



LIGRC Incentive Awards and Challenge Trophies

The Long Island Golden Retriever Club, Inc. incentive and challenge trophies are awarded annually to members in good standing whose dogs earned titles in conformation, obedience and field, or met the requirements to win a challenge trophy.

To be eligible to receive an incentive award or win a challenge trophy, the member must also either chair a LIGRC Committee or serve on 2 LIGRC, AKC or GRCA Committees or work on 2 LIGRC, AKC or GRCA events during the calendar year in which the submission for an award is made.

(The above paragraph was approved by LIGRC members at the June 23rd 1993 General Meeting.)

The LIGRC Secretary must receive applications by March 31st. Members must enclose with the application a copy of the dog's AKC registration certificate and a copy of the certificate issued from the AKC or CKC (for bench championships, obedience, agility, tracking and field titles) or from the GRCA (for WC/WCX, VC/VCX and CCA titles). The application includes information such as the shows and trials at which the dog received points or qualifying scores.

LIGRC Incentive Awards

Each LIGRC member will receive a token award or a donation in the dog's name to a Golden Retriever foundation for each bench, field, agility and/or obedience title earned by the member's dog or dogs during a calendar year. The LIGRC will give an incentive award to recognize any dog's receiving a Certificate of Merit or better at a licensed field trial; however, such an award is limited to one trophy per dog per year.

Dogs may be owned and/or co-owned, but must reside with the LIGRC member in good standing to be eligible for an award.

Any member who owns an Outstanding Dam or Sire is eligible for an award. (Refer to the GRCA point system, effective January 1, 1988, to determine eligibility of Outstanding Dams and Sires.)

Effective January 1, 1971, any Junior Member who achieves five wins at licensed shows during a calendar year is eligible for an incentive award.

LIGRC Challenge Trophies

In the interest of clarifying the ownership as it affects the award of the LIGRC Best of Breed, Am./Can. Ch. Golden Glo's Valentine Best of Opposite Sex, Obedience and Gun Dog Challenge Trophies, the Board of Directors and Members of the LIGRC establish the following as interpretive of the wording "Member owned and member handled" in the Deed of Gift of such trophies:

1. "Member" means a member in good standing of the LIGRC during the calendar year in which such submission for an award is made.
2. "Owner" means the person named on the AKC registration certificate if a sole owner. If two or more persons are named on the AKC certificate, the owner applying for the award must be the LIGRC club member with whom the dog resided as its principal residence during the year for which the award is to be made. A "boarded" dog, one who resides with the LIGRC member, but for whose housing and care a fee is paid to that member, shall not be eligible for an award.
3. The Awards Committee shall rely on the integrity of the members of the LIGRC in their submission for such awards and shall in the case of co-ownership by a non-member, accept a simple statement that the member applying for the award is the person with whom the dog resided and that, as such, meets the qualifications for submission for the award.

(The above paragraphs were approved by LIGRC members at the April 25th, 1984 general meeting.)

4. If a trophy is retired and the exact same trophy is donated back, the original name of the trophy must remain the same. Only new trophies which replace the retired trophy can be renamed. They must have the same requirements as the previous trophy.

The Challenge Trophies:

- LIGRC Best of Breed
 - Am./Can. Ch. Golden Glo's Valentine Best of Opposite Sex
 - LIGRC Obedience Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Ch. Westmont's Delilah, CDX, WCX Gun Dog Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Golden Glo's Margo Show Dog Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Ch. Spun Gold Kodiak Bear Show Dog Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Adirondac's Bella Allegra UD, MH, WCX, CCA, VC Intermediate Gun Dog Stake Trophy
 - LIGRC Windmere's Edgecombe M'eudail, CD Novice Obedience Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Kalmia's Jump For Joy, CDX Open Obedience Challenge Trophy
 - LIGRC Merrywood's Pita McDuff, UD, JH, WCX Utility Obedience Challenge Trophy
 - Cormac Service Dog Perpetual Trophy (Cannot be retired)
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LIGRC Best of Breed Challenge Trophy:

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

The owner must be a member in good standing and either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

The trophy will be awarded to the dog, which accumulates the greatest number of Best of Breed wins in a calendar year. The rules are as follows:

1. Eligibility is established by having obtained a minimum of two (2) Best of Breed wins.
2. In case of a tie, the trophy will be awarded to the dog that that has defeated the greatest number of golden retrievers in competition at the applicable shows.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The Best of Breed Challenge Trophy may be retired when the same dog wins the trophy three (3) times with the same owner. The owner has the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or of donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy, subject to approval by the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the trophy and all wins must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

(Revisions were approved by a vote of the members present at the General Meeting June 23, 1993.)

