



SOUTHERN ARIZONA GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE REPORT OF HOME VISIT TO POTENTIAL FOSTER/ADOPTER

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This home visit report is for both potential fosters and potential adopters. Please fill out the form completely with all pertinent information, then send it in. (See the submission instructions on the last page.)

There is room for comments in all sections, and the better you can describe the home and family, the better match SAGRR can make for just the right Golden for this family. Keep in mind that the Placement team does not know this family or anything about them except what you provide in this report, so you are their eyes and ears to help them "see" the adoption family via this report.

EVALUATOR AND APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date of Visit 2/8/2014 EVALUATOR Rod and Mary Spencer PHONE 733-2557 EMAIL buxgal@yahoo.com

Address Visited 3411 SCamino Seco#301 City, ZIP 85730 Cross Streets Cmno Seco & Gif Links

Explain what a foster family does.

FAMILY INTERESTED IN ☐ FOSTER ONLY ☒ ADOPT ONLY ☐ FOSTER AND ADOPT

HOMEOWNER STATUS ☒ OWNS HOME ☐ RENTS OR LEASES HOME

If the family rents or leases home, obtain copy of Landlord approval for large breed dog; family will not be approved until this document has been received.

APPLICANT Joan Young EMAIL K92001@msn.com

PHONES: HOME 296-8488 WORK n/a CELL

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER Tucson Unified School District, Secrist Elementary School, Special Education

CO-APPLICANT n/a EMAIL

PHONES: HOME WORK CELL

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER

LIST ALL NON-APPLICANT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS, RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT, AND AGES OF MINORS
(Relationship types are Spouse/Partner, Child (including grandchild), and Non-applicant Adult)

Name	Relationship	Age, if minor
n/a		

EXTERIOR OF PROPERTY

TYPE OF DWELLING: ☐ Single-family Home ☐ Duplex ☐ Condo or Townhouse
☒ Mobile or Manufactured Home ☐ Apartment

DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS (e.g., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc.)

Mobile Home is located in a mobile park off a Cul-de-Sac, right next to the dog park named after Joan. Says it took years of "campaigning" to fulfill the completion of the the dog park which consists of a gated area of gravel with benches, shade, and water available.

EXTERIOR: Is the exterior of the home and the landscape generally well-maintained)?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Somewhat

Is the yard reasonably clear of feces, trash or other objects (and hazardous plants) that might present a health problem to the Golden? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is there a fenced yard? ☒ Yes ☐ No

FENCE: What type of fence various Height: 3 ft. *If there are varying heights, provide the lowest height*

Type of gate: ☐ self-latching ☐ locked ☒ neither

If neither, explain access to the back yard is via the back porch

Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If the yard is not fenced, describe the surrounding area adjacent to the yard:

Gaps are patched with "hog-fence" and dog run enclosures that line the yard. Gate to open desert area behind yard is patched at the bottom with a board. Fencing is 8ft high in the back and 3 to 4 feet high on the sides.

Will the dog always be supervised or on-leash in the unfenced yard? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe type of yard (i.e., grass, rock, dirt, natural desert, etc.)

Yard is various natural desert sandy dirt and gravel rocks with a small 3ft x 3ft patch of grass.

POOL Is there a pool? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is it fenced? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is there a spa? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If applicant is requesting a puppy, verify if the puppy could get through the fencing and if so, is applicant willing to put up chicken wire or other safety measure to safeguard small puppy? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

If pool or spa is unfenced, advise Applicant it is hard to keep some Golden's out of the water, and note their reaction.

Comments on the exterior or landscaping:

INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT

Is the home generally well maintained? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there stairs inside or leading into or outside the home? ☒ Yes ☐ No

This may impact an older dog or one with mobility issues

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc.) carpeting in major rooms with linoleum in kitchen, bathrooms

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are any toilet lids open? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is there a dog door of sufficient size for a large golden? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If not, are there any plans to install a dog door? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Look for any plants, fragile items at Golden tail level, shoes, toys, etc. that may be an issue and discuss with family.

