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Nala #1948 (top right),
Harlow, Arden & Tripp

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SPECIAL ADOPTION ALERT ~ STRONG ALPHA NEEDED!

Jack #2539



Hi everyone my name is Jack and I'm around four years old (not that I'm super good at counting...haha). Although I'm 'mostly Golden', the thought is that I might have a little Chow in me and I'm told I'm handsome! I've been with my fosters for a while because I have some issues. I am getting worried that no one wants me. I'm very grateful to my amazing foster family but I know it's time for me to move on. I basically have two not-so-good things to tell you about (I might as well get them out of the way first). One...I'm not good with other dogs (or cats). Two...I bit someone once. You see, they tried to take a toy out of my mouth and I'm not good with that. If you want what I have just ask me to "drop it" and I will but if you try to take it from me I get mad. I feel awful about this and it has really put me in a tough spot with other humans other than my foster family. On the plus side, I am very loving and love people. I am a big boy and not a barker. In fact, I hardly ever bark. That's good, isn't it? I also have no problem being left alone ~ I know you have things to do that won't always involve me. If you are active, I'm your boy. I have tons of energy and love to run so a fenced-in yard would be #2 on my wish list (#1 is finding you, of course). I'm even good on the leash! I also love cuddling and being petted so I'm not only about exercise. My foster dad says I'm a great boy but I need a calm family with a strong, consistent, patient, alpha in my pack and in my corner...someone who is loving but firm...someone who understands me and knows my foibles and loves me despite them...someone who is good and strong and has experience with big dogs. And my foster dad will spend loads of time showing how I've been trained and will provide you with ongoing support. I'm a fast learner and anxious to please so I'm sure we'd have an amazing life together. If I could find the right family, I would pay you back with a mountain of love and loyalty. Might you be that person? I'm starting to worry I'll never find you and the words of that Hank William's song are starting to creep into my ear and I don't like it:

"I'm nobody's child, I'm nobody's child

I'm like a flower just growing wild

There's no mommy's kisses and no daddy's smile

Nobody wants me, I'm nobody's child"

If you are interested in finding out more about Jack, please email adoption@goldenrescue.ca or call our hotline at 1.866.712.8444

Open for Business... **SO BUY AND SUPPORT!**



The GR store is chock full of quality logoed merchandise which not only helps our fundraising efforts but, perhaps more importantly, helps to raise awareness of the organization. T-shirts, jackets, hoodies, rain jackets, windbreakers, all in a variety of colors and sizes, have the GR logo, helping us get our message out there. Other items like fridge magnets, bumper stickers, and licence plate holders also help tell our story.

Of course the store also has our stunning coffee table book 'Golden Reflections', high-quality notecards, plus a number of other gift items perfect for a birthday or special occasion for either your two or four-legged friends. The site is easy to navigate and your order is processed immediately.

And, if you have any merchandise suggestions or comments, please email swag@goldenrescue.ca. Thank you!

HAPPY SHOPPING!

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Nala #1948 ~ Whatever Nala’s early story was, it made her nervous and untrusting. This scared little girl took her time to figure out life. When she first came to the cottage, she would not go near the water.

In fact, she wouldn’t go near the water the following year either.

In year three, everything changed and Nala became a confident, loving water-baby. She lives a wonderful life with her forever family and her siblings Harlow, Arden, and Tripp. **Jacquie**

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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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Betty with Shadow #1342 & Kona

The Clancy Chronicles



Clancy...

It was a cold and windy March morning when I arrived in this place called Canada. It was a long and confusing journey. For so many hours (days in a dog's life) we were in the belly of a big metal bird. Finally we landed, were unloaded from the belly, and loaded into a big truck. The doors closed and we started to move. We had heard so many rumours ~ some of my travel companions understood this strange language and told us we were going to our forever families where we would be fed, have a safe place to sleep, and be loved. I remember this thing called 'love'. When I was very little, I was loved very much. I remember the ear rubs and tummy scratches, the warm feeling that came from big hugs, gentle hands brushing my fur. Then life changed. Things happened. Somehow I ended up tied in a shed, alone, hungry, matted, and unloved. I had thought this was how the rest of my life was going to be ~ Lonely. Desperate. Defeated.

This was about to change!

Much later, the truck slowed down and came to a stop. The doors opened. My fellow travellers and I were anxious, cautious, nervous, excited, and scared. We carried so many emotions, but when we saw all those smiling faces and heard the kind voices, we felt safe.

One by one, our crates were removed from the truck. One by one our crates were brought into a large building. After that, things were a blur. When I was in the shelter in Istanbul,

I heard this word Clancy when they were talking to me. I didn't know why. Suddenly, it was my turn. I hear someone announce 'Clancy', my crate was opened, collar slipped on, hands petting me, I was leashed, and then I was outside. Wow, so many of the others were outside already with humans holding their leashes, having a long-deserved potty break. We were all sniffing the air and the ground and I realized the voice holding my leash was saying 'Let's go home, Clancy'. Well, if they have me confused with another dog whose name is Clancy, I'm not going to correct them! I jumped readily into the back of a car with these new people. So much to see! The city lights, the busy highway, the speeding vehicles. I take it all in. In the east, I see the rising sun and it gives me comfort. Some things are still the same. I settle down and sleep. It's the dawn of a new day and a new life for me...Clancy.

After a while, my car comes to a stop. I hear the gentle voices wake me saying 'we are here Clancy, we are home'. They walk me around and let me sniff, checking out everything! It takes so long and my nose is finding so many new scents. It is so quiet here ~ all I can hear are noises in nature. We go inside a house...my new home! So many new smells here too! I check out every corner and then they show me MY room. I have my own room with my own crate, fluffy bedding, big bowl of fresh water, and basket filled with something called 'stuffies'? It's time for breakfast and before I eat my food, I remember my manners and sit and offer the person my paw. She laughs and says 'you are a keeper!' I'm not sure what she is saying, I'm just grateful for the yummy food!

When my first day was over, I went off to bed. I had such a great day, but I was so tired. My people put me in my room and shut the gate. Before I went into my bed, I turned and gave my deepest woof to thank them. They were surprised that such a big noise came from me but smiled and said 'you're welcome! Sleep tight'. And I did.

