



Lead Lines

A Newsletter for Members

August, 2017

Times change,
people change,
situations change,
relationships change.
The only thing
constant is change.

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SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE CHANGE

As you know, Labor Day falls on the first Monday of September. Because of our by laws requiring the formation of an election committee in September, we schedule the meeting later in September. This year the date is **SEPTEMBER 25 @ 7:00 PM.**



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Keeping things in Perspective

As a sport on the whole, as participants we have a tendency to be critical. Often, as soon as a handler leaves the ring someone rushes over to tell them what went wrong, and maybe to suggest how to fix it. "Boy that performance sucked - you need to ... "

It would be nice if we would all try to remember Connie Cleveland's article on "Don't you dare steal my joy". In case you haven't read it, you can find it here:

<https://www.grca.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/DontYouStealMyJoy.pdf>

Have a couple of tissues ready, as it will likely touch your heart.

Basically, we should remember the old adage "If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all." When a handler leaves the ring, don't rush over to criticize the performance. Give them a couple of minutes to decompress, then if you want to compliment part of the exercise, keep it brief. If you have an idea that can help them improve the performance, ASK first if they would like a suggestion.

As a Judge, I never feel apologetic when awarding any qualifying score. Many handlers are working to earn titles, not necessarily placements. Therefore, any qualifying score is a good score. If I approach the handler with an attitude that I'm sorry the score is low, it undermines their efforts and accomplishments. A score of 170 out of 200 is 85%, which would be a solid "C" in any classroom.

One of my favorite sections of the regulations is this:

Ch 2, Section 3. Qualifying Performance. An obedience title is intended to evoke admiration. To be worthy of this admiration, the title must be based on performances that fully meet the requirements of the Obedience Regulations. A qualifying score in the judge's book is certification that the dog has performed all the required exercises according to these regulations and justifies the awarding of the obedience title associated with the particular class.

Scores for each exercise must be amply justified by the performance of dog and handler. The owner of any dog that receives a deserved score of 190 points has reason to be very proud of the dog. A score of 170 points should indicate a very creditable performance and fully justify the awarding of a title.

Even the dogs that don't qualify at an obedience trial (in any class), are still better trained than 99% of the dogs in this country. Hopefully that gives us some context to appreciate the hard work that EVERY handler is putting into training, the progress of which should be celebrated.

As a final reminder, some of my favorite memories of dogs long-gone are not about wins or placements, the special memories are silly moments and times when things went awry. Once, while going for the UDX on my Cavalier, as she was going for the second scent article across the ring, she made a 90 degree turn and did a go out to the center stanchion waiting for me to tell her which jump to take on the way to the article pile, tail wagging madly! It was adorable, and still one of my favorite memories of all. One of my Boxers would watch her "adoring fans" at ringside while she was jumping and retrieving. It was as if she was making sure they were watching her fabulous performance, and she would positively sparkle when they laughed or applauded. VBG

Even when things don't go as you had hoped, these experiences will still end up as treasured memories long after your dog is gone. Savor the moment while you can, and remember to be less critical, of both yourself and others.

Good training, everyone!

Deb Neufeld in Florida

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AKC Obedience Judge - All Levels



An Open Letter To Puppies From Senior Dogs Who Are Sick of this

1. Why do you all have those crazy names like "Chives" or "Gnocchi"?

@SusiesSeniorDogs via Instagram

"What was wrong with "Spot" or "Rover?" When we hear your parents call at ya, we don't know if they're looking for their dogs or yelling out a recipe for a frittata. "

2. Can you lay off the Insta-what for a minute or two?

"How many pictures and poses does one puppy need? Just take one nice family photo and you're all set. A dog only needs one tag, and it ain't a hashtag."

3. What's with all your hootenanny fashions? Modeling sunglasses? Wearing crazy costumes??"

"Give us a collar and a tag and we're ready to go. ...And ok, maybe a newboy cap and a bowtie. But that's all!"

