



NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue

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NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue to Host “Wag ‘N Walk” 2006 June 3 in Pleasanton

May 25, 2006, Menlo Park, CALIF... “Wag ‘N Walk 2006,” a two-mile, all-breed dog walk for the entire family, will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 3 at Pleasanton’s Shadow Cliffs Regional Recreation Area.

The event, hosted by NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue (NGRR), will feature demonstrations of dog dancing, basic obedience, a demo from dogs from the Bay Racers Flyball Club, assistance dogs at work, and the special two-mile dog walk.

“Wag N’ Walk’ 2006 mascot, Tyson, will also be at the event. Tyson, a 10-year-old golden retriever, was rescued from an East Bay animal shelter in February 2006. Because NGRR works closely with local shelters, NGRR volunteers were notified that a male golden retriever about 10 years of age was surrendered and would be euthanized rather than put up for adoption.

“We get cases like this all of the time,” said Jeff Wilson, NGRR’s president. “Each year, we rescue close to 400 goldens in Northern California, and through the generous donations of our supporters, we’re able to provide more than \$100,000 in medical care each year to rescued golden retrievers.”

NGRR volunteers discovered that Tyson had a huge oblong tumor on his left hind leg. He was seen by a NGRR veterinarian, who diagnosed the tumor as cancerous and felt that the best way to save his life was to amputate his leg.

Tyson is now a three-legged golden retriever who will soon be completely recovered and adopted by a loving family. He will be leading the walk at 10:30 am on June 3 in Pleasanton. “Tyson will be walking on his three good legs for all of the NGRR goldens in need of homes,” said Wilson. “Thanks to NGRR and our supporters, Tyson is getting a second chance at health and happiness. He is a wonderful dog and will make a great companion.”

Registration for the event is \$20. Children under 14 are free. Canine registrants will receive a doggie goodie bag and human registrants will receive a special “Wag ‘N Walk” t-shirt. Additionally, you can go the extra mile for goldens in need by collecting pledges. For more information, please call Laurel Stanley at (925) 962-9255 or visit NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue on the Web at www.golden-rescue.org.