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Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Devetta

I want to recognize the folks that stepped up to produce the greatest nosework trials since the last ones!!! It was a very long weekend and some folks were called upon to fill in with only a moment's notice. Others did the same job all day (thank you Jen Howell for being such a huge help to Johnnette!). And still others were asked to work in between competing with their own dogs. No matter how much time you spent, you were valued, and the club appreciates everything you did. A huge thank you to: Cyd Willard, Erin Embry, Jim Hogsett, Norine Nieman, Lori Tranmer, Brenda Bruce, Sharon Dowell, Dottie Tice, Karen Blessing, Sharee Newman, Darla Hook, Rhonda Pratt, Kristy Murdock and her fabulous husband, and Gerianne Darnell. I can't thank you all enough. It really does take a village and I'm glad we could all pull together to make some great trials happen. If I've forgotten anyone, please let me know and forgive me. I really want everyone to be recognized and get credit.

UKC Obedience/Rally Trials June 11-12, 2022

Gerianne and Erin, co-chairs

This past weekend the Friends of BDOC held four obedience/rally trials, two trials each day. Our entries were small, but despite losing money, I would still deem it a success due to the many titles earned and also what a good time people had. Next year these trials will be recombined with the UKC nosework trials on this weekend.

Our judge was Jim Comunale from the St Louis area. As always, thank you to our wonderful Secretary, Norine, for keeping everything on track. Thanks to Jim for setting up and to Devetta, our chief ring steward and awesome food order person! Thanks to the following club members who helped setup, steward, and/or clean up: Pam, Devetta, Kim, Erin, Rhonda, Gerianne, and Sherry. Thanks to Sharon for dropping off and picking up the ribbons, and to Joanne for stopping by on her way home from Nebraska City to retrieve the financial stuff.

Our next event will be the AKC Obedience/Rally trials here in August.

Norine received this from an exhibitor from last weekend:

I wanted to write and thank you all for a great fun trial. I am sure you all probably didn't break even and I am sorry, but the club treated it as you made millions.

The member's, workers stewards were so kind and helpful. and the tall lady who had shorts on,, called me the comic relief , that was a great compliment, as I have been so stressed these last two yrs., and now working toward a UDX in AKC has been my first and Pippa tries so hard.

I want you to know how much I enjoy coming to the shows you have at Gerianne's and at the building on army post rd. I have been coming up for 8 yrs. and just love the shows. and the people.

I tried to get some people to come to the UKC show. good show, good judge. but a couple I talked to were afraid to come do UKC and in two wks. turn and do AKC? What has happen to people we in old days hit. UKC AKC ASCA and every show. it was good preparation, and practice.

I know my first run in open Pippa and I NQ'ed ,even though Brandi, my daughter was a post and Pippa goes oh boy Aunt Brandi. it didn't matter she should of worked. but I got to thinking she has not seen human post since before covid. I don't get to matches or have anyone to train with we just practice here on farm. I had forgotten or actually didn't realize UKC still used people but I should of know. so that was a training error on my part. only my fault lol.

I realized on way home that this was my last UKC show. I will retire from it. as I don't have the rides and I don't think I would get a UD in UKC so it was a bitter sweet wknd thanks to your show.

I came up to finish my RO-2, as I was told yrs. ago by Bev Rumsover. never leave a title unfinished. I had hoped to maybe get open and RO-3 leg, but never thought I would accomplished 3 titles and all the ribbons omg. So for my last UKC show it was awesome to do with you all.

Thanks again for going ahead and having the show. It seems entries are dropping everywhere. thanks again,

Debbie and Miss Pippa

2022 Summer Club Picnic

Gerianne

BDOC had a very nice picnic, inside with no ants, on Sunday, June 5th. BDOC provided the food from McAllister's, thank you Devetta for taking the orders and Kim for picking it up. We had 18 members and guests in attendance, and after the meeting we enjoyed birthday cake for Linda, supplied by Bert and Gerianne. That was one good cake!

Our next fun meeting will be Putt Putt golf at Pirate Putt in Council Bluffs on Wednesday, August 10th. Come and channel your inner Tiger Woods for the evening! We will bring sack lunches and have a very quick meeting, stay tuned for time and details as it gets closer.



We were all deeply saddened by the loss of long-time club member Randy Frady in June. Randy was just a year away from life membership in BDOC. He was always there to help us with our events, whether it be agility, herding, or obedience. On a personal level, we will all miss his wonderful smile and his unwavering friendship. On July 3rd a Celebration of Life for Randy was held at the Companion Dog Club Building. This event was jointly sponsored by BDOC, CDC, and Go Dogs. The three clubs also purchased a plaque in Randy's honor that will hang in the Companion Dog Club building. Randy's dogs have all found good homes, and we can take comfort in that. Rest easy old friend, we will see you again someday.

