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Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County

June 2019

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President.....Betty Gansky
Vice President.....Steve Campbell
Treasurer Fran Smith
Recording Secretary.....Celeste Platte
Corresponding Secretary Liese Hookey

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Nancy Honchar ,Tracey Guiejka , Diane Sedberry

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Puppy Coordinator Lindsey Smith
Basic/Intermediate Coordinator..... Tracy Guiejka
Rally Coordinator.....Steve Campbell
Competition Coordinator..... Diane Sedberry
CGC Coordinator Susan Minix
Tracking Coordinator Lori Patterson
Agility Coordinator..... Barbara Bounds,
Nose Work Coordinator.....Judy McPartland

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OTCPBC JUNE PICNIC!!!

I would like to thank all the wonderful volunteers at the OTCPBC BBQ, and to all those people who brought wonderful dishes & desserts! Our cooks: Jim White, MkeBounds, Jeff Gansky & Mike Gosnell (who also helped with setup & breakdown). And the ladies: Rose Siebeneck, Barbara Bounds, Lane Carlee, Sandra Brown, Laura Ruben, & Mary Wright! And Betty Gansky who does all the shopping and then still chips in to help!

Cindy Lou Ponga



Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County

General Membership Meeting

Monday, June 3, 2019

Board Members Present: Betty Gansky, Steve Campbell, Fran Smith, Celeste Platte, Liese Hookey, Tracey Guziejka, Nancy Honchar, Diane Sedberry

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of General Meeting of April 1, 2019 as printed in Lead Lines. Motion by Janet Moore. Second by Lori Patterson. Motion approved.

Reports:

President – Betty Gansky: The verbiage on the sign-in sheets has been changed to cover the club as our insurance no longer covers dog bites.

Treasurer – Fran Smith: Fran handed out the current Profit and Loss statement. She reminded everyone that the amount as shown is not accurate. The amount shows deposited entries from the upcoming Obedience and Agility Trials. No expenses have been paid for the trials yet.

DOCOF: Karen Jones DOCOF Chair and Obedience. Lodge Webber will oversee Rally. This is the first year that Rally is being offered during the DOCOF weekend.

Rally Tryouts: June 23 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM

Obedience Tryouts: June 23 2:00 – 4:00

Karen has dinner reservations for Saturday night for the obedience and rally teams.

Trial Profits: The Rally trial in April and the Agility trial in February both made a nice profit.

Rally Trial July – Sandra Gates, Chair. Nancy Honchar Secretary. The premium is available on the OTCPCB website.

Tracking – Lori Patterson: A judge will be hired for the March 2020 trial.

Scent Work – Judy McPartland: An intro to Nosework will start on June 19 @ 5:30 pm. There are still spaces available. Some Saturday classes. Intro to handler discrimination.

Leadlines: Deadline June 17.

ACT Test – Put on by Barbara Bounds and Lori Patterson was well attended and profit was made.

Agility – Barbara Bounds: Agility classes are now held indoors. There are still spaces available for the second session. This class will be posted on the website soon. **PREREQUISITE:** The dog must have been introduced to equipment to enroll in this class.

Show & Go – Nancy Honchar: The next Show and Go will be at the end of September, just before the club trial.

Vacant Property Behind OTC – Tracey Guziejka: Tracey contacted the City of Lake Park about the out of control weeds that push on our fence. The City advised that when the weeds get out of control again, contact them and they will issue a citation to the owner of the property to clean it up.

Old Business:

Landscaping: Tracey spoke to our landscaping company and pointed out the things we were not happy with. He said he will address the problems. At this time, we are keeping the current landscape company.

Roof: The roof has been inspected – everything seems good at this time. A few touch ups were done. The roof is looking good.

Web-site up-date - Judy McPartland: The website the club was using could no longer be updated. The Board directed Judy to select a platform that would continue to serve the club's needs. A few new elements were added to make the site more user friendly. Changes were also made to better identify what classes were being registered for and also the type of class such as pet or competition.