MAY

I have been in my new home for several months. So much has happened, so many new experiences, and it's all been pretty good! I'm learning more about my people and they are learning about me. They now know I love spa days (I was pretty matted and stinky when I first arrived. I had skin issues and had to wear the cone-of-shame to prevent me from scratching myself so much). Now, with special shampoo and a great groomer, I

am one handsome fella! And I feel SO much better! My fur is so soft and silky I could do a shampoo commercial! My people thought I was a bit deaf, but I had bad ear infections, which has cleared up nicely thanks to those drops I got. Now my ears are perkier, getting thinner, and I can hear the cheese drawer open at 100 paces!

I love my vet! She's been so good with me. I've had to see her a lot, since I've had some issues that have been taken care of by the nice people at Golden Rescue. I needed to get three teeth extracted (they think I was chewing on metal bars). Also my diet in Istanbul wasn't the best and I am very anaemic but my new mom has me on the best food. She's trying to get me to gain some weight to cover my ribs. I thought my massive fur did that? But I am feeling much healthier and I am enjoying my longer walks.

My days are pretty good. I discovered that the big cushion on the living room floor is for me! I felt guilty when I was caught laying on it but my new mom laughed and said it was especially for me. Wow ~ another comfy place to snooze!

I like to sit and sleep on the porch, protecting my new mom when she's in the garden and I like sitting with my dad after work getting lots of head rubs and neck scratches. And any chance I get, I'll go for a car ride! I like to sleep and I love food! Who doesn't???

I'm very calm and content. I like everyone and everything. Except squirrels. I want to chase them. And fluffy cats, they scare me. The vet has some cats that think they run the joint and the skinny ones are fine. But those fluffy things...whoa, I'll protect you, new mom!

Everyone calls me precious and a sweetheart. My new mom and dad call me their fuzzy Bear, Patches (on account of various shaved spots from various vet visits), and Fancy-Clancy when I come back from the groomers. One thing is for sure, everyone seems to think I'm pretty great and I'm enjoying every minute. Life in Canada is good indeed!!!

Now I'll let my new mom and dad say a few words...

Deb & Dave...

It's been five months since Clancy came into our lives. We had no intention of getting another dog after our 15-year-old Golden passed away in October. But after several weeks of silence, our house seemed so empty and we decided it was time to fill our home again with the sounds of dog prancing,



finding stuffies strewn about, soft wet nuzzles to be petted, and yes, even the fur! We missed all these things. The search to fill that hole began.

After searching several shelters, we were told about Golden Rescue. After reading about their work rescuing Golden Retrievers and finding them perfect families, the decision was made and the application sent. And sent again...finally our contact from Golden Rescue called to say there was a dog from Istanbul needing fostering with the option to adopt if we were interested. We were hoping for a younger dog, house trained. Clancy was eight with no history on him. However one look at Clancy's photo and the decision was made. Yes!

When we first got Clancy, he was very hesitant and cautious and not very confident. As he became more comfortable, he became surer and quite vocal too. He has a very deep bark to alert us if another dog is getting too close to our property. Or if he feels his meal is delayed, a few gentle woofs to let us know. It is obvious that he has had some training, as he is very well mannered and polite. We are

looking forward to taking him to doggy school to see how much he does know. Initially he walked very well on the leash, but didn't want to go far. Now he walks with tail up and ears bouncing (I call them the 'Flying Nun' ears). He can be quite determined if he feels we should walk further ~ he is a bit stubborn. He enjoys going for car rides and readily jumps in if a door is left open. He loves his food, his walks, and his naps. When he wants attention, he comes to us and drops his head on our lap for some good head scratching and body rubs. His health issues are under control now. He has gained weight and is looking much healthier and has more energy.

We have a basket of stuffies but he had shown no interest in them. However, the other day I brought a toy outside and he started to toss it around and shake it vigorously. He was quite enthralled and played for some time, keeping us entertained. His Kong is a source of amusement as well ~ he wasn't sure what it was all about until a treat dropped out. It is so comical to watch as he tries to figure out how to get the treats! And when our grand-dog comes to play, Kong

is the one thing he tries to protect. He isn't interested in sharing. In fact he'll lay on it until her attention is elsewhere!

Clancy is terrified of the lake however. Every day on our walk, we go through the woods and the park to the lake. He simply freezes and refuses to go further, especially when the waves are loud. When the lake was iced over he had no issues, but with the ice gone he won't go near it. So we just walk away. Some days he is braver but he has no intention of getting too close.

He is such delight and every day he makes us laugh with his antics. We feel so fortunate to have Clancy in our lives and look forward to watching his character unfold. I'm sure, over time, we will discover more 'Clancy quirks'. The love he has shown us, the laughter he has given us, the genuine affection he has shown us, confirms that we made the best decision ever in adopting Clancy. And for that, we have a deep gratitude to Golden Rescue for finding us our perfect companion! Many thanks, Golden Rescue!

Look for me in the
2018 Calendar!

MEET & GREET

Katy #2233

This two-year-old beauty came to her new family unsocialized and untrained and she didn't know stairs, the car or even being in the house. The product of a backyard breeder, Katy had had a tough early life. Today, our girl is a superstar and has learned so much and has adapted to her new life beautifully. She is happy and confident and loves her forever family. You can usually tell by looking into her eyes that she's very grateful for her new life... but in this photo, she looks sheepish and destined for a bath!

Rosemarie





MEET & GREET

Kelly #2576

Kelly is another Golden who arrived from the streets of Istanbul. After a relatively short settling-in period, she acclimatized to Canada exceptionally well. A genuine neighbourhood favourite, Kelly qualifies as the 'perfect' Golden full of fun, love, and gratitude.

Randy

Meet & Greet



Emily #2522

Emily found her perfect forever family with us and loves everyone she meets. Here are what the kids say about our lovely girl:

- Emily has gained weight (kids said "she's fatter" LOL)
- she's more puppy-like
- she's not shy and timid anymore
- she smiles and wags her tail all the time
- she hugs us a lot
- she always knows where the cat is
- she steals socks and stuffed animals ~ sometimes the stuffed animals are the ones we don't want her to have so we have to chase her down the stairs to get them back ~ she thinks it's a game

Well said kids!

Patty

GOLDEN MOMENTS[©]



The Young and the Restless and the Old and the Beautiful make...Our Worlds Turn!

Help Us Help Goldens – Consider Volunteering!

