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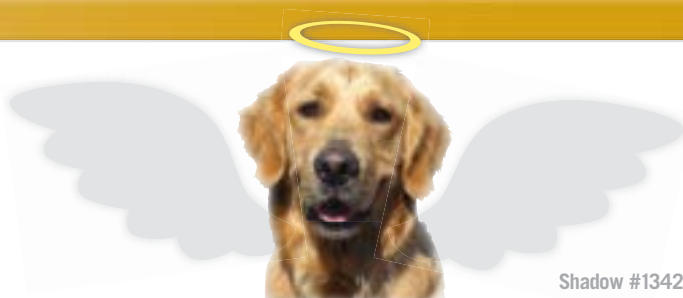


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# GOLDEN ANGELS

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



Shadow #1342



Sue with Buddy &amp; Koffee

## Sue Montgomery

Sue has been involved with rescue for many years in many different capacities. Buddy is her current Golden, who follows in the footsteps of Bailey and Casey, her first two Golden retrievers who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge. Buddy shares his life with two siblings ~ a Bichon named Finnegan and Koffee, a Springer Spaniel. Sue is an incredibly dedicated volunteer ~ apart from helping GR, she also works with Just Paws. After doing many transports of 'Golden' cargo, she joined our transport team lead as the co-second-in-command for setting up the many transport requests to pick up Golden retrievers coming into our program. She can frequently be seen at the airport picking up our precious international cargo. Sue is highly regarded and efficient and no matter how hectic her life is, it never stops her from saying 'yes' to us...no matter what we ask. She is a pleasure to work with and we are lucky to have her at our side.

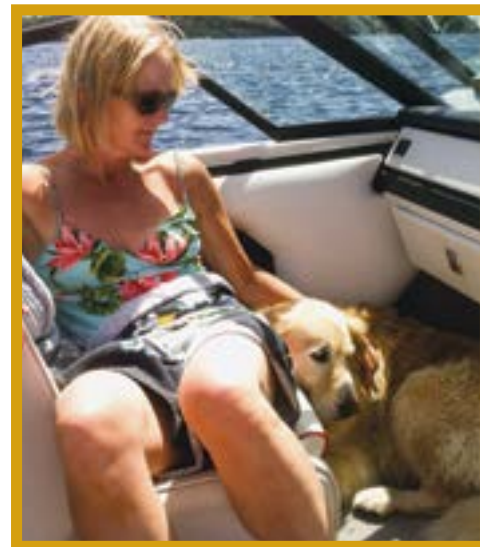
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**To All Our**  
**Golden Angels!**



Ben with Toby #2000

## Ben Samann

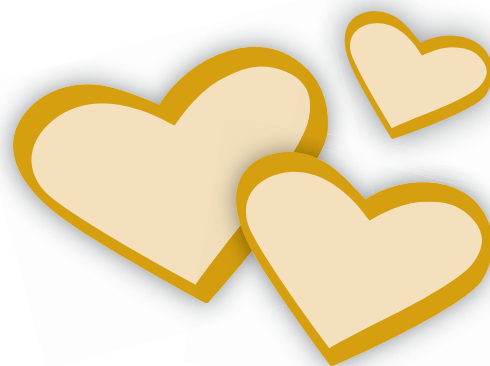
Ben spent six years on Golden Rescue's Board of Directors, primarily as our Picnic Chair but also as a vocal and supportive member of the Board. Ben first got involved with GR after adopting Maggy #1622, a special-needs epileptic girl who charmed everyone she met. Since then, Ben has adopted Toby #2000 and Daisy #2221. Sadly, Daisy recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge but Toby still has the crucial job of greeting guests at the resort. Ben's generosity knows no bounds and it's difficult to know where to begin. Ben and Viamede Resort have hosted the Golden Rescue picnic for five years. Viamede is undoubtedly a fantastic location for the picnic because of accommodations, the lake, and all the facilities. Ben built a two-acre fenced area at his own expense for the picnic so that we could enjoy the picnic in a secure area with all our furkids. Apart from organizing the picnic, Ben has done home visits and transports, is a generous monthly donor, and has hosted the board retreat at Viamede. Ben, along with the Board Chair, also went to Istanbul at their own expense to visit our rescue partners on a due diligence trip that was instrumental in establishing our 'Rescue Mission of Love'. Thank you, Ben ~ your thoughtfulness, generosity, passion, and friendship are gifts we will always cherish!



Robyn with Jack #578

## Robyn Scott

Robyn adopted Jack #578 in 2004 and when Jack crossed the Rainbow Bridge in 2018, he was almost 15. Robyn of course was broken-hearted but not ready for a new family member yet so she decided to answer a request for volunteers from GR hoping this might fill the void left by dear Jake. Robyn handles airport arrivals as well as transport requests ~ she is a strong support to our operations team and shares the transport team's second-in-command role with Sue. In fact, Robyn was the one who managed the sudden change in arrival date when 'The Sweet Sixteen' came from Cairo. She did such a good job with that chaotic event and does an equally good job with all she tackles. Robyn is a treasure and we are so fortunate to have her as a Golden angel.





