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Dylan #488

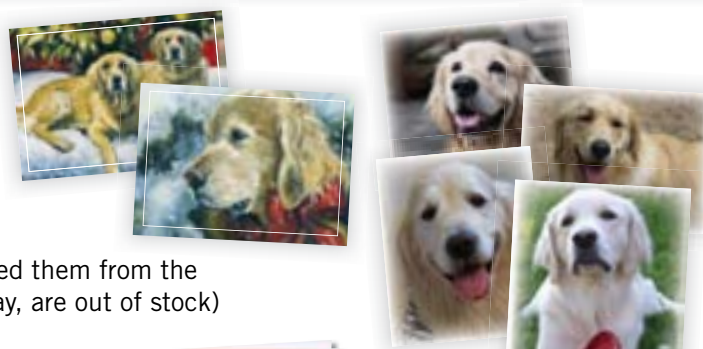


ARE YOU A
**golden
retriever**
BELIEVER?



On the 12th day of Christmas my true love gave to me...

- 12** beautiful blank notecards for you to write windswept and interesting things to friends
- 11** gorgeous calendars...to help you know what day it is
- 10** beautiful 'Golden' Christmas cards ~ 9 for you to send to your friends and one for your husband to send to all his friends
- 9** stunning handcrafted bracelets that fit any wrist (just adjust them with the duct tape provided)
- 8** GR cookbooks so you can put them on your kitchen counter and pretend you actually cook
- 7** swans a swimming (out of stock)
- 6** geese a laying (a goose egg, as you know, also means 'zero' and that is how many of these we have left)
- 5** Golden rings (we have the Goldens but we're out of rings)
- 4** colly birds (we always thought they were saying 'calling birds' but it doesn't matter...we don't have any of those either)
- 3** French hens (these felt a little politically incorrect so we deleted them from the catalogue and replaced them with world hens, which by the way, are out of stock)
- 2** turtle doves (available in aubergine only)
- 1** and a partridge in a pear tree (currently unavailable because we can't get the blankety-blank bird out of the tree)



Is Your Golden a Star in the 2014 Calendar?

Lead Roles:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| #488 Dylan | #1712 Hutch & Ruby |
| #1181 Mooke | #1726 Goldie |
| #1333 Ruby | #1760 Stanley |
| #1335 Colton | #1780 Beau |
| #1527 Jenny | #1797 Dream |
| #1556 Woody & #1765 Autumn | #1822 Crystal |
| #1569 Dragon | #1834 Tyson |

Cameo Appearances:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| #722 Sarge | #1612 Kato |
| #801 Fred | #1622 Maggy |
| #903 Jazz | #1714 Mollie |
| #916 Sheba | #1734 Sam |
| #1268 Bingo | #1809 Chester |
| #1342 Shadow & Chloe | #1838 Bailey |
| #1437 Max | #1857 Marley |



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Dylan #488 ~ Dylan is the 'able' dog...loveable, sociable...and amiable. He is a rock hound extraordinaire as he can hold his breath for ages while diving to retrieve that perfect rock. He always has something in his mouth so if it's not a rock, it will be a toy. Handsome Dylan, with his wonderful smile, is Mr. January in the 2014 calendar.

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We carefully screen all incoming dogs for socially acceptable behaviour and approve those whom we feel we can responsibly place. We provide spay/neuter service, micro-chipping, and all the necessary veterinary care required to place them with their Forever Families.

We provide public education by means of brochures, an informative and entertaining website and newsletter, public/media appearances, and canine educational events, which focus on responsible pet ownership and in particular, the Golden Retriever breed.

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We would like to thank all of our contributing writers and photographers... too many to list. Betty, who loves her furkids, has given up many weekends and evenings to design and assemble this newsletter so that we Golden lovers can read all about the golden world we live in.

Betty with Denver, Shadow #1342 & Kona



Meet & Greet

Cosmo #1839

We are forever reading these wonderful tales of Golden Retrievers finding their forever families and we cheer how lucky the dog is to be rescued and loved by his new 'fur'ever family. Cosmo's story is just a little bit different because in his case, Coszy rescued me! I'd just lost my beloved Golden to cancer and was suffering terribly. Until her passing, I had not understood how debilitating depression could be. The simple act of getting out of bed was an ordeal and I just seemed to be on remote control at work and was becoming sloppy at my job. I knew that I couldn't go on like this and needed another dog in my life but was afraid that I wouldn't be able to give another dog the love and patience that is required to help that dog flourish. On one particularly bad day, I needed to touch some soft fur and get a wet kiss from a dog or I was going to lose it.

I went to the nearest pound and asked if I could play with a dog and, of course, they were happy to oblige that request because pound puppies need as much social interaction as possible for the chance to be adopted.