Golden Rescue is growing and evolving...moving and shaking ~ like a Golden after a bath and we're looking for volunteers! Might that be you? We run solely with volunteers ~ a wonderfully dedicated group sharing a common vision to safeguard the well-being of every Golden in our care. Our work is hugely rewarding and we would love to hear from you. We currently have needs in a number of areas:

CASUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Events

Bring your Golden or just yourself and help out at one of our many events throughout the year ~ all with the double goal of raising funds and building awareness for Golden Rescue. The events are fun and everyone ~ and we mean everyone ~ loves to talk to our volunteers about our sweet Goldens. You never have to ask for a donation ~ we simply have a 'Please Donate' sign and donation jar in full view. If you are interested in volunteering at an upcoming event, please visit and "like" our Golden Rescue Facebook page and our website at <http://goldenrescue.ca/news-events/events> to view our upcoming schedule.

Transport

Eastern Ontario & Quebec

Transport help is always needed to move our Goldens from their past to their future new lives. To do this, volunteer drivers travel the province and beyond picking up our precious cargo from their previous homes, shelters, vet offices, etc. and driving them to their foster homes. Sometimes this trip is short and can be done by one person and other times the distance is greater, requiring volunteers to

work as a relay team, picking up or dropping off at identified locations along the way. Obviously, this is a very important task. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and be willing to use their own car.

Home Visits

Potential foster or adopting families require a home visit. You would visit these temporary and permanent families and spend about 30 minutes engaging in conversation and asking some questions from the questionnaire we provide to you to guide the conversation. When you return home, you are asked to fill out the home visit form and email it to the volunteer who contacted you.

TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

Legal Counsel

Every now and then Golden Rescue needs legal advice. For example, there are times where the ownership of one of our Goldens may be in question or we may need some help revising or interpreting bylaws. It doesn't happen often; however, when it does, it would be helpful to have someone at our side to guide us through those legal issues. It would be great if you were to have charitable expertise and a legal network to draw upon. You would be working directly with our board of directors and, in time, you may wish to serve on the board as an advisor. We would love to meet a lawyer who loves Goldens and supports the idea of rescue in general. Naturally, passion and belief in our cause is vital. We would call on your expertise rarely but it would be comforting to know we have legal expertise in our corner. Interested in helping us out? If you are, please email board@goldenrescue.ca.

Social Media Graphic Designers

We are looking for Graphic Designers to help with the creation of content for our social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, YouTube, etc.). If you like being part of a team and have a good understanding of social media, basic design practices, and basic Photoshop and/or Illustrator software knowledge, we would love to hear from you! This role works in conjunction with the Social Media Team to create aesthetically pleasing content that enhances our social media presence. Content also needs to be branded, informative,

and engaging to promote Golden Rescue's events and core messaging. **Estimated time commitment:** 20 hours/month

Graphic Designer (website & eblasts)

We are looking for a Graphic Designer to create our website banners and creative posts (eblasts) to communicate ideas that inspire, inform or captivate our volunteers into joining one of our awareness and fundraising events. The graphic designer will develop the overall layout, graphics, and production design of our eblasts with the help of our events team. Initial training and continued support for this role will be provided as needed. You will need to know or learn how to use MailChimp and be familiar with a Content Management System (CMS), basic HTML, and CSS. Our current CMS is Concrete 5. **Estimated time commitment:** 10 hours per month

Volunteer Coordinators

Volunteer Coordinators are vital members of the Golden Rescue team. They are responsible for the recruitment and coordination of volunteers, two legged and four legged, for our events. These events occur during the period April to December and are an important part of fundraising and building awareness. It is our goal that each VC will have 3-4 events to manage during the year, which can be done remotely and involves mostly emails with some phone work starting about two months prior to the event. **Estimated time commitment:** 6-8 hours per event

CAN YOU HELP US HELP GOLDENS? THEY'RE COUNTING ON YOU...AND SO ARE WE.

If any of these opportunities are of interest to you, please let us know by emailing: teamresources@goldenrescue.ca

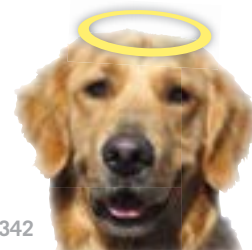
ON THE FENCE ABOUT FOSTERING?

I would rather cry watching them leave our home to live a life of happiness and joy in a loving home than cry because no one stepped up to help them and they died alone, frightened, and sad.

Fostering saves lives. Try it!

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

Dr. Guylaine Paquin & Pine Ridge Veterinary Clinic

Dr. Guylaine Paquin is a great and passionate supporter of GR. A vet at Pine Ridge Veterinary Clinic, one of our supporting vets, Guylaine and the team at Pine Ridge have been a great help to the 20+ fosters lucky enough to be under their care. Drs. Patricia & Vernon Chase, the owners of Pine Ridge, support our rescue efforts wholeheartedly and we cannot thank everyone in the clinic enough. Guylaine says she is impressed with GR's processes and our level of dedication to each and every Golden. We could not do what we do without her support and care and it is very comforting to have Guylaine and everyone at Pine Ridge in our corner.



Pine Ridge Veterinary Clinic Team

Susan Hill

Susan has been an animal lover all her life. Her first introduction to Golden Retrievers was in her mid 20's when her first Golden, Thumper, came into her life. This love affair actually inspired her to make a career change and she went back to school to become a registered veterinary technician. While at school, she encountered her first rescue opportunity with a senior Golden who had been brought in to be euthanized after being shot in the woods. After his recovery, Susan adopted him and he lived happily in her home for 10 years. Some years later, she was introduced to Golden Rescue and realized there were many Golden Retrievers who needed help. Fortunately for Golden Rescue, Susan started to volunteer at the picnic, selling lottery tickets, and volunteering at events; however, her most rewarding experience has been fostering. Using her skills to nurture her many fosters back to health and experiencing their gratitude has inspired Susan to do all she can to help. Our Golden Retrievers are the lucky recipients of her inspiration. Thank you Susan for all you have and continue to do! You are truly a Golden angel. Susan works as the Practice Manager at Don Valley Animal Hospital and Dr. Francouer is the owner. We thank them both for their fabulous support!