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed? all through the home

Where will the Golden sleep? in the bedroom there is a dog bed for her current dog

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds? ☒ Yes ☐ No

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be? will keep by side until trained, access to doggy door at all times

Does the family use a crate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If so, for what purposes / when / how long will the Golden be in the crate? unspecified

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating? used for training

Are they willing to use other ways of containing a dog (e.g., baby gates) if they do not want to crate train?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Comments on Interior

Owner has 40 years experience of training, breeding, raising Golden Retrievers and other breeds for show and pleasure. She says she will supervise until she can trust. However, as she does allow her own trained Corgi free reign out in the desert behind her premises occasionally, she says her dog returns home after 15 to 20 minutes of scouting. She prides herself on having a dog friendly home. Before entering her home she warned she prefers the company of her pets many times to the company of other people, but she is very personable and social. She is also a Special Education Teacher and uses her pet(s) sometime with her students. Her large living room area is dedicated to dog play area. The length of her home is used for ball chasing and retrieving. She wears pet fur on her furniture and clothing like a medal and has quite a history of Dog Show experience evidenced by the many dog plaques, memorabilia, and awards present on the walls and in cabinets. She keeps the cremated remains of beloved previous pets which are to be buried with her in her own plot when her time comes. Her home is a bit cluttered on the surfaces but the floor space is open and clear for pets and play.

PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS

Who will be the primary care giver? Joan How long will the Golden be left alone on a typical day? 0-6 hours

Discuss that we do not allow dogs to be left outside when no one is home, or all day.

Are there any other dogs in this home? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden:

"Roo" Corgi, age 4, playful and social - got along well with our "Candy Corn" (Golden Mix puppy we adopted 12/12)

Are any of the resident dogs unaltered? If so, explain below ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any cats in the home? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list age and gender of each: "Cat", 5 yr old Orange Tabby (feral kitten when she rescued) - hiding upon arrival

Is family aware that cat food and litter box should be kept out of the Golden's reach? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Are the cats used to dogs? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Are there any other pets? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please explain what type and where they are kept

Are there any livestock? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit? ☒ Yes ☐ No

How did the family interact with your Golden?

very well, Joan's keen eye picked up on CCs curly tail (mixed breed) and her limp

How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden?

Roo and Candy Corn got along well - no conflict outside or inside - even shared toys. Cat was not to be seen.

How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats?

She trusts her Roo off leash and directs with immediate cooperation.

Are there children in the home? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s):

We did bring our 9 yr old grandson. All is well.

Where will the dog eat? off the kitchen area Where will the water bowl be located? kitchen and dining area

What food will the family feed the Golden? Nutro Natural

Please discuss quality food and leave the "How to rate your dog's food" handout with them if appropriate.

Explain that if there will be more than one dog, we recommend feeding them separately, at least for the first few weeks. How did they react to this recommendation? Appreciated info and will consider for next pet food purchase.

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the Golden. Walks, Dog Park, Hiking, RV trips

Additional comments on Pet Care and Interactions:

THE GOLDEN FOR YOU

Has the family owned a Golden previously? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Do they understand that many Golden Retrievers are velcro-type dogs and want to be where their people are? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Do they understand the shedding of Golden Retrievers and need for frequent brushing and grooming, vacuuming and sweeping?
☒ Yes ☐ No

What type of Golden does the family prefer?

☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE ☒ NO PREFERENCE

AGE RANGE PREFERRED 0-3

What are their expectations for the SAGRR Golden?

☒ COMPANION ☐ HUNTING ☐ HIKING ☐ SWIMMING ☐ AGILITY

☐ CHILD'S COMPANION ☐ OBEDIENCE or RALLY ☐ THERAPY DOG ☐ SERVICE DOG

☒ DOG'S COMPANION ☐ OTHER (explain) _____

What Activity Level? _____

Would the family consider a bonded pair? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Maybe

Is the family willing to adopt a Golden with these conditions?

minor health problems?
 (mild valley fever, thyroid, allergies, arthritis etc.) ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

major health issues? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Maybe

special needs that are treatable? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Maybe

cancer? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Maybe

not house trained? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

Comments on The Golden for You:

She can only have 2 dogs per HOA, so she can only take one more dog. Will consider dog with problems as long as they are treatable. She becomes very attached to her pets and wants to keep them healthy as long as possible.

TRAINING FOR YOUR GOLDEN

Please discuss that it is always advisable to take any age Golden to training/CGC/obedience classes as part of the bonding experience. Also, advise family that some Golden Retrievers really need training for a successful placement.

If SAGRR recommends training, is the family willing to use a trainer we recommend? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is the family willing to crate train if recommended by SAGRR? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Does the family understand that there is an adjustment period for most dogs, and it will be a few weeks or longer for the dog to settle into their home? ☒ Yes ☐ No