4. Who is Snapchat and what kind of dog is he?

"The next time some human points one of their shiny rectangle camera-computer-phone things at you, take it outta their hand and make 'em fetch it from the bottom of the creek."

5. Could you PLEASE stop calling each other "doge"?

"We are dogs; a noble clan. Not puppers, or floofs, or weenies, or big heckin' woofers or whatever the heck you puppies are saying. All ya need are three letters and a pat on the dang head: D-O-G."

6. Seriously... Baths?

"Y'all are into baths now? You're really lettin' your Moms primp and pamper the stink right off of you? Now that's just a shame."

We understand you can't all be as simple and classic as a tennis ball. But seriously puppies, you could learn a thing or two from us seniors. You'll appreciate the tips when you're long in the tooth!

Thank you and all the best,

Senior Dogs

Why Small Dogs Behave Differently Than Large Dogs

Stanley Coren, PhD | June 23, 2017



I was sitting in front of a coffee shop drinking an overpriced cappuccino with two friends. At the table next to us sat two women, one who had a [Chihuahua](#) with a red leather, rhinestone-studded collar. The dog hovered near her feet and paced back and forth to the extent that his leash would allow, acting in an excited and vigilant manner. The pavement next to the coffee shop had the usual collection of pedestrians, but when a young man wandered by with a large, mature [Labrador Retriever](#), the Chihuahua became frantic—barking and lunging toward the bigger dog. The Lab slowed a bit to look at the tiny, noisy dog and then resumed his leisurely strolling pace as though nothing particularly interesting had happened. One of my friends leaned over to me and said in a low voice, “Another example of a yappy, frenzied small dog and a calm and reserved bigger one. It seems like it’s always the case.”

Does size really matter?

My friend was expressing a commonly believed stereotype that suggests there are behavioral differences between larger and smaller dogs, with the small dogs being viewed as more excitable and anxious. [Some research suggests](#) there may be a bit of truth in the stereotype, with the most recent report coming from a research team headed by Christine Arhant from the [University of Veterinary Medicine in Vienna](#).

In this study, 1,276 surveys were gathered from dog owners. For the purposes of statistical analysis, the dogs were divided by size, arbitrarily classifying as big dogs those who were larger than 44 pounds and as small dogs those who were less than this weight. The data show three major behavioral differences between the small and large dogs whose owners were surveyed:

Small dogs were less obedient (for example, they are not as reliable in responding to common commands like “Sit,” “Down,” and “Come”).

Small dogs were more excitable and pugnacious (more likely to bark or growl at strangers, visitors, or other dogs).

Small dogs were more anxious and fearful (easily spooked in strange situations, or when exposed to loud noises like thunder and fireworks, and nervous in the presence of strangers).

These results seem to confirm the stereotypes about small dogs, namely that they are less obedient, and more excitable, scrappy, and skittish. However, the Austrian team of researchers next asked the question “Are these differences due to genetic factors or the way that small dogs are treated in comparison with large dogs?”

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What Leads to This “Small Dog” Attitude?

The answer showed that the owner’s behavior played an important role in the behavior differences they found.

Inconsistent training: The first important factor that researchers discovered dealt with the owner’s consistency when interacting with or [training their dog](#). Inconsistent behaviors include not always giving commands in the same way, not maintaining fixed rules for the dog (for example, sometimes punishing a dog for a particular behavior and other times allowing that behavior), or not responding to a specific misbehavior in the same way each time. The data show that the more consistent the owners’ behaviors are, the better the dogs’ obedience behaviors are, regardless of their size. Unfortunately, owners of small dogs were found to be more inconsistent in their interactions with their dogs than owners of large dogs.

Lack of shared activities: The study also found that shared activities are important. These include both formal activities like [obedience](#) training or [agility](#) work and informal activities like playing fetch or jogging with the dog. The data show that the more engaged the owner and dog are in such activities, the more obedient the dog appears to be. Here again, small dogs lose out since their owners spend significantly less time in shared activities with their pets.