CANADIAN GOLDEN RETRIEVER ADOPTION SERVICE INC.

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## The Front Cover

**Golda #3126** ~ This seven-year-old Grand Dame is often called Dame Golda and she came along at the perfect time for me as my two Golden girls had recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge. Golda needed a home and a second chance and I needed a Golden's love back in my life. What a perfect match! I describe her as a beautiful, gentle soul with a calm, loving temperament. Our girl could lose some weight and she has already lost five pounds so we're all over it with a strict diet and an exercise regime that is working wonders. Gilda also goes to my office every day and enjoys lunchtime walks around the harbour. We are both lucky girls! **Tovah**

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### Golden Rescue gives second chances to Goldens in need.

Our mission is simple and straightforward because that's who we are and that's what we do. Our volunteer-run organization, led by a volunteer, working board of directors, is dedicated to ensuring that each and every rescued Golden receives exceptional care, regardless of the extent of their needs. We provide veterinary care, rehabilitation, behaviour training, and numerous other services to help our Goldens prepare for their second chance with a loving forever family. We also help educate people about the virtues of rescue as rescue is our favourite breed.

At the root of everything we do are our core values ~ integrity, kindness, compassion ~ all delivered without judgment. These are our guiding principles that drive our purpose and sustain our ability to continually wrap our arms around Goldens who so desperately need our help.

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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 Shadow #1342



# MEET & GREET



## Jake #3087

This skinny, wonderful boy is now happily putting on weight and adjusting beautifully to his new life in Canada. He loves to play with his canine brother Dutch and when the grandparents come over with his new cousin, he plays with him as well. Yes, life in Canada is great. Thank you, Golden Rescue!

**Leah & Alex**

Jake #3087 (front) & friends



# MEET & GREET

## Layla #3099

From her early nervous beginnings, sweet Layla #3099 has settled beautifully with her new forever family. She is gentle and kind and even tolerates her feline sibling. Layla now loves her walks and is doing very well on the leash, although busy roads still spook her but they're pretty easy to avoid but it may not be a bad thing to get her used to them. All in all, she has adjusted well to us and we couldn't be happier to have this sweet girl in our lives.

**Janine & Alex**



# Donate a Car...for Golden Rescue

Donate a Car Canada accepts vehicle donations now for Golden Rescue. When you donate your car, truck, RV, boat or motorcycle to Golden Rescue through Donate A Car Canada, it will either be recycled or sold at auction (depending on its condition, age, and location). Donate a Car Canada will look after all the details to make it easy for us to benefit. Even free towing is provided in most areas across Canada or you can drop off your vehicle to maximize your donation. After your vehicle donation is complete, we will send you a tax receipt and will put your gift to good use by rescuing more Golden Retrievers.

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1. Choose 'Ways to Donate' in the menu bar
2. Toggle to 'Other Ways to Donate'
3. Select 'Donate A Car'

Or visit this link:

<https://www.goldenrescue.ca/other-ways-to-donate/#Donate-a-Car>



## GOLDEN MOMENTS<sup>©</sup>



“Bailey’s gonna crack up when he gets that pmail!”

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**THANK YOU**  
to all Retriever Believers ~  
you truly have  
**GOLDEN HEARTS!**



## We need your help to create our 'Eye In The Sky' Extravaganza!

### Golden Rescue is turning 30 YEARS OLD next year

and to help promote this landmark anniversary, we are going to create a huge human version of the word 'RESCUE' at our picnic. We will capture it by drone photography hovering over the field at the picnic and we need around 350 people all wearing GR 30th anniversary caps (which we will supply). All of us together will form the word 'rescue' and of course our beautiful Golden Retrievers will be running around us, which should make for quite an amazing video. We will use this video over the next year to help promote our 30 years of rescuing Golden Retrievers in need. So please come to this year's picnic. Tell your friends and help us spell R E S C U E the size of a football field.



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but those giving more. *H. Jackson Brown Jr.*

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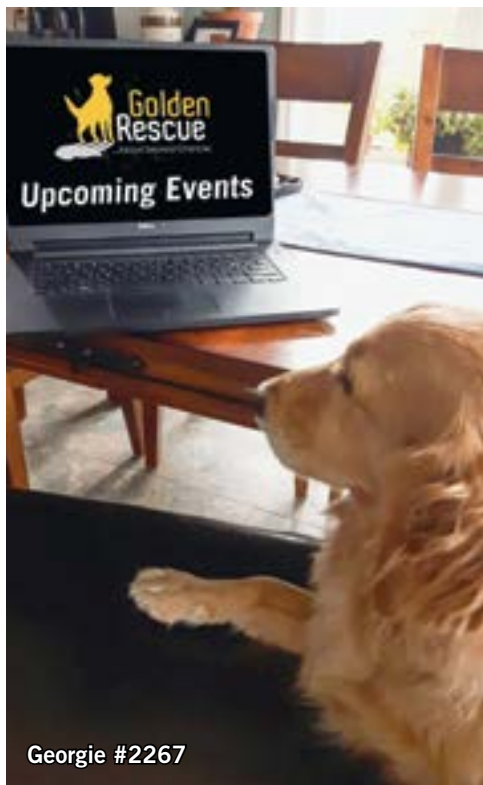
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Georgie #2267

