that wasn't allowed or if he was being stubborn about stopping when he was doing something else undesirable. They told us that as a puppy he would growl when corrected, but they assured us he did not do that now. As sometimes happens, the owners did not tell us the whole story. After we placed him with a wonderful couple who were experienced dog owners, he bit the foster and then we found out he had done it once before we got him. So, according to the *Surrender of Ownership* that the owner had to sign, we were able to return the dog to the owner. **Dandy** had not been taken to the vet for his exam, vaccines and tests yet, so the owner did not have to pay for any vet charges we incurred. It is a shame when such a beautiful dog is not trained properly when it is very young when that kind of behavior could have been nipped in the bud (no pun intended).

22-037 Starbuck's story is in *Diamonds in the Ruff* on page 14.

22-040 Kenzie is a 4-year-old spayed Goldendoodle. Her owner's

husband had to have brain surgery and had to go to a group home. The owner was not able to care for the dog by herself – **Kenzie** is a high-energy, bouncy, rambunctious girl. She needed a younger family to give her exercise and attention. Robin picked up **Luna** in Gilbert (see **22-042**) and Connie picked up **Kenzie** in Surprise. They exchanged dogs in the *PetSmart*



parking lot at Tempe Marketplace. Connie said: *We must have looked hysterical trying to coordinate moving all the food, bins and beds and an extra crate plus the two dogs between the vehicles.* Robin continued with **Kenzie's** story... **Kenzie** rode well but got carsick, so Robin let the new adopters, Lisa and Glenn, know about that. **Kenzie** met the resident 10-year old standard Poodle, **Darcy**, with no issues and **Darcy** seemed happy to have a new friend. **Kenzie** had been well cared for at her former home,

so the only thing she needed at a vet was a valley fever test, which came back negative. Now that she has a new friend to play with, **Kenzie** has settled in and settled down some. When her adoption was finalized, Lisa wrote: ***Kenzie** is the best and is fitting right in. She likes to go on walks, play with her squeaker toys and rough-house with our Standard Poodle **Darcy**. We recently discovered that **Kenzie** likes the tennis ball. Some quirks... she has the longest eyelashes I have ever seen on a dog, she likes to sleep on our bed and she is not a big fan of the pool! She doesn't even like walking through puddles! **Kenzie** is a perfect fit to our family and we thank Arizona Golden Rescue for choosing her to be our forever friend and companion.*

22-042 Luna was quickly rehomed after an attack by the resident



dog at the first adopters' home (see **22-029**). She had had all her vetting done when she was first placed. After spending the night with Connie and Nick, they took her to her new home with Betsy and Fred in Sun City with instructions to put her on the green bean diet. Betsy had already purchased a case of the no-salt-added French style green beans that we recommend. **Luna's** ear was quite tender

where the dog in the previous home had bitten it, and she was shaking her head a lot, so we had the ear checked out by a vet, who saw only a superficial wound, so she was given some meds. She and the resident dog, **Orla**, who was trained as Fred's service dog are getting along famously. After a couple of days, Betsy noted that **Luna's** ear looked better and she wasn't shaking her head any more. She also told us that **Luna** loves to be brushed. Betsy recently wrote: *On 6/26, we received a call from AGR that they had a 4-year-old female Golden that needed to be rehomed and would we be interested....OF COURSE WE WOULD! The next day, Connie McCabe brought **Luna** to meet us and our 5-year-old female Golden, **Orla**. We were going to do a "slow introduction" with them. That proved to be unnecessary...the two girls became instant friends. Every morning they will run around the yard chasing each other and the birds and sometimes a rabbit, before breakfast. **Luna**, as she was named, is our fifth Golden Girl and definitely lives up to the traits of a GR: sweet, gentle, happy, eager to please and constantly wagging her tail. It didn't take long before we knew she had found her "forever" home. We have bells hanging from our patio door and without being trained, she would ring them when she had "to go" but someone always has to go outside with her. She has her favorite toys but will sometimes take one of **Orla's** and they will play "tug-of-war". She has started to bring a toy and wake one of us up during the night wanting to play. Like all Golden, she is extremely smart but can be very stubborn when she doesn't want to do something. All our Golden have been given Irish names, so she is now known as **CARA (KEERA) LUNA** which means Friendly Moon Goddess.*

11th Annual Fore! Paws Golf Tournament to Benefit Arizona Golden Rescue

McCormick Ranch Golf Club

7505 E McCormick Pkwy, Scottsdale

Saturday, September 17: 4-person Scramble Format; Shotgun Start at 1:30 PM (check-in Noon - 1:15 pm)

Early Bird fees only until August 17; no registrations after September 7



Register NOW: go to www.arizonagoldenrescue.org, click on Events, then click on Event-Fore! Paws Golf Tournament, then click on the crossed golf clubs