Canine Cancer Foundation – The total collected as of June 1 is \$493.00.

Cereal Drive – Another success- Big thanks to all who contributed and to Scott Adams for making two deliveries to the Boys & Girls Club of Riviera Beach,

Bollards have been installed on our front lawn to minimize damage to our sign from turning trucks

Members Pictures: If you have a picture of you and or your dog that is from 2018 forward, frame is in an 8" x 10" frame with a wire and hook to mount on the club wall. NO SELF-STICK tabs as they will not stick to the wall surface.

New Business:

New Two-Day Agility Trial: OTCPCB would like to add one more agility trial to the yearly schedule. A letter has been sent to Sarasota Obedience Training Club requesting permission to hold the agility trial on May 2 and 3, 2020 and future years at Bratty Paws in Punta Gorda. This is SOTC's territory, so permission is required. All equipment would be provided by the site. If approved, OTCPCB would have the maximum number of days allowed by AKC for a club to hold agility trials (12).

Miami Obedience Club had a successful trial at the clubhouse on May 25 & 26. MOC has requested to be penciled in for the same weekend next year.

Memberships:**Second reading and new member:**

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Scent Work

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Second reading will be at next meeting August 5, 2019
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APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY NOT READ:

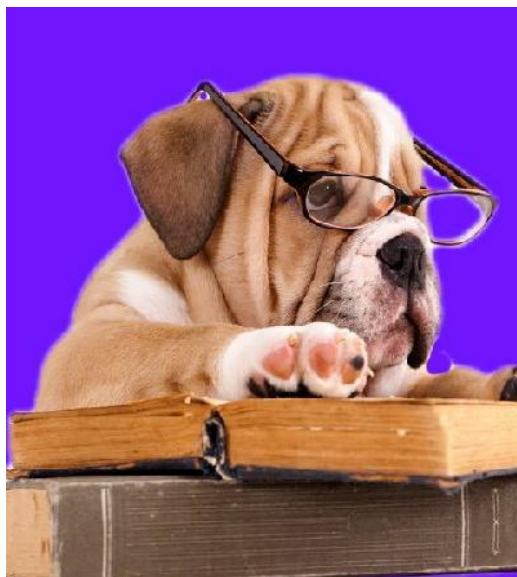
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Next meeting August 5th - 7 PM

Meeting Adjourn 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Celeste Platte, Recording Secretary

**The following motions were passed by the Board of Directors on June 10, 2019.****MOTION 1:**

The Agility field can be used for Scent Work only when not in use by Agility once classes end in May thru the start-up of Agility classes in September. This is to be used for classes only not by individuals. A waiver must be signed by ALL participants of the class that the club is NOT responsible in the event that a dog picks-up a toad. The owner alone is responsible for all vet bills for anything taking place in the field. MOTION MADE BY: Steve Campbell SECONDED by: Diane Sedberry MOTION PASSED by Majority via E-Mail

MOTION 2:

Any member that has earned 200 or more volunteer hours will be given a FREE access card for the six month period that their volunteer hours meet or exceed 200 hours. MOTION by: Nancy Honchar. Second: Celeste Platte. APPROVED via Email

I'd like to congratulate Scott Adams on being the first recipient of the club's new policy regarding a free access card for six months after putting in 200 hours of club service within a year's period of time. Way to go Scott! The club appreciates all of your tireless service!
Betty

**Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, May 6, 2019**

Members Present: Betty Gansky, Steve Campbell, Fran Smith, Celeste Platte, Nancy Honchar, Tracey Guziejka, Diane Sedberry, Liese Hookey. Absent: Diane Sedberry

Guest: Barbara Bounds.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 AM

Treasurer Report: Fran Smith – Gave a report of the club's finances. She also printed out the bank statements from Chase for the Board's due diligence.