Bev Milobar

Bev is a volunteer from afar ~ all the way from Edmonton. She is proof positive that geography is no barrier for volunteering. Bev first encountered GR at a Windsor LCBO Tag Day where she struck up a conversation with a GR volunteer so she decided to help. Her first experience with rescue was her own rescued Levi, who was a very difficult case as he was aggressive towards other dogs. Bev was able to train him and they had a wonderful life together. When Levi crossed the Rainbow Bridge some years later, Bev was inconsolable and thought she would never get another dog. Eventually, Harley, a lovely Golden came into her life. Harley's capacity for love truly inspired Bev and once she discovered GR, she threw herself into volunteering wherever she could. Today from Edmonton, she is on the social media team as a Facebook administrator. When Bev moved west, she chose not to give up her volunteering. From Edmonton, she continues to work on the social media team and is a strong GR supporter and advocate. She is spreading the word about GR to anyone in Edmonton willing to listen and she epitomizes that when there's passion, there's always a way! We are so lucky to have Bev as part of the GR family.

Thanks to all Golden Angels!



Dr. Paquin, Autumn #1765 & Woody #1556



Susan & Mowat with Tilt and Cubbie



Bev and entourage

MEET & GREET

Sugar #2526

Sugar #2526 is an amazing Istanbul beauty who arrived as Sugarplum. From the time she peeked out of the crate at Pearson airport, she has been loved. This smart girl learned the language quickly and immediately understood that her new Canadian family wanted nothing but the best for her. She loves her walks, rearranging all the sticks in the backyard, chasing squirrels, her new dog bed, and all her toys. She alerts the family every morning when the paper arrives although the family doesn't seem to want to read at 4 a.m. Oh well, at least Sugar has done her job. She is intrigued with Canada's fluffy white stuff but wasn't unhappy when it started to warm up.

Kathy & Henry



Look for me in the 2018 Calendar!

Goldens Can Now Benefit from Your Reward Points

We are thrilled to announce Golden Rescue's alliances with Aeroplan, CIBC Rewards, Scotia Rewards, Shoppers Optimum, and Vancity Rewards. Now you can donate your reward points from these programs to Golden Rescue.

Reward points received by Golden Rescue will be redeemed as gift certificates for fundraising or to purchase enticing gifts for auction at our annual picnic or prizes for our Wishbone lottery. Your points donation is also eligible for a charitable tax receipt. Watch for more information on Facebook and our website, but for now, here's what you need to know...

To donate Aeroplan rewards: Log in to your account online. Click on "Use Your Miles" and then "Donate" and then search for Golden Rescue, or simply copy this URL into your browser, which will take you directly to the Golden Rescue donation page. <https://beyondmiles.aeroplan.com/eng/charity/1130>

Also, each charitable donation made through a member donation will be topped up by a 10% contribution from Aeroplan. This applies for all donations to all accounts, all the time.

To donate CIBC & Scotia Rewards: Log in to your account, select a CanadaHelps reward amount, and follow the instructions provided.

To donate Vancity Rewards (Vancity is a Vancouver-based financial company)

Log in to your account or call 1.866.661.3377. Provide the Charitable Registration Number: 88810 1128 RR0001 and the number of points you wish to donate.

To donate Shopper's Optimum: Log in to your account, click "Donate/Transfer Points" and Golden Rescue is in the drop down under "Donate Points to a Charity"

Please consider making your points work for our Goldens ~ yet another way to help future Goldens in need.



askGoldie

Goldie #654

M@il Retriever

It's September and time for school again! Thank you, as always, for your letters and great questions. Cheers, Goldie

If you have any questions about the care of Golden Retrievers or behavioural issues or you want information about Golden Rescue in general, please email me with any question/comment at board@goldenrescue.ca. Thank you so much!

**GOLDEN
RETRIEVER**



**IT'S HARD BEING
THIS PERFECT**

**Just kidding...
IT'S AWESOME**

Dear Goldie: I've seen non-Golden breeds representing Golden Rescue at events like LCBO Tag Days. I think that causes some confusion for event participants if your organization only rescues Golden Retrievers. Maybe Golden Retrievers should be the only breed at your events? Just sayin'. Baffled in Bracebridge

Dear Baffled: You are absolutely right. It is confusing to see other breeds at Golden Rescue events. To set the record straight, Golden Rescue is devoted to rescuing a single-breed only ~ our beloved Golden Retrievers. We have recently asked our valued volunteers to ensure that they bring only Golden Retrievers to events when they are representing our organization to alleviate any further confusion and because...well...we are Golden Rescue. It just makes sense. We hope you will no longer be baffled when you attend our events. Goldie

Dear Goldie: Man, I seem to be itchy all the time. What's up with that? Could it be allergies, or fleas, or a skin issue? Can you help me? Scratchy in Sarnia

Hi Scratchy: I know how uncomfortable it is to be scratching all the time! Golden Retrievers have a thick coat and it's sometimes hard for our family to find out the cause of our scratching. There are several reasons that could make you scratch like a monkey! One of them might be fleas, another might be insect bites or a sting. The most common sign of an insect bite is redness and swelling where you have been bitten. Even spiders can cause

bites with swelling and pain. Ticks also cause swelling but they can also carry diseases. It is important that your family takes you to a vet to see what's making you itch so much. There are products to help us during flea and tick season. Thank goodness for that!! Also, it's possible that you could have a food allergy. This takes a bit of time to determine, but it will be worth it in the long run. It might mean going on a special diet for a while so that your humans can figure out what works and what doesn't. Your vet will be able to help with that one. In the meantime, there are some antihistamines ~ like Benadryl ~ that can sometimes help. So easy to swallow, when wrapped in a little cheese, and delicious too! But check with your vet first before taking them. Itchy-be-gone! Goldie

Dear Goldie: From time to time I find myself whisked off to the doggy spa for a good soaking, soaping, rinsing, and drying. Kinda sounds like a car wash, right? I'm wondering if all that primping and pampering is actually good for me? How often should I have a bath? Is there such a thing as too much of a good thing? I hope not cuz I love my spa days! Diva

Dear Diva: Oh how we all love those spa days! Oooh – the pre-bath brush, the water, the soap, the belly massage and the best of all... a pawdicure! So awesome, right? That's the good news and I hate to burst your soap bubbles, but I have to be honest and say that most dogs don't really need too many

baths. As a matter of fact, your humans have to be careful not to overdo it in the suds department because your skin can get a bit dry and that's never a good thing. Most of us only need a bath every few months; however, if you like to roll around in smelly stuff outside or if the weather is particularly hot for a long time, you might need a bath a bit more often ~ especially if you want to continue to sleep on your human's bed. If you're a cottage dog, who loves to swim, you might not need a bath all summer, so keep that in mind too. Clean and lean....Goldie

Dear Goldie: I seem to get very anxious when my humans leave the house. They leave music on for me, which calms me a bit, but I actually think I get a bit depressed. Is that possible? What advice do you have for my humans to help with my sad feelings? Blue Dude

Dear Blue Dude: We are so attached to our humans and we all react differently to being alone. Even two dogs in the same house can feel differently when their humans are away. There could be many reasons for it. Some dogs are just more dependent on their humans to feel secure. Regardless, feeling blue or anxious is very common and there are a few things that your humans can do to help you. If there is a new puppy or even an adult rescue in the house, it's important to get him/her used to being alone as soon as possible. But it's also important to take baby steps with 'home alone' training, leaving



GOLDEN MOMENTS[©]



“These really are the *Golden* years!”