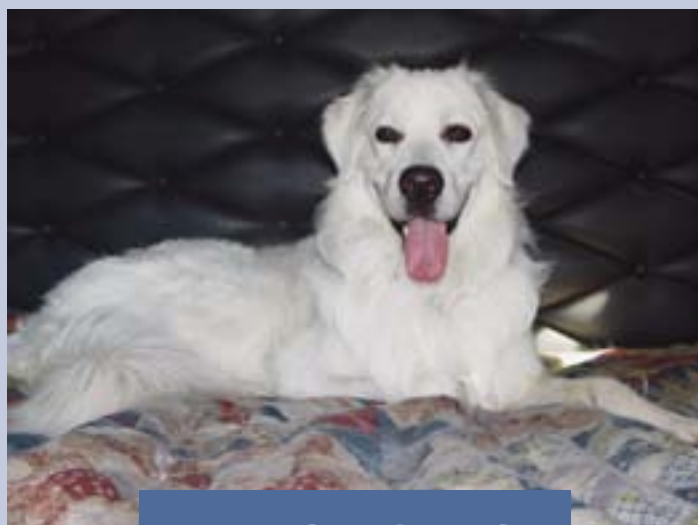
An afternoon of playing fetch with a cute little yellow lab convinced me that ready or not, I was going to invite another dog to share my life and home, so back inside to the shelter I went to fill out adoption paperwork. That done, I had a brief interview where the question of what will I do with the dog while I was at work came up. Cheerfully I said, "He would be with me at work." The response was, "Oh! How nice and what do you do for a living?" That is where the interview ended because after informing them that I was a truck driver who travelled coast-to-coast, they were horrified at the prospect of one of their dogs spending 10 out of every 14 days living in the cab of a tractor-trailer. I could understand their apprehension and moved on to try a number of rescue groups. After being turned down flatly by three rescue groups, I became discouraged and was going to go the breeder route to find my new best friend. Fortunately, while surfing a dog bereavement webpage, I came upon the Dog's Last Will & Testament and knew in my heart that I had to give it another shot. I placed an ad in Kijiji looking to adopt a Golden Retriever and through that ad, I came in contact with the wonderful people from Golden Rescue and, in a funny twist of fate, they just happened to have an interesting case of a headstrong, rambunctious, stubborn but goofy and loving bundle of fur named Cosmo. Now we get to meet the wonderful Coszy and this story really begins. Cosmo is a big, I mean REALLY big, powerful, and strong take-no-guff/give-no-guff kind of dog who required constant attention and the presence of someone who could be with him almost all of the time...to show him how to be part of a pack because he is definitely a free thinker and, at times, way too smart to be left to his own devices.

It also has to be said that Cosmo is the most handsome dog there ever was with a goofy grin that can light up a room and warm your soul.

Our first meeting was somewhat rocky in that Cosmo trusts himself, he knows how smart he is, so he wasn't about to relinquish the alpha role to some stranger...but he took some hesitant steps in that direction. It was rough at first. He was

afraid to enter our house, shied away when I tried to pet him, and literally ran for his life if I tried to hand him a treat. He wasn't very trusting but the funny thing was when it was time to head out on our first trip and I opened the door of our big truck, I expected him to be terrified but that wasn't the case at all. He leapt in without any assistance, made himself comfortable on the bed where he had a bird's eye view of the world, and began what has been the world's record for maintaining a goofy grin. My previous dog loved being in 'her' truck and travelling to see new sights and smells but it took a few weeks for her to become truly comfortable with the whole experience but not our Cosmo. From that first moment, it was like it was the life he was made for and he makes the most of every second...whether it's climbing bighorn sheep trails in the Rockies of Montana, racing through tall prairie grass in Kansas or something as sedate as chomping on fajitas on the patio of a cafe in Mexico. Coszy has even met an alligator in Florida (fortunately for the gator, there was a fence between them) and reacted with a lot more dignity than me when we encountered a rattlesnake in Texas. We have just begun our adventures and look forward to a fulfilling life together. I may have opened my home to Cosmo but he gave me back my life. Thank you Coszy and thank you Golden Rescue!

Andrew



Meet & Greet



Jolie #1858

Jolie was a stray from Montreal and she didn't have a name. On her trip to her foster home, an immediate Facebook contest was launched to name this pretty little girl and almost a hundred names were submitted. By the time, she reached her foster home, she had her new name 'Jolie'. I don't know if that six hour ride had anything to do with it, but Jolie's favourite thing is car rides... and the longer, the better. Maybe she knew that the Montreal/Barrie ride was the start of her second chance. What she doesn't love is the camera ~ she is very camera shy but I managed to snap this of her ~ wasn't easy! From Barrie she eventually took another car ride to Whitby where she happily resides with me and is now quite famous as the only bilingual dog in Durham Region. Jolie would like to say, "Merci beaucoup...thank you very much! Bien des choses à tous...best wishes to all!