Recording Secretary: Celeste Platte – June Obedience Trial. 35 entries for Saturday and 31 for Sunday.

Show and Go: – Nancy Honchar. Show and Go for May is full.

Agility Coordinator: Barbara Bounds – Agility classes are now being held inside for the summer.

Rally Trial: Steve Campbell gave the profit we made on the Rally Trial in April. Sandra Gates is the Trial Chair for the Rally Trial in July 2019.

Tracking: Lori Patterson -AKC has approved an additional VST tracking trial. It is scheduled for March 2020.

Sprinkler System will be checked in May 2019.

Back Property Overgrowth – Tracey Guziejka contacted the City of Lake Park to inform them that weeds are growing up on the property and pushing against our fence. Lake Park said when this happens again to let them know and they will call the property owners (a bank) and inform them they need to clean the weeds.

Rollup Door has been secured.

Cereal Drive – the club donated \$100. The boxes collected thus far have been taken over to the Boys and Girls Club.

Agility Equipment: All agility equipment on the field has been put into the shed for the summer.

Lighting Behind the building: Install a security LED light in the back of the building.

Agility Class Payments: MOTION to revise all agility classes to one price and do away with reference to Masters Excellent and Sequencing classes. Four to five Students: Instructor is paid \$150

Six or more students: Instructor is paid. \$175. Motion by Steve Campbell. Second by Fran Smith. MOTION PASSED

Liability Waiver: The club can no longer get insurance that covers dog bites. The Board discussed what they wanted to see in the revised liability waiver. The Recording Secretary was directed to revise the waiver and send it to the Board for review and a vote. The following verbiage was voted on by the Board of Directors via email May 7, 2019:

The Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County (OTCPBC) assumes no responsibility for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by members and/or guests, their dogs, or property, and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children not under the control of their parents or guardians. It is expressly understood that they alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children.

I therefore agree to hold harmless OTCPBC and its officers, directors and instructors and to accept responsibility for all litigations and financial obligations arising from any and all loss or liability of any kind, including but not limited to any personal injury or property damage.

Motion by Diane Sedberry. Seconded by Liese Hookey. MOTION PASSED

This verbiage will be added to all show premiums put on by OTCPBC.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

*Respectfully submitted,
Celeste Platte, Recording Secretary*

DOCOF TRYOUTS

Tryouts will be June 23 and June 30th at the club from 2-4pm. Teams will then be selected; 3 dogs and handlers for novice, open, and utility. We will then have monthly practices on Sundays at the club. DOCOF will be held Labor Day weekend, showing on Sunday. The best 2 scores from each division will tally up our total and our club is good and we need to show it!! If you would like to try out contact Karen Jones at karenjones418@gmail.com



April Rally Trial -Thank You!

Hi All, Well, the trials are once again over and I am certain that some of you are perhaps a bit tired today. I know I am.

Success is the result of three days of work and fun. Congratulations to so many of you that worked the trials, exhibited, received legs and titles as well. Your dogs worked great and I know you are proud of their achievements. Unfortunately, my little hot dog decided that she did not want to participate stayed home and got lots of rest....

To Diana Johnson-Ford, who as our trial secretary, did an amazing job. Thank you.

Thanks to Scott, Peggy, Charlotte, Patsy and Marge who came and helped set up of Friday.

Our Saturday crew, Scott Adams and Mary Wright on the table, Peggy DeMinico, our timer, stewards: Janet Gomez, Rose Siebeneck, Dianne Parker. The trophy girls, Charlotte Czermann and Marge Butcher. The terrific food prepared by Betty Gansky and cooked by Betty, Karen Jones and Jeff Gansky who is always here or there to help. To those who helped clean up including Nancy Honchar, Peggy, Scott, Dianne. We were able to leave by 6PM.

