

# LEAD AND COLLAR



## Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 17, 2024, gather around 5:30  
and meeting at 6:00 pm

LOC: TBA

## JULY/AUG 2024

### Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska General Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President, Gerianne Darnell at 6:34 pm at Pizza Ranch in Omaha.

Sue Volkmer moved and Rhonda Pratt seconded to suspend the reading of the previous minutes from the general meeting (April 9) and the board meeting (June 4). **Motion carried.**

**Presidents Report:** There was no report from the president, vice president or secretary.

**Treasurers Report:** In the absence of the treasurer from the meeting, Erin Embrey shared the financial reports. An overall report of the total club operations for the first six months of the year was shared. Additionally, reports of the income and expenses for each of the trials was presented. Discussion followed regarding the successes and difficulties involved with each individual trial. As a way to build enrollment in UKC events, Rhonda suggested offering a seminar that would explain UKC and demonstrate the differences between UKC and AKC.

**Events Committee:** Gerianne reviewed each of the upcoming trials (5 in all) for the remainder of 2024.

### Club Officers

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She reminded the members that help for stewarding is needed at every trial and even if a member is only available for part of a day, that helps.

### **New Business**

- A sign up was passed and members are reminded to sign up to sponsor awards for the AKC Obedience Trial in October.
- Gale Osborne, newsletter editor, announced that she plans to have the newsletter come out monthly. She would like pictures and brags from members.
- A sign up to volunteer for main positions for events in 2025 was passed.
- The club welcomed Jonna Childers-Hansen as a new member. She has a 10-year-old poodle and is getting a puppy in the spring. She lives in Omaha.

**Next Meeting:** There was a discussion about the next general meeting location. Caroline Rice is charged with finding a location that will involve an activity after the meeting, possibly putt-putt golf. It was decided that after 3 years we should do something different than the Berry Farm. The meeting will be **Tuesday, September 17.**

### **Old Business**

Originally the August obedience trial was going to be in memory of Dick Battig. At the request of his widow the honor has been postponed until March 2025.

The October trial will be in memory of Sherry Rife. Gerianne will take care of the details and will notify the family.

Erin shared one of the new awards which are cones. These are to be given at trials for those whose dogs earn RACH or RAE.

The next Board Meeting is September 10 at 6:30 pm via ZOOM.

**The next general club meeting is September 17, 2024.**

Erin moved and Ron Weeks seconded a motion to adjourn. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Caroline Rice, Secretary

## **BDOC Happenings**

### **CPE Scent Sports Trial**

June 2024 Trial report

We had 339 runs with a pass percentage of 69% at the June 22 and 23, 2024 Friends of BDOC CPE Scent Sports Trial held at Sunshine Obedience.

Our judges were Sandra Carbonell and Susan Schindelholz, they both had a great time. Each day was very hot but we were efficient and moved some searches to accommodate the heat. Almost every exhibitor helped in some way.

Norine is our master secretary. She did an outstanding job with getting the premium done multiple times to comply with how CPE wants it done. Norine also made sure everyone knew to double check results and make sure our results are correct.

Gerianne and I want to thank Sharon Dowell for getting the Judges gifts and brining the containers and ribbons. Sharon and Gerianne met earlier to lay out plans for search areas, and Friday evening we all met with the judges to solidify areas and items. Jim brought around a trailer full of the selected items, did some yard work and delivered the trailer back to its home at the end of the weekend.

We had a couple club members work through the weekend Devetta, Gale and Kim, thank you for helping out. Gerianne and I helped in between running all our dogs and helping Norine as well as getting lunch set up.

Although a sweltering weekend, it was a nice trial. CPE for Friends of BDOC is not profitable and we do not have much support for this venue. At this time it has been decided to let this trial go for 2025.