Use of punishment: The way in which dog owners train or try to control their dogs’ behavior is another important factor. A number of studies have shown that the use of punishment has negative effects on the dog’s training success and on emotionally based responses, such as anxiety and aggression. Furthermore, the use of punishment in the form of leash jerks, hitting, scolding, grabbing the dog by the scruff of the neck, and so on resulted in more disobedience. Regardless of their size, this study found that dogs who were punished more frequently were more anxious and quarrelsome, but the effect was greater in smaller dogs.

Based on their research, these investigators derived certain recommendations for owners of smaller dogs, specifically, “We conclude that smaller-dog owners could significantly improve obedience in their dogs by being more consistent in interactions and engaging regularly in play and training activities with them. Behavioral problems could be reduced by avoiding habits of punishment that might reinforce fear or fear-related aggression.”

These recommendations might have been of value to the owner of the Chihuahua that day, since her response to her dog’s noisy lunging at the Labrador Retriever was to jerk at the leash and scold the dog with a loud “Stop that!” This is definitely not recommended owner behavior according to this research.

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Noteworthy News for July 2017

The AKC continues to work towards advancing our sport and our mission to protect and promote purebred dogs. It is our pleasure to share some of these developments with you.

AKC ROYAL CANIN NATIONAL ALL-BREED PUPPY AND JUNIOR STAKES

This month we announced the launch of our inaugural AKC Royal Canin National All-Breed Stakes that will take place on Friday, December 15, 2017 in Orlando, Florida at the Orange County Convention Center, in conjunction with the AKC National Championship presented by Royal Canin held December 16-17, 2017.

This conformation competition was created specifically for puppy and junior purebred dogs ages 6-18 months. (Puppies 6-12 months/ Juniors 12-18 months). The event is open to all AKC-registered breeds including Miscellaneous Class breeds and provides an opportunity for breeders and exhibitors to showcase their breeding program.

Puppies and Junior Dogs are the future of our sport and we want to encourage their growth and success as champions. This competition gives them the opportunity to compete for the honor of being the Best in Stakes Winner and be crowned the AKC Royal Canin National All-Breed (Puppy/Junior) of the Year.

We look forward to the Stakes becoming a staple and beloved competition at our National Championship. The premium list and entry information will be available on AKC.org in September. See you in December!

AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Days

Our Responsible Dog Ownership Day enters its 14th year. Our flagship day will be held at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds on September 9th, 2017. RDO days are a great way to educate the public about the responsibility and privilege of owning a dog. At our flagship day, we will also have a microchipping clinic, AKC Canine Good Citizen Testing, a beginner's Agility Course and the opportunity to register purpose-bred dogs with the AKC or enroll an All-American dog in AKC Canine Partners.

Attendees can also talk to experienced dog breeders and trainers at our "AKC Meet the Breeds" section and greet some of the most popular and some of the more rare breeds that are recognized by the AKC. It is an easy and informative way to select the right breed for you and your family.

There are hundreds of RDO events held around the country by our wonderful clubs and their volunteers. Each has its own unique activities and offerings. We encourage you attend one and bring the family.

AKC's HOME IS WHERE THE DOG IS VIDEO SERIES

AKC's Home Is Where The Dog Is is a new video series designed to show how the helpful tips and information that we provide fits into everyday life for the general dog owner. Created by AKC Staff, the series covers topics like puppy proofing your home, dangerous chemicals, food and plants that are harmful to dogs, tricks, activities, treats and more. The 12-episode series will be available on AKC's YouTube channel beginning in August.

These videos are geared towards providing AKC-approved information to dog owners and lovers that help them be responsible owners and have fun with their dogs to enhance the human canine-bond. We look forward to your feedback on this new project!

These are just some of the things the AKC Staff are working on. We look forward to bringing you more highlights and accomplishments.

Sincerely,

Ron Menaker, Chairman

Dennis Sprung, President & CEO

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Would you please remind the club members of the following:

If they volunteered at a club event and signed a Volunteer Sheet, it is not necessary to also send an email to the volunteer email address.