Sunday went just as well as Saturday with Scott and Mary once again at the table, with Peggy as our timer. Stewards were Lodge Weber, Patsy Clouser, Susan Minix, Dianne, John Gorbas, who is leaving us to move a bit north. We wish you a successful move and we will miss your devotion to OTCPCB. Charlotte and Marge handled trophies again and did an admirable job back and forth from the trophy table to the ring with ribbons, trophies, and rosettes.

The kitchen was managed by Karen and Jeff, with Betty being there too, but Karen and Jeff did the cooking and presentation.

Oh, and those dog cookies Betty makes, they are totally FIT for human consumption. As a matter of fact, Carol Ann Klein told me that she ate a whole bag once, while driving home. And speaking of Carol Ann who judged Saturday and Sunday's first trial, thank you for judging both days.

The clean up crew of Dianne, Michelle, Scott, Mary, Marge, Charlotte, Lodge and Susan got things done quickly.

There was a young lady who worked for us Friday and Saturday and even showed up Sunday as well. Her name is Deborah Jarrell and hopefully she will apply for membership soon. She was a great help also.

All went well because of the members who continually volunteer to work. You make it successful. Many of you have significantly more volunteer hours than twenty.

Thanks again, Steve

Dear Steve:

Please extend my thanks to the club for inviting me. It's always a pleasure to judge for your and your colleagues. I hope folks enjoyed my courses as much as I enjoyed designing them.

I especially appreciated the superior job your stewards did for me. It makes my job so much easier and more fun and everyone was so pleasant and professional. Your club should be proud of all of its volunteers.

Sincerely, Norine Noonan

Dear Steve, thank you for asking me to judge OTC's Rally trials on 4/27-28/19. I had a very nice weekend. My hotel room was very nice because it was my own bed. The lunch on Saturday was outstanding and the one on Sunday was also very good. My cadre of stewards was wonderful!

On Saturday: Scott Adams, Mary Wright, Rose Siebiek, Peggy DeMinico, Janet Gomez, Debbie Jarrell, Steve Campbell

On Sunday: Scott, Mary, Peggy, Steve, Patsy Clouser, Lodge Weber, John Gorbas

Scott and Mary did an outstanding job on the table. Everyone else was where they were supposed to be when they were supposed to be. Because of the excellent stewards, the trials ran very smoothly. Please thank them all again for me.

Thank you for organizing everything so well. Once again, thank you for asking me to judge.
Carol Ann Klein

June Agility Trial Thank You!

Hi All,

I liked to thank everyone who helped make our Agility trials 6/13-6/16 such a big success!

Our judges: Gill Chapman & Don Wittke. It was my pleasure to work with both of you.

Thank Lori Patterson our outstanding Trial Secretary & her helper Tracy Hanna! They both worked tirelessly for 4 days!

The Chief Course Builders: Carol Perrella, Peter Liu & Daniel MacDonald. All of you did an outstanding job!

The Ring Coordinators: Kathy Brown & Joanie Taugher. The rings were well-manned. Thanks for keeping things flowing!

The OTCNBC members who came & helped: Barbara Bounds, Bob Becker, Sandy Gates, Linda Wood, John Gorbas, Kay Wheeler, Sue Minix & Edda Thors. I really appreciated your help!

A VERY special thanks to my husband Jeff who worked tirelessly for 4 days!

I'd also like to thank all the others too numerous to mention for pitching in & helping out. This was a really big show. It took a "village" to run it! As usual the "village" stepped-up & helped out! It was greatly appreciated!

Betty

Hi Betty,

I just wanted to take a moment and give a big "THANKS" to your club for a great four-day trial this past weekend at the Turner Center. Lots of great people having fun with their dogs along with some amazing handling!

I don't know all the people in your club that helped, and I would be sure to miss someone if I tried to remember them all. Course builders did a phenomenal job, certainly making it much easier for me and Gill. Would you please pass this "thank you" note along to your club members on my behalf?

This was my first visit to this part of Florida and it was a positive experience I will always remember.

Once again, thanks for everything!

