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Bellevue Dog Obedience Club March-April 2026 Edition

Next Meetings

The Zoom Board Meeting April, 2026 was cancelled. Be watching for details for this meeting to be rescheduled.

The Next General Meeting of the BDOC will be April 29, 2026 at Gerianne's facility. It will be a potluck. There will be CGC testing and AKC Trick tests following a short meeting.

BDOC MINUTES

**Bellevue Dog Obedience Club
General Meeting Minutes
(None to publish at this time)**

Event Reports Follow...

BDOC HAPPENINGS

BDOC Obedience Trial...BDOC held its first event of 2026, the Spring AKC Obedience Trial on March 27th through the 29th. Erin picked up judge Alice Peterson who came from Idaho, at the airport Thursday. They went to the trial site for her to familiarize herself with the ring and to get her ride to the hotel. Thank You to Gerianne for allowing Alice to use Bella.

Norine and The Girls did another smashing Secretary job. Gale had a nice group of volunteers. Club and non-club members that helped were, Gerianne, Erin, Devetta, Ron, Kris, Rhonda, Shelly, Gale, Julie, Shari, Dian Quist, Jen Howell. Kim Embrey fed the workers all weekend with some great Mac and Cheese, baked spaghetti and pulled pork.

Thanks to Jim and Gerianne for getting the site ready to go which included putting up the shower curtains, rolling up mats, grabbing tables and moving ring gates. At the end of the trial Erin and Gerianne took down the shower curtains and Jim rolled back out matting and Gerianne and Erin moved gating back. Gale and Gerianne put the labels that Dee printed on the ribbons. Apparently, we need to put labels on the Qualifying ribbons too, who knew! Gale also transported the ribbons to the trial and back to Companion until we need them in August.

Alice was very complimentary of the club, site, the workers as well as the teams that competed through the weekend. Thank You to all who make our trials run smoothly and fun.

Erin and Gerianne co-chairs

BDOC Herding Trial...Our spring three-day AHBA/AKC herding trial was held April 10-12 at Sunshine Farm. We had the typical variety of

weather lately of spring/winter /summer, with some rain on Saturday.

The AHBA trial on Friday was quite small and the AKC trials on Saturday/Sunday had a larger than usual entry, just the opposite of last fall. We were especially pleased that all four of the AKC trials featured a hard-to-come-by Herding Championship Major, one of which Gerianne and Rita were lucky enough to snag on Saturday!

Our judges were Kelly Fonkalsrud from Tulsa, Oklahoma and Laura Kincaid from Antioch, Illinois.

Jim along with Darwin Baker tarped the holding areas last Tuesday, and the 50 mph winds on Wednesday were not kind to the tarps! Lisa Daughtrey did set out on Friday with her Border Collie Hank, and Jim did set out on Saturday and Sunday with his Border Collie Gus. They both did a fantastic job. Judge Laura brought along a friend, Jill, who scribed on Friday and Sunday and our own Kim Embrey scribed on the very cold and somewhat wet Saturday. Darrell Marean and Erin Embrey were in charge of moving and sorting sheep and ducks, assisted by Jim, Gerianne, and Jeanie Moline. Gale picked up lunches both days, and of course we can't have any of our events without our wonderful secretary Norine, who kept everyone organized and had the prizes ready for us at lunch and again after the second trial each day. Thanks to Sharon Dowell for keeping and bringing the ribbons and to Scott Dowell for bringing us extra sheep.

We look forward to next September's herding event.

Erin Embrey, Event Chair

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Brag:

Report from Gerianne Darnell...Rita did really well at the last two BDOC event weekends! At our AKC obedience trial in March she earned her BN with scores of 199, 198 1/2, and 198, all First Places. Then at the AHBA herding trial she picked up four more Herding Trial Champion points and two High in Trials, and at the AKC Herding Trials she earned six more Herding Championship points including a major, a High in Trial, and a Reserve High in Trial. Good Girl Rita!



Rita earned her NACSW NW1 title along with a second place in interior. She received three pronounced ratings and the one pronounced rating she didn't get was a 16 second vehicle run, so I was pleased with that run as well Rip rode along to cheerlead. The KBP Dog Training folks always do a great job with their trials.

Report from Gale Osborne...Lyric TopFlite Song of Valyria, "Harper", earned another leg to his Advanced Novice B Title in UKC Obedience at Longdog in Berwick, Iowa. This trial was hosted by the 4 R-k9 Club and was well attended the weekend of April 17, 18, 19, 2026. He also earned another leg in Preferred Novice Standard Agility and Preferred Excellent JWW Agility at the DMGRC Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center in Granger, Iowa. He trialed in agility April 19th, 2026.



Report from Gale Osborne...Blackmyst Kell Stirling Victory, “Stirling”, earned her first leg in Novice B Title in UKC Obedience at Longdog in Berwick, Iowa. This trial was hosted by the 4 R-k9 Club and was well attended the weekend of April 17, 18, 19, 2026.



Report from Gale Osborne...Crossroads Man In Black, “Cash”, earned his 2nd leg in Excellent JWW at 16 inches at the DMGRC Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center in Granger, Iowa. He trialed in agility April 19th, 2026.



Congratulations Everyone! 🐾🐾

Continued to Regional Calendar...

Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.

