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# Golden Tales

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Waynewood How Sweet It Is, "Lyla"

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## Welcome New members!

Mary Whidman  
Richard Markwardt

## ON THE COVER

**WayneWood How Sweet It Is, "Lyla"\***  
*Loved & Cherished by Kelly Mueller*

*\*see what Lyla has been up to in the Brags section*

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## NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of Golden Tales will be January 2022  
Deadline for submission of articles is January 10, 2022

### Where to Send It ... For

#### Golden Tales - Website -Golden Retriever News

All members are encouraged to contribute and submit material.

Send to: Janet Gray:janetgray@highlandfarmskennel.com

ALL brags, all material you'd like to see on our website ([www.grccny.org](http://www.grccny.org))

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### 2021

17 **Eye/Heart Clinic**

@ **Village Vet**

### December

**Annual Holiday Banquet**  
**Sunday December 12th at 1:00 pm**  
**Brewster Inn, Cazenovia NY.**

### 2022

### January

10 **Golden Tales Deadline**

### February

**General meeting -**

### March

### April

2 **Salt City Specialty**  
**General meeting**

### May

### June

**General meeting**  
10 **Golden Tales Deadline**

### July

### September

### October

**General Meeting**  
10 **Golden Tales Deadline**

*NOTE: We will put the forms for all events  
and awards on the website*



## President's Message

I hope you all had a nice summer. I know that many of you have been able to continue activities with your dogs. Hopefully, we will be out of COVID next year.

Your new Board will be meeting soon to set up a calendar for next year. If you have suggestions or requests for 2022, please let know as soon as possible.

It looks like we will still be meeting on Zoom in the short term and I hope that we will all be back together in person soon. Julie and Deanna are planning a wonderful FunDay for us and our Golden's next Fall. In the Spring, several people are interested in a Fit Dog walking group which could be a nice time for people and their Golden's to get to know each other.

Coming up in December is our annual get together. Last year we were unable to gather in person due to the pandemic; this year it currently looks hopeful although we have all learned that we never know what is around the corner with our guidelines. Things will be a little different, but we will still have fun and adjust just like our Golden's teach us. We will have awards; all of the information is on the website.

We have several new members and a wealth of information in our club. Please help and encourage each other whenever you can. We have members who participate in just about every activity and some very seasoned competitors with many honors and championships.

Let's also celebrate and cheer on our members as they excel, even if it is not a sport you choose with your individual Golden. This also includes everyone who chooses not to participate in organized activities and has happy, fun loving Golden at home. You are very important too and your accomplishments are also to be celebrated! Just ask Bentley.

We currently have a member, Julie Deking, who is going for a barn hunt championship in a couple of weeks with Tanner. She and Tanner will also be attending the barn hunt nationals and recently were ranked and attended the dock diving nationals. I know we also have members attending the Golden Retriever Nationals at the end of the month. Lisa Mitchell for one has had wonderful achievements this year! So let's cheer them all on and support each other. (I am sure there are others; please communicate with me so I can recognize you too).

Hoping everyone has an enjoyable holiday season.

Carol and Murphy & Duffy too





# THE RAINBOW BRIDGE

Beth Greenfield let us know **Birch Run Heart of Westbrook CD,RX,CCA** “Ada” crossed over the Rainbow Bridge at 15 years of age.

As you know with these types of things, it is great sadness to let you know that our golden **Brinnley** passed over the Rainbow Bridge on October 3. We adopted her as a stray 12 years ago, and am very grateful for the 12 years of happiness she provided. Kind regards, Brett Budis

## What’s in a title??

**BN, CGC, CCA, RN, JH, AX, AXJ, OF, TKI, BCAT, CGHG....**

Every issue, I read about the wonderful achievements made by our club’s dogs and members. **Field, obedience, agility, dock diving, conformation, rally and many more dog sports our dogs are competing and winning titles before and after their names.**

**What do the titles mean and what does it take to earn them?**

**Starting next issue, we will explore each dog sport, what it takes to earn the titles and the journey it took to get there. I will be contacting many of you for your story. Stay tuned!!!! Janet Gray**



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# Morris Animal FOUNDATION

Golden Retriever Lifetime Study

## Lifetime Study Update *from Janet Gray*

This past August, Finn #79 and Eve #2625, heroes in the **Morris Animal Foundation’s Golden Retriever Lifetime Study (GRLS)**, participated in Loyal (Cellular Longevity, Inc)’s Healthspan Study. Loyal is a San Francisco-based company dedicated to giving pet owners more time with their dog. Working collaboratively with dog owners, veterinarians, and the world’s leading aging scientists, Loyal is developing the first FDA-approved therapies to extend canine healthspan (quality of life) and lifespan (length of life).