A Bedtime Prayer

*Now I lay me down to sleep,
The king-sized bed is soft and deep,
I sleep right in the centre groove,
My human family can hardly move.*

*I've trapped their legs, they're tucked in tight,
And here is where I sleep tonight.
No one disturbs me or dares intrude
'Til morning comes and I want food*

*I sneak up slowly to begin
And nibble on my family's chin.
For morning's here, it's time to play
I always seem to get my way.*

*So thank you all for giving me,
The forever family that I see,
The ones who hug and hold me tight,
And share their bed with me at night.*



the new furry family member alone for only short periods of time at first ~ ten minutes at a time for a while and then increasing the time away to 20 minutes and then eventually one hour and so on, depending on how well the dog reacts to being alone. Soon, the dog will understand that their humans are always coming back. It's also supremely important for your humans to leave from and return to the house without making a fuss ~ saying a word or looking at the dog (sometimes tough to do, I realize). This practice makes leaving and returning 'much ado about nothing' and you need to feel that their coming and goings are ordinary. Calm music or any background noise, like a TV, also helps. Hey, it's a great time to catch some shut eye while the humans are out. And just so you know... it's NOT a good time to counter-surf, dump the garbage, chew a shoe or rip the blinds. Just chill ~ your humans are always going to return to you and everyone will be so much happier if you're a good dog while they're away. Home alone and lovin' life...Goldie

Dear Goldie: My Golden, Oscar, loves dead fish. Thankfully, he doesn't eat them, he just loves to roll in them. Oh, and he loves to roll on dead mice. Are you getting my drift, Goldie? I'm a new pet owner and I have to say I am not impressed with this revolting habit ~ although I have to say, it seems to fill my dog with joy. Why do dogs roll in the foulest smelling stuff they can find? Grossed Out Gary

Hi Gary: Ah yes, we do love to revel in the nastiness. As a new pet owner, I'm sure you were totally grossed out the first time it happened. So let me fill you in on a little secret: most dogs, not just Golden, and not just your precious Oscar, love to do the 'drop, flop, and roll' dance. It's in our nature. Can't help it. Honest. Dating back to our ancestors in the wild, it was very cool to come home to the pack with a disgusting smell ~ sort of like, "Look at me ~ I have dead fish in my territory! I am so cool!" Well, I hate to be the bad news bear, but unfortunately, the chance of getting Oscar to change his behaviour is not great. However, you can do some pre-roll training (stop the behaviour before it begins) by keeping him on a leash and teaching him a command like 'leave it' or 'off'. If Oscar continues to 'rock 'n roll', make sure you clean him well afterward, using a mild dog wash. Some of the things he is rolling in could have parasites or harmful bacteria. Sweet smellin' sister, Goldie

Dear Goldie: My Golden Lucy and Ricky are the centre of my universe. They know it. I know it. And they have total control over me...which I recognize is not an ideal situation. They are two years old and I think I have to get a grip and take some control back. Is it too late to learn some alpha strategies? What can I expect if I do establish an alpha role? Hopeful Alpha

Dear Hopeful Alpha: Lucy & Ricky are very lucky Golden to have such a loving family.

They are only finding their place in their pack and they've decided that they are the leaders, which really is not ideal for you. The good news is that it is never too late to establish a new pecking order in the family. Here are some suggestions, but don't hesitate to get some professional behaviour training if you need additional help. Give Lucy and Ricky a job. This will establish YOU as the leader. A simple job is for them to pick up their toys and put them in a box, or if it's not a hot day, you can put a backpack on them when you go for a walk. It will help your Golden feel useful. Allow them to carry a bottle of water, a ball or even spare poop bags in their backpacks. It's a task that they have to focus on as they walk alongside of you. Even carrying an empty backpack can give them a sense of purpose and it can re-focus your Golden's attention. It's also important to ensure that Ricky and Lucy have to 'work' for their meals and their treats ~ nothing is a free ride. Ask them to sit and wait for their meals and say 'ok' when you want them to eat. Teach them a fun trick that they have to do before you give them a treat. Also, it's important when going for a walk that you are first out of the door and first back in the door. As the alpha, they must follow you. These are only a few strategies that you can try, but there are many others that will help Lucy and Ricky understand their order in the clan. It's important and actually will help them feel secure. Training and re-training can be fun, so take baby steps and celebrate the small victories. Goldie



FROM ISTANBUL WITH LOVE...

1000 Golden Lives Have Changed!

Congratulations to our friends in Istanbul!!! The wonderful volunteers there, Edna, Yasemin, and Ahmet along with a small and mighty group, have performed an extraordinary feat of kindness and humanitarianism, selflessly without reward or acknowledgement by sending 1,000 Golden Retrievers to North American rescue groups. We, at Golden Rescue are proud to have been a part of this Rescue Mission of Love. Even though we brought 220 wonderful Golden Retrievers to forever families in Canada, make no mistake about the fact that those wonderful people in Istanbul are the ones who do the heavy lifting. Thank you from all of us at Golden Rescue for caring so much and for being who you are.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has. Margaret Mead

The 1000 Golden Retrievers rescued from Istanbul! Look closely to this cleverly created mosaic...your Golden will be here somewhere!



Cooper #2039 busy unpacking leashes!

From everyone at Golden Rescue...

THANK YOU!!! To RC Pet Products and Pet Valu Keswick and Sutton...

for generously donating collars and leashes for our rescued Golden Retrievers. What an act of kindness and generosity from both rescue-minded businesses. From everyone at Golden Rescue, a great big THANK YOU!!!

We would also like to say THANK YOU!!! to Jody & Dave Johnson and Natalie Artinoff Paquette of PetGifter...