Golfing (includes dinner): \$140 individual, \$552 foursome

From August 18 to September 7 fees increase: \$160 individual, \$632 foursome

Golf Improvement Package (GIP): \$20 if paid for with registration, \$25 at the tournament

Includes: one mulligan; one ticket to move up one tee box; one ticket to throw the ball from a sand trap or out of bounds; one 4-foot string to move up to 4 feet on a short putt

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*The Golden Hour
at the Arizona Biltmore*

 By Carolyn Brown



Socializing with hundreds of new faces at the *Arizona Biltmore* on April 30th is exactly what 37 *AGR* Members and 30 of *AGR*'s Golden and Golden mixes did. The *Arizona Biltmore* partnered with *Tito's Handmade Vodka* to celebrate Pet Adoption week and created "The Golden Hour." *AGR* was the Guest of Honor and greeted guests and visitors as they enjoyed specialty drinks crafted by – and with – *Tito's Handmade Vodka* at the beautiful Spire Bar. With a generous donation from *Tito's Handmade Vodka* and more from guests

who thoroughly enjoyed our dogs, *AGR* raised over \$3,000 that afternoon.

The staff at the *Arizona Biltmore* arranged for TV coverage



The beautiful Spire Bar at the *Arizona Biltmore* is a great place for an individual drink or a group celebration – this photo is from the *Arizona Biltmore* website



Lovely Isabella was sent by *Tito's Handmade Vodka* to serve samples of the cocktails that could be purchased at the Spire Bar; Jackson wanted the *Tito's* dog toy that was among the items *Tito's* donated to our group – other items included large dog bowls, glow-in-the-dark leashes and collars and canvas tote bags

in the morning by *Fox News Channel 10*, which resulted in increased event attendance, a new *AGR* member and numerous adoption applications.

It was a wonderful evening of fun and friendships. It was so nice to see Linda Atkinson there with **Thunder** and her friend Mel Maust; Mary Jo Barsetti came with **Hugs**; Mary Jo's



Linda Atkinson, **Thunder** and friend Mel Maust brought **Rhys** and **Charley**; sweet little **Maple**

daughter Daisy Barsetti-Nerland and her fiancé Blake Wach accompanied them. Judy Birt had foster girl **Cali**; Betsy and



Blake Wach, Daisy Barsetti-Nerland, Mary Jo Barsetti and **Hugs**

Fred Brown came with **Orla**; Sarah Brown arrived with cute little **Hazy**; Adam Cardinal and Duane Borho brought



Duane Borho with **Charley** and Adam Cardinal with **Rhys**

was there with Nicole Fair; Teri Guilbault arrived with **Khalee**; Karina Helm, decked out in her usual trendy attire, came with **Colbert**, who was



Fred and Betsy Brown with **Orla**



Judy Birt with foster girl **Cali**



Nick Dodson with **Bowie** and **Chris Spiel** with **Jackson**

also dressed for the occasion; Sheila Joyce and **Charlie** made a cute couple; Rita Koppinger came with **Maddie**; Joan Mast was there with **Levi**; Dustin Mackerman brought **Valor**– it was his first time at an *AGR* social event and he did very well. Connie McCabe and Nick



Sarah Brown and Nicole Fair met for the first time; both have mini-Goldendoodles – Sarah has Hazy and Nicole has Maple

Dodson brought **Jackson** and **Bowie**; Sandie McTavish had **Cooper** – Deb was thrilled to see him because she had fostered him for 8 weeks in 2018 when he was a puppy.



As usual, Connie McCabe was visiting everyone with her camera; someone managed to get this one of her with Jackson



Rita Koppinger brought Maddie, but had to leave early because Maddie was rather overwhelmed by the large crowd

Dean and Marlene Mortimore arrived with **Sugar**, who always causes heads to turn with her pink tail that never faded much after it was dyed before she walked in the Parada Del Sol with us in February. Stacy Nelson brought **Archie** and her daughter McKenzie handled **Barley**. Deb Orwig brought **Asher**, **Duffy** and **Vin** – Patrick Doyle, Rebecca



McKenzie Nelson with Barley and Stacy Nelson with Archie also had to leave early because the large crowd was making the boys nervous

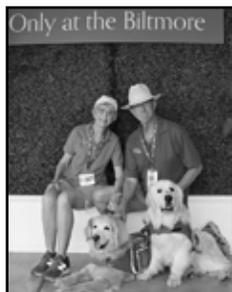


Dean and Marlene Mortimore with Sugar

Mackerman, Cynthia Wenström and Kathi Youhas took turns handling the boys so that Deb could circulate and talk with guests who were interested in learning about **AGR's** adoption process.



