

**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**: 10/4/2014

**HOME EVALUATOR'S NAME**: emper 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** Michael Hackett

**ADDRESS**: 18255 S. Eldorita Place

**CROSS-STREETS** La Canada Drive & Eldora Place (Eldorita Place is a cul-da-sac)

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

**HOME PHONE**:      -     -      **CELL**: 520-240-7264 **WORK**:

**EMAIL** ADDRESS: emperor202000@yahool.com

**OCCUPATION**/EMPLOYER: Retired

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 Beautiful front yard

**DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS**, i.e., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc. In subdivision

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

Somewhat Comments Very nice yard - keeps up on the weeding, etc.

**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) Actually 2 yards - 1 with a pool; other is dirt and mesquite trees with lots of shade and lots of space to run and play.

**FENCE**: What type of fence Block Wall Height 5-6 feet; (note if there are varying heights and provide the lowest height)

Are gates  self-latching  locked  neither -- Explain       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

CommentsThe pool is off the master bedroom and although the whole yard is surrounded by a block wall, the pool itself is not fenced off. However, that being said, the pool has steps at both ends and on the sides to allow for an animal to get out safely if they should happen to fall/jump in. The owner would not have the dog out by itself in that yard anyway. The spa does not have a fence around it either but it has a very heavy cover on it.

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

Comments See comments above

Any additional comments on the exterior of the home Well maintained - very nice big yard for a dog or dogs

**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 Has a sunken living room so there is a step down

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc) Mostly tile; some carpeting and giant throw rugs

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

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

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

Comments No issue here - has had Goldens and other dogs before so knows what to keep out of reach

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed Anywhere in the house or outside in the yard

Where will the Golden sleep In the house anywhere the dog wants

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds  Yes  No Comments He has blankets to put over the furniture if the dog likes a particular couch or chair

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be The dog will either travel with him in his motor home or will go over to a friends house to stay with her and her Golden.

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 Explained what a crate was used for and its purpose and he doesn't think he would be interested in crate training. He is retired and has the time to train/teach a dog without a crate.

**PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS**

Are there any other dogs in this home  Yes  No Comments

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

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

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

Are the cats used to dogs  Yes  No Comments N/A

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 Another Golden

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit  Yes  No Comments The first thing he asked was "Did you bring a dog with you?" and seemed kind of disappointed I didn't.

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 N/A

Are there children on the home?  Yes  No Comments

Explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s) N/A

Where will the dog eat Back hallway/kitchen Where will the water bowl be located Back hallway/kitchen

What food will the family feed the golden Kirkland Rice & Lamb (Left "Food Handout" with him and discussed quality food. He used to deliver dog food so he is aware of brands, etc.) (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 N/A

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the golden Walking, playing ball

**WHAT IS THE RIGHT GOLDEN**

Has the family owned a Golden previously  Yes  No Comments Has had several Goldens before (showed me some darling pictures of them too)

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? Moderate - depending on the dog's age. If a Senior Dog - then doesn't mind less active.

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? Michael

How long will the golden be left alone on a daily basis? Very little (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 Doesn't like the idea of a crate even though I explained the reasoning for it.

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)? Yes. He said he would be interested in a pair if they came in together and have bonded with each other.

**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 A truck and a motor home

**SUMMARY**

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT THIS FAMILY BE AN APPROVED SAGRR HOME  Yes  No Comments Left the "What's Next?" handout with him.

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME Yes. This man obviously loves animals and has owned several Goldens (and other dogs) before. He is willing to work with the dog(s) whether it is a senior or younger dog but prefers not to have a puppy or a dog that isn't housebroken. He said he actually likes older dogs. He has an ideal side yard for a dog that is huge (and doesn't have the pool in it). He is also willing to be a foster if needed.