Loyal recently partnered with the Foundation’s Golden Retriever Lifetime Study in an attempt to discern differences in DNA between dogs that developed cancer and dogs that did not, using blood samples collected over nine sequential years, from healthy golden retrievers and golden retrievers that developed lymphoma or hemangiosarcoma, two of the most common lethal cancers goldens incur with age. Efforts will be made to use samples of dogs in each group that were of the same starting age at enrollment and are of the same sex, reproductive status and geographical location.

“Loyal’s focus on better understanding the canine aging process and underlying biomarkers aligns with our efforts to give dogs longer, healthier lives,” said Dr. Janet Patterson-Kane, Chief Scientific Officer at Morris Animal Foundation. “We are excited to work with them and look forward to sharing data from our Golden Retriever Lifetime Study, adding to the scientific findings of this impactful initiative.”

We were fortunate that the exam and bloodwork was completed nearby at Cornell’s Hospital for Animals by Dr. John Loftus. We also recruited two siblings of Finn to participate in the study.



**Eve and Finn**

If you would like to know more about Loyal and find out if your dog can participate in their ongoing Healthspan Study go to <https://loyalfordogs.com/the-healthspan-study>



### *Good Dog TIPS*

### **Make a “pet first aid” kit**

Accidents and emergencies happen and being prepared with all the essentials to help your dog is a crucial step in being a responsible pet owner. This is especially important if you take your dog out hiking or camping, whenever you may be far away from help. A DIY pet first aid kit is something every dog parent should have.

**Did you know we are now on Facebook? You can access us from your facebook page (just search for Golden Retriever Club of Central New York) or press the facebook link on our club website: WWW.GRCCNY.ORG. You don’t need to have a Facebook account to see our facebook page, but you will need a facebook account if you would want to “like” our page or post a picture of your pooch.**



**Waynewood How Sweet It Is BN CGC CCA RN CD RI SIN SCN “Lyla”** received her scentwork titles  
 Scentwork Novice Container  
 Scentwork Novice Interior  
 On May 5/15-5/16/2021 at the Onondaga Kennel Association Scentwork Trial

**Lyla** also received her Open Obedience title on Sept 12. She also received two legs in novice exterior scentwork plus placing 2nd in both and received one leg in novice buried and placing 1st Lyla also received her Scent Work Exterior Novice title SEN.  
 Kelly Mueller

**Emeline’s Fishin for the Big One (Amity)** earned her Rally Novice title at the June SOTC Trial.

**Wynwood’s Shining Star (Burley)** earned her WC at the trial at ECHOEWOOD and her Rally Novice title at the September SOTC Rally trial.  
 Lynn McKinkle



**Lyla**



**Westbrook’s Snow on Lilacs**

**Westbrook’s Snow on Lilacs, CCA RN**  
 New title :Rally Intermediate  
 Beth Greenfield



**Bobbie and Duffy**

Here are the new Canadian champs Bobby and **Painting-Storybook Serenity Duffy R “Duffy”** in the rain! Duffy also earned a Hydro dash novice title.

**Storybook’s Serenity Murphy M “Murphy”** earned scent work titles in containers, exterior and interior (SCN, SIN,SEN), his dock master (DM) and Hydro dash novice (HDN)  
 Carol Krehel



## New Puppy!!!

I expect we will have our new pup by the time the next issue comes out, we will be picking her up Oct 25th (right after we get home from Ireland). Her name is **SunKissed Go Ask Alice**, call name is **Allie**. Picture attached, taken at six weeks old

Her sire, Spenser, is a half brother to my boy, Yaz (and Ann Wood's boy Gus, who is Yaz's litter mate). We've been waiting for Allie for over a year and a half! The wait is nearly killing us.

Judi Quistel



Allie

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## The Bird Dog Museum and Field Trial Hall of Fame

A short distance from Memphis, in the small town of Grand Junction, Tennessee, is a small museum dedicated to bird dogs and Field Trials. Well behaved dogs are welcome to accompany their owners, and photographs are allowed. Torch and I stopped there on our return trip from the west coast this spring.