Regards,
Don Wittke

Dick Mansell & Mary Jane Kelly Award

As some of you may know, one of our long-time members, Dick Mansell, recently passed away. For a number of years, Dick donated an award at the OTCNBC Obedience Trials to the highest scoring non-OTCH dog/non-OTCH handler team in a Regular class. His family wishes that OTCNBC will continue this award as the Dick Mansell and Mary Jane Kelly Award.

The direct link to the donation form can be found by using this link:

<http://otcpbc.org/in-memoriam/>

The two pages with a link to the donation page are:

<http://otcpbc.org/>

<http://otcpbc.org/membership/>

Collars – What is OK these days?

by AKC Companion Events Department
Judges Q & A

Question: Can the dog have more than one collar on, such as a flea and/or tick collar?

Answer: No. The regulations state “a properly fitted collar” which indicates one collar.

Question: Generally speaking, what kind of collars are allowed?

Answer: Any properly fitted collar such as chain, leather, nylon, buckle, martingale, and decorative collars are all considered acceptable.

Question: What kind of collars are not allowed?

Answer: Prong collars of any variety, as well as other special training collars (e.g., electronic collars), are not permitted.

Question: What do we do if we aren’t sure the collar is in accordance with the regulations?

Answer: Remember to visually check the collar when the dog comes in the ring before you start judging! The collar is required to be properly fitted, nothing may be hanging from it, and it cannot be a special training collar. If you believe there is a problem with the collar, before reaching for it, tell the handler you will need to place your hands on the collar to make certain it meets the requirements of the regulations. The handler can then hold the dog in place to assist you.

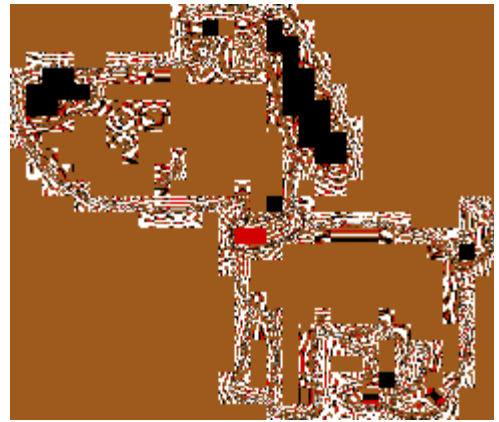
Question: What if the collar doesn’t meet the requirements, then what?

Answer: Under most circumstances, the handler should be allowed to remedy the situation without penalty. If the collar is not properly fitted, have the handler adjust the collar if possible, or get a different collar. If tags are hanging, have the exhibitor remove the tags, tape them to the collar, or get a different collar. If you discover the collar is a special training collar, you may excuse the dog and write the reason in the judge’s book. Each case is different and we expect you will use good sense in each situation.

Question: May the collar have an id plate attached or embroidered, not hanging ?

Answer: Yes, these are acceptable as long as nothing is hanging.

For specific regulation language, please refer: Obedience Regulations, Chapter 2, Section 17 and Rally Regulations, Chapter 2, Section 15.



OTCH Cayo left us in May a few days shy of his 14th birthday. He was a consistent multiple high obedience award winner in his shortened 5 year career. As he received many praises from top trainers in the country, Cayo taught me how to train and be worthy of him as a handler. I never wanted to go in to the ring with any other dog but Cayo. Oh, what a time, what a time we had.