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The Truth Hurts: Puppy Mills & Backyard Breeders

Golden Rescue is devoted to many causes, the primary being the rescue, rehabilitation, and rehoming of Golden Retrievers. However, we are also a strong advocacy and education group, with a loud voice when it comes to the heinous practices of puppy mills or the general mistreatment of any animal.

This article is not for the faint of heart, but it speaks the truth about puppy mill operators ~ those who care only about profit, who deliberately choose to ignore the cries and whimpers for help that come from the rows and towers of cages filled with helpless animals, living in the most horrid conditions, abused in unthinkable ways.

While we could describe to you the horrors of puppy mills, we are presenting this poignant story, told from one of its occupants ~ in 'her' own words, from a cage in a barn, in darkness.

I keep my eyes tightly shut, because without having to look, I know out there it is dark. We wait in silence until we hear the heavy footsteps approach the door. Then the familiar creak of the barn door swinging open. The silence breaks. Now there are frightened voices. Hundreds, maybe thousands of voices. I really cannot tell, because they come from beneath me, beside me, and from above, but the silence is broken and I hear a circus of screaming fill up the black room. As the door opens, light floods the room and invades our eyes. I cannot see him, but I can hear him enter. A cage opens, and I hear a soft whimper, a plea to be left alone, but no one here is ever alone. I freeze. Maybe if I don't move I can be invisible. I am a puppy mill dog and today is another day.

I have never been anywhere but here. The walls of my cage are all I know. I was born here and will live my life here. I will continue to raise litter after litter until my tired body cannot do it anymore. Then I will be useless to him. I am not one of the lucky ones. The lucky ones get out. The lucky ones are puppies that go to a home. I am not a lucky one. I am a puppy mill dog.

I am hungry, but I will not eat. I will have to swallow the hunger pain for another day. It is so hard to feed your pups when you feel that familiar pang. I try to forget, but I have never been able to stomach the stench. That toxic smell that pierces your lungs and waters your eyes, making it hard to breathe. My feet hurt. I have many sores from my feet getting snagged in the wire. The mats in my fur pull at my raw skin and make it hard to see. Out here, there is no place to escape the summer

heat or winter freeze. I am a puppy mill dog.

I have never known a family. I do not know what it means to be loved as a pet, to be showered with kisses or consoled when I am scared. I have never felt grass beneath my feet, sunshine on my face or the comfort of a soft bed to sleep in. Hands do not bring me joy, they cause me pain. I do not have a name. I am a number. I am a puppy mill dog.

And then one day....I keep my eyes tightly shut, because without having to look, I know out there it is dark. The kind of dark where even shadows melt into blackness. We wait in silence until we hear the heavy footsteps approach the door. Then the familiar creak of the barn door swinging open. The silence breaks. The frightened voices fill the room. But now men in boots tread in and begin to unlock cages. Now he is in front of me. I freeze. Maybe if I don't move, I can be invisible. A hand enters my cage, and softly strokes my ear. He tells me he is here now. This feels differently. I feel lighter. I have hope. I am a puppy mill dog and today I am free.

PLEASE:

- Do not buy dogs from pet stores and discourage your friends and family from the same.
- Do not buy a puppy from an online classified website.
- Do not buy a puppy from Kijiji.

Backyard Breeders

The leading cause of pet overpopulation in Canada and euthanasia rates is currently the public's purchase of puppies from backyard breeders (BYBs). These are breeders that are producing puppies for financial or personal gain and often breeding multiple breeds and producing multiple litters to maximize their profits. Unlike puppy mills, BYBs often operate out of their home or smaller scale facilities, but like puppy mill breeders, they do not selectively breed for the health or genetics of a dog, and frequently breed their personal companions or inbred dogs. It's noteworthy to consider that not all BYBs have misguided intentions. Many are families who wish for their children to see a litter born, discover that their dog has been accidentally impregnated or want one litter from their own dog. While these breeders might have honest intentions, they can have devastating effects on the overpopulation of pets in our country.

Potential owners often unknowingly meet a backyard breeder and find their dogs to be living in substandard conditions. Having

fallen in love with the adorable puppy in one's arms, a potential family often finds themselves tempted to 'rescue' the dog from this situation and take it home. Please, don't! Your money only ensures that the breeder will continue to practice unethical breeding because it can turn a considerable profit.

Know the difference between a reputable breeder and a backyard breeder:

Avoid purchasing a puppy from a breeder advertising dogs on online classified sites ~ reputable breeders do not use this practice. They don't need to! Their reputation precedes them.

Be wary of breeders who do not have the parents on site, or are hesitant for you to meet them.

Avoid breeders who do not perform the necessary health clearances on their breeding dogs and those that do not provide a health guarantee on puppies.

Avoid purchasing from a breeder that produces a variety of breeds. Reputable breeders commit themselves to the advancement of a single breed and give them their full attention.

Walk away from a breeder if your gut tells you something is 'off'. If you feel the situation is off, it most likely is!

Do not purchase from a breeder who meets you and is willing to sell you a pup right away or one that gathers little information from you. A responsible breeder wants to know as much about you as you do about them and their dogs.

Avoid breeders who do not provide you with ongoing support with your pup or who are not willing to take a dog back should the puppy not work out in the home.

Avoid breeders that do not belong to national and provincial kennel club or breed associations or cannot provide proof of CKC registration for their breeding stock and puppies.

Avoid being duped or persuaded by flashy sites that provide pictures of cute puppies for sale but little information about their history with the breed and their lines.

Avoid purchasing a puppy that does not appear clean, healthy or well-socialized.

Avoid a breeder that is willing to sell a pup younger than a minimum of eight weeks old.

And finally, a great way to avoid supporting backyard breeders:

Adopt your next pet and SPREAD THE WORD!

WHEN And WHERE Will I Find Golden Rescue EVENTS?

Awareness events all over the place! Join us, have fun, and help our Golden Retrievers!