Also, if they sign the Volunteer Sheet, I need to be able to read their name and their time in and time out. If I can't read the name or time, you don't get credit. Please do not have non-club members sign the Volunteer Sheet.

If they send an email to the gmail address, please sign the document. I cannot tell from the name of the email address who "Big Momma" or "Mother of a Brown-Eyes Girl" is. Please sign to get credit for your time spent on an event.

This is what I have so far (all in hours):

Adams, S. 14
 Andrews, A. 7.5
 Boychuk, T. 7
 Brousell, J. 52.5
 Butcher, M. 33.25
 Campbell, S. 17.25
 Carr, L. 4.25
 Craig, J. 44

Czermann, C. 39.5
 DeMinico, P. 54.5
 Gorbas, J. 47
 Grosso, B. 8.5
 Grosso, K. 8.5
 Guziek, T. 5.25
 Halpern, J. 7.5
 Halpern, 7.5
 Honchar, N. 26
 Johnson-Ford, N. 34
 Kornmeyer, D. 8.5
 Kryla, K. 5
 Lannon, M. 8.5
 Macchia, M. 4
 McPartland, J. 11.75
 Millar, R. 12.5
 Minix, S. 23.75
 Moore, J. 18.25
 Munn, C. 46
 O'Hara, P. 1.25
 Platte, C. 7.25
 Porter, C. 10
 Sedberry, D. 15.25
 Smith, J. 10.5
 Taylor, L. 22
 Vence, R. 16.25

Bob Millar

AKC Rally Videos on You Tube

The AKC Rally Videos, effective November 1, 2017, are available on the AKC Obedience & Rally You Tube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOmnrKKiM2kcaowVl3SxeVQ>

You Tube Video DISCLAIMER: The AKC Rally videos on this You Tube channel demonstrate correctly performed rally signs as of November 1, 2017. Although the principal parts of the rally signs are properly demonstrated, please note that these videos are for purposes of illustration only and should not be considered the only correct way to execute the signs. The principal parts are **not** bold or underlined on this media.

Please refer to the AKC Rally Regulations at <http://www.akc.org/rules/>. Scroll down to Rally and follow the link to the NEW Regulations. [Rally® Regulations \(NEW!\) Effective 11/01/2017](#)

Rally sign descriptions [Rally Mini Signs with Descriptions](#) ([Word docx](#)) - revised 8/4/2017

[Diane Schultz](#) | August 14, 2017 at 1:03 pm

Board of Directors Meeting July 27, 2017

Members Present: Liese Hookey, Betty Gansky, John Gorbas, Diane Wolak, Fran Smith, Celeste Platte, Nancy Honchar

Absent: Steve Campbell

Coordinators: Judy McPartland, Lori Patterson

Guest: Marti Holmann,

Meeting called to order at 6:40 by Betty Gansky

Internet Bluebook: Marti Holmann gave a report on the status of members accessing the Blue Book on line. All members have been entered into the database (except those recently voted into membership). Members can access the Blue and update their profile, add a picture. They can also search for other members. This access is password protected. Members will have to be sent the password again.

It is hoped that in the future, documents such as the Policy and Procedures and the Constitution can be added to the members only site.

The cost of maintaining the website was discussed. Lori Patterson and Judy McPartland will coordinate to see if there is a way to streamline the cost of the website.

President Report - None

Secretary Report - None

Treasurer Report – Gave a financial report. The club needs to generate \$5,000 per month to meet ongoing expenses. June and July have been very low revenue months due to the influenzas. However, there is an upcoming Agility trial in August which should help boost the revenue needed to meet expenses.

The club is exploring using a different web payment site other than Pay Pal. There are several issues that must be resolved before we can move ahead. An Attestation is needed for the charge company to give OTC a secure website. The cost of this is unknown at this time. Also, cost is a big unknown factor now. Lori Patterson will check with the CPA she works with if they do Attestations and if so, how much would it cost.