Linda



Meet & Greet

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“Yes I did hear you won the Wishbone Lottery, but I still can't let you *hang your heads out the window!*”

PLEASE CONSIDER
BEING A
**FOSTER
HOME!**

Fast and furiously, we continue to have Golden Retrievers coming into our care! We urgently need foster homes throughout Ontario. Fostering a Golden and helping him/her through a transitional phase is an incredibly rewarding feeling because you're the first step in their new life. If you are interested in fostering, please fill out a foster application online today. Once you've filled out an application, a volunteer will contact you to clarify any points, answer any questions you might have, and arrange a home visit. If we don't have enough foster homes, we may have to turn away a Golden who needs us! Please help NOW!

Fill out an adoption application online at...
www.goldenrescue.ca/support-us/foster



Moose #1206

Golden Rescue Fundraising

Fundraising Team Members WANTED

We need YOU on our brand new fundraising team!

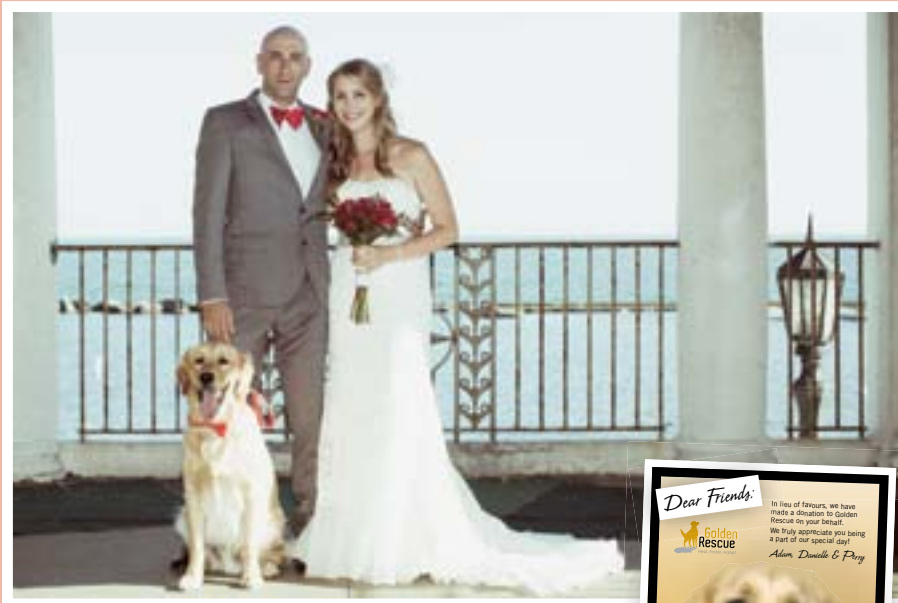
Firstly, don't worry!!! We are not looking for this new group to raise all our money.

What we're hoping to do is form a group that could create, implement, and administer smaller, new, and creative fundraising ideas.

In other words, the financial weight of the organization is not on your shoulders...rather this team is being formed to enhance and implement a number of ideas already in place and to brainstorm new initiatives.

Some of the initiatives this group would be responsible for would include: third party events (car washes, yard/bake sales, etc.), encouraging donations versus gifts/party favours (as illustrated in the sidebar), creating monthly donor campaigns, identifying corporate programs/sponsorships, promoting planned giving or organizing an event for GR.

Get the idea? This new group will have a lot of fun. It is a creative process and the group will only be restricted by their imagination. Please email Lauren at lauren@golden-rescue.net if you're interested or would like to find out more.



Recently, Danielle and Adam were married with Perry at their side. This is what Danielle wrote to us:

After six years together, we were married under a tree by the beach this summer. It was a laid-back day ~ full of friends, family, laughter, food, drinks, and dancing into the wee hours. Adam and Perry sported matching red bow ties. I was worried Perry might jump up on my dress while my dad and I walked down the aisle (as I hadn't seen him in almost two days) but he didn't even recognize me! My day wouldn't have been complete without both of my boys!

Danielle and Adam, instead of giving wedding favours, made a generous donation to GR. On each guest table there was a card acknowledging their donation (which GR designed and printed). Thank you Danielle & Adam!

Are You Having A Holiday Party?

The holidays are a special time of year to gather family and friends together. If you and your guests are looking for a way to give back this holiday season, Golden Rescue would greatly appreciate any and all donations. Collecting donations could be as easy as putting a donation bowl out where your guests could easily see it. Every little bit helps! If you are interested, please email Lauren at lauren@golden-rescue.net. We would be more than happy to supply you with brochures! Happy Holidays!



