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April/May 2023

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BDOC 2022 Annual Meeting President's Report February 24, 2023

BDOC had another very successful and fun year in 2022.

Our first event of the year was a UKC Nosework trial held in February. We did NOT have snow for this trial! We did decide that for 2023 we would switch to a one judge trial for this weekend.

Our next event was a combined AKC Obedience/Rally/Scent Work trial April 1-3. This was a VERY large trial with both obedience/rally and Scent Work going on at the same time. We discovered that obedience people and Scent Work people perhaps do not mix well, especially in large quantities. These two trials will be split in to separate weekends in 2023.

The middle of May brought our semi-annual AKC Herding Trial. We had another fiercely competitive trial, with many top handlers in attendance. One club member finished her Herding Championship that weekend! The ducks and sheep behaved well. In 2022 our summer UKC obedience/rally trial was held on a separate weekend from our UKC nosework trial. The nosework trial was held on Memorial Day weekend and the obedience/rally trial was June 11-12. We learned that unlike AKC obedience and Scent Work, these two events are best held together, and we will go back to just one weekend in 2023. We will also be adding CPE Scent Sports back to our calendar of events in June of 2023.

Sadly, we lost long time club member Randy Frady the first week in June, and his funeral was held during the UKC obedience weekend. Other folks stepped up to help with this event so that those who were close to Randy could attend his funeral. We will so miss our wonderful friend Randy.

We then had a break until the next AKC Obedience/Rally weekend in early August. We had a nice, healthy entry, and again many titles and qualifying scores were earned. Two weeks later we offered AKC Scent Work, which also featured two Detective trials, one at Sharon Dowell's home and one at Sunshine Obedience School. We are so glad to add these challenging and fun searches to our other offerings.

We held our second weekend of AKC Herding Trials in September, which included ranch trials on Friday. Our club members were again quite successful during this weekend. We have decided to offer ranch trials during our Spring Herding trials as well. The date of our Spring herding trial has been changed to mid-April instead of mid-May for 2023.

In 2022 the AKC Obedience/Rally trials at Companion Dog Club in October was our 35th anniversary Obedience trial. We had commemorative pens to pass out to exhibitors, a nice cake, and there were memorabilia displayed from throughout the years along with a memorial table for Randy. We concluded our event year with AKC Scent Work trials in November.

Along with all of our events, we also had a fun get together connected with a meeting every other month in 2022. In April we had a meal together along with cake to celebrate Bert's birthday, and in June we had our club picnic. In August we played put putt golf, and in October we had a hayrack ride, bonfire, and a visit to the haunted house at Bellevue Berry Farm. Our Holiday Meeting featured wonderful food and our annual stealing gift exchange. Much fun was always had by all.

Our treasury remains healthy, and we will continue on with our events as long as our health and finances permit. Thanks to all of you for allowing me to be your president for so many years. I consider all of you good friends, and I very much enjoy the fun we have putting on our events.

2022 BDOC Member of The Year



When the Board discussed who the 2022 Member of the Year should be, one person's name was brought up, and we all agreed it was a perfect choice. In fact, we were surprised this person had never received the award before!

This person has helped with every kind of trial we have ever had: Obedience Trials, Rally Trials, Agility Trials, Nosework Trials, and Herding Trials. I can hardly think of a trial weekend that this person does not help at least one day, and often more than one. This person has helped load and unload agility equipment, haul stuff to and from the storage shed, and she is just generally available to do whatever needs to be done. This person attends all of our

meetings and fun days, and she also picks up food for meetings and events.

This person doesn't even show her own dog, but she enjoys watching her "Grand dogs" show in their many events. This person is also our Sunshine Person, sending cards to our members when there is a need.

Thank You Note

This year's 2022 Club Member of the Year is Kim Embrey.

Thank you for the honor of being named BDOC Club member of the Year.

It is an honor to be working with such a great group of people. You share the same love of dogs/animals that I have! Thanks,

Kim Embrey

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska-Board Meeting February 5, 2023

<u>Call meeting to order:</u> at 3:06 pm This meeting was held via Zoom call.

The reading of the last board meeting on December 18th, and general meeting on January 22, 2023 were waived as they were published in the newsletter approved by Erin and second by Teresa The treasurer's report: was presented by Joanne. A discussion was given on the club's overall profit for the year in all venues. There was a motion by Teresa, second by Rhonda to accept the Treasure's Report as given.

President's Business:

Herding Judges education seminar is March 4th. There are still available spots for the seminar members were going to help promote this venue to get more participants signed up.

Old Business: There was a discussion about the changes to the bylaws. There was an email sent out to the club members of the original and also the suggested changes. Kris was working on the changes to the Constitution and discussed to have them sent out 2 weeks prior to the next meeting 2/24/23. This will all be voted on during our February meeting.