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## September 7th

### BEACONSFIELD PET FAIR

11 am – 3 pm  
Beaconsfield Centennial Park,  
288 Beausville Blvd., Beausville, QC

## September 7th

### LCBO TAG DAYS

11 am – 5 pm  
• 737 Golf Links Road, Ancaster, ON  
• 15830 Bayview Avenue, Aurora, ON  
• 449 Kent Street West, Lindsay, ON  
• 930 Southdown Road, Mississauga, ON  
• 3714 Portage Road, Niagara Falls, ON  
• 65 Wicksteed Avenue, Toronto, ON

## September 7th

### ST. JACOBS MARKETS

7 am – 4 pm  
878 Weber Street North, Woolwich, ON

## September 14th

### LCBO TAG DAYS

11 am – 5 pm  
• 1899 Brock Road, Pickering, ON  
• 343 Glendale Avenue, St. Catharines, ON  
• 74 Thicksen Road South, Whitby, ON  
• 2400 Long Lake Road, Sudbury, ON

## September 21st

### ANNUAL GOLDEN RESCUE PICNIC

10 am – 5 pm  
Viamede Resort, Woodview, ON

## September 28th

### LCBO TAG DAY

11 am – 5 pm  
2400 Long Lake Road, Sudbury, ON

## September 28th

### OTTAWA FARMER'S MARKET

7:30 am – 3:30 pm  
Byron Park, Westboro, Ottawa, ON

## September 29th

### BARK-TOBERFEST

8 am – 4 pm  
Pinery Antique Flea Market, Grand Bend, ON

## October 18th to 20th

### BALA CRANBERRY FESTIVAL

9 am – 5 pm  
Bala, ON

## October 19th

### LCBO TAG DAYS

11 am – 5 pm  
• 1111 Elgin Street West, Cobourg, ON  
• 1154 Chemong Road, Peterborough, ON

## All December weekends

### THE PICKERING MARKETS

9 am – 5 pm  
Squires Beach Road, Pickering, ON

## Shop & Support! HAPPY SHOPPING!

The GR store is chock full of quality branded merchandise which not only helps our fund raising 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, a set of 4 coffee mugs (16oz), umbrellas 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.

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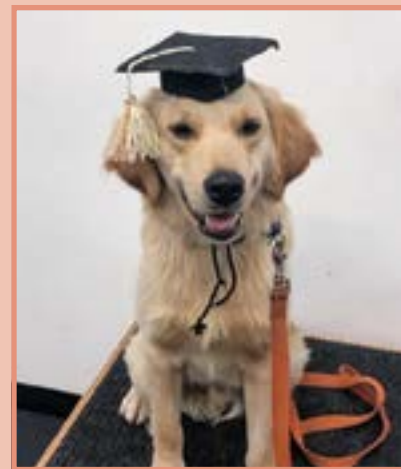
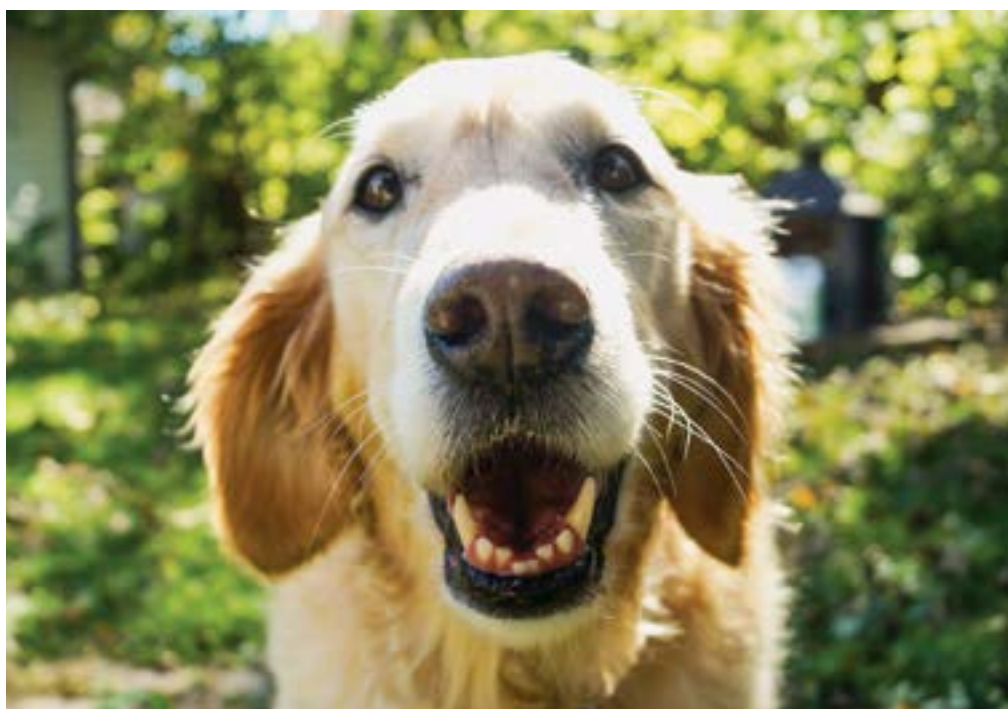
## MEET &amp; GREET

**Maggie #1935**

“Wake up Maggie I think I got something to say to you,  
It's late December and since you came along our life is full.”