Find Mollie in 2014 CALENDAR in DECEMBER
Mollie #1714

New Year's Resolutions???

Thinking of setting a New Year's resolution? Perhaps it involves volunteering more? Consider joining our new fundraising team! If you are interested, please email Lauren at lauren@golden-rescue.net or check out the help wanted section on the website for other opportunities or call our hotline to speak with a volunteer.



Meet & Greet Layla #1137

Eric Clapton must have been talking about our Layla when he wrote, "Darling, won't you ease my troubled mind." This is exactly what Layla does. On a recent stay at her favourite kennel, a Basset Hound was freaking during a thunder storm. The kennel owner put her in with Layla and the Basset calmed down immediately. Calm, gentle, quiet, and friendly...that's our Layla! As a therapy dog for the Humane Society in Burlington, Layla is an absolute hit in nursing homes, kissing each resident on request. We have fostered 10 Golden Retrievers since adopting Layla and Layla has been a perfect companion foster and has made the fosters' transitions very easy. In fact, one foster showed aggression to most dogs and, on meeting Layla, he calmed right down and they became instant friends. Layla is one-of-a-kind and we are so proud of her because not only is she a wonderful family member but she gives her time generously to help people and other dogs in need.

Janice & Ian

Submit your Golden
photos for The
Guardian & the 2015
Calendar today
- [photos@golden-
rescue.net](mailto:photos@golden-rescue.net)

Meet & Greet Roadie #1805

Roadie found his forever family when he was 18 months old. Our family had just lost our Golden Rex and when we thought no other dog could fill the void, we met Roadie, who filled our hearts. He came with the name Dex but in no time his name was changed to Roadie as he became a valuable employee in our music store, greeting musicians and music students every day by wagging his big, beautiful, bushy tail. He also became well known at our family cottage, mastering canoeing, windsurfing, and sailing. The whole lake knows Roadie and they love to watch him pass by in his canoe, but they particularly love to see him atop his windsurf board with his dad confidently surfing along. Once while sailing, the wind died down and the boat was stranded. Roadie and his dad jumped into the water and they swam side-by-side to shore and got the windsurf board and Roadie grabbed a line on the sailboat and between them, they got everyone safely to shore. Yes Roadie is a rock star! He's also a blond beach boy surfing dude.

Donna & family



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Merry Christmas to all.

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A great BIG thank you to all Retriever Believers ~ you truly have GOLDEN hearts!



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Please give generously during the 'season of love'! *Fred #801*

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In memory of Abby my sister's beloved Golden
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The Lows lost their Golden Angel to cancer. She was a GR Golden

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- follow us on Twitter @goldenrescue and re-tweet us
- follow and PIN us on Pinterest



MEET & GREET

Cooper #1773

Cooper found his forever family in northwest Ontario. Like sweet Jolie, Cooper had a long and winding road to get to his forever home and consequently just loves the car. In his new home, Cooper fell in love with his sister Casha, a nine-year-old Cocker Spaniel, probably because Casha taught him how to bark for treats from both the neighbour and the mailman. Cooper thought this was very cool. Cooper loves riding to the local conservation area, where he could roll in the grass for hours or go swimming or sometimes just lie down in the water. Cooper charms everyone he meets and on his walks, he is famous. His energy and love of life is so strong that no one can believe he's 10 years young. Of course, in his head, he's still a pup and he doesn't know what 10 means! We are so grateful to the entire Golden Rescue team for bringing him into our lives.