Agility Coordinator - None

Nose-work Coordinator – We were looking at the boy scout camp for the end of March 2018. Paperwork has been submitted to NCSW for site review. Going to do three trials, Thursday – Saturday (Easter weekend) leaving Easter clear.

The club has had a lot of cancellations due to the influenza outbreak. The vaccine requirement is being lifted immediately. Classes will be reorganized and reclassified. The requirement has been removed from the website.

Obedience Coordinator - Marti Holmann has resigned as Obedience coordinator. It was decided that each class element would have a coordinator, with Steve Campbell being the contact person for these coordinators to schedule the classes and send them to Judy to put up on the website.

Judy McPartland will review the emails coming into the OTC website and forward them to the appropriate person for response. Judy has volunteered to do this for two months and then the Board can review the assignment. Judy will change the password and give the information to the President for safe keeping. The password will also be changed for the registration site and will be given to Diane Wolak as she sends out the class rosters.

Kitchen Remodel - The final cost of the kitchen remodel came in at \$5,600 less than the maximum amount approved by the OTCPBC membership.

Agility Trial in August in Arcadia. Entries have now closed. There are some issues, but Betty Gansky is dealing with them.

Canine Influenza Vaccine for Puppy and Beginning Classes – Fran Smith made a motion to rescind the influenzas vaccine for puppy and basic classes. Nancy Honchar seconded the motion. Motion passed. Diane Wolak abstained.

Agility Class Fees – When the Agility classes were reintroduced, the class fees were deliberately set low to encourage people to get involved. We now have healthy attendance to the class. Liese Hookey made a motion to charge same price for agility classes as is charged for regular classes and nose work - \$129. Nancy Honchar seconded the motion. Motion passed. John Gorbas abstained as he takes these classes.

Board Meeting 7/27/17 continued

Access Cards – At an OTC member's request, Celeste Platte brought up the issue of requiring volunteer hours to get an access card as well as having to pay for the card. It was presented that it should be one or the other. Either pay or put in the time. After a lengthy discussion, it was pointed out that to take a class, you still must pay, whether you have volunteered 20 or 100 hours. The same concept is being applied to the Access card.

Volunteer Hours – Judy McPartland has volunteered to take over tracking the volunteer hours earned starting January 1, 2018. She feels that ALL hours earned, not just 20 hours, should be published monthly. She will track the hours and send the information to the Lead Lines editor for publication. Betty Gansky will speak with Bob Millar before making this announcement public.

Parking Spaces in front of the building – It was suggested by a member that the handicapped parking spaces in front of the building be rearranged so that the car stop right in front of the door could be done away with. Motion made by Celeste Platte to research moving the parking spaces around. Fran Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Obedience Judge for June 2018 – an Obedience judge is still needed for the June 2018 trial. Celeste Platte will contact Deb Neufeld to see if she is available for the above date.

Bark and Bowl – John Gorbas made a motion to donate \$500 (same as last year) to Bark & Bowl (dog cancer research). Diane Wolak seconded. Motion passed.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Platte
Recording Secretary

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB PALM BEACH COUNTY
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017**

Board Members Present: Betty Gansky, Steve Campbell, Diane Wolak, Liese Hookey, Fran Smith, John Gorbas, Nancy Honchar, Celeste Platte

Meeting was called to order at: 7:00 PM

June 5, 2017 Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the general meeting of June 5, 2017 as printed in Lead Lines. Angel Andrews first, Gary Roach seconded. Motion Passed.

Canine flu vaccine: The requirement for specific class participants to have the vaccine has been lifted.

Obedience Coordinator: Marti Holmann has resigned as Obedience Coordinator. The Board has decided to have coordinators for each discipline. Steve Campbell will oversee the committee coordinating all the classes with the coordinators. (See Lead Lines, page two for the individual coordinators.)

New Members: The Corresponding Secretary read the names of the below listed member applicants. This was their second meeting and each member was voted into membership by a show of hands.

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Tracking Seminars: Tracking seminars have been scheduled over the next six months. Check OTCPBC.ORG for information.