Excuse the little rewriting of Maggie Mae but it's true. This precious girl, when she arrived in December, changed our lives forever. We had suffered a loss so when Maggie came along, everything started to look brighter. Maggie's beautiful, mischievous personality brings joy to us and she just instinctively knows when extra love is needed in the room. These days, she enjoys rowing events, baseball games, car rides, playing with neighbourhood children, chasing her tail, visiting seniors, and trips to the drive-thru where she easily charms the employees to a treat or two. Apart from a little arthritis, Maggie is in good health and this wonderful 14-year-old brings joy to everyone she meets.

**Kim & family**

**MEET & GREET****Dorothy #3083 & Toto #3084**

These two Goldies arrived in April from Cairo. First of all, they are pups. Second of all, they have flown several thousand miles to a strange new land. Thirdly, they don't speak our language. And yet, with patience and love, they have assimilated well ~ not without some challenges of course but their recent graduation from puppy obedience school was celebrated by all. A celebratory libation for the parents and a special congratulatory cookie for the new graduates. Dorothy and Toto are getting socialized with all canines and even had a successful encounter with a pig. Our love for Dorothy and Toto is on a level that no words could ever describe. Some think they are the lucky ones...we, however, feel we are the lucky ones.

**Christine, Matt & Jordan**

# Goldens Make Senior Lives Truly Golden

Legendary screen actress, Bette Davis, once said, "Old age ain't no place for sissies."

Never was this quip truer than it is today. Men and women are living longer, family members and friends move and/or pass away, getting out becomes increasingly difficult, and once-loved activities fall by the wayside. But there is one constant source of comfort and companionship that benefits seniors in countless ways ~ a dog!

Think Golden. Brightening the lives of those in their golden years. How fitting is that?

Studies have shown that dogs like Golden Retrievers can help reduce stress, lower blood pressure, and increase both social interaction and physical activity in their senior owners. They also have an extraordinarily positive effect on the symptoms of depression and feelings of loneliness their owners all too often experience. They can even prompt better memory recall in their owners. How? By helping their owners focus and concentrate on something other than their physical problems and their preoccupation with loss and/or aging.

Known for their calm, friendly, and easygoing demeanor, Goldens are blessed with a sweet and gentle temperament. Extremely affectionate, they love to cuddle and please...and nothing is more satisfying or soul warming than a mutual admiration society made for two! Infinitely intuitive, they can sense when their owners are troubled or need a sympathetic 'ear', soothing them simply by their reassuring presence and comfortable silence. And if the seniors adopting them are still fairly active, a daily walk will prove beneficial to them both.

Their keen intelligence, reliability, and muscular build make Goldens ideal assistance dogs for seniors living alone with conditions that require an extra pair of hands or, in this case, paws. Service dogs can retrieve items for them, pull wheelchairs, open doors, and turn lights on and off. They can also help their owners get up if they fall down. Hearing dogs prove invaluable to seniors who are either deaf or partially deaf by alerting them to such important sounds as doorbells, smoke alarms, telephones, and so on. Seizure response dogs assist people with epilepsy or other seizure disorders, summoning help if necessary and bringing them food and/or medication.

While the advantages of seniors adopting a Golden are many, there are several issues that must be addressed beforehand. Whether healthy and mobile or frail and housebound, seniors and their caregivers (from family members to visiting aides) should consider the following:

Have they had a dog before? While it's preferable that they be previous owners, provided they're open to a new and rewarding experience and the commitment that comes with it, first time owners can still make superb owners.

What age of dog is best? Adults are more suitable than puppies with their rambunctious energy, their tendency to chew and nip, and above all, their need for training. Mature dogs (Goldens have an average life span of 10-12 years) have already been housetrained, well socialized with people, and know their basic commands. They also tend to be calmer, with more predictable patterns of behaviour.

Are finances a concern? Since owning a dog involves a significant, long-term financial commitment, a senior's budget must be able to cover not only the dog's every day expenses but any unforeseen emergencies as well.

Is there a backup plan in place for the dog? Should the senior have to go to the hospital, spend time in a short-term rehabilitation facility, move to a long-term care community or pass away, there must be written (not simply verbal) instructions for and arrangements made to ensure the Golden's ongoing care and well-being.