The Arizona Biltmore had a very nice photo spot set up – Karina Helm and Colbert posed there for Connie



Jill and Fred Prose with Gracie and Levi also took advantage of the lovely photo spot



Joan Mast with Levi

Fred and Jill Prose brought **Gracie** and **Levi**; Marla and Brian Spriggs arrived with **Zoe**; Liz Tataseo came with foster boy **TK**; and Cindy and Gary Tigges brought all three of their



The Mackermans: Rebecca with Deb's Asher and Dustin with Valor

fur-kids: **Casey**, **Lucy** and **Natasha**. Gary deserves a special shout out, since Cindy had to leave early to participate in a hand-



Teri Guilbault with Khalee



Sheila Joyce with Charlie



Sandie McTavish with Cooper



Brian and Marla Spriggs with Zoe



Patrick Doyle with Duffy Orwig



Liz Tataseo with foster boy TK



Cynthia Wenström with Vin Orwig



Kathi Youhas with Duffy Orwig



Gary Tigges with Natasha

bell concert – their dogs are so well-trained that Gary could have handled all three but did receive a little help from members who attended without four-footed friends of their own. **Joey** was Caro-



Cindy Tigges with Lucy and Casey

lyn Brown's perfect date for the afternoon.

Members who came without dogs included Alice and David Courtney, Chris Spiel, Cynthia Wenström, Kathi Youhas and new members Sarah Pyper and Kevin Fechtmeyer. We also got an on-the-spot membership from Joe Foley, the new Executive Director of the Arizona Golf Association. He promised to help in some

way with our upcoming golf tournament.



Deb Orwig, AGR President, typically spends a lot of time at events talking to people interested in adoption. She brought the bandanna bin so that a few members could choose one for their dog; the couple she is speaking with here not only bought a couple of bandannas but also gave AGR \$50!



Asher Orwig (above) and Joey Brown (below) both posed by the really cute doghouse the Tito's Handmade Vodka representative brought as an advertising display; we wanted to get a picture of one of the dogs actually in the doghouse peering out, but there was a back wall only about a foot inside the opening which rendered the doghouse too small for either dog to get in



Carolyn Brown, AGR's Director of Activities, talking with new members Sarah Pyper and Kevin Fechtmeyer



Sign we made to display on our donation jar table - we do sincerely thank the Arizona Biltmore and Tito's Handmade Vodka for their support

Arizona Biltmore Employee Recognition and Team Building Event
By Carolyn Brown



Patrick Doyle with Vin, Carolyn Brown with Joey, Connie McCabe with Jackson, Debbie Ball with Shelby, Deb Orwig with Asher, Viki Snedden with Sadie, and Russell Snedden with Hope



Carolyn Brown and Joey

We were so popular at The Golden Hour on April 30th, the Arizona Biltmore invited AGR Golden back for their Employee Recognition luncheon on May 18th. The event



Patrick Doyle with Vin in his tuxedo



Connie McCabe and Jackson dressed in patriotic gear

was attended by about 200 people, and it was held in one of the large ballrooms. They had



Russell and Viki Snedden with Hope and Sadie

wanted only 7-8 dogs at this event, so that is what we provided. Before, during and after the luncheon, employees and management could be found hugging, talking

to, and taking pictures with the dogs. Deb Orwig brought Asher and Vin and Patrick Doyle graciously handled Vin. Con-



Carolyn Brown and Debbie Ball with Joey, Shelby, Asher and Vin



May 18th was Shelby Ball's 8th birthday, so she dressed up in her *Alice in Wonderland* dress from the 2017 *Fashion PawTea* and also wore a birthday hat



Asher Orwig came as The Mad Hatter and kept the hat on during the entire event

one in her *Alice in Wonderland* costume in honor of her 8th birthday; **Vin**, looking very handsome in his tuxedo, was her date, and **Asher** clowned around in his Mad Hatter get-up (he kept the fascinator hat on most of the time). Carolyn Brown accompanied **Joey**. Viki



Emily Budd, at right talking to Jackson and Shelby, was our liaison at the Arizona Biltmore for both of the events we did there

nie McCabe brought **Jackson**, who was decked out in his all-American duds. Debbie Ball had **Shelby** entertaining every-

Ten Great Reasons Why It's Fun To Be A Dog

By Shelley Lickfeldt

1. If it itches, you can reach it. And no matter where it itches, no one will be offended if you scratch it in public.
2. No one notices if you have hair growing in weird places as you get older.
3. Personal hygiene is a blast: No one expects you to take a bath every day, and you don't even have to comb your own hair.
4. Having a wet nose is considered a sign of good health.
5. No one thinks less of you for passing gas. Some people might actually think you're cute.
6. Who needs a big home entertainment system? A bone or an old shoe can entertain you for hours.
7. You can spend hours just smelling stuff.
8. No one ever expects you to pay for lunch or dinner. You never have to worry about table manners, and if you gain weight, it's someone else's fault.
9. It doesn't take much to make you happy. You're always excited to see the same old people. All they have to do is leave the room for five minutes and come back.
10. Every garbage can looks like a cold buffet to you.



and Russell Snedden brought **Hope** and **Sadie**. The *Biltmore* even provided special treats for the dogs. It was a fun afternoon! The *Arizona Biltmore* made a generous donation to *AGR* to thank us for bringing our dogs to this event.

