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**SOUTHERN ARIZONA GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE**

**REPORT OF HOME VISIT OF POTENTIAL FOSTER/ADOPTER**

This is a combined foster and adoption home visit report. Please fill out the form completely with all the pertinent information. 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 that you provide in this report, so you are their eyes and ears to help them "see" the adoption family through your eyes via this report.

Please save this form on your computer with the Applicant's name and then email it to: GHET@sagrr.org

**EVALUATOR AND APPLICANT’S INFORMATION**

**DATE**: 1/5/19

**HOME EVALUATOR'S NAME**: Joyce Sanford EVALUATOR'S **PHONE** 520 877-8000 EVALUATOR'S **EMAIL** azjoyce@comcast.net

**INTEREST** IN FOSTER ONLY  ADOPT ONLY  WILL FOSTER AND WANT TO ADOPT X

OWNS HOME X 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 FAMILY'S NAME** Caitlin Taylor/John Hall

**ADDRESS**: 1709 W Oak Shadows Dr, Oro Valley, AZ

**CROSS-STREETS** LaCanada & Lambert

**CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE**: 85737

**HOME PHONE**: 520-205-2557 **CELL**: 520-205-2557 **WORK**:

**EMAIL** ADDRESS: caitigger@gmail.com

**OCCUPATION**/EMPLOYER: Caitlin – student to be counselor – John - Archeologist

LIST ALL (NON-APPLICANT) FAMILY MEMBERS, AND RELATIONSHIP, AND AGES OF ANY CHILDREN NONE

Name        Spouse/Significant Other  Child Age      Roommate  Non-applicant Parent

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**EXTERIOR PHYSICAL PROPERTY INFORMATION**

**DESCRIBE THE DWELLING**: X Single-family Home  Condo or Townhouse  Duplex

Apartment  Mobile or Manufactured Home. Comments

**DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS**, i.e., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc. subdivision about 30 yrs old – cul de sac – well kept area

**EXTERIOR**: Is the exterior of the home generally well-maintained (home, landscape, etc) X Yes  No

Somewhat Comments

**YARD**: Is there a fenced yard X Yes  No If the yard is not fenced, describe the surrounding area adjacent to the yard       Will the dog always be supervised or on-leash in the unfenced yard  Yes  No Comments

Describe type of yard (i.e., grass, rock, dirt, etc) pool with separate fence – wrought iron – discussed puppy could get through and how to fence off til she is bigger – rest of yard is large with various plantings – 2 oleanders, 1 cactus, discussed them – current dog ignores but if pup doesn’t they will deal with it

**FENCE**: What type of fence block Height 4 1/2 feet; (note if there are varying heights and provide the lowest height)

Are gates X self-latching  locked  neither -- Explain       Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing  Yes X No Comments see comments re: pool

Is the yard reasonably clear of feces, trash or other objects (and hazardous plants) that might present a health problem to the Golden? Golden X Yes  No Comments - 2 oleanders – they will watch dog with them

**POOL** Is there a pool X Yes  No Is it fenced?X Yes  No Is there a Spa?  Yes

X No - fencing and puppy were discussed at length

(Note: if applicant is requesting 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  Not Applicable;  Yes  No

Comments

If unfenced, advise Applicant it is hard to keep some goldens out of the pool and note their reaction

Comments

Any additional comments on the exterior of the home no

**INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT**

Is the home generally maintained? X Yes  No Comments

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter X Yes  No Comments a bit cluttered but they were packing up Christmas decorations

Are their stairs (inside or leading into or outside the home) (This may impact an older dog or one with any mobility issues) X Yes  No Comments Just steps leading to porch and into home – shouldn’t bother a dog – but people should be careful of inside step – I fell

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc) Tile but not slippery and carpet in bedrooms & liv room

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered X Yes  No Comments trash was covered, recycling not – we discussed

Are any toilet lids open X Yes  No Comments discussed dogs drinking from toilet and keeping them down

Is there a doggie door of sufficient size for a large golden?  Yes X No Comments

If not, are there any plans to install a dog door  Yes X No Comments wildlife in neighborhood

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

Comments no problem

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed – once reliably housetrained, anywhere

Where will the Golden sleep bedroom with them – in bed if it wants

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds X Yes  No Comments like to snuggle with dog

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be – crate til trained, then loose

Does the family use a crate X Yes  No Comments current dog likes crate but they have taken door off

If so, for what purposes/when /how long will the Golden be in the crate - to keep safe and til housebroken

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating fine

**PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS**

Are there any other dogs in this home X Yes  No Comments

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden 50 lb or so mix, long hair, maybe some golden/shepherd, chow? 9 yrs old, neutered male

Are any of the resident dogs unaltered, and if so, explain why they are not altered  Yes

