

LEAD AND COLLAR



Next Meeting

Christmas Party at Gerianne's Saturday, December 14th, 2024. Arrive at 3PM, eat at 4PM. Club provides meat and Potluck by the attendees. Bring a gift if you like our stealing Gift Exchange \$15.00 - \$20.00. LOC: Gerianne's, 11092 240th Street, Council Bluffs, IA 51503



SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2024

September Board Minutes

**Bellevue Dog Obedience Club Board Minutes
September 10, 2024**

The zoom meeting was called to order by president, Gerianne Darnell at 6:38 p.m. All board members were in attendance.

Erin moved and Ron seconded to suspend reading of the minutes of the previous board and general meetings since they have been published and distributed to all members. Motion carried.

The president reported that we will be receiving a new member application soon, Julie Neighbors.

There were no reports from the vice president or secretary.

The treasurer distributed via email a general report that covered the finances for the year to date. There was a discrepancy regarding the funds for trophy donations that will be corrected. Individual reports for the trials that have completed since the last general meeting were also distributed. Caroline moved and Erin seconded to accept the treasurer's report as corrected.

The three remaining trials for this calendar year were reviewed. There is a very small enrollment for the September herding trial. It is anticipated that the trial day will end shortly after noon. A few helpers are needed.

A discussion was held about how to get more member participation in meetings.

- ✓ Zoom meetings
- ✓ Meetings involving the dogs – dog café, dog walk at Lauritzen Gardens, activity about training (like the Fetch meeting)
- ✓ People seemed to like meetings at restaurants for dinner and then the meeting

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The list of trials for 2025 was presented and discussed. While some have stepped up already, more volunteers are needed for key positions (chief ring stewards and volunteer coordinators).

We need to appoint a nominating committee to nominate for offices of Vice President, Secretary, and Board Member at Large.

There was discussion about a date for the Christmas party to be held at Gerianne's. Saturday, December 14, was decided on with gathering at 3 p.m. and eating at 4. The club will supply the meat and the rest will be potluck.

The next general club meeting is September 17 at Gerianne's. Members are encouraged to come at 5 p.m. and help tarp for the upcoming herding trial. Everyone is to bring their own supper which will be eaten at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m., and Joanne will be sending ZOOM invitations to the membership. The next board meeting will be November 12 by ZOOM.

Adjournment was moved by Caroline and seconded by Rhonda. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Rice, Secretary

BDOC Happenings

BDOC held its fall herding trial on September 20-22. Although we did have some much-needed rain on Saturday, it didn't rain enough to make it too muddy to drive in to the field, which everyone appreciated! The festivities began with Jim, Scott, and Gerianne laying out the new Course B in August, and then Scott and Sharon also came over and did the rest of the tasks last week to get the B field ready. Jim spent all week getting the fields and arenas in shape with mowing and eating weeds, and of course he helps me with my herding training frequently! Sharon keeps and inventories the herding ribbons, and Gerianne picked them up from Sharon's.

On Tuesday those who helped with tarping were Erin, GA, Jim, Jonna, Rhonda, Gale, and Mary Palmer. It took us about an hour to tarp all three areas. Friday was the ranch trial, with Joanne scribing and Jonna and Erin putting the sheep in the holding area for each team. Jim and Gus did setout for each ranch course run. Sharon Brewer also stopped by to offer her help. It was a successful trial with all three teams qualifying at both

trials. On Saturday and/or Sunday we had the crew of Joanne (scribing all three days! Along with treasurer duties), Jonna, GA, Darrell, and Scott helping to move panels, ferry the judge, take score sheets to Norine, and do whatever else needed to be done. We also had non-club members Jeanie Moline and Lisa Daughtrey helping both days, along with Kari Carney of Des Moines setting out with her dog Devi. Jim did the duck wrangling and he and Gus exhausted sheep for the B course. Gerianne bought snacks and water for the volunteers. We didn't provide lunch since we were done by noon both days. And of course, Norine was our wonderful secretary along with her herding Paps Style and Nellie! Erin was at an obedience trial Saturday and Sunday gathering OTCH points on Reign and some Master points on Rayna, but we are sure she will be done with that soon and be back with us in the spring!

We had a very small entry and lost money, although I donated \$600 of my usual fee to not make it as bad. Jonna also donated \$50 towards expenses. We had a herding rep in attendance, which only happens every five years or so, but she had some helpful suggestions for us. She said that entries are down all over the country, and she thinks it is the economy. We even had a new Herding Champion that finished, Nirel Inman from Hoffman Estates, Illinois, with her Border Collie Ducky. She cried many tears of joy, especially when I handed her that great big HC ribbon! A good time was had by all, especially the Border Collies and the one lone Kelpie in attendance.