Nosework: NSCSW Trial in Jupiter at the end of March is being reviewed. Other dates coming up including an AKC. September 10 there will be a seminar introducing two new elements required in the AKC scent work.

Upcoming Classes: Steve Campbell reported that classes for all disciplines have been schedule through the end of the year.

Treasurer Report: Fran Smith gave a report on the club's financial status.

Kitchen Renovation: Betty Gansky reported that the kitchen is now finished and the cost came in \$5,600 under the budget approved by the membership.

Bark & Bowl – Kelly McDonough reported that OTCPBC was in fourth place as to financial contributions to the Bark & Bowl. The Bark & Bowl raised money for canine cancer research.

Canine Fitness Seminar: The seminar with Rosie Feeley of K9 Fitness Lab has been schedule for

September 16th for three hours, 9 – 12:00 PM. If that class sells out, an afternoon session will be scheduled. You can register on line.

Agility Class Prices: The prices for the agility classes have been increased. When Agility was reintroduced a year ago, the price of the classes was deliberately set low to encourage people to get involved with agility again. Now that the program has been up and running for a year, the cost of the classes has been raised to the same price as all the other classes held at OTCPBC.

Trial Judges: All the judges for Rally and Obedience trials have now been scheduled through January 2020.

Show & Go: The club's monthly Show and Go will start again Sunday, August 20. The September show will be Sunday, September 24 (a week before OTC's Obedience Trial). The Show and Goes are offered to club members first. If the roster does not fill by a deadline, entries are opened to all that wish to attend. Contact Nancy Honchar (nshonchar@gmail.com) for information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM. A short break was taken before the presentation by Rosie Feeley.

Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Platte
Recording Secretary

AKC Obedience/Rally Regulations ~ Identification

by [PamelaManaton](#)

The following are changes to the Obedience and Rally Regulations that were approved by the AKC Board at the August 2017 meeting. These regulation changes become effective **September 1, 2017**.

OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS - Chapter 1. General Regulations

Section 10. Identification. Club clothing, AKC event clothing, or breed clothing may be worn by anyone exhibiting a dog or by ring stewards. Clothing may display the person's name, the dog's call name and/or the dog's picture. Titles may not be displayed. Writing or graphics on the clothing must not be in poor taste or contain profanity. Clothing must not display any information that would be in conflict with a sponsor of the trial.

AKC RALLY REGULATIONS (Red Book) - Chapter 1. General Regulations

Section 9. Identification. Club clothing, AKC event clothing, or breed clothing may be worn by anyone exhibiting a dog or by ring stewards. Clothing may display the person's name, the dog's call name and/or the dog's picture. Titles may not be displayed. Writing or graphics on the clothing must not be in poor taste or contain profanity. Clothing must not display any information that would be in conflict with a sponsor of the trial.

[PamelaManaton](#) | August 16, 2017 at 3:01 pm

It is about time. - Editor and long time exhibitor

THANK YOU

I want to send a shout out to Kelly McDonough and Lucy Carr, who did a great job for OTCPCB at the Bark and Bowl Fundraiser Friday night. They had a beautiful display at our lane of all the wonderful dogs that the Club has lost to Cancer. It was a fun night for everyone who was there with gift bags for all who came, fabulous raffle prizes and people just enjoying being together.

Thank you, Kelly and Lucy for all you did to raise so much money for the Bark and Bowl. It was a fun night out for my daughter, Kathleen and me.

Maryann Lannon

Hi All,

Well another Agility trial season is over for the year at OTCPCB! It's been another successful year thanks to many hands who helped make our trials enjoyable & successful.

I'd like to thank both Barbara Bounds & Jill Roberts our judges this past weekend in Arcadia. Your courses were outstanding! I've never had so many people Q & so many ribbons given out! The crowd LOVED it!

Another BIG thanks to Lori Patterson & Tracy Hanna who worked diligently all 4 days scoring! Awesome job as usual!