Dates	Event Name	Event Time	Location
Saturday, September 9th	St. Jacobs Markets	7 am – 3:30 pm	St. Jacobs
Saturday, September 9th	LCBO Tag Days Cottage Country	11 am – 5 pm	Gravenhurst ~ 155 Edward Street Bracebridge ~ 125 Muskoka Road 118 West Port Carling ~ 115 Medora Street Washago ~ 8409 County Road 169
Sunday, September 10th	Yorkville Run		Toronto
Saturday, September 16th	Golden Rescue Annual Picnic	10 am – 5 pm	Viamede Resort (near Peterborough)
Saturday, September 23rd	Canadian Tire Tag Day	11 am – 5 pm	Grimsby
Saturday, September 23rd	LCBO Tag Days	11 am – 5 pm	Belleville ~ 190A Bell Blvd Kingston ~ 1089 Midland Avenue Ancaster ~ 737 Golf Links Road
September 23rd & 24th	BuzzFest		Terra Cotta
Sunday, October 1st	The Pinery Antique Flea Market		Grand Bend
Friday-Sunday, October 13th-15th	Bala Cranberry Festival		Bala
Saturday, October 21st	LCBO Tag Days	11 am – 5 pm	Peterborough ~ 400 Lansdowne Street East Lindsay ~ 449 Kent Street West Cobourg ~ 1111 Elgin Street West
Saturday, October 29th	Canadian Tire Tag Day	9 am – 1 pm	Peterborough ~ 1200 Lansdowne Street West
Saturday-Sunday, October 28th-29th	The Zoomer Show		Toronto (Enercare Center, Exhibition Place)
4 Weekends in December	The Pickering Markets		Pickering

Golden Retrievers welcome and encouraged to participate!
Volunteers are needed for all of these events.
Please consider donating some time to help our Golden Retrievers and have fun while you're at it.
If you're interested in volunteering for any of these events, please email volunteer@goldenrescue.ca.



WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY



Charlie #2549



Dreamer #2579



Bailey #2589 & Phoebe #2590



Echo #2591



Ariel #2593



I'm on the Cover of the 2018 Calendar!



Penny #2599



Maisey #2600



Foster #2601



Cailey #2612



Finn #2616



Rocky #2620

Ariel #2593

1.5-year-old female
Adopted by Natalie & Adam

Bailey #2589 & Phoebe #2590

8-year-olds male & female
Adopted by Jane & Andy

Cailey #2612

3-year-old male
Adopted by Robyne

Charley #2602

2.5-year-old female
Adopted by Joanne & Bill

Charlie #2549

8-year-old male
Adopted by Kathryn

Charlie #2611

3-year-old male
Adopted by Lynne & Richard

Demelza Annie #2592

7-year-old female
Adopted by Elizabeth

Dreamer #2579

8-year-old female
Adopted by Monica & Chris

Echo #2591

1.5-year-old male
Adopted by Valerie & Michael

Finn #2616

3-month-old male
Adopted by Sheila & Bill

Foster #2601

6-year-old male
Adopted by Lindsay

Jakey #2584

6-year-old male
Adopted by Tammy

Jill #2587

5-year-old female
Adopted by Barb

Leroy #2595

9.5-year-old male
Adopted by Meghan

Louise #2603

5.5-year-old old
Adopted by Marcia

Maisey #2600

1.5-year-old female
Adopted by Karen & Terry

Penny #2599

5-year-old female
Adopted by Susan & Gord

Riley #2421

9-week-old male
Adopted by Adrienne

Rocky #2620

1-year-old male
Adopted by Susan & Paul

Sam #2583

2-year-old male
Adopted by Liz

Skye #2605

1-year-old female
Adopted by Deb & Robert

Sunny D #2604

3.5-year-old male
Adopted by Sehba & Nadir

Welcome Home Golden!

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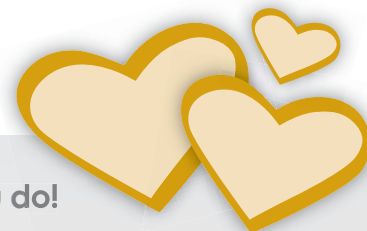


Sophia #2466

Sophia, one our Istanbul travellers, came to Canada nervous and timid. Likely traumatized by the trip and her rough life, Sophia took a while to come out of her shell. The care and love she felt from her new family put the light back in her eyes and 15 pounds onto her frail body. Her coat is now shiny and she runs and plays with her toys ~ things that were very foreign to her. What a transformation for this sweet, sweet girl!

Carrie & Scott

Retriever Believers ~ you truly have GOLDEN hearts!



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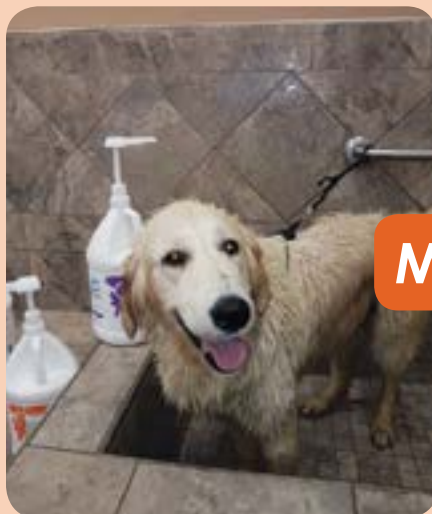
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Cailey #2312

The amazing Cailey came to her new forever family from Istanbul. She seemed to take instantly to her new environment and was quite sedate. In time, however, she started to display that loveable Golden vim and vigor and is improving every day. She is not a barker, which is actually good as she lives in a townhouse. Her commands are getting really good and she is a star on the leash, unless she see a rabbit... then all bets are off. Hey, who amongst us wouldn't get excited seeing Bugs Bunny! Cailey is still timid around other dogs but has made a few friends in the neighbourhood. This sweet girl has really bonded with us and she follows us everywhere. She is quite simply a sweet and happy cuddle-bug.

Robyne



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MEET & GREET

Jax #2564

Jax came to Golden Rescue with a number of issues. In fact, he was quite a handful as his training had been almost non-existent. Between his fosters and his new forever family, this boy has undergone a transformation. He has graduated Level I of his schooling and has just started Level II. He is a smart boy who still needs to learn not to counter-surf and that cushions aren't dog toys but he has come a long way. He absolutely loves the cottage and swimming. His sibling, Sassy, and he are inseparable and he has brought joy to our family as his new family has to him.

Val



Look for me in the 2018 Calendar!



Goldens 24/7!

Is your Golden a Calendar Star?