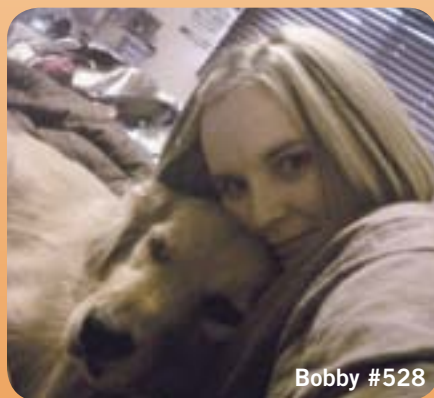
Maggie & Chris



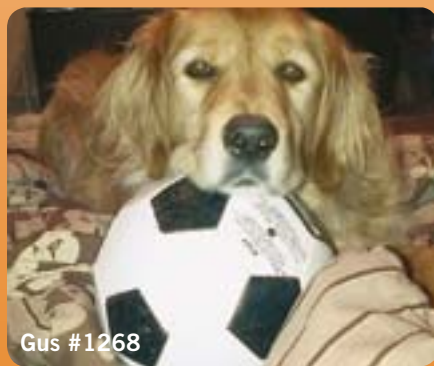
Bobby #528 & Gus #1286

Bobby came to his forever family in London when he was four years old. A sweeter, gentler, more loving boy did not exist on this planet. When he was eight, he was diagnosed with lymphoma. There was no treatment...just medication that would keep the pain away until it was his time to cross the Rainbow Bridge. One day, we saw it in his eyes...Bobby knew it was time to go. We were inconsolable, although we knew it was the best thing for Bobby. A year later, we decided it was time to adopt again so we contacted GR. This time, we got Gus or Gussy Bear as the family calls him. We are in love with Gussy Bear and although Bobby will never be forgotten (that would be impossible), Gus has sure filled the void with his wonderfulness. We believe Bobby is looking down, wagging his tail and teaching Gussy Bear the ropes.

Rebekah & family



Bobby #528



Gus #1268

Tucker #1455

Tucker is a true velcro dog. I fostered Tucker but when it was time for him to be adopted, I just knew I couldn't let him go as we were inseparable...he was my sidekick...the love of my life! A loyal, gentle soul with a heart of gold, I bought a new house so Tucker would have a big fenced backyard. Talk about spoiled...oh well, he deserves it ~ he's amazing. Tucker also loves cats. My cat, Jamie, washes Tucker's face and ears every day. It's their ritual. Tucker has his own dog bed but I really don't know why, as he sleeps beside me every night with his head right on the pillow. The closer the better...after all, he is velcro dog!

Jessica





You...

There are those of you who volunteer their time. There are those of you who volunteer their financial support. There are those of you who do both. Golden Rescue is a collective of all of you, who do so many things to help each and every day.

We have no office. We have no staff. We have no desks.

We have no supply cupboard. We have no water cooler to stand around.

**We have YOU!
You are Golden Rescue!**

So to YOU at this festive time of year, a big heartfelt thank you from all of our Golden Retrievers. Thank you for the many ways you come to the rescue!!! Happy holidays to you and your family and we wish you a healthy and prosperous 2014!

Meet & Greet



Cleo #1892

My family is in love. The object of our affection is the delightful Cleo. Cleo appears to be in love too, particularly with the kids. The only time she pulls on her leash is when she's picking the kids up from school, which is her number one favourite activity. When she gets daytime visits from her grandparents and extra hugs from the little cousins, Cleo is in heaven. This is so heartwarming to see as Cleo, in her previous life, had difficulty warming to strangers. She also didn't get along with other dogs but already she has taken to her dog cousin at the cottage. What a star! Now her favourite activities, apart from walking the kids to and from school, are chasing her ball, diving into the lake, chasing ducks, and lying beside us in bed. No one is quite sure how the bed thing happened... no one will own up to giving her permission, but it doesn't matter now ~ it's a done deal! Speaking of bed, Cleo is an early to bed girl. If you try to take her out after 9:30 p.m., she looks at you as if to say, "You've got to be kidding" and simply trots off to bed ~ very cute! Cleo came to GR sluggish and overweight. Well superstar Cleo lost weight almost immediately in GR's care and has lost another eight pounds recently, so her stamina and fitness levels are improving every day.

Cleopatra, Queen of the Nile

Goes to bed early and makes us smile

She had a buxom figure but now she's lean

So lately we're seeing a little 'less' of the queen.

Rebecca & family

Holiday/Winter Hazards

Let's keep our four-legged family members safe during the holiday season and winter in general. Avoid these...

Food items:

- alcoholic beverages
- chocolate ~ the less sweet and the darker the chocolate, the more toxic it is...baker's chocolate and dark chocolate pose the biggest problems
- coffee
- moldy or spoiled food
- onion or onion powder
- fatty foods ~ may cause gastrointestinal upset or pancreatitis (pancreatitis is an inflammation of the organ that produces digestive enzymes and can be very serious)
- yeast dough ~ ingestion of raw bread dough is very serious and can be life threatening
- macadamia nuts, grapes, and raisins

Plants:

- lilies ~ even the pollen may cause kidney failure in cats...lilies are not toxic to dogs
- poinsettias ~ toxicity is over-rated (ingestion of poinsettias may be toxic to the mouth and stomach or cause mild vomiting or nausea)

- mistletoe ~ has the potential to cause cardiovascular problems but usually causes only gastrointestinal upset
- holly ~ may cause vomiting, nausea, diarrhea, and lethargy

Around the Christmas tree:

- Christmas tree water ~ may contain fertilizers ~ stagnant water can encourage the growth of bacteria, which may result in vomiting, nausea, and diarrhea
- electrical cords
- ribbons or tinsel
- batteries
- glass ornaments

Other winter hazards:

- antifreeze ~ ethylene glycol is extremely toxic and even small amounts may result in fatal renal failure
- liquid potpourris ~ certain types may cause irritation to the mouth, skin or eyes
- rat and mouse killers ~ may be used more often during the winter ~ if you have pets, then rat and mouse killers really have no place in your home due to their potential toxicity.