A big thank you as well to my Chief Course Builders Carol Perrella & Bob Gale, the Volunteer Coordinators, Patti Lieb & Kathy Brown. You guys are the BEST! We've worked together countless times & you never cease to amaze me the way you keep everything running so smooth.

My Trial Committee was always there to lend a hand when needed: John Gorbas, Kay Wheeler, Diana Johnson-Ford & my husband Jeff. Thanks to you as well for all the long hours helping wherever needed. I think John & Jeff both need a vacation!

I'd also like to thank all the wonderful members of the Calusa Dog Agility Club who always make my job a little easier. You are the BEST!

Last but not least to all the others who stepped-up & helped out. I truly hoped I haven't forgotten anyone. If I did it was not on purpose!

I couldn't do it without all of your help!

Thanks again!

Betty Gansky

Braggs



Hi Wonderful Obedience Instructors at OTCPCB,

Winter took 2nd Place at today's obedience trial held by Hudson River Valley Hound Association in Carmel, NY!! It is his first leg towards his CD title. Each of you held an important part in Winter's achievement and I want to thank you all! See you in the Fall.

Michelle Trummer & Winter



Angel earned her MXPB (Master Bronze Agility Preferred) title at OTC's trials in Arcadia August 13th under judge Jill Roberts. We had a very good weekend qualifying 5 times out of 8. The temperature in the Arena was 61 degrees, enough to make anyone run! She qualified in 5 runs out of 8 taking placements in 4 of the 5 classes.

She missed qualifying in one run by ONE second! This does not happen that often!!!

Betty Gansky



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Pendleton meeting his little brother at the Harrisburg Pennsylvania Kennel Club. Hugo had just won a four point major.

Suzi Carlson



Rory has been busy!! Earned MACH3, invite to agility invitational, and got 2nd at a AKC Charity Trial in the 8" division.

Bridget

Kennedy



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Jack earned his NACSW Nosework NW2 title at the OTCPCB trial in Ft Pierce on Sunday May 14. First Place Overall for his stellar performance, which included First Place in the Vehicle search. Many thanks to OTC and the trial volunteers, with special appreciation to Lindsey Smith for capturing such great photos under challenging conditions.

Lisa Brooks and Jack

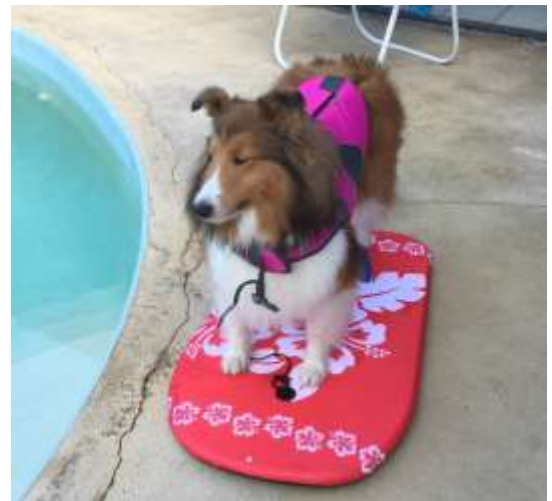


8th Annual Bark and Bowl

I am happy to report that our team OTCPCB Paws for a Cure raised a total of \$1120 in the fight against canine cancer.

Thank you to the members and board for your very generous donations.

I have attached a photo of the memorial and a fun photo of Rosie getting ready to ride her boogie board in the pool.



Thanks!

Kelly McDonough



SPRINGER—\$35.00 I bought this springer for over \$100 sometime ago. It works great and the Dobes loved to go biking with it. No pulling, etc. They are still sold and can be seen on the Website.

Lieselotte Hookey
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FOR SALE: We are in possession of a 4 pack of 940 HP cartridges in original packaging. We ordered them for an Officer of the club for club use. The on-line price is \$110.00. I'd like to know if someone can use them & purchase them back from the club. The club will get the money! Jeff purchased them for around \$80.00. I'd like to sell them for \$70.00 if possible.

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Volunteer Hours

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