

All Nominations and Applications Must Be Received **PRIOR** to October 26, 2024

**Carol Allen Memorial Golden Member Award—Heart of Gold Award—
Versatility Award -- Shooting Star Rainbow Bridge Award**

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Submit to: Kelly Mueller kidquilter@aol.com

Procedure and Policy Applying to the Carol Allen Memorial Golden Member, Heart of Gold, Versatility, and Shooting Star Rainbow Bridge Awards



Apply / Nominate Now for All Club Annual Awards

Golden Member Award
Heart of Gold Award
Versatility Award
Shooting Star Rainbow Bridge Award
Title Awards

- Nominations will be received no later than the published date and a Selection Committee will review all nominations and select the winners for each of the three awards annually.
- A commemorative award will be presented for each, to be owned permanently by the winner.
- Nominations for the Golden Member award may be submitted by any member in good standing on behalf of any other member in good standing.
- Nominations for the Versatility, Heart of Gold, and Shooting Star Rainbow Bridge awards may be made by the owner or co-owner of the dog being nominated.
- Nominations for these four awards are to be submitted in letter format. Please include dog's name (including titles), owner's name, nominator's name, phone, and email.

CAROL ALLEN MEMORIAL GOLDEN MEMBER AWARD -*To a Club Member*

Purpose: To recognize one member annually who consistently and ably contributes to the success of Club activities and events.

Selection Criteria:

- Consideration will be favored toward members not currently serving in elected positions.
- Number of activities and level of involvement.
- Years of service.
- Manner of participation in activities; respect for the Club, its members and the Breed.

VERSATILITY AWARD-*To a Golden, owned or co-owned by a Club Member*

Purpose: To acknowledge the versatility of Golden Retrievers owned by Club members, by recognizing one dog annually with a distinguished record of title achievement in multiple areas of endeavor, through either the American or Canadian Kennel Clubs, or Golden Retriever Club of America.

Selection Criteria:

- An individual dog may win this award only once.
- A dog may not be nominated posthumously.
- All titles earned through a dog's lifetime, completed prior to the current year deadline, will be considered.
- A dog must have earned titles from a minimum of two activities:
Breed (conformation), performance (including Obedience, Rally, Tracking, Agility, Field, Barn Hunt, Dock diving, CGC, Fast Cat, Scentwork, Flyball, Disc, Earthdog, Farmdog, Tricks, Fit, Therapy).
Preference will be given toward dogs earning advanced breed titles, by dogs having earned multiple performance titles. In the event of a tie, advanced performance titles will be given preference.

These are just a few examples of areas of eligibility as AKC adds sports

HEART OF GOLD AWARD - *To a Golden, owned or co-owned by a Club Member*

Purpose: To acknowledge the close bond between Golden Retrievers and humans by recognizing one dog annually for distinguished but unspecified contributions to the individual or family with which it resides.

Selection Criteria:

- An individual dog may win this award only once.
- A dog may not be nominated posthumously.
- Specific points for nomination are left for determination by the nominator, with only the suggestion the nomination should seek to describe how a dog is valued

SHOOTING STAR RAINBOW BRIDGE AWARD- *To a Golden owned or co-owned by a club member.*

Purpose: To acknowledge the impact and legacy that Golden Retrievers leave behind when they pass on to the Rainbow Bridge.

Selection Criteria:

- An individual dog may win this award only once.

- A dog must be nominated within 5 years of their passing.
- Dogs who have previously won the Heart of Gold Award are not eligible for the Rainbow Bridge Award
- Specific points for nomination are left for determination by the nominator, with only the suggestion the nomination should seek to describe how a dog is valued

Application for Title Awards – 2024

Use this form to apply for Title awards only and submit prior to October 26, 2024 Send to Kelly Mueller kidquilter@aol.com

GRCCNY encourages its members to participate in activities enabling them to place titles on their dogs. The Club will annually recognize every title achievement with a customized decorative plaque. Each member's dog (or dogs) qualifying for the first time will receive a master plaque emblazoned with the club logo and your dog's name. Titles will be added to each year and once it is full an attachment to hang below the plaque will be added honoring each additional title earned. Awards are presented at the Club's Annual Banquet each December.

- Members, qualified in accordance with GRCCNY Title Awards Policy, having titled dog(s) during the period November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2024 are eligible to receive Club awards. Any previous titles or special requests will be at the expense of the owner. Co-owned dogs are eligible for only one plaque; any additional plaque must be purchased separately.
- Recognition will be bestowed for a title awarded by the sanctioning body of the AKC, CKC, and/or GRCA. Qualifying titles may be in any field of endeavor, such as breed competition, obedience, rally, field, agility, tracking, tricks, CGC, dock diving, barn hunt, fast cat, scentwork, etc.
- To apply for your award(s), you must complete all required information on this form and return it to be received **no later than October 26, 2024**. Copy this form if additional space is required. Members whose applications are not received by this date will not have an award available at the banquet.

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Member Name(s) _____

Phone _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

I/We attended _____ Club meetings during the period 11/23–10/24 (minimum requirement 2 meetings).

I/We volunteered at the following Club activities during the period 11/23 – 10/24 (minimum requirement – 2 Club-sponsored activity):

1. _____ 2. _____

Examples of work that typically would require a commitment of four hours (or in some cases, 8 hours) would include Field Clinic leadership, meetings with other programs and agencies regarding Club business, Eye/Heart Clinic, Specialty or CCA, volunteering with assigned tasks, WC/WCX bird care and transport, bird throwing for one series, WC/WCX, demonstrations and/or assistance at events, CGC or trick testing at Club events. Any task taking more or less than four hours to be credited accordingly. For example, Golden Tales submissions would qualify for 1-2 hours depending on the submission. Holding office, including the Board of Directors, would be considered qualifying, as would chair of most events.

*****Members with current plaques should turn them in to Kelly Mueller.*****

DOG #1

I DO DO NOT Already Have a GRCCNY Master Plaque for This Dog. *Please check one.*

(Dog Name as To Appear On Master Plaque – Include All Titles Earned Prior To This Award Period)

New Titles Earned 11/1/23– 10/26/24 Sanctioning Body Date Earned

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DOG #2

I DO DO NOT Already Have a GRCCNY Master Plaque for This Dog. *Please check one.*

(Dog Name as To Appear On Master Plaque – Include All Titles Earned Prior To This Award Period)

New Titles Earned 11/1/23 – 10/26/24 Sanctioning Body Date Earned

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