I am currently in discussions with the *Biltmore* to have a holiday event, so keep your eyes on this column and the *AGR* website calendar.

Dogs lives are short, too short, but you know that going in. You know the pain is coming, you're going to lose a dog, and there's going to be great anguish, so you live fully in the moment with her, never fail to share her joy or delight in her innocence, because you can't support the illusion that a dog can be your lifelong companion. There's such beauty in the hard honesty of that, in accepting and giving love while always aware that it comes with an unbearable price. Maybe loving dogs is a way we do penance for all the other illusions we allow ourselves and the mistakes we make because of those illusions.

Dean Koontz in *The Darkest Evening of the Year*

When I Got My New Dog...

I asked for strength that I might rear her perfectly;
I was given weakness that I might feed her more treats.

I asked for an obedient dog that I might feel proud;
I was given stubbornness that I might feel humble.

I asked for compliance that I might feel masterful;
I was given a clown that I might laugh.

I asked for a companion that I might not feel lonely;
I was given a best friend that I would feel loved.

I got nothing I asked for,
But everything that I needed.

Author Unknown.

The Dog Rules

By William Thomas

1. Dogs are never permitted in the house. The dog stays outside in a specially built wooden compartment named, for very good reason, the doghouse.
2. Okay, the dog can enter the house but only for short visits or if his own house is under renovation.
3. Okay, the dog can stay in the house on a permanent basis provided his doghouse can be sold in a lawn sale to a rookie dog owner.
4. Inside the house, the dog is not allowed to run free and is confined to a comfortable but secure metal cage.
5. Okay, the cage becomes part of a two-for-one deal in the lawn sale, and the dog can go wherever the hell he pleases.
6. The dog is never allowed on the furniture.
7. Okay, the dog can get up on the old furniture but not the new furniture.
8. Okay, the dog can get up on the new furniture until it looks like the old furniture and then we'll sell the whole works and buy new furniture on which the dog will most definitely not be allowed.
9. The dog never sleeps on the bed. Period.
10. Okay, the dog can sleep at the foot of the bed only.
11. Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you, but he's not allowed under the covers.
12. Okay, the dog can sleep under the covers but not with his head on the pillow.
13. Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you, under the covers with his head on the pillow, but if he snores, he's got to leave the room.
14. Okay, the dog can sleep and snore and have nightmares in your bed, but he's not to come in and sleep on the couch in the TV room, where you're not sleeping – that's just not fair.
15. The dog never gets listed on the census questionnaire as "primary resident," even if it's true.



22-031 Gus doing what many of our dogs do!

Mind Games Dogs Play With Humans

Author Unknown

Only dog owners will understand

1. After your humans give you a bath, DON'T LET THEM TOWEL DRY YOU! Instead, run to their bed, jump up and dry yourself off on the sheets. This is especially good if it's right before your humans' bedtime.
2. Act like a convicted criminal. When the humans come home, put your ears back, tail between your legs, chin down and act as if you have done something really bad. Then, watch as the humans frantically search the house for the damage they think you have caused. (Note: This only works when you have done absolutely nothing wrong.)
3. Let the humans teach you a brand new trick. Learn it perfectly. When the humans try to demonstrate it to someone else, stare blankly back at the humans. Pretend you have no idea what they're talking about.
4. Make your humans be patient. When you go outside to pee, sniff around the entire yard as your humans wait. Act as if the spot you choose to go pee will ultimately decide the fate of the earth.
5. Draw attention to the human. When out for a walk always pick the busiest, most visible spot on which to poop. Take your time and make sure everyone watches. This works particularly well if your humans have forgotten to bring a plastic bag.
6. When out for a walk, alternate between choking and coughing every time a strange human walks by.
7. Make your own rules. Don't always bring back the stick when playing fetch with the humans. Make them go and chase it once in a while.
8. Hide from your humans. When your humans come home, don't greet them at the door. Instead, hide from them, and make them think something terrible has happened to you. (Don't reappear until one of your humans is panic-stricken and close to tears).
9. When your human calls you to come back in, always take your time. Walk as slowly as possible back to the door.
10. Wake up twenty minutes before the alarm clock is set to go off and make the humans take you out for your morning pee. As soon as you get back inside, fall asleep.

Golden Hearts



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