Robert Becker

Cayo’s wheelchair needs a new home It is a quality device only used 10 times

Also have an Orthodog’s hip mobility supports that really worked well for Cayo

If you are interested contact Bob Becker at
rbecker0901@gmail.com



BRAGS



Open B Placements Saturday
June 8, 2019

1st place - David McKennan
2nd place- Bob Becker
3rd place - Denise Michaels
4th place - Karen Jones

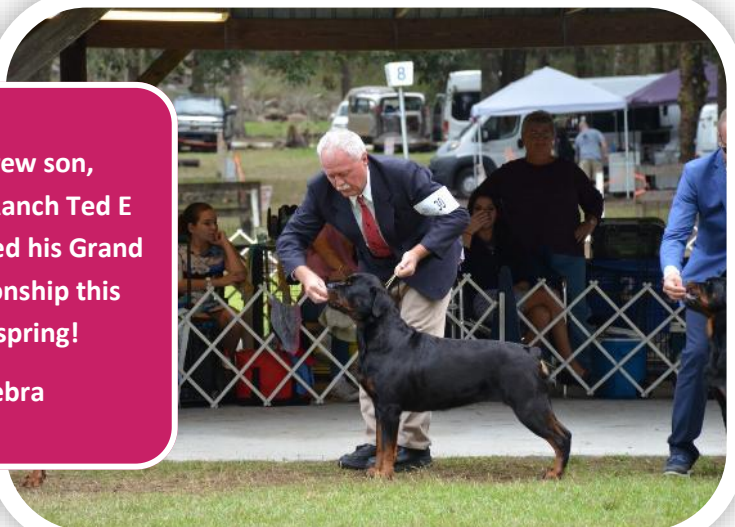


Fate earned her 2nd CDX leg on
Saturday 6/8 with a 1st place & the
only qualifier out of 13 dogs shown.
I'm so proud of my baby!

Betty

Our Crew son,
Caloosa Ranch Ted E
Bear earned his Grand
Championship this
past spring!

Debra



Squeeze needed 25 points heading into Champaign IL obedience shows. Large classes with all the heavy hitters. To make a long story short we came home with 30 points after winning in Open and Utility and beating the top NOC golden both times. I'm so proud to be owned by such a wonderful girl. She received her OTCH on 6/9 and then achieved her MACH2 on 6/15. Bob Self, the editor of Front and Finish, who was one of our judges in obedience contacted us and wants us to be on the September cover of Front and Finish magazine. I feel very honored and humbled.

Thank you to all the members of OTCPB for all your support. You are all truly a wonderful group of people and I can't wait to see you all in November.

Deb Nezgoda



Taxi the Bouvier and Kim Corey passed the North East Stockdog Association's Herding Instinct Test under two separate judges on May 18th in Lebanon, CT.

Sherjak's Just in Case (Casey) owned by Janet Brav earned his MACH title June 1st at the Bayshore Companion Dog Club's agility trial in Freehold NJ. He has also qualified for the 2020 AKC National Agility Competition in Perry GA.

Janet Brav

The red heads had a good weekend at the St Pete cluster in Tampa, Maggie did earn her first leg towards her RAE and had a score of 100!. Malek did receive a first place, High in Class in Senior Barn Hunt, and the pup Morgen also got her first title ever, in Barn Hunt Novice first place and also High in Class.

Judy Wetzel

Aston and I had an awesome day competing in our first NACSW Nose Work Trial hosted by RebeLL Noses (Lauren Walsh and Lisa Brooks) at Tanah Keeta Boy Scout Reservation in Tequesta, Florida. To earn our NW1 Title Aston had to have qualifying searches in vehicles, exteriors, interiors and containers at this trial.

I am proud to say that Aston came in 4th place out of 45 dogs participating in this NACSW Trial!

WTG Aston!

Donna Kornmeyer



Bo and I earned 4 RAE legs including our very first 100 in the recent Rally trials. Lodge Weber, our photo-bomber was a huge supporter of our efforts. Thanks to everyone who supports us everyday on my fun and sometimes humbling journey with the big yellow lab who stole my heart.

Linda Wood



My younger dog, Overlook's Ode to Alexander's Wagtime Band just got his CCA title (Certificate of Conformation Assessment) from the Golden Retriever Club of America. The CCA is now accepted by the AKC as a title.

I miss all of you at OTCBPC, and hope you have a wonderful summer and fall. I will be returning to Florida after Thanksgiving, and hope to see you when I resume classes with William & Alex.