COVER GOLDENS:

Ariel #2593
Layla #1137

MONTH GOLDENS:

Baloo #2389
Colby #2374
Cooper #2224
Emma #2482
Henry #2225
Jax #2564
Nike #2314
Shelby #2347
Sherman #2518
Sophie #2467
Sugar #2526
T-Bone #2382

OTHER GOLDENS:

Adele #2386
Atlas #2326
Bailey #1908
Bailey #2040
Bailey #2040

Bandit #2580
Bella #2546
Bo #2276
Brooklyn #894
Camera #2509
Cami #2509 & Amber
Cello #2556
Clancy #2554
Comet #2501
Copper #2207
Daisy #2618
Dante #2425
Dickens #2432
Eggnog #2523
Emma #2401
Forest #2499
Gubs #1849
Heidi #848
Jacey #2529
Jake #424
Jasper #2426
JC #2403
Jodi #2419

Kalev #2400
Katie #742
Katy #2233
Killy
Kilo #1367
Kipling #2431
Leo #2334
Levi #2453
Lily #2253
LuLa Cupcake
Maggie #2080
Masha #2440
Merlin #2286
Miss Molly #2445
Missy #2545
Nash #2408
Oakley #2071
Phoenix #1569
Piper Pickles
Poppy #2090
Reese #2519
Reggie #2349
Robbie #1913 & Finley

Rosey #1728
Rosie #2242
Ruby #2227
Rusty #2479
Saima
Samba #2441
Scotch #2582
Seamus #2223
Shadow
Shadow #1342
Solomon #1998 & Melody #1999
Sophie #2263
Stevie Wonder #2490
Stone #1531
Tiggs #2474
Toby
Treble
Wally #2559
Whiskey #2178
Zeus #2311
Zoey #1526
Zoey #2489

Available just in time for the 2017 Picnic!



*Our favourite friends can't be with us forever...
but we will remember them forever!*

Cher #1796

On July 3rd, our sweet gentle soul Cher #1796 crossed over the Rainbow Bridge at home with her family by her side. Cher had a rough start in life and was a timid little girl but we were lucky enough to adopt her. It took some time but she blossomed. For such a little girl she was a big presence in this house. We miss the gentle nudges telling us she wanted our attention and seeing her standing in the bathroom door with a stuffie in her mouth and tail wagging waiting to be kissed on her sweet head and both sides of her face, calling her our sweet girl. She loved her car rides and rolling in the grass. Our gentle little girl took such a big part of our hearts with her. We miss you so much Cherie Berry. **Love, Mom (Brenda), Dad (Tom), Sister (Trix)**

Jake

Ira and Mitch, Jake will be sadly missed by many. He was a gentle sweet soul,

who guided many Golden Retrievers to their forever families. He won the hearts of all who visited him at Gears and was a wonderful ambassador. Run free sweet boy! **Patti & Viive**

Moe #2239

In loving memory of gentle, loving Moe. He loved cottage life, hiking, and the feel of the wind on his face when riding in the car. He was a true fighter of heartworm. Berry and Gail, you gave him the best two+ years of his life. Run with the wind, Moe. **Patti & Viive**

Sophie Hunter

Sophie, our fierce and wonderful Golden, brought joy daily to our lives for 12 years. Always lovingly remembered! **Ian & Norah**

Sophie

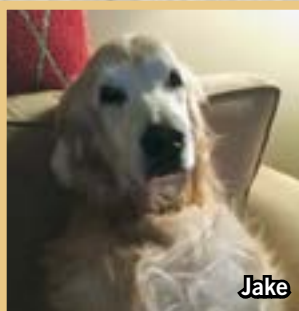
She will always remain very special to us. RIP Sophie Hunter! **Janet & Dick**



Cher #1796



Moe #2239



Jake



Debbi Millband

A Legacy of Love

She was a wonderful mother, a loving wife with a 30-year long marriage, a loyal friend, an avid golfer, a passionate animal lover, a devoted mother, and a passionate animal lover (Golden Cody and Lily and cat Sage). So when Debbi Millband passed away suddenly this year, her husband, Tim, her daughter, Kylie, and her best friend, Elayne, knew exactly how they wanted to celebrate and pay tribute to her life. It seemed only fitting to organize a golf tournament for family, friends, neighbours, and colleagues to honour all that was dear to Deb's heart ~ laughter, friendship, sport and charity. Golf4Deb was held on June 1st, Deb's birthday, at the Uplands Golf Course and was completely sold out with 80 people participating. It was a day for remembering, for having fun, and for honouring the charities she was devoted to. It's exactly what Deb would have wanted. Golden Rescue was among the causes that Deb and her family supported and was one of the charities named at the tournament. As testament to how much she was cherished and respected, this extraordinary group raised \$1,380 for our organization ~ a true legacy of love for Deb's dedication to Golden Retrievers. Thank you to the Millband family and to all those who supported her and Golden Rescue on this special day. We are grateful and Deb will always be remembered by Golden Rescue.



Debbi & Lily

2017



PICNIC

Come and celebrate all things Golden and let your furkids run free in our picnic playground. Enjoy games galore, best-dressed contest, great food, prizes, spectacular auction items, shopping, photo contest, and just an all-around golden opportunity to laugh and have fun.

SAT SEP 16TH!

Get ready to load up the car and your Golden for an action-packed day at the majestic Viamede Resort ~ nature's paradise in the Kawarthas.

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT...

8 AM ~ REGISTRATION OPENS

10 AM ~ GAMES

10 AM ~ SILENT AUCTION & GENERAL STORE OPEN

11 AM ~ PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

11:30 AM TO 2 PM ~ BBQ LUNCH

12 NOON ~ OPENING CEREMONIES & "LEAVE IT OR STEAL IT"

1 PM ~ LIVE AUCTION

2 PM ~ RAINBOW BRIDGE

2:30 PM ~ GAMES

3 PM ~ BEST DRESSED CONTEST

3:30 PM ~ SILENT AUCTION CLOSES

4 PM ~ WINNERS OF SILENT AUCTION & 50-50

5 PM ~ PICNIC CLOSES

Additionally, there will be trail hikes, demos, and even a visit from Santa Paws! Ho, Ho, Ho! Santa in September. This jolly fella will be camera ready for that perfect pic for your holiday cards. And then there's beautiful Stoney Lake ~ the glorious water haven for Golden Retrievers. Don't you just love the smell of wet fur? We do!

ARE YOU PLANNING ON ATTENDING? Please email picnic@goldenrescue.ca and say 'yes, I'll be there' (please let us know who's coming ~ two and four-legged and if your Golden is one of ours, his/her rescue number if you have it)



Stoney Lake in the Kawarthas
(near Peterborough)