

**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**: 9/21/2014

**HOME EVALUATOR'S NAME**: Ann Wyland EVALUATOR'S **PHONE** 520-648-0655 EVALUATOR'S **EMAIL** acwyland@aol.com

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

OWNS HOME  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** Bryan & Joy Hopper

**ADDRESS**: 250 E. Via Puente Lindo

**CROSS-STREETS** La Villita Rd & Sahuarita Rd

**CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE**: Sahuarita AZ 85629

**HOME PHONE**: 520-867-8376 **CELL**: 325-650-1750 **WORK**: 520-228-6842

**EMAIL** ADDRESS: bryan.hopper@cox.net

**OCCUPATION**/EMPLOYER: Community Readiness Specialist, Dept. of Defense

LIST ALL (NON-APPLICANT) FAMILY MEMBERS, AND RELATIONSHIP, AND AGES OF ANY CHILDREN

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

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**EXTERIOR PHYSICAL PROPERTY INFORMATION**

**DESCRIBE THE DWELLING**:  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

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

Somewhat Comments Well maintained and kept up

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

Describe type of yard (i.e., grass, rock, dirt, etc) Large back yard, covered back patio, rock and desert landscaping

**FENCE**: What type of fence Block Wall Height 5 feet; (note if there are varying heights and provide the lowest height)

Are gates  self-latching  locked  neither -- Explain Self latching gate with a lock on it. Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing  Yes  No Comments

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

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

(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 N/A

Any additional comments on the exterior of the home Very well maintained

**INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT**

Is the home generally maintained?  Yes  No Comments

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter  Yes  No Comments

Are their stairs (inside or leading into or outside the home) (This may impact an older dog or one with any mobility issues)  Yes  No Comments

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc) Tile, some carpet

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered  Yes  No Comments

Are any toilet lids open  Yes  No Comments

Is there a doggie door of sufficient size for a large golden?  Yes  No Comments There 2 other dogs and a cat that all use the doggie door which leads to the fenced backyard/patio area.

If not, are there any plans to install a dog door  Yes  No Comments N/A

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

Comments  They already have 2 dogs so they know to keep certain things up high, etc.

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed Anywhere

Where will the Golden sleep Anywhere in the house

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds  Yes  No Comments

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be Left in the house but with access to the doggie door if he/she needs to go outside.

Does the family use a crate  Yes  No Comments

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

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating They are not adverse to crates if necessary but prefer not to use one.

**PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS**

Are there any other dogs in this home  Yes  No Comments They have 2 very well behaved dogs.

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden Chance is a heeler mix, 12 years old, neutered, very laid-back and social dog. Aslan is a blonde lab mix, 1 year old, neutered, also very laid-back and social. He thinks he is a cat!

Are any of the resident dogs unaltered, and if so, explain why they are not altered  Yes  No Comments

Are there any cats in this home  No  Yes If yes, how many and age Shelley is a calico cat, 6 years old, spayed, and also very laid-back and loves the dogs. 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

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

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis  Yes  No Comments

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit  Yes  No Comments

How did the family interact with the Golden N/A

How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden N/A

How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats Very well - you could tell they loved their pets and vice-versa.

Are there children on the home?  Yes  No Comments

Explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s) The resident dogs were present the whole time during the home visit and were either at our feet on the floor or laying next to us on the couch. They loved being petted and included.

Where will the dog eat Kitchen Where will the water bowl be located Kitchen & outside on the patio

What food will the family feed the golden Nutro (Left "Dog Food Handout" with them). (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 They already have separate areas in the kitchen where each dog eats so they know to feed separately or at least far apart from each other.

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the golden Walking around Sahuarita Lake, hiking in Madera Canyon (on leash), ball playing

**WHAT IS THE RIGHT GOLDEN**

Has the family owned a Golden previously  Yes  No Comments

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

Yes  No Comments

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

Yes  No Comments

What type of Golden does the family prefer?

MALE  FEMALE  NO PREFERENCE

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

What are the expectations for the SAGRR Goldens?

COMPANION  HUNTING  OBEDIENCE or RALLY  AGILTIY  CHILD’S COMPANION

THERAPY DOG  SERVICE DOG  DOG'S COMPANION  OTHER

What Activity Level? Medium

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

Is the family would you be willing to adopt a golden with major health issues?  Yes  No  Maybe Comments

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

Yes  No  Maybe Comments

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

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

**CARING FOR THE GOLDEN**

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

How long will the golden be left alone on a daily basis? 8 hrs (but dog will never actually be alone as there are 2 other dogs and a cat) (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?  Yes  No Comments

Is the family willing to crate train if recommended by SAGRR?  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?  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?  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)? Not interested in a pair.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

List any persons in the home with special needs that should be considered when placing a golden in this home N/A

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) N/A

Does the family have a vehicle appropriate for a golden  Yes  No Comments They each have an SUV.

**SUMMARY**

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT THIS FAMILY BE AN APPROVED SAGRR HOME  Yes  No Comments This couple adopted their dog Aslan from The Animal League of Green Valley a few months ago. They want another dog as a companion and playmate for him as Chance is older and doesn't play as much as the younger dog. However, they did say that Aslan has gotten the older dog Chance to play and be more active.

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME I wouldn't hesitate to leave my dog in this home. They are very interactive with their pets and it shows by the love and devotion the pets display to each of them. I also left them the "What's Next?" handout.