Gerianne and Erin, chairs

Braggs:

From Gerianne:

Rita had a fantastic showing at the BDOC AKC herding trial. Her haul for the weekend, well, wow! She had 14 runs over three days, and she Q'd in all of them with 9 First Places and 5 Second Places. She earned five titles: Started Arena Sheep, Advanced Arena Sheep, Advanced Arena Ducks, Started Ranch plus an Intermediate leg, and Started Field Sheep plus an intermediate leg. She earned three High in Trials and two Reserve High in Trials, and three High Combined Sheep. I have lots to work on, but I'm so proud of her effort to hang in there with me. I'm excited about the future with her!



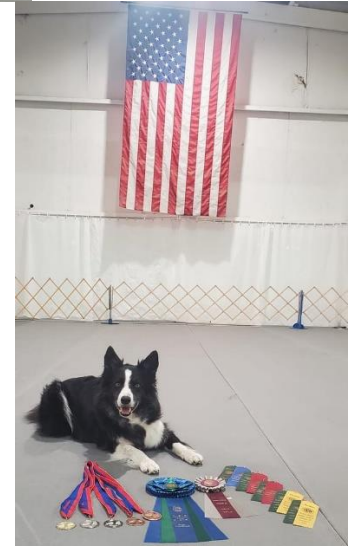
Aeden, owned and loved by Devetta Hill, got his CDX title at the Platt Valley trial with a 190.



From Erin:

Reign had a pretty good weekend at the Platte Valley Kennel Club's first Obedience Trial. We went 5/6 and the one miss was my fault for not giving him enough room to safely return back with the dumbbell on the high jump. We had all placement in our classes. Achieved OM3 (Obedience Master 3) High Combined Sunday and now we sit at 76 OTCH points!

The gave out medals for placements as well as ribbons which I think is pretty cool. In the Olympic Sport o Obedience, Reign has 1 Gold, 2 Silvers and 2 Bronze! What a good boy.



Snowy got his Flash level one title in WCRL on August 22, 2024 at the 30th Annual Small Dog Obedience Camp that was held at Sunshine Obedience School. I was so happy and shed some tears as it's been a while since we have received any titles. So proud of Snowy doing this at the age of fourteen and loved doing it with me.



today. He did qualify in Rally Excellent. Shadow qualified in Beginner Novice and Rally Excellent. Harper qualified in Rally Novice but I messed him up in Beginner Novice. Stirling, my daughter's dog is being shown by me. This show was her debut and she did very well. She earned a Rally Novice leg and her first obedience leg in Beginner Novice.

The last weekend in September, Harper and Cash trialed at the Platte Valley Agility Trial at Off the Wall Soccer in Omaha. Cash earned a Q & 1st leg in Excellent Standard, he also earned a Q & 2nd leg in Open Preferred Jumpers with Weaves. Harper earned Q's both Friday and Saturday in Novice Preferred Jumpers with Weaves and the Title NJP.



From Rhonda Pratt:

I am over the top happy about this girl. We have been working and concentrating on our obedience. I wasn't sure if she was going to hold herself together and not get the zommies. She blew me away with her scores earning HIT all three shows. Java earned his second leg for Graduate Novice.



Cash, and Harper, owned and loved by Gale Osborne, Ran in an agility trial at Des Moines Golden Retriever Club Agility Trial at Jester Park Saturday September 21, 2024. Cash earned his Standard Open title with a clean run and Harper debuted in Preferred Jumpers with Weaves with a clean run and his first leg in novice. Cash also ran in jumpers with weaves but went off course on one jump. My fault I should have called him quicker the rest of that run was good. We will keep trying next time.



In addition to the Agility Trial, on Sunday September 22, 2024, we participated in the Platte Valley Kennel Club Show in Omaha, Nebraska. Cash came the close to passing Open. I failed him



The Privilege

Every time I pick up the lead it is my Privilege. It is my Privilege that this wonderful creature has agreed to be my partner!

Regardless of the outcome of the interaction, my dog tries hard to understand a sometimes complex, confusing, and sometimes unnatural set of instructions. It is my Privilege that my dog is willing to try.

Regardless of the outcome, any errors rest on my shoulders. I wasn't able to make my requests clear for my partner. It is my Privilege that my partner is willing to forgive.

Regardless of the outcome of subjective judging, the dog I took into the ring is the same dog I have the Privilege of taking home.

It is my Privilege from the beginning to end, Always!

By Jinnie Strickland

Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.

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. Find the premium entry form on AKC event search or click on the Trials at the Bellevue Dog Obedience Club website. Contact Norine Nieman papnoseNN@gmail.com

November 1-3, 2024 AKC Scent Work, hosted by Bellevue Dog Obedience Club, sunshine Obedience school, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Find the premium entry form on AKC event search or click on the Trials at the Bellevue Dog Obedience Club website. Contact Norine Nieman papnoseNN@gmail.com

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 or Polly Mumma. Email: 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 "Keeping the Connection" 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.