Have a great week,

Erin and Gerianne

## AKC OBEIENCE/RALLY REPORT

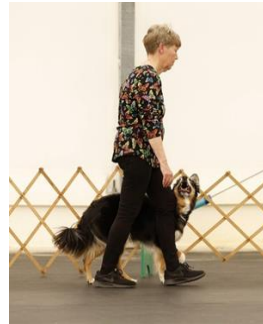
This past weekend, August 2-4, featured another successful BDOC AKC Obedience/Rally weekend. We had a nice, healthy entry and made a small profit. Our judge was Jim Comunale, who we have had many times (and again this coming October!), and he had a lot of praise for our stewards. It was a fun and congenial atmosphere, and the air-conditioned building kept the horribly hot temps at bay. People also enjoyed taking pictures in the garden of their dogs with their ribbons. Of course, as with all of our events, our success starts with our extremely hard-working and capable trial secretary, Norine. Thank you, Norine, we really appreciate you! Many thanks to my co-chair Erin, who stores and brings out the rally signs and the kitchen stuff to every trial, stewards every event, and just generally keeps things going. Thank you Erin and Gale for hanging the curtains over the mirrors on Monday night. Thank you Chief Ring Steward, Ron Weeks for organizing our stewards and keeping everyone informed, while also doing a major yard cleanup at his home. Thanks to Jim for getting the building and grounds set up before the trial. Thanks Pam F. for helping me put on the labels for the Friday and Saturday ribbons, and then doing the ribbons all on her own for the Sunday trial. Thank you, Caroline Rice, once again for the delicious food for the workers for all three days, and to Joanne for coming out Sunday afternoon to write checks and do treasurer duties. A big shout out goes to new club member Jonna, who worked ALL THREE DAYS, while driving from quite a distance. We all so appreciated you, and I hope we didn't burn you out! You did a great job. We were a little short on stewards due to illness, accident (a broken ankle for one potential helper!), vacations, etc. So we REALLY appreciate those who helped out: club members Rhonda (after a late night plane ride the night before!), Linda, Erin, Gerianne, Gale, Kim, Jonna, and Ron, and to non-club members Sandy McDonald, Bruce Coffman, and Mary Ruhe. The clean up crew consisted of Erin, Gerianne, Ron, Linda, Jim, and Norine. It is just a little over a week until our next trial, which is AKC Scent Work on August 16-18!

Gerianne Darnell, co-chair

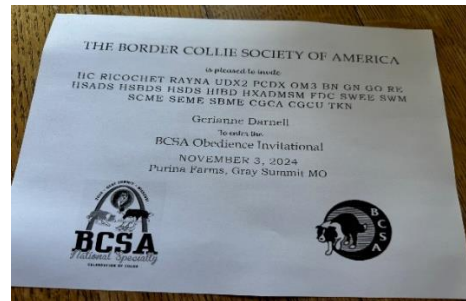
## Braggs:



Rayna earned her NACSW NW2 Title on July 14, 2024 in Brainerd, Minnesota. Rayna was one of just seven dogs out of 42 to title that day. She's a good sniffer.



Rayna has been busy since earning her OTCH this spring! She has stated working on her RACH and is already a 3<sup>rd</sup> of the way to the title. She also finished her UKC Grand Champion nosework title at the Friends of BDOC UKC nosework trials, which requires 200 Q's.



Rayna got mail! And no, we are absolutely not going, Rayna's best days in obedience are behind her, but this will be a lovely addition to her scrapbook!



August 2-4, 2024, Rayna had a nice showing at the BDOC AKC obedience/rally trials! She earned three more Triple Q's towards her RACH along with 8 placements and 19 Master points. She also finished her Versatility title and was Preferred High in Trial for her second Preferred Utility leg on Sunday. The entertainment for the weekend was Erin showing her today in Versatility.



August 2-4 Erin reported: Reign and I had a decent showing this weekend in Obedience. We got two 4<sup>th</sup> places, one 3<sup>rd</sup> place, one 1<sup>st</sup> place (6 Point win) and a Q(that offered me an OTCH point on a score of 197). We only NQ'd once in Open B. We gathered more OTCH points and are ready to pass the 70-mile marker! The OTCH is just over the mountain!

Emma got to go swimming. Hang out like a big dog in the house with all the other dogs. She was not crated Sunday like a hooligan! No one was hurt, injured or killed. There was an untimely demise of a tea bag but who know who got that!?! Most likely Robert.

Reign's July Erin reported: We ventured to Sioux Falls for an Obedience and Rally trial. Reign picked up 8 more OTCH points with a first place in Utility in one trial and a first place in Open in another trial.

Reign and Erin also trialed in Des Moines. Team Reign placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Open B with a 198.5 (run off for 3<sup>rd</sup> but Erin reports she screwed up her footwork and ended with a no sit.) Next Day a 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Open B with a 199.

The Osborne boys, owned by Gale Osborne, competed at the AKC Central Iowa Dachshund Club Trial held at DMOTC July 13-14, 2024. Harper earned his 1<sup>st</sup> leg in Beginner Novice Obedience with a score of 197 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place. Shadow earned his 2<sup>nd</sup> leg in Novice with a 189 and a 2nd Place. And then there was Cash! He did not grumble during his Grad Novice Run 😊 Back to the drawing board for him for heeling.

Next the Osborne boys, went to the UKC show at the Companion Dog Club in Omaha, Nebraska. Harper earned his UR01 Title and 2 leg toward his Beginner Novice Title and one leg toward his Pre-Novice Title. Shadow earned his Beginner Novice Title and his UR01 Title. Cash earned his UCD Title and his UR01 Title.



On August 3, 2023, at the BDOC Trial Shadow earned his 3<sup>rd</sup> leg and his CD Title. UBN, UR01, D'Artangan's Shadow CD, PCD, BN, RA, CGC, FDC. At that same trial, Harper also earned his 2<sup>nd</sup> leg in BN with a 1<sup>st</sup> place and a 193.5. We lost our sits a few times.