As beneficial as mature dogs are for senior citizens, senior citizens are just as beneficial for mature dogs. Less desirable than their younger counterparts but equally deserving of permanent homes, mature dogs are all too often overlooked at shelters, humane societies, and rescue groups ~ and for all the wrong reasons.

Mature dogs seem to sense when they receive a second chance at the rest of their lives. And any senior savvy enough to adopt one will not only reap the rewards but will be the lucky recipient of a love as endearing as it is enduring.

**By Nomi Berger**

*Nomi is the best-selling author of seven novels, one work of non-fiction, two volumes of poetry, and hundreds of articles. She lives in Toronto with her adopted Maltese, Mini, and has been volunteering to write for animal rescue groups in Canada and the U.S. since 2013.*



## Give the Gift of Rescue

Looking for the ultimate gift for the person who has everything ~ for a birthday, anniversary...for any reason actually?

Why not give the Gift of Rescue and give a Golden a warm bed, a good meal, a kind heart, and a loving forever family. That's what your gift can do!

We've made gift-giving effortless! All you do is make a donation...and we'll do the rest. We will send your Gift of Rescue certificate directly to you by email or mail and then all you need to do is wrap it or email it. Easy, right?

Go to our website and download the Gift of Rescue order form!

**Thank you from our heart to yours!**





## MEET & GREET

### Aya #2745

Aya is a hiking, trekking, camping fool whose life is full of wonderful experiences in British Columbia, where she lives now. She just completed a west coast tour from Vancouver to San Diego and back. She has camped, surfed, explored the Red Wood forest and can't wait for her next adventure. Aya is now a true part of my happy, energetic family and she wakes up every morning with a smile on her goofy Golden face.

**Ames**

## Golden Giggles

When women reach a certain age, they start to collect dogs.

**This is known as the 'many-paws'.**

What do you call a smart blonde?

**A Golden Retriever**

I got a new Golden. She's a Paranoid Retriever. **She brings back everything because she's not sure what I threw her.**

How do you stop a Golden from digging in your front yard? **Put him in your back yard.**

What does a Golden have in common with a cell phone? **They both have collar ID!**

Why is a Golden a great story teller? **Because they know how to paws for dramatic effect.**

What's a Golden's favourite instrument? **A trom-bone!**

What did the Golden say to the tree? **Bark!**

What do you get when you cross a Golden with a telephone? **A Golden Receiver!**

## GOLDEN MOMENTS<sup>©</sup>



“Hey, this is starting to sound more like a good *talk* in the woods.”



Quincy #2379

## 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 Golden. **Estimated time commitment:** totally dependent upon your time & availability

### Transport

*(Particularly for Eastern Ontario & Quebec)*

Transport help is always needed to move our Golden from their past to their future new lives. To do this, volunteer drivers travel to pick up our precious cargo from their previous homes, shelters, vet offices, etc. and drive them to their foster families. **Estimated time commitment:** totally dependent upon your time & availability

### Home Visits

Potential foster or adoptive families require a home visit where you would engage in conversation and give us your perspective of an adopter or foster. **Estimated time commitment:** totally dependent upon your time and availability

## TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

### Foster Families

We continue to have Golden coming into our care! We always need foster homes and we are now looking for foster families across Canada as we continue to grow. Fostering a Golden and helping him/her through a transitional phase is an incredibly rewarding experience because you're the first step in their new life. We also need foster families who are willing to take Golden with medical or behavioural issues, families without any other dogs or cats in-house, and families who are willing to foster a pair. If you are interested in fostering,

# Help Us Help Golden – CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING!

**Golden Rescue is forever growing and we're looking for volunteers! Might that be you? We run solely with the help of our volunteers ~ a wonderfully dedicated and passionate group sharing a common vision to safeguard the well-being of every Golden in our care. Our work is hugely rewarding and we currently have needs in a number of areas:**

please fill out a foster application online at [www.goldenrescue.ca](http://www.goldenrescue.ca). Once you've filled out an application, a volunteer will contact you to clarify any points, answer any questions you might have, arrange a home visit, and assign you to a foster mentor.

### Fundraising Team Members

We are looking for keen and dedicated volunteers to help grow the fundraising program. With a knowledge or interest in fundraising, we're looking for committed volunteers who share our mission to help develop a fulsome fundraising program. The demand to rescue and save Golden from around the globe continues to grow and we're striving to strengthen our program to help as many as we can. Led by the volunteer Director of Fundraising, we're looking for help in the following areas:

- identifying and soliciting new individual and corporate partners
- stewarding existing donors to encourage a deeper, more lucrative relationship
- creating fundraising policies, programs, and procedures to maximize donations through various development streams
- training board members or volunteers to solicit and secure donations