STARS OF 2014 CALENDAR – DECEMBER

Hutch #1712 & Ruby



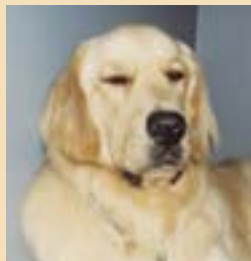
WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY



Sadie #1851



Syrius #1865



Wrangler #1877



Tao Tao #1881



Russell #1888



Kacey #1890



Teddy #1895



Beau #1898



Herc #1904



Blazer #1911



Zeus #1913

Barney #1920

6.5-year-old male adopted by Laura Wilkins

Beau #1886

17-month-old male adopted by Mary Elin Dwyer

Beau #1898

17-month-old male adopted by Heather & Geoff Grieve

Benjamin #1855

5-year-old male adopted by Alexandra Taylor

Blazer #1911

10-year-old male adopted by Norah & Doug Mills

Buddy #1926

1-year-old male adopted by Lisa & Mark Yukich

Candy #1917

6.5-year-old female adopted by Ann & Tim Hobbs

Cher #1879

7.5-year-old female adopted by Brenda & Tom Poirier

Cleo #1892

6-year-old female adopted by Rebecca & Jon Rogers

Herc #1904

4.5-year-old male adopted by David & Joanne Marsh

Honey #1907

2-year-old female adopted by Sue & Lorne Battiston

Jolie #1858

9-year-old female adopted by Linda Kurelo

Kacey #1890

11.5-year-old female adopted by Lynn Hunt & Frank Perri

Krystal #1866

8-year-old female adopted by Gloria & Ben Berry

Lily #1874

3-year-old female adopted by Natalie Brown

Lochlann #1905

2.5-year-old male adopted by Carol & Tom Schoeps

Marley #1857

11-month-old male adopted by Sue & Richard Anderson

Marley #1884

2-year-old female adopted by Sharon Springett

Max #1902

1-year-old male adopted by Jana & Graham Benfield

Molly #1921

3-month-old female adopted by Colleen & Keith Anderson

Nalah #1873

18-month-old female adopted by Daniel Ryan

Nicki #1872

18-month-old female adopted by Daniel Ryan

Prada #1894

4-year-old female adopted by Cindy Williams

Prince #1878

5-year-old male adopted by Maizie & Greg Burgess

Russell #1888

5.5-year-old male adopted by Alison Rae

Rusty #1900

3-year-old male adopted by Therese & Murray Jaques

Sadie #1851

11-year-old female adopted by Donna & Bob Craig

Sandy #1901

6.5-year-old female adopted by Heather & Jeff Stocks

Spirit #1887

8-year-old female adopted by Carol Weale

Stanley #1864

5.5-year-old male adopted by Brenda Griffiths-Nanacsik & Charles Nanacsik

Star #1903

2.5-year-old female adopted by Steve Sunnen

Stella #1813

4.5-year-old female adopted by Kim & Grant Gillespie

Syrius #1865

9-month-old male adopted by Pat Drummond

Tao Tao #1881

7.5-year-old female adopted by Elizabeth & Doug Stewart

Teddy #1895

6.5-year-old male adopted by Carol & Dave Brooks

Titan #1916

4-year-old male adopted by Michelle & Peter Wrigglesworth

Tucker #1899

6.5-year-old male adopted by Kiera Gagnon

Wrangler #1877

2-year-old male adopted by Marcia & Matt Swain

Zeus #1913

1-year-old male adopted by Larry Cain



UPCOMING EVENTS

The Pickering Markets ~ November 30/December 1, December 7/8 & December 14/15 ~ Come out and visit us! Or email volunteer@golden-rescue.net if you'd like to help out at our booth!

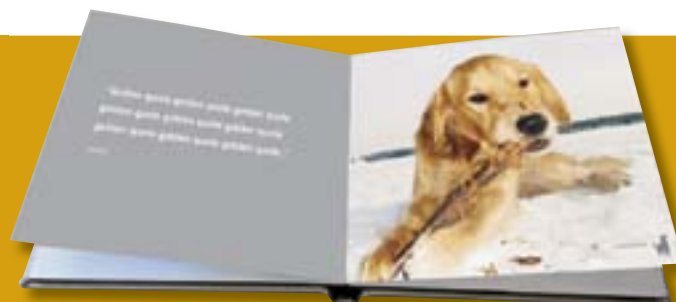
Here's what we have on our calendar for 2014. Stay tuned for dates and more information!