2026

April 11-12, 2026 K9 Sports Club will host a UKC Nosework trial. Contact Jerry Ranch for details or check the K9 sports club website.

April 12, 2026 DMOTC Obedience Match in Des Moines, Iowa. See Slot Me instructions below to sign up.

April 17-19, 2026 K9 Sports Club will host a UKC Obedience and Rally trial. Contact Jerry Ranch for details or check the K9 sports club website.

April 18, 2026 NACSW Nose Work, Winterset, Iowa.

April 18-19, 2026 AKC Seward Obedience and Rally Trial.

April 18-19, 2026 AKC Mason City Obedience and Rally Trial held at the Mason City Fair Grounds. Breed show is also included.

April 17-19, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club will hold their Spring Agility Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center. The Judge will be Ben Gibbs.

April 17-19, 2026 Nebraska Kennel Club's Fast CAT events at Banner Park in Bellevue, Nebraska.

April 24-26, 2026 BDOC hosts AKC Scent work Trial, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Includes 3 detective trials.

May 9-10, 2026 NACSW Nose Work, Malvern Iowa. Contact Sharon Dowell for Information.

May 9-10, 2026 Grand Island AKC Obedience and Rally Trial.

May 15 – 23, 2026 Papillon Club of America National Specialty Norman Oklahoma.

May 15-17 Lincoln Trial at the Lancaster Center.

May 22-24, 2026 Cyclone Country Kennel Club will host their Agility Trial at the Hansen Agriculture Center on Mortensen Road.

May 30-31, 2026 WCRL Rally, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

May 30-31, 2026 AKC Scent work Trial.

June 5-7, 2026 UKC Obedience, Rally and Nose work Trial hosted by Friends of BDOC, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

June 12-14, 2025 Greater Lincoln Obedience Club Agility Trial.

June 26-28, 2026 Cyclone Country Kennel Club AKC Obedience and Rally Trial at DMOTC Training Building.

July 11-12, 2026 AKC Central Iowa Dachshund Club at Des Moines Obedience Training Club.

July 10-12, 2026 AKC NKC Scent work Trial, Iowa Western, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

July 26, 2026 AKC Nebraska Kennel Club (NKC) is hosting Two Detective trials at a new building at Bellevue University. We will have a new judge, Caroline Oldham from Texas.

July 31, August 1-2, 2026 AKC BDOC Obedience and Rally Trial at Sunshine Obedience School.

August 14-16, 2026 BDOC will host an AKC nosework trial at Sunshine Obedience School. There will be 3 Detective trials included.

September 5-6, 2026 Central Iowa Dachshund Club at Des Moines Obedience Training Club.

September 12, 2026 Marion Crane, “Are You Really Ready?” Seminar at Sunshine Obedience School. Contact Gerianne Darnell for registration and auditing.

September 18, 2026 AHBA Herding Trial, Friends of BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

September 19-20, 2026 AKC Herding Trial, BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

September 19-20, 2026 GLOC will host a CPE nosework trial in Wahoo. NE.

September 18-20, 2026 AKC Obedience and Rally at Companion Dog Club.

September 18-20, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club will hold their Spring AKC Agility Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center. The Judge will be Karl Blakely.

September 19-20, 2026 AKC Platte Valley Kennel Club Obedience and Rally Trial at Companion Dog Club.

October 17-18, 2026 GLOC will host a CPE nosework trial at the Saunders County Museum, Wahoo, NE.

October 24-25, 2026 BDOC Obedience, Rally Trial held at Companion Dog Club.

October 30 and November 1, 2026 BDOC will host an AKC Scent work Trial hosted at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa. These trials will include 3 Detective trials.

November 7-8, 2026 Central Iowa Dachshund Club Obedience Trial at Companion Dog Club.

November 13-15, 2026 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

November 14, 2026 GLOC Obedience, Rally Trial held at Companion Dog Club.

November 21-22, 2026 Council Bluffs Kennel Club AKC All Breed Show, Mid-American Center, 1 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Check club web site as details come out or check AKC event Schedule.

December 5-6, 2026 NKC will host an AKC Scent work Trial at Werner Park baseball stadium in Papillion, Nebraska. These trials will include 2 Detective trials.

December 12-13, 2026 WCRL Rally Trial, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Watch for Obedience, Rally and Agility Matches in 2026.

Most trials will host a match prior to their show. See the premiums for those and watch to see if you need to pre-register for them.

Companion Dog Club will be hosting all three at different times. I will try to post those here and watch their website.

Des Moines Obedience Training Club will also be hosting matches. I will try to post those here and also watch their website. They have a slightly different way to sign up. That is shown below:

***DMOTC Matches are through an online sign up called Slott Me. Please contact John Kimbro to be added to the email notice. His email is kimbrol88@yahoo.com. It is easy to sign up. You just open the level you want to run your dog in such as Open. Pick a time slot and type in your name, dog's name and jump. You should arrive 45 minutes before your scheduled time, check in and run your dog and be on your way. There is another contact for rally. Deb Luzier debluzier@msn.com.**

2027 Events

March 6 & 7, 2027, DMOTC Rally Only Trial at the club building in Des Moines, Iowa.

March 20-21, 2027, Connie Cleveland will be at Sunshine Obedience School in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Registration will be announced but no date is set yet.