This museum is privately funded, relying solely on contributions from visitors or organizations to operate. It occupies a single story structure that is more like a country home or gun club than anything else. The collection largely consists of memorabilia and trophies awarded to dogs and their handlers in Setter and Spaniel trials. These competitions were the forerunners of the Hunt Test and Field Trials we compete in today. In those days the judges and gallery were mounted on horses and followed the competition under the watchful eyes of the marshals, also on horseback. One of the marshal's duties was to keep the gallery at a respectful distance during the event! Display cases of firearms and wall plaques honoring the human and canine inductees round out an impressive inventory of objects on display. There is a lot to see, and the staff was friendly and helpful. A gift shop offers the usual items; mugs, key chains, clothing items, etc.



**Welcome**



**Inside the Museum**

If you are in the Memphis area, I suggest you make a day trip to Grand Junction and stop at the Museum. The price is right and you will see a different aspect of the “retrieving world”. Torch and I recommend it!

Todd Clickner

There are several wings and rooms that have comfortable chairs and sofas available for visitor use. In the taxidermy room there are mounts of game birds and small predators. There is large diorama of a setter on point during a hunt, the taxidermy is top grade in it.

Two well-known “golden” women are enshrined here; Torch Flinn and Jackie Mertens. An oil painting of NAFC Topbrass Cotton and photograph of AFC Holway Barty are here. An oil of FC Rip, bird in mouth, is on display.

The museum grounds are well manicured with bronzes of dogs and granite headstones for the dogs I assume are interred there. No humans are buried, only their canine companions. A walking path offers benches and trees for the comfort and relief of people and dogs alike. It is a “down home” attraction for sure, a specialty museum that is worth visiting.

## The Bird Dog Museum and Field Trial Hall of Fame



**Torch at the Museum Entrance**



**Inside the Museum**



**Torch meets a friend in the Taxidermy Room**

### **THANK YOU TODD!!**

While judging the Qualifying stake at the Empire RC Field Trial this August, Tom Stasierowski, ERC President, gave me this trophy. It was property of the now disbanded Western NY RC. Empire acquired all the equipment from that organization, and this trophy was included in those items. This trophy was awarded annually for 15 years, 2002 to 2016, to the top golden in AKC and NAHRA Hunt Tests, WC/WCX Tests, and the sanctioned trials put on by the Club. My bitch Ada won the award 6 times, and Diane Sanfilippo's bitch Sedona won it 3 times. Diane and I are in agreement that it is too valuable to discard, and needs a new home.

We would like to donate the trophy to the club.  
Todd Clickner



**WC/WCX Test  
Golden Retriever Club of Central New York**

**Echoewood  
Mexico, New York**

**Saturday, September 18, 2021**

Report submitted by Kathy McCloskey  
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Photos taken by Kathy McCloskey

**WC: 6 starters, 5 qualifiers**

Adirondac Altitude With Attitude JH, owner Carol Lantiegne  
Wynnwood's Shining Star, owner Lynn Mickinkle  
Judge Diane Sanfilipo  
Wynnwood Turn On The Charm, owner Donna Schmidt  
Judge Todd Clickner  
Wynnwood Legendary Heat, owner Kathy Salemi  
Lycinan's Go With the Flow, owner Cynthia Berry