Thank YOU for volunteering your precious time at our events in 2013. We couldn't have done it without you!

The Events Line-Up

Event Name	Dates	Location
LCBO Tag Days	Apr, May, Jun, Sep	Various locations
Car Rally	June 21st	Barrie to Port Severn area
Woofstock Walkathon	June	Toronto (St. Lawrence Market area)
Golden Rescue Picnic	September	Alliston
Bala Cranberry Festival	October	Bala
Ottawa Dog Expo	November	Ottawa
Oro-Medonte Artisan Show	November	Orillia
The Pickering Markets	December weekends	Pickering

Golden Rescue's 25TH ANNIVERSARY COFFEE TABLE BOOK



**Pages subject to change*

It's hard to believe that Golden Rescue is turning 25 years old next year...but we are! This is a big milestone for us and the Board of Directors would like to commemorate this achievement in a special way. We have decided to publish a coffee table book.

Now this is not just any book. This will be a high quality, hard cover, glossy pictorial history of Golden Rescue. The book will be in the 200-page range and will be 70% photography and 30% content. To give you some idea of the quality we will be striving for, the book will be available for sale in the \$60 - \$80 range. If you go to any bookstore and look at coffee table books in this price range, you will get a sense of what we are trying to accomplish.

This is a huge project, which must have a champion to lead it. We are very fortunate to have such a champion in Lou Kirby. Lou brought this idea to us a earlier this year

and we loved it. Lou and his wife Betty are ardent fosters and supporters of GR.

Of course Lou is going to need your help. Most of the book will be a pictorial journey through the life of our beloved Golden Retrievers. To do this, we will need many photographs and stories. Photographs will need to be high-resolution; therefore, will need to be taken with a decent camera (and not with a cell phone). The shots don't need to be posed, in fact, the more candid the better ~ they just need to be good quality photographs.

We also need stories. We need sad stories with happy endings and happy stories with happier endings. Don't worry about your writing style. We will rewrite and edit everything. We just need you to give us the story in any form you can and we'll do the rest.

Lou, from time-to-time, will be in touch with you...encouraging you to give us

photographs and stories so please help wherever you can.

Lou can be reached at lou@golden-rescue.net. So, if you have a story you'd like to share, there's no time like the present!

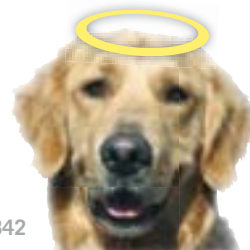
You have until FEBRUARY 28th, 2014 to submit photos and a storyline.

From the Board of Directors ~ a big thank you to Lou for championing this wonderful project. We hope you will get caught up in Lou's enthusiasm and send us your wonderful Golden's story.

Let's share our stories and celebrate 25 years of Golden moments!

Golden Angels

In each and every issue, we'd like to recognize some outstanding volunteers. Here, you will meet golden angels with golden hearts.



Shadow #1342



Hillary & Jim with
Sandy #1688 & Jewel #1591

Hillary & Jim Alton

Hillary and Jim started to help GR almost five years ago. They do many things for us; however, the most amazing is long-term fostering. Foster homes are always hard to find, so having foster homes willing to take on long-term fosters is incredible. Right now, they have two long-term fosters, Jewel #1591 and Sandy #1688, who they have cared for almost two years. This tireless couple have fostered eleven Golden Retrievers and, if that is not enough, they do home visits, behaviour evaluations, foster interviews, and event volunteering. Jim is a great photographer and has provided GR with many photographs for the calendar and for silent auctions to help with fundraising. Both are also involved in editing our 25th anniversary coffee table book. Is there no end to their giving? With Hillary and Jim's kindness and generosity, no wonder GR succeeds. Thank you so much for everything you do ~ we hope you know how special you are!!! *(please give a cuddle to Jewel and Sandy)*

Doris Thompson

Doris Thompson is an absolute jewel in our Golden Rescue family. Doris is our database team lead and guru, which is vital for our fundraising efforts. For that matter, without good quality, analyzable data, an organization is blind. With Doris' corporate background in computer systems and statistics, Golden Rescue is in good hands. After 20 years in corporate life, Doris retired and made a purposeful change from the chaotic business world to the world of canine care and has never looked back. From involvement with the Humane Society visiting nursing homes with dogs, to national service dogs and dog guides, Doris has done it all. She has even completed and received a canine behaviour science and technology diploma with distinction. Doris provides a professional dog walking service and is well versed in dog training, handling, kennel manners, behaviour, and first aid. In the midst of all this, Doris thankfully finds time for Golden Rescue and we are so very grateful. Doris shares her life with two amazing Golden Retrievers, Muskoka and Marley, and her loving husband, three university-attending kids, and a comical Pug named Coco Chanel. Thank you Doris...we're not sure what we'd do without you!