Gerianne

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska-Board Minutes June 5, 2022

Rhonda Pratt Secretary BDOC

This meeting was held at the home of Gerianne's Darnell

Call meeting to order: at 1:23

The reading of the last board and general meeting on April 27, were waived as they were published in the newsletter.

Report of president: The February 2023 UKC Nosework trial will go to one judge and be limited to 100 entries, with the possibility of a backup judge if needed.

The <u>treasurer's report</u> was handed out with showing the profit and losses of both AKC and UKC venues. AKC herding and UKC Nosework showed a small loss, but AKC Obedience/Rally and AKC Scent Work had a nice profit. There was a motion by Erin, second by Teresa to accept the Treasure's Report as given.

<u>Old Business</u>: The committee for the revision of the Constitution and Bylaws has not met. Kris has read over the Bylaws and has some suggestions on changes that need to be reviewed. Linda, Gerianne, Teresa, and Kris are zeroing in on a date to meet.

Erin: Cones for Rally awards have been received, (RAE, RACH) A logo, sticker or stencil is still being designed.

New Business: UKC Obedience/Rally trials need to be recombined with the UKC Nosework trial in June.

Devetta has volunteered to be our official lunch chair extraordinaire.

Discussions were held regarding the various events, different scenarios, and what volunteers are still needed through the year. AKC Obedience/Rally August 5-7, GA and Erin chairs, Pam will be chief ring steward.

AKC Scent Work, August 18-21, Sue and Erin chairs, Shelly Rehmeier is volunteer coordinator. Devetta is food coordinator.

AKC Herding, September 23-25, GA and Erin chairs, Devetta is food coordinator.

AKC Obedience/Rally, October 29-30, GA and Erin chairs, Rhonda will be chief ring steward and Devetta food coordinator.

AKC Scent Work, November 3-6, chair Sue, Volunteer coordinator Kris.

August 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. address 1718 Madison Ave. Council bluffs, IA 51503. Sack Lunch

Gerianne Darnell announced that August 27, 2022 will be she and George's 45th Wedding Anniversary and also the 100th anniversary of their farm. Everyone is invited to a celebration that night.

There was also a discussion about possibly moving our October 2023 Obedience trial date for one year to accommodate the National Tracking Invitational in Lincoln. Tabled for further exploration/discussion.

The next board meeting will be August 6th after the AKC Obedience/Rally trial. Time TBD after entries close. The next general meeting will be Wednesday, August 10th, 6:00 p.m. This will be held at Pirate Putt in Council Bluffs, members need to bring a sack lunch.

Motion to adjourn by Teresa and second by Linda at 2:01.

BDOC General Meeting Sunshine Obedience Room

Rhonda Pratt, Secretary

<u>Call to Order</u> – The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

Minutes of the last board meeting. – A motion was made to waive the reading of those minutes by Devetta Hill and seconded by Kris Woodke Motion carried.

Minutes of the last general meeting, April 27, 2022 A motion was made to waive the reading of those minutes by Devetta Hill and seconded by Kris Woodke Motion carried.

Report of President Gerianne Darnell: Gerianne brought up the fact that UKC obedience show was not on the UKC website, which may account for low entries. The discussion of our February Nosework show will combine Obedience and Rally. This would limit the entries for Nosework to 100 and go with 1 Judge with a possibility for a bac up judge if needed.

Report of Vice President Erin Embrey: Nothing to report at this time.

Report of Treasurer Joanne Swenson: Joanne passed out the current Treasurer's report. After the members had the opportunity to review the report, AKC herding and UKC Nosework showed a small loss, but AKC Obedience/Rally and AKC Scent Work had nice profits. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Linda Puckett and seconded by Teresa Carlisle.

Report of Secretary Rhonda Pratt: Nothing to report at this time.

Report of Committees:

Devetta Hill has volunteered to be our **Food Coordinator**

- UKC Nosework, May 27-29: Gerianne and Erin were co-chairs and Devetta Hill and Rhonda Pratt co-volunteer coordinators.
- UKC Obedience/Rally, June 11-12: There will be two trials each day. Gerianne and Erin are the co-chairs for this event, and Devetta is the chief ring steward. Devetta and GA will coordinate food for the judges and volunteers.
- AKC Obedience/Rally, August 5-7: Gerianne and Erin are co-chairs. Pam Fusselman has volunteered to be chief Ring Steward (Remotely) Devetta in charge of lunches for the judges and volunteers.
- AKC Scent Work, August 18-21: Sue Volkmer and Erin are the co-chairs. Shelly Rehmeier volunteer coordinator and Devetta in charge of lunches for the judges and volunteers.
- AKC Herding, September 23-25: Gerianne and Erin are the co-chairs. Devetta in charge of lunches for the judges and volunteers.
- AKC Obedience/Rally, October 29-30: Gerianne and Erin are co-chairs for this event. Rhonda Pratt has volunteered for chief ring steward and Devetta in charge of lunches for the judges and volunteers.
- AKC Scent Work, November 3-6: The chair for this event is Sue Volkmer, and the volunteer coordinator is Kris Woodke.