**Estimated time commitment:** 10-20 hours per month

### Volunteer Coordinators

The Volunteer Coordinators (VCs) are vital members of our events team and they are responsible for the coordination of volunteers (both two and four legged) for our events. The events occur between April to December and it is our goal that each VC will oversee three to four events for the year. Events can be done remotely and involves mostly emailing with some phone work starting about two weeks prior to the event. Please note that the VC is not required to attend the event. Some duties include monitoring emails and responding accordingly; scheduling volunteers; sending out various emails

throughout the process, and closing out the event. Most of our emails are standard and require minimal editing. You will be provided with all the tools, training, and support you need to achieve these goals. You should have strong organizational and communication skills and a good working knowledge of Excel. Knowledge of Google Drive would be an asset. **Estimated time commitment:** approximately 5-6 hours per event over a three-week period

### Wishbone Lottery Team Members

The Wishbone Lottery is our major fundraiser of the year, with spectacular prizes, generating a lot of interest from our supporters and Golden lovers in general. We need volunteers to contact supporters/adopters/fosters to help us sell tickets. You would be assigned a list of names to contact (primarily via email) asking if they would be willing to sell tickets. Once sellers confirm their interest, you would provide them with support and track their progress with follow up calls/emails, answering questions, and sending more tickets as needed. After the lottery's closing date, you would reconcile sales for your group. Ticket sales are going to run from November to August and there is more of a time commitment at the beginning with the lottery's 'lift off'. **Estimated time commitment:** 10-20 hours at the beginning with periodical follow-ups

**Do You Think You Can  
Help Us Help Golden?**

**Can you help us help Golden?  
They're counting on you...  
and so are we. Please contact  
[teamresources@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:teamresources@goldenrescue.ca)  
if you can help.**

**Thank you for coming  
to our rescue!**



# askSADIE



Sadie #2963

*Dear Sadie: Every time the front door opens, I just want to zoom and run through it fast. Sometimes I almost knock down my human in the process! I don't even know what's behind that door, but I'm sure it's something good that I've just gotta check out! The sad part is that when I try to do that, I get in trouble. Why won't my human let me explore? Thwarted Tillie*

**Dear Tillie:** Sometimes we need to trust our humans and believe they want to keep us safe. Like you said, you don't know what is behind that door and there could be dangers you are not aware of like a busy road or other animals. Maybe your humans love you too much and don't want you to run away! Whatever the case, you should listen to them. If your humans want you to walk through doorways calmly, they need time and patience in training. They should only allow you to walk through the door when you are calm and not excited, and wait until you have settled down before exiting. The wait may seem long, but eventually, in time, you will learn to not bolt when you have the chance.

*Dear Sadie: My mom always says that I'm a smart cookie and brags to her friends about me all the time. I know I'm pretty awesome...I mean, I think I'm smarter than this mini human that lives here. All he does is cry, sleep, and 'go outside' in his pants. But just how smart am I? Bandit the Brainiac Golden*

**Dear Bandit:** Besides being known for being incredibly gentle and sweet, I am proud to say that we, as Golden Retrievers, are the fourth most intelligent breed of canine, just behind Border Collies, Poodles, and German Shepherds. We can understand more than 150 words, which is on par with a two-year old human. Of course, that number goes up depending

on how much time our humans work with us to increase our vocabulary and could be as much as 250 words! Not too bad, huh? Also, we are capable of counting to 4 or 5 and to deliberately deceive other dogs and humans for rewards. So yes, you are a smart cookie!

*Dear Sadie: Sometimes when my human takes me to the leash-free park, there is one dog who is really mean and scary. Every time we happen to go at the same time, this dog will run towards me, then bark and lunge at me. I'm not sure why she doesn't like me...I think I'm lovely. I'm not sure what to do. I really like going but not when she is there. Do I find a new park? Scared Sally*

**Dear Sally:** I'm sorry that you are going through this! The park is supposed to be a fun place to visit where you can let loose and burn off some energy. You never mentioned where the other dog's humans were when these situations occur and what they do to stop it, if anything. A lot of times inattentive owners are to blame for attacks more than the aggressive dogs. Once fights have broken out, owners have already missed several signals. The key for owners is to pay attention, stay off their cell phones, and to keep an eye out for threatening situations before they happen. If the other dog's owners aren't watching, or not doing anything to curb behaviour, then it may be time to find a new dog park. If you do try a new space, your human should initially take you to it when it's not crowded to familiarize yourself with it first. Good luck!

*Dear Sadie: I hate going to the dog spa. Humans always talk about how relaxing it is, but I like none of it! The nail clippings, the bath, and the loud dryer at the end...it's frightening! Why do my humans put me through this? Rather be dirty' Rex*

**Dear Rex:** I totally understand your dislike and fear towards grooming but it's necessary. Not only is for appearance and to keep you smelling good, it's also important for overall health. Grooming can help check for things like ticks, rashes, infections or issues with nails, ears and eyes before they become real problems. My tip prior to any grooming experience is to visit the groomers to familiarize yourself with it first without any grooming taking place ~ like a practice run. If the visit is made fun, you will associate it as being a happy place and will likely have a better experience. If made aware of your anxiety, the groomer can take breaks or avoid some things until the next visit if you are still anxious. If all else fails, your vet may be able to prescribe you something to help relax you during your spa day. All the best.