Andrea, Chris & Avro

Chris Gill & Andrea Dawkins

Chris and Andrea got their first Golden, Avro, in 2002. At the time, they could not find a Golden through the Humane Society so they went to a reputable breeder. A few years later, they found Golden Rescue on-line. As like all of us, they were shocked that Golden Retrievers would need a rescue organization but once they found out about GR, they were compelled to volunteer their time...much to our delight. This amazing couple have done so many things from manning event booths, baking dog cookies to fundraise, doing home visits, and for a number of years Chris has been an event coordinator, which has included driving the truck to events and setting-up the GR booth. Chris and Andrea are critical members of the GR family and they claim they have met many wonderful people and have seen such dedication for the dogs that they continue to look forward to volunteering for many years to come. How lucky are we? Thanks so much Chris and Andrea...you too are 'wonderful people' with great big hearts!

**Please help! Foster
a Golden today...**



Doris & Muskoka



What we have once enjoyed, we can never lose.
All that we love deeply becomes part of us. *Helen Keller*



Ginger #802

Bentley #1848

This easy-going, gentle giant was taken from the world and from his forever family far too soon. Debra and Randy...we are so sad for your loss. He will be missed! **Viive**

Brandy #1329

Our deepest sympathies to Ed and Karen on the loss of beautiful Brandy, one of the eldest of 12 Golden Retrievers who were rescued together in January 2010. Gone but never forgotten, Brandy will be in all our hearts forever. **Randy & Cherie Barlow**

Colby #1813 & Hawk #1831

To Sheri and Barry Dell, who lost both Colby and Hawk within eight days ~ the grief is

overwhelming. Truly 'brothers' in every way, they leave behind Buzz #1386 and Hunter #1909. With the Dells, Hawk and Colby enjoyed the sunset months of their lives in a home filled with love. What every dog wishes for, Colby and Hawk found their caring and compassionate family. **Barb Almeida**

Dawsen #1607

My heart goes out Elizabeth and Paul who tragically lost Dawsen, a fantastic boy with a huge zest for life. His life was way too short! Sharing in your sadness... **Viive**

Ginger #802

To Cynthia Mazur and Fred #801, we extend our sympathies on the loss of their constant companion and 'sister' Ginger. The pair were adopted by Cynthia in 2007 and have been a family together since that summer! Our condolences go out to Cynthia as we know Ginger is the bright star in the sky 'still dancing'! **Barb Almeida**

Ginger #802

In memory of beautiful Ginger and our deepest condolences to Cynthia and Fred #801. Ginger was a wonderful ambassador for Golden Rescue and she will be sorely missed. Ginger has left a deep pawprint on our hearts! **Viive & Iain**

Happy #656

With great sadness, we report that Happy #656 crossed the Rainbow Bridge suddenly on April 5th, 2013. Happy



Happy #656

was not our first dog, but he was the first dog we ever adopted. He will always have a special place in our hearts. Though it seemed like a short while, we were very fortunate to have had him almost seven years. We miss his playfulness, his loving company, and even his constant thievery. He had such a big personality with his comedic antics and his sweet and gentle nature. He is dearly missed by his forever family and brother Trooper. **Dale & Katherine**

Jessi #1733

All Golden Retrievers are special and we have been lucky to share our lives with many rescues who have touched our hearts in a special way. Sometimes though, one comes along that truly changes our lives forever and Jessi was one of those dogs for us. Our year together was filled with some challenges but the foundation of our relationship was unconditional love, which brought us through all that we faced together and created a very strong bond. Jessi was unique and beautiful and could light up a room with her sweet personality and her non-stop wiggle butt. She was adored by all who met her. We loved her more than words can express and are so very sad that she was taken from us too soon but forever grateful for the precious time we spent together. We will always love our 'Little Miss Woo Woo' and she will remain in our hearts forever. **Randy & Cherie Barlow**



Jessi #1733

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To Cherie and Randy Barlow, we are forever grateful for their compassionate care of this vision impaired sweet girl and extend our condolences on their loss. In their warm and loving home, Jessi thrived on their understanding and warm embrace. The 'Woo-Woo' girl has truly left her mark. **Barb Almeida**

Jessi #1733

It was a very sad day when Golden Rescue and the Barlow gang lost their precious Jessi. I know how much you loved her! The little 'chomper' will be missed. **Viive**

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& Chloe

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