Stryker owned and loved by Ron Weaks, earned his Scent Work Buried Master Elite and Scent Work Exterior Master Elite Titles at the Nebraska Kennel Club's Scent Work trials held at Iowa Western Community College.



Tonic owned and loved by Rhonda Pratt, earned her AKC Canine Good Citizens Title (CGC).

## **Things to remember when traveling with and without your dogs:**

When the dogs are with you in the vehicle, always have them safely contained in a kennel. If possible, have that kennel secured in some manner because any fast stop or bump no matter how small can send them across the vehicle. I always have a file for each dog with the medical records and rabies certificate included. Always have an emergency contact if you would be incapacitated. If you are going outside your State, it is good to have a health certificate from your veterinarian. Also, have two photos of them showing them from the front and side and also document any markings. Plan your stops and be sure they are secure on two leashes if necessary and that their collars are secure and fit well. Have your chip information up to date annually with the company that registered the chip. Many people never update that information and there is no way to contact you if the information is not updated and the pet is lost. Train ahead of time to be sure they know how to wait and have the leashes secured on them so they do not get away in the offboarding and onboarding the vehicle. Always bring their food and maybe some of the water they are used to at home. Always pick up after your dogs when you stop for potty breaks and dispose of in a proper trash bin.

## **When the dogs will be staying at home with a sitter or be left in a boarding facility:**

Make sure your dog has plenty of his current food. Many want the food in baggies or containers so they are individually set for each feeding. If you have multiple pets, be sure the containers you use are well marked. Leave detailed feeding instructions, portion size if not already prepared, how many times a day and the time you feed. Detail any supplements and how to give them each feeding or daily. Medication should have clear instructions and have the pet's name and the Vet's name on it. Show the care giver how you give the medication. Be sure the care giver has the Veterinary Office, Dr's name, address and phone. They should also have access to an emergency vet's name and office location. You can contact your veterinarian's office to let them know you have a pet sitter authorized to care for your pet. Leave the pet sitter all the medical records list of vaccinations etc. just in case they need it. Leave your pet sitter your itinerary and

several forms of contact for you including your cell phone and the names and phone numbers for the places you will be staying.

### **Making Sure Your Dog Is Safe:**

Put ID tags on your dogs' collars, especially if you have multiple dogs of the same breed. Be sure to keep it simple for your sitter so they do not confuse the dogs. Be sure the pet sitter knows where to keep the dogs when they leave the house. If Kennel is used, be sure she places the dog in the correct kennel. Leave your dog's leash, poop bags, food bowls and other supplies in a place that your pet sitter can find easily, but out of your dog's reach. You may want to leave a pet first aid kit for the pet sitter. Make sure your backyard is secured and instruct your pet sitter to keep your dogs on a leash at all times outside to prevent an escape.

### **Home Instructions:**

Include instructions about your home, such as alarm codes, water turn-off, circuit breakers, landlord's name and phone if applicable. Leave an emergency contact if the pet sitter cannot reach you for some reason. Let your neighbors or landlord know that you will have a pet sitter, and provide them with your pet sitter's contact information in case of emergency. Leave a set of keys, even if you have a keypad. Sometimes keypad batteries die, and there's no way to open the outside door without a key. You can leave an extra key with a neighbor

just in case. Remove any potentially harmful objects out of your pets reach like plants, trash cleaning supplies and be sure the pet sitter will keep food bags etc. picked up and in the garbage. Stress pets may exhibit behaviors they would not normally exhibit if its family were home. Consider blocking your dogs in one room, or crating them for their safety. Have the pet sitter watch that the dogs are no where around if opening the door for any reason. Best plan would be to instruct the sitter to kennel the pet before opening the door. Many dogs might run out. If the sitter is staying in the home, leave instructions on where to sleep, how to work your television, how to operate the heat/AC, how to secure and lock the doors and windows, which bathroom to use, and whether you're comfortable having other guests in your home. Provide clean linens, toilet paper, and be clear about whether or not the sitter can eat the food in your refrigerator and pantry. Keep the cleaning supplies in an obvious location, out of reach of the pet but easy to find for the sitter in the event your dog has an accident or creates a mess.

### **Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.**

#### **August 2-4, 2024 Bellevue Dog Obedience Club host an Obedience and Rally Trial held at the Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa**

August 11, 2024 AKC Obedience Match hosted by the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE doors open at 9am and sign up is at 9:15 am

#### **August 16-18, 2024 AKC Scent Work hosted by the Bellevue Dog Obedience Club at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa**

August 16, 2024 Long Dog, LLC Berwick, Iowa Evening Heeling Training at 7pm \$10.00.