## WC/WCX Test

### WCX 9 starters, 6 qualifers

Adirondac Tupper Too MH, owner Carol Lantiegne

Adirondac Explorer MH, owner Carol Lantiegne

Adirondac Paint the Town Red MH, owner Carol Lantiegne

Judge Diane Sanfilipo

Topmast Rain Dancer CD BN RA JH AX AXJ OF TKI BCAT, owner Kathy McCloskey

Wynnwood Legendary Heat, owner Kathy Salemi

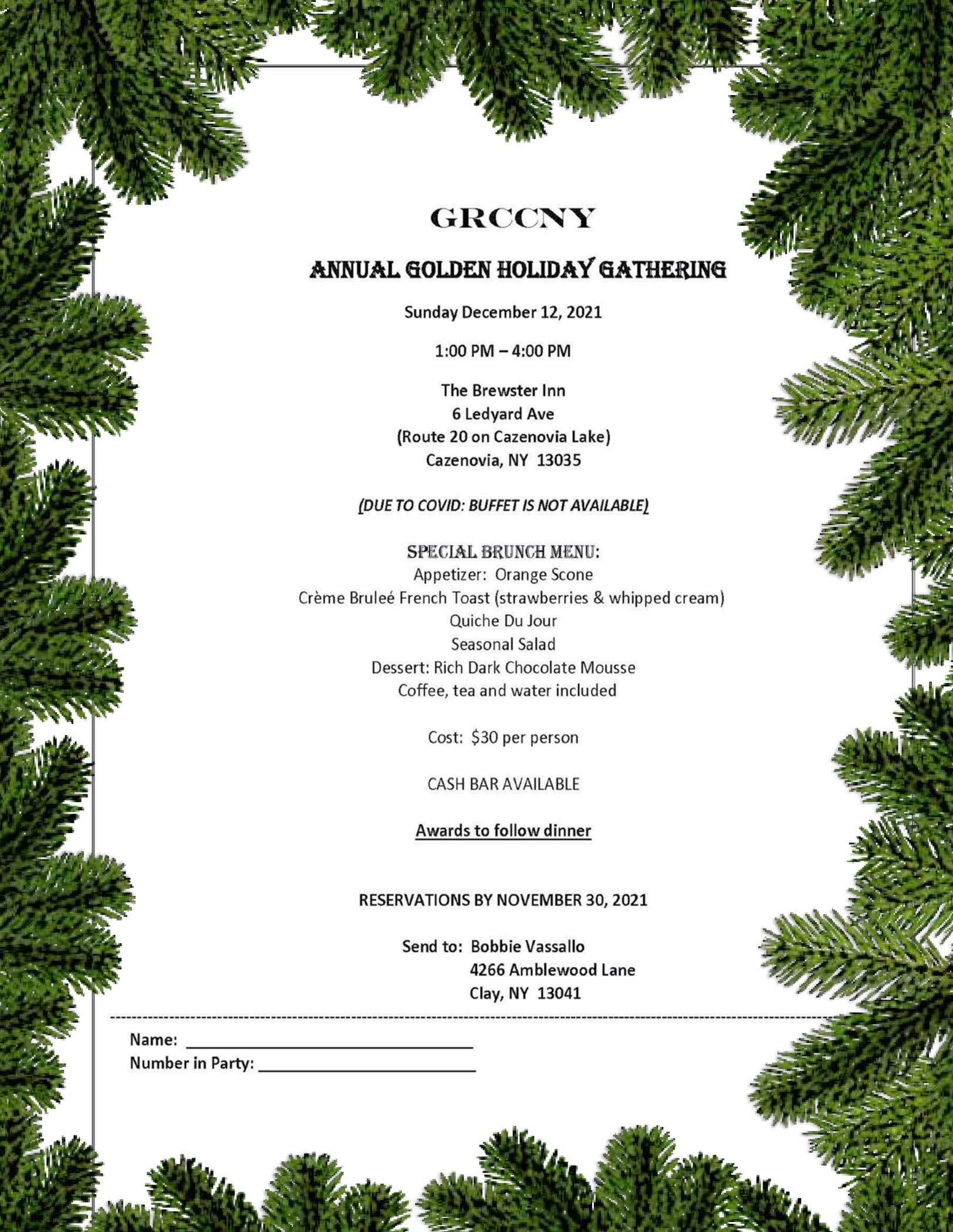
Judge Todd Clickner

Adirondac Queen of the Hive CDX RE, owner Joan Provencher



**Once someone has had the good fortune to share a true love affair with a Golden Retriever, one's life and one's outlook is never quite the same.**

**Betty White**



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## ANNUAL GOLDEN HOLIDAY GATHERING

Sunday December 12, 2021

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

The Brewster Inn  
6 Ledyard Ave  
(Route 20 on Cazenovia Lake)  
Cazenovia, NY 13035

*(DUE TO COVID: BUFFET IS NOT AVAILABLE)*

### SPECIAL BRUNCH MENU:

Appetizer: Orange Scone  
Crème Bruleé French Toast (strawberries & whipped cream)  
Quiche Du Jour  
Seasonal Salad  
Dessert: Rich Dark Chocolate Mousse  
Coffee, tea and water included

Cost: \$30 per person

CASH BAR AVAILABLE

Awards to follow dinner

RESERVATIONS BY NOVEMBER 30, 2021

Send to: Bobbie Vassallo  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Party: \_\_\_\_\_



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