X No Comments

Are there any cats in this home X No  Yes If yes, how many and age       Is family aware Golden will get into cat food and/or litter box and they should be kept out of reach  Yes  No Comments

Are the cats used to dogs  Yes  No Comments n/a

Are there any other pets?  Yes X No If yes, please explain what type and where they are kept Comments n/a

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis? X Yes  No Comments - friend has a chihuhua and a small terrier

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit ? X Yes  No Comments - Jake

How did the family interact with the Golden? Petted him, laughed when he tried to get in their laps, scratched ears most of the time

How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden? Ok – didn’t play at first but did later – Jake doesn’t play much so they just pretty much coexisted

How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats? Well – they know their dog and what his needs are and how to manage them – he has some fears, came with them from the shelter, likes women more than men etc.

Are there children on the home?  Yes X No Comments

Explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s) n/a

Where will the dog eat? kitchen Where will the water bowl be located? 2 locations, kitchen & bedroom bathroom

What food will the family feed the golden – feed Blue Buffalo grain free – the current dog has grain allergy so they keep him on that and their vet has given them meds for the cardiomyopathy with grain free food issue – they are getting good advice from their vet regarding food. (Please discuss quality food with the family)

Remember to explain (if there will be more than one dog) the recommendation to feed separately, at least for the first few weeks minimum - discussed especially cause current dog is a grazer – they understand. Pup will be eating in crate, discussed goldens propensity to eat til they are fat.

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the golden - walks, swimming when bigger, throwing ball

**WHAT IS THE RIGHT GOLDEN**

Has the family owned a Golden previously  Yes X No Comments chose a golden with help from vet tech friend – want a cuddly dog

Do they understand that many Goldens are velcro-type dogs and want to be where their people are?

X Yes  No Comments this is why they want a golden

Do they understand the shedding of Goldens and need for frequent brushing and grooming, vacuuming and sweeping?

X Yes  No Comments - current dog sheds plenty, they understand

What type of Golden does the family prefer?

MALE  FEMALE X NO PREFERENCE

UNDER 1 YEAR  1 -3 YRS  4-7 YRS  SENIOR X NO PREFERENCE

What are the expectations for the SAGRR Goldens?

X COMPANION  HUNTING  OBEDIENCE or RALLY  AGILTIY  CHILD’S COMPANION

THERAPY DOG  SERVICE DOG X DOG'S COMPANION  OTHER

What Activity Level?

Is the family willing to adopt a golden with minor health problems? (valley fever, thyroid problems, allergies, arthritis etc) X Yes  No  Maybe Comments

Is the family would you be willing to adopt a golden with major health issues?  Yes  No X Maybe Comments discussed – they would prefer a healthy dog but depends on what it is

Is the family willing to adopt a golden with special needs that are treatable?

Yes  No X Maybe Comments - depending on what it is

Is the family willing to adopt a golden that has cancer?  Yes X No  Maybe Comments

Is the family willing to adopt a golden that isn’t house trained? X Yes  No  Maybe Comments

**CARING FOR THE GOLDEN**

Who will be the primary care giver for the golden? Caitlin

How long will the golden be left alone on a daily basis? 1-2 hrs (Discuss that we do not allow dogs to be left outside when no one is home, or all day)

**TRAINING FOR 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 goldens really need training in order for it to be a successful placement.

Is the family willing if recommended by SAGRR to use a recommended dog trainer for the golden? X Yes  No Comments

Is the family willing to crate train if recommended by SAGRR? X Yes  No Comments

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? X Yes  No Comments

**FEE STRUCTURE FOR YOUR PERFECT GOLDEN**

Did you review the fee structure with the family and explain that they will be paying the adoption fee, at the time they dog is delivered to them? X Yes  No Comments

$300 0-UP TO 3 YEARS OLD

$250 3- UP TO 8 YEARS OLD

$150 OVER 8 YEARS OLD

SPECIAL NEEDS WILL BE DONE ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS

If family is interested in a pair, did you explain pair price (2nd dog is 1/2 price)? Possibly a pair

**MISCELLANEOUS**

List any persons in the home with special needs that should be considered when placing a golden in this home none

Does the age and activity level of the dog requested appear appropriate for the family? yes

If not, what age/activity level dog would you recommend for this family? n/a

Did you advise them of your recommendation for a different age/activity level dog? n/a

Please list any physical limitations should be considered when placing a golden in this home (i.e., the applicant weighs 80 pounds and would not be able to control a 100 pound untrained golden)

Does the family have a vehicle appropriate for a golden X Yes  No Comments

**SUMMARY**

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT THIS FAMILY BE AN APPROVED SAGRR HOME X Yes  No Comments – Caitlins parents live in neighborhood a few houses away and would come over and let a dog out if for some reason it was needed. Discussed puppy sized bladders etc.

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME yes