*Dear Sadie: I've noticed lately that my water bowl becomes cloudy fast and there is a slimy residue at the bottom of it. My dad changes the water every day (sometime twice!), so I know it's fresh. What is it and can it make me sick? Concerned Charlie*

**Dear Charlie:** Yes and no. That residue is actually called Biofilm as is made up of different types of bacteria, good and bad, bound together to form a thick substance to help it stick to a surface. Among many functions, good bacteria helps to break down food in the gut and is part of a healthy immune system. Bad bacteria, on the other hand, can cause a number of infections including urinary tract, bladder, and middle-ear infections. It is important for your humans to wash your water bowl at least once a week with hot, soapy water, or daily if it is used by many different dogs such as in a doggy daycare situation.

Love Sadie x🐾x

# WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN

**Abby #3093**

3-year-old female  
Adopted by Laurie & Brad

**Augie #3054**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Holly & Michael

**Aura1-Blue #3048**

3-year-old female  
Adopted by Maureen

**Bear #3049**

10-month-old male  
Adopted by Deborah

**Beau #3065**

13-year-old male  
Adopted by Michelle

**Bella #2992**

9-month-old female  
Adopted by Frieda

**Brodie #3058**

1.5-year-old male  
Adopted by Carrie

**Buster #3070**

6-year-old male  
Adopted by Dave

**Cairo #3022**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by JoAnn

**Cali #2961**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Rachel

**Cedar #3094**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Kim

**Charley #3074**

5-year-old female  
Adopted by Cathy & Nandy

**Charlie #2947 &**

**Sadie #2948**  
3-year-old male & female  
Adopted by Susan

**Chase #3063**

11-year-old male  
Adopted by Alison & Alexx

**Cher #2974**

3-year-old female  
Adopted by Stephanie & Robert

**Chloe #3029**

8-month-old female  
Adopted by John

**Cleo #3017**

1.5-year-old female  
Adopted by Jaime & Jodi

**Coco #2986**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Heather & Glen

**Cooper #3013**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Meghan & Sean

**Daisy #3073**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Diana & Martyn

**Dallas #3057**

4-year-old female  
Adopted by Paula & Allan

**Dani #3027**

13-week old female  
Adopted by Kathleen

**Dorothy #3083 & Toto #3084**

10-month old female & male  
Adopted by Christine, Matt & Jordan

**Dreifuss #2928**

9-month old male  
Adopted by Lindsey & Aydyn

**Eddie #3012**

9-month-old male  
Adopted by Marzena & Mike

**Ellie #3052**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Sue & John

**Enrique #3118**

8-year-old male  
Adopted by Deb

**Felix #3066**

3-year-old male  
Briana & Jesse

**Flynn #3107**

5-year-old male  
Adopted by Sheila & Jack

**Pixie #3085**

8-month old female  
Adopted by Janet & Michael

**Golda #3126**

5-year-old female  
Adopted by Tovah

**Goldie Cleo #3120**

1.5-year-old female  
Adopted by Susan

**Goose #3108**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Lola & John

**Gordie #3068**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Tara-Lynn

**Gray #3059**

7-month-old male  
Adopted by Kearrie & Brian

**Happy #3020**

11-month-old male  
Adopted by Diane & Mark

**Henry #2876**

10-month-old male  
Adopted by Katie

**Hudson #2962**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Victoria

**Hudson #3055**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Jerry

**Hunter #2897**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Cheryl-Anne & John

**Jake #3087**

4-year-old male  
Adopted by Leah & Alex

**Jaxx #3116**

6-year-old male  
Adopted by Kelly & Dale

**Tilly #2849**

8-month-old female  
Adopted by Leanne

**Katy #3028**

7-year-old female  
Adopted by Karen & Paul

**King #3056**

6-year-old male  
Adopted by Christina & Lorne

**Klarki #3051**

4-year-old male  
Adopted by Liz

**Layla #3099**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Janine



Rola #2995



Ruby #2996



Shani #3024



Beau #3065

# FAMILY

**Lilli #2944**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Caitie & John

**Lily #3114**

1-year-old female  
Adopted by Gaby

**Lincoln #3110**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Shauna & Robb

**Lisa #3033 & Leo #3034**

3-year-old female & male  
Adopted by Tamara & Kevin

**Loki #3069**

1.5-year-old male  
Adopted by Tracey

**Lucy #3115**

6-year-old female  
Adopted by Bonnie

**Lyka #3092**

3-year-old female  
Adopted by Miranda & Sebastian

**Madison #3040**

6-year-old female  
Adopted Margaret & Sean

**Marney #3082**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Katrina & Ryan

**Marshall #3129**

3-month-old male  
Adopted by Mary