August 21, 2024 (Wednesday) Gerianne is offering 2 AKC Novice Fetch Tests at the Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Contact Gerianne for more information.

August 22, 2024 AKC Obedience Match hosted by the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE doors open at 9am and sign up at 9:15 am

August 23, 2024 AKC Certified Farm Dog Test at the Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa

August 21, 22, 24, 2024 WCRL Trials at the Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

August 21-25, 2024 Small Dog Camp hosted by Gerianne Darnell at the Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

August 30- Sept 2, 2024 Amana Colonies Cluster, Breed, Rally and Obedience.

September 1-2, 2024 Cedar Rapids Kennel Club Amana, Iowa AKC Obedience, Rally, and Breed show.

September 6, 2024 Combined Specialty Club at the Iowa State Fair Grounds Varied Industries Building, Des Moines, Iowa Sheltie judge is Lisa Brodsky. Other breeds in the Combined Specialty Club are Goldens, Poms, Great Danes, Boston Terrier. Check on AKC Events calendar for others.

September 7-8 2024 UKC Nosework Trials, CDCP, CDC Building, Omaha, NE

September 7-8, 2024 DMGRC Obedience and Rally Trial at the Iowa State Fair Grounds Farwell Building across from the Varied Industries Building, Des Moines, Iowa

September 7, 2024 Des Moines Kennel Club Dog Show Mobile Health Clinic, Dr Brandon Sinn, DVM 10:30 – 4:00 All forms and deposit due by August 21, 2024. Contact Stacy Sims for instructions, [isabeaudobes@icloud.com](mailto:isabeaudobes@icloud.com)

September 7-8, 2024 DMOTC/DMKC Breed Show, at the Iowa State Fair Grounds Varied Industries Building, Des Moines, Iowa

September 15, 2024 AKC Obedience Match hosted by the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE doors open at 9am and sign up at 9:15 am

**September 20-22, 2024 AKC Herding Trial hosted by the Bellevue Dog Obedience Club, Sunshine Farm Council Bluffs, Iowa**

October 4-6, 2024 UKC Fall Obedience and Rally Trial at Long Dog LLC, Berwick Iowa hosted by the K9 Dog Club

October 12-13, 2024 AKC Obedience and Rally Trial hosted by the Heart of Iowa Kennel Club Marshalltown, Iowa.

October 13, 2024 AKC Obedience Match hosted by the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE doors open at 9am and sign up at 9:15 am

October 19-21, 2024 Platte Valley Kennel Club of Fremont, Nebraska Breed Show.

October 24-27, 2024 AKC Sioux Falls, South Dakota show. Breed, Obedience and Rally trials

**October 26-27, 2024 AKC Obedience and Rally Trial at the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE hosted by BDOC.**

**November 1-3, 2024 AKC Scent Work, hosted by Bellevue Dog Obedience Club, sunshine Obedience school, Council Bluffs, Iowa**

November 2-3, 2024 Des Moines Obedience Training Club will host a Marion Crain seminar "Making the Connection. Contacts are Julie Perkins. Email: [perkinsj1948@yahoo.com](mailto:perkinsj1948@yahoo.com) or Polly Mumma. Email: [springertigger@gmail.com](mailto:springertigger@gmail.com)

November 9-10, 2024 AKC Obedience Trial hosted by the Central Iowa Dachshund Club at the DMOTC Building in Des Moines, Iowa. This is an all-breed show.

November 10, 2024 AKC Obedience Match hosted by the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, NE doors open at 9am and sign up at 9:15 am

November 15-17, 2024 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa

November 23-24, 2024 AKC Obedience and Rally Trial at the DMOTC Building in Des Moines, Iowa

November 16-17, 2024 Nosework Trial at Long Dog LLC (MySheShed) hosted by the K9 Dog Club

December 6-8, 2024 AKC Scent Work at NKC in Omaha, NE

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January 5-7, 2025 Cyclone Country Kennel Club Obedience Trial at the DMOTC Building, Des Moines, Iowa. More information to follow.

Jan 18-19, 2025 Central Iowa Kennel Club Breed Show at the Iowa State Fair Grounds, Des Moines, IA.

February 10-11, 2025 Des Moines Obedience Training Club Obedience Show at the DMOTC Training Building.

February 15-16, 2025 CCKC Bred Show, Iowa State Fair Grounds Varied Industries Building. The Obedience Trial will possibly be put on by the Greater Des Moines Golden Retriever Club. More info to follow.

February 15-17, 2025 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club host the Obedience show at the Iowa State Fair Grounds Varied Industries Building.

April 19-20, 2025, Marion Crane Obedience Seminar at Sunshine Obedience School.

May 23-24, 2025 Cyclone Country Kennel Club host their Agility Trial at the Hansen Center in Ames, Iowa. Michelle Persian will judge in 2025.

August 2025 Sunshine Obedience School will host a Connie Cleveland Seminar.