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LIGRC Am/Can Ch Golden Glo's Valentine Best of Opposite Sex Challenge Trophy:

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: The word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

The owner must be a member in good standing and either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

The Best of Opposite Sex Trophy will be awarded to the dog of the opposite sex to the Best of Breed Challenge Trophy winner. The rules are as follows:

1. Eligibility is established by having obtained a minimum of two (2) Best of Opposite wins in a calendar year. Though a Best of Breed will be counted as one (1) win toward the Best of Opposite Sex Trophy.
2. In case of a tie, the trophy will be awarded to the dog that has defeated the greatest number of golden retrievers in competition at the applicable shows. For best of opposite sex wins, only golden retrievers of that sex will be counted.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The LIGRC Am/Can Ch Golden Glo's Valentine Best of Opposite Sex Challenge Trophy may be retired when the same dog wins the trophy three (3) times with the same owner. The owner has the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or of donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy, subject to approval by the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the trophy and all wins must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Ch. Golden Glo's Margo Show Dog Challenge Trophy:

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the dog that defeats the greatest number of Golden Retrievers by winning either Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex at AKC licensed shows during the calendar year. Note: the word dog used herein refers to either a male or female.

The owner must be a member in good standing and either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

The dog must be member owned (if co-owned, the co-owner need not be a member of LIGRC, but the dog must reside with the member) and be member handled.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired when the same dog wins the trophy three (3) times with the same owner. The owner has the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the trophy and all wins must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Ch. Spun Gold Kodiak Bear Show Dog Challenge Trophy:

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned not necessarily member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: The word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the dog that defeats the greatest number of dogs based on Best In Show, Group Wins and placements, Best of Breed, or Best of Opposite Sex at AKC licensed shows during the calendar year.

Note: The word dog used herein refers to either a male or female.

The owner must be a member in good standing and either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

The dog must be member owned but not necessarily member handled. If co-owned, the co-owner need not be a member of LIGRC, but the dog must reside with the member. If, however, the dog is being shown by a professional handler, the member will not be penalized while the dog resides with the handler. The member's residence must be the dog's primary residence when not with the handler.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired by winning it three (3) times with the same dog and the same owner(s). Upon winning the trophy permanently, the winner will have the choice of re-donating the trophy with the same name or replacing it with a new trophy with the same requirements and of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the trophy and all wins must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Obedience Challenge Trophy:

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the member-owned, member handled AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever achieving the highest point count in AKC licensed or member obedience trials. Points to be awarded as follows:

One point for each point scored in the three best qualifying performances in any one level of obedience competition within the calendar year, provided the average of the scores is 185 or better.

All points toward the trophy must be obtained while the owner is a member in good standing and either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired when the same dog wins the trophy three (3) times with the same owner. The owner has the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or of donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the trophy and all wins must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Windmere's Edgecombe M'eudail, CD Novice Obedience Challenge Trophy

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the member owned (if co-owned, the co-owner need not be a member of LIGRC, but the dog must reside with the member), member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever Note: the word dog used herein refers to either a male or female.

To be awarded to the dog who has achieved the highest average of the top three (3) qualifying scores in CD competition, while competing to obtain that title at AKC Obedience Trials.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired when won three (3) times with the same member, not necessarily with the same dog. The owner of the dog that retired the trophy shall have the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the particular trophy and all scores must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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C Kalmia's Jump For Joy, CDX Open Obedience Challenge Trophy

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the member owned (if co-owned, the co-owner need not be a member of LIGRC, but the dog must reside with the member), member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. Note: the word dog used herein refers to either a male or female.

To be awarded to the dog who has achieved the highest average of the top three (3) qualifying scores in CDX competition, while competing to obtain that title at AKC Obedience Trials.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired when won three (3) times with the same member, not necessarily with the same dog. The owner of the dog that retired the trophy shall have the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the particular trophy and all scores must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Merrywood's Pita McDuff, UD, JH, WCX Obedience Challenge Trophy

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the member owned (if co-owned, the co-owner need not be a member of LIGRC, but the dog must reside with the member), member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. Note: the word dog used herein refers to either a male or female.