**Mason #3079 & Riley #3080**

5-year-old males  
Adopted by Tracey

**Maverick #3041**

1-year-old male  
Adopted by Sandi

**Max #2899**

1-year-old male  
Adopted by Chantal & Robert

**Max #2871**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Lori

**Milo #2990**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Hayley

**Mindy #2981**

9-year-old female  
Adopted by Elizabeth

**Missy #3105**

4-year-old female  
Adopted by Sharon & Gary

**Molly #3078**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Cindy & Ian

**Oakley #3039**

5-month-old male  
Adopted by Kirsten & Dennis

**Olaf #3109**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Shari & Kyle

**Oscar #3067**

5-year-old male  
Adopted by Jessica & Mike

**Pascal #2918**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Shelly & Jim

**Ray #3045**

8-month-old male  
Adopted by Heather & George

**Rex #3101**

7-month-old male  
Adopted by David

**Rola #2995**

1-year-old female  
Adopted by Sue & Greg

**Rony #3005**

2-year-old male  
Adopted by Eva & Kevin

**Roody #3076**

7-year-old male  
Adopted by Janet & Dick

**Ruby #2996**

4-year-old female  
Adopted by Frédérique

**Ruby #3044**

5-year-old female  
Adopted by Lynn

**Rusty #3075**

5-month-old male  
Adopted by Diana & Chris

**Sadie #3106**

2-year-old female  
Adopted by Janice

**Sally #2999**

7-year-old female  
Adopted by Robin & Steven

**Scooter #3043**

5-year-old male  
Adopted by Breanne

**Scout #3100**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by David

**Shani #3024**

8-month-old female  
Adopted by Sherry & Brian

**Sophie #2887**

3-month old female  
Adopted by Tracey & Guy

**Sunny #3091**

8-month-old female  
Adopted by Carolyn & Geoff

**Talah #3053**

1-year-old female  
Adopted by Michele & Mark

**Timmy #3062**

5-month-old male  
Adopted by Sue & Kevin

**Trixie #3050**

6-year-old female  
Adopted by Mary & Newman

**Tucker #2837**

2.5-year-old male  
Adopted by Nancy

**Tucker #3086**

7-year-old male  
Adopted by Isabel & Dave

**Verra #3006**

3-year-old female  
Adopted by Rosanne & Paul

**Vickie #3096**

2.5-year-old female  
Adopted by Allison & Neil

**Winky #3128**

2-month-old male  
Adopted by Sarah & Aaron

**Winnie #2799**

8-month-old female  
Adopted by Erin & Taylor

**Wizard #3081**

3-year-old male  
Adopted by Kendra

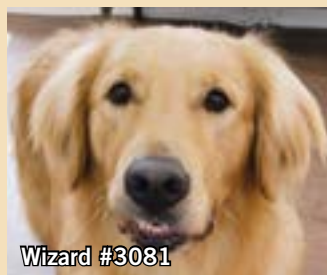
**Welcome Home!**



Rusty #3075



Molly #3078



Wizard #3081



Sunny #3091

# 2019



# PICNIC

## CELEBRATING 3,000!

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

### 10 am ~ 4 pm

Viamede Resort – Stoney Lake, Kawarthas  
[www.viamede.com](http://www.viamede.com)

Plans are underway for another action-packed day of fun, frivolity, games, food, festivities and prizes. All we need is YOU!

\$15 per person or \$30 per family

### TENTATIVE AGENDA:

- 8 am ~ Registration opens
- 10 am ~ Games (with lots of prizes)
- 10 am ~ Silent Auction opens
- 10 am ~ Hike with Ben & Toby
- 10 am – 4 pm ~ Ask the Trainer ~ Peter Brown of AlphaPaws (include small logo)
- 10:30 am ~ Jail & Bail First Convict
- 11:30 am – 2 pm ~ lunch
- 12 noon ~ Opening Ceremonies & 30th Anniversary Drone video (see page 6) AND back by popular demand 'Leave It or Steal It' (see how your Golden fares!)
- 1 pm ~ Live Auction
- 2 pm ~ Games (with more prizes)
- 2 pm ~ Hike with Ben & Toby
- 2:30 pm ~ Rainbow Bridge Memorial
- 3 pm ~ Best Dressed Contest (fabulous prizes)
- 3:30 pm ~ Silent Auction and 50-50 closes

### THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- bring your lawn chairs
- please poop 'n scoop (baggies & waste containers available)
- Goldens/dogs need to be accompanied at all times
- we accept cash, debit & credit cards for the auction, raffle, 50-50, and general store
- accommodations available ~ for reservations at Viamede, contact reservations or call 1.800.461.1946
- bring reusable water bottles ~ water coolers will be provided for refilling your bottles
- 'coin pails' will be at the registration desk ~ please bring any change you have on hand (or paw) to help our precious Golden's. Every bit helps ~ thank you!



Please let us know if you can join us. Just email [picnic@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:picnic@goldenrescue.ca) and let us know who is coming... two and four legged.

If you'd like to volunteer some time at the picnic, please email us at [volunteer@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:volunteer@goldenrescue.ca) and include Golden Rescue Picnic in your subject line. If there's something in particular you would like to do or want a specific timeframe, please let us know. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you!

We are looking for items for our silent and live auction. If you have anything to donate, please email [sa@goldenrescue.ca](mailto:sa@goldenrescue.ca). THANK YOU!