<u>New Business:</u> Dues to be brought to our meeting 2/24/23

There was a motion to have in writing that BDOC vouchers are accepted **for all BDOC Venues** approved by all board members.

Awards banquet (meeting) February 24, 2023 at Legends in Aksarben 6:00 p.m. Cost per member 18.00 pay by check to BDOC.

- Report of committees:
- UKC Nosework, February 17-19, Shelly chair, Sue chief ring steward
- AKC Herding Judges Seminar, March 4, Gerianne chair, we need more bodies to attend!
- AKC Obedience/Rally, March 31, April 1-2, Gerianne and Erin chairs, Devetta chief ring steward
- AKC Herding, April 14-16, Gerianne and Erin chairs
- AKC Scent Work, April 28-30, Sue chair, Rhonda Pratt volunteer coordinator
- UKC Nosework/Obedience/Rally, June 9-11, Gerianne and Erin, chairs/volunteer coordinator for obedience, Sue chair for nosework, ? volunteer coordinator for nosework
- CPE Scent Sports, June 24-25, Gerianne and Erin, chairs, ? volunteer coordinator
- AKC Obedience/Rally, August 4-6, Gerianne and Erin chairs, ? volunteer coordinator
- AKC Scent Work, August 17-20, need chairs and coordinator
- AKC Herding, September 22-24, Gerianne and Erin chairs
- AKC Obedience/Rally, October 28-29, Gerianne and Erin chairs, ? volunteer coordinator

AKC Scent Work, November 2-5, need chair and volunteer coordinator

Rhonda was contacted by Jennifer MacLeay she is the Chief Scientific Officer of our AKC Canine Health Foundation. She is going to join us for our April 26th Zoom meeting she will discuss what the Foundation and the work that they do. We asked that she spoke about canine rehab and what is being done to help our canine partners.

Nominating committee: positions to expire Secretary= Rhonda staying, Vice President= Erin staying, 1 board position= Carolyn member at large.

Gerianne and Linda finished the awards and now are working on the memory pages.

Next board meeting: Zoom April 9, 4pm

Next general meeting: April 26, 2023 6:00 pm Jennifer MacLeay 6:30.

Adjourn: 4:04 p.m. accepted by Teresa and second by Joanne.

Rhonda Pratt Secretary BDOC

I want to add that there will be a speaker at our next general meeting on April 26th, she will join us on a Zoom call at 6:30 I asked her to talk about canine rehab and what they are doing to help our canine partners.

"I would like to introduce myself; I am Dr. Jennifer MacLeay and I am the Chief Scientific Officer of your AKC Canine Health Foundation. The Foundation is an independent affiliate of the AKC and we have sponsored over 1,135 studies totaling over 67 million Dollars, to advance canine health, since our formation almost 30 years ago. I would love the opportunity to talk to your club about the Foundation and the wonderful work that we do. We are increasing our focus on dogs in sport and would love to have the opportunity to make new friends and learn more about your club."

Thank you, **Rhonda Pratt** BDOC Secretary

• Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska-General Meeting February 24, 2023

This meeting was held at the Legends Patio Grill & Bar along with the Awards Banquet

<u>Call meeting to order:</u> at 7:36 p.m. after a wonderful dinner.

The reading of the last board meeting on February 5th, and general meeting on January 22nd, were waived as they were published in the newsletter by Scott second by Erin.

The treasurer's report: was presented by Joanne. A discussion was given on the club's balances BDOC 37,707.00 and Friends 10,674.00. Joanne mentioned the finances would be emailed at the end of the year. There was a motion by Scott, second by Sue to accept the Treasure's Report as given.

Presidents Business:

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members were going to help promote this venue to get more participants signed up.

<u>Old Business</u>: There was a discussion about the changes to the bylaws. Constitution was Re Wrote some of the key points that were changed Training Director position was removed, meetings being held via Zoom calls.

New Business: Dues to be sent out for 2023. Board Meeting by zoom February 5th at 3:00 p.m.

Awards banquet (meeting) February 24, 2023 at Legends was a success it was lovely hearing about everyone's accomplishments.

We need to get these positions filled for out upcoming trials. Please reach out and. We need members to step up and fill some of the volunteer positions.

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Nominating committee: positions that were filled Secretary= Rhonda Pratt, Vice President= Erin Embry, 1 board position= Carolyn Rice. All were accepted for a new year

Next board meeting: Zoom April 9th, 4 p.m. Next general meeting: ZOOM April 26^{th,} 6:30. Adjourn: 8:00 p.m. accepted by Scott and

second by Erin.

Rhonda Pratt