To be awarded to the dog who has achieved the highest average of the top three (3) qualifying scores in UD competition, while competing to obtain that title at AKC Obedience Trials.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

The trophy may be retired when won three (3) times with the same member, not necessarily with the same dog. The owner of the dog that retired the trophy shall have the option of re-donating to the club the existing trophy or donating a new trophy of equal or greater quality as the previous trophy subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

It shall be the owner's responsibility to notify the Secretary of their eligibility for the particular trophy and all scores must be confirmed by AKC Awards.

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LIGRC Ch. Westmont's Delilah, CDX WCX Gundog Challenge Trophy

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

To be awarded annually to the member-owned, member-handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever accumulating the highest points in any and all Gun Dog Stakes for the calendar year.

The point schedule will be as follows:

- First Place - 5 points
- Second Place - 3 points
- Third Place - 1 point
- Fourth Place - 1/2 point

Verification of all wins must be sent by the owner to the Secretary. In order to retire the trophy, the same dog must win it three (3) times, but not necessarily in succession. The owner of any dog that retires the Gun Dog Trophy shall have the option of re-donating the same trophy or donating to the club a new trophy of equal quality as the previous trophy, subject to the approval of the LIGRC Board of Directors.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

All points toward the trophy must be obtained while the member is in good standing and must either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

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Adirondac's Bella Allegra UD, MH, WCX, CCA, VC Intermediate Gun Dog Stake Trophy

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: the word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

The Intermediate Gun Dog should be steady when restrained lightly by a leash, deliver to hand, and be able to do single or simple multiple marks. A perpetual trophy, to be awarded each year to the Golden Retriever owned and handled by an LIGRC member who accumulates the most points in the Intermediate Gun Dog Stake during a calendar year.

Eligibility:

Dogs who have achieved one of the following shall not be eligible for the Intermediate Gun Dog Stake:

1. A Senior or Master Hunter leg,
2. A Placement in any qualifying or open stake
3. A Placement in a regular Gun dog Stake

A dog may not enter both the regular Gun Dog Stake and the Intermediate Gun Dog Stake at the same trial.

The dog schedule will be as follows:

- First Place 5 points
- Second Place 3 points
- Third Place 2 points
- Fourth Place 1 point

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

All points toward the trophy must be obtained while the member is in good standing and must either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

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Cormac Service Dog Perpetual Trophy

This is a perpetual trophy and cannot be retired.

To be eligible for this award the dog must be a member-owned, member handled, AKC registered, purebred Golden Retriever. (Note: The word dog as used herein refers to either a male or female.)

This award is presented annually to a dog of either sex that is member owned and member handled that has successfully competed in a "requisite activity" (performance or companion events such as field, tracking, agility, obedience, or rally) during the year, and has earned at least 12 credit hours in pet therapy at a recognized hospital, health care facility, or nursing home during that same year.

The dog must show proof of qualifying legs or titles, in one or more of the requisite activities, as well as proof of the 12 hours or more of pet therapy. Points earned toward this trophy are based on the point system shown below. The dog receiving the highest point score wins the award.

Point System

The qualifying service dog portion of the award is for regular participation as a registered therapy dog through one of the recognized therapy dog registries, in a recognized hospital, health care facility, or nursing home. Hours of service as a therapy dog shall be confirmed by a letter from the director or like executive of the recognized hospital, health care facility or nursing home at which the dog has served during the year. If the dog has served at more than one recognized facility, letters from each facility shall be provided stating the hours served. The minimum number of therapy dog hours necessary to qualify for this trophy is 12 hours during the calendar year. For every hour served over the 12 hours during the calendar year, one point shall be awarded.

For successful competition in a performance event such as field or tracking or a companion event such as obedience, agility or rally, points shall be awarded as follows: One point shall be awarded for each leg earned within the calendar year toward an AKC or GRCA recognized title, and three points shall be awarded for each AKC or GRCA recognized title earned within the calendar year. If the dog earns all the requisite legs for a title as well as the title within the calendar year, 1 bonus point will also be awarded.

The trophy is to remain in the possession of the winner for one (1) year. A memento will be presented for permanent possession.

All points toward the trophy must be obtained while the member is in good standing and must either chair a LIGRC committee or serve on 2 LIGRC/AKC/GRCA events or committees for the year the dog qualifies for the trophy.

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