Old Business:

- Bylaws Committee Kris Woodke (chair), Linda Puckett, Sue Volkmer and Gerianne Darnell currently make-up this committee. The purpose is to update and revise the Club's current Bylaws, while ensuring we are still in compliance with the AKC's rules and regulations for licensed clubs. We are currently in the beginning stages of this task. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for revisions and/or updates, please let one of the committee members know. We are waiting on a date that works for the members to meet.
- Erin ordered 7" cones which have arrived she will get a design figured out for the proper sizing and design for BDOC stickers on the cones. (RAE and RACH)

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The UKC Obedience/Rally trials need to be recombined with the UKC Nosework trials in June, rather than be held as separate events.

The next general meeting will be August 10, 2022 at 6:00. This will be held at Pirate Putt 1718 Madison Ave, Council Bluffs IA 51503. **Bring a Sack Lunch**

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Kris Woodke and seconded by Linda Puckett. The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.



From Gerianne:

Rayna is cooking in obedience this summer! She has won many placements in Open B and Utility B, including all of her First Places towards the OTCH. She is now up to 42 OTCH points! You go, Rayna!



Bellevue Dog Obedience Club AKC Obedience & Rally Trials August 5-7, 2022

This is a reminder that Bellevue Dog Obedience Club (BDOC) is offering AKC Obedience & Rally Trials on August 5th-7th, 2022. There will be one trial each day and this event will be held at Sunshine Obedience School, 11092 240th Street, Council Bluffs, IA.

We look forward to seeing you at our trials!



From Dr. Marty

When it comes to keeping your pup healthy and happy... we all know nutritious foods, frequent exercise, and lots of love are essential.

But there's *another* big part of dog wellness that often gets overlooked:

Mental stimulation.

You see, just like humans, dogs get bored pretty

easily.

So if you're not always treating your pooch to new sights, sounds, smells, and activities...

Even the BEST "canine care routine" will become just that — *routine*.

And doggy boredom can have some pretty serious consequences.

For one, a bored pooch may act out in destructive ways...

Such as chewing on your favorite pair of shoes, or going to the bathroom where they know they're not supposed to.

But even worse... boredom can cause dogs to feel *depressed*. And it can make an otherwise healthy dog tired, sad, and unwilling to play...

And make *you* feel like you're losing your best friend.

Fortunately, you can keep your pup's life exciting... without making any big changes to their (or your) daily routine.

So here are **3 simple (yet effective) "boredom busters"** that are sure to keep your pooch excited. **#1. Treat Your Pooch to a "Home" Makeover** Don't worry, this doesn't involve renovating your house — just how your dog sees it.

For instance, you could surprise your pup with a plush new doggy bed — and put it in an unexpected spot.

And it goes without saying: A new indoor toy can instantly "make over" any room.

Because when it comes to curbing boredom... small changes to your dog's environment can go a long way. Especially if they spend most of the day indoors.

#2. Make Going to the Bathroom... an Adventure!

It's very common for a doggy dad or mom to find a good "dog-walking route" and stick with it.

After all, as long as Fido does his business and moves about, *where* he does it isn't that important, right?

Wrong!

Dogs are very attentive creatures. So it's likely your pooch already knows the smell of every stump, curb, and mailbox on your trusty go-to route.

And this could mean your pup is desperate for something *new* to spark their keen canine senses.

So be sure to map out a variety of different "walking routes" near your house, and mix them in.

That way, there will always be new sights and scents to keep your pup stimulated.

#3. Put a "Twist" on a Favorite Game

Turn a classic game of fetch into some high-energy fun.

All you'll need is 4 or more dog toys, some treats, and an open space (indoors or outdoors.)

Start by inviting your dog to play fetch. Toss their toy and encourage them to retrieve it. Reward them with a treat when they bring it back to you.

If your dog doesn't want to give the toy back, that's okay. Simply toss the next toy and send your pup running after it.

Your goal is to cycle through the toys multiple times, encouraging your dog with praise and treats...

While keeping your pup in constant motion. This way, they're focusing their physical and mental energy on a fun, healthy task...

And spending time with their favorite person, too :)

Now, keep in mind, these "boredom busters" will only be effective if you use them regularly...

So I recommend treating your pooch to at *least* 1 new source of stimulation a week...

After all, if your pup's bored, they can feel gloomy, or turn to destructive behaviors...

But by adding a *little* variety to your dog's routine... you can help your pup feel their happiest.