SOUTHERN GOLDEN RETRIEVER SOCIETY

**2023 AGM**

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|   |   **Wednesday 22nd March 2023 at 8 pm** **at EAST MALLING VILLAGE HALL**  **14 New Rd, East Malling, Kent,ME19 6DD** |

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| **THERE WILL BE LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING, PLEASE ARRIVE BEFORE 7.30pm** |

 There will be an opening address by the President

 **AGENDA**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approval of the previous minutes

3 Matters arising from the last minutes

1. Chairman’s Report
2. Treasurer’s Report

- Society’s Accounts

* + Approval of Auditors
	+ Annual Review of Subscriptions and statement of

 Memberships

1. Rescue Trust Report
2. Election of Officers & Committee
3. Charity Proposal – please see next sheet
4. Annual Award of Trophies
5. Any Other Business

There are no other Proposals submitted for this AGM.

**There will be a limited number of last year’s AGM minutes and rules of the Society available at the meeting.**

The draft Accounts are on the SGRS website.

**THERE WILL BE NO REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THE AGM**

PROPOSALFOR THE SGRS DESIGNATED CHARITIES for 2023

Rationale:

At the AGM in 2022 it was suggested that a review take place to decide whether to change from Medical Detection Dogs or add/change to other charities as recipients of the 50% fund raising surplus occurring at the SGRS Fun Day which is planned for Sunday 28th May in 2023.

At this time, increasing numbers of Goldens are being rescued with long term health needs and any help to raise SGRR profile is important for continuing to support our much-loved breed. Given the long-standing historical association between SGRS and SGRR we will be maintaining our support for SGRR by continuing to donate 50% of the Fun Day fund-raising surplus and this proposal vote will decide who else receives a share of the further 50%.

The following 4 Charities have been suggested by various SGRS members since the 2022 AGM.

1. Medical Detection Dogs (our current recipient), which trains dogs to detect the odour of human disease with the aim of developing faster more efficient and less invasive diagnostics.
2. Hounds for Heroes, which provides specially trained Assistance dogs for disabled UK Armed Forces and Emergency Services personnel.
3. Dogs for Autism, which provides assistance dogs at no charge to autistic individuals of any age who will significantly benefit from a canine partnership to enable them to more easily access the world around them.
4. The Cinnamon Trust, which provides care and support which seeks to respect and preserve the treasured relationship between elderly and infirm owners and their pets by providing long term care and support for pets whose owners may be in hospital or moved into long term care facilities or have passed away.

The AGM must decide if it wishes to pick one or more of these candidate charities to receive an equal share donation from the remaining 50% of the surplus raised at the Fun Day.

This proposal is approved and submitted by the Executive Committee and presented by

Ms Byrn at the AGM

**Proposal**:

The SGRS will donate funds contained within the 50% Fun Day surplus to any of the following Charities which are chosen, during 2023.

1    MDD

2    Hounds for Heroes

3    Dogs for Autism

4    The Cinnamon Trust