Reagrds, Lynn Halpren



Fate earned her Novice Standard Preferred title in 3 shows this past weekend with beautiful runs in all three trials. She ran 29 seconds under time in the trial completing her title.

Fate also earned 2 Novice Jumper's Preferred legs as well double Q'ing 2 out of 3 trials. She ran 22 seconds under time in her very first run.

It was a BIG month for Fate & I! She earned her 2nd CDX leg the weekend before at our club's trial. Attached is her picture with her 5 blue ribbons from last weekend's Agility trials.

I would have loved to have had her picture taken w/both judges & all of her ribbons but as Trial Chair I just didn't have the time to make that happen.

Fate is one TERRIFIC little dog! She will be 22 months old the end of June.

Betty

**American Champion Rimar's Stripe RN, RI,
had four male pups on May 30.**

All are doing great so far!!!!

They are mini smooth dachshunds.

There is still one available for sale.

Steve Campbell

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**At the April Rally Trial,
Maya Dog earned her
Rally Excellent and
Sergei earned his
Rally Novice and his
first leg in Intermediate.**

Scott Adams



**Sandy Working in Kitchen
Saturday June 8th
at Obedience Trials**



**Kitt earned her Beginner
Novice Title at the
OTCPBC June Obedience Trial
and**

**Jax earned his
Masters Standard Bronze Title
at The OTCPBC June Agility
Trial**



Volunteer Hours

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Last Name	First Name	Earliest Service Date	Most Recent Service Date	Total Hours
Adams	Scott	6/10/2018	5/26/2019	188.5
Andrews	Angel	9/30/2018	6/2/2019	41
Asaro	Jean	10/28/2018	1/27/2019	34.25
Auer	Nancy	11/25/2018	4/7/2019	25
Becker	Robert	6/3/2018	6/2/2019	67
Bounds	Hailey	4/20/2019	4/20/2019	6.5
Boychuck	Tricia	11/17/2018	11/18/2018	8.25
Brown	Sandra	6/4/2018	6/3/2019	27.5
Butcher	Marjorie	3/31/2019	4/28/2019	27
Carey	Kim	6/17/2018	4/20/2019	36.5
Carlee	Lane	6/30/2018	6/3/2019	31.33
Carr	Lucy	6/10/2018	1/13/2019	41.5
Clouser	Patsy	11/18/2018	4/28/2019	28
Craig	Jane	11/17/2018	3/28/2019	52
Crechiolo	Joe	2/3/2019	2/3/2019	2
Crechiolo	Sandy	6/10/2018	2/13/2019	41.5
Czermann	Charlotte	9/28/2018	4/28/2019	56
Davis	Marge	6/24/2018	11/25/2018	33
DeMinico	Peggy	6/3/2018	6/2/2019	102.5
Feigenblatt	June	10/28/2018	4/14/2019	32.5
Feliciano	Jess	11/25/2018	11/25/2018	7.75
Forgach	Marie	6/24/2018	1/27/2019	27.25
Gates	Sandra	7/12/2018	4/20/2019	84
Gomez	Janet	3/3/2019	5/26/2019	27.25
Gorbas	John	6/10/2018	4/28/2019	67.85
Gosnell	Mike	6/3/2019	6/3/2019	4
Grosso	Brian	11/25/2018	1/27/2019	33.5
Grosso	Kathleen	7/18/2018	1/27/2019	37.5
Hamzy	Joe	6/3/2018	5/26/2019	15.75
Hamzy	MaryAnn	6/10/2018	11/25/2018	8.5
Hohmann	Marti	6/24/2018	1/27/2019	29
Johnson-Ford	Diana	6/19/2018	4/30/2019	161.5
Jones	Karen	6/10/2018	4/28/2019	75.5
Katzman	Andi	10/19/2018	10/19/2018	2
Kennedy	Bridget	12/19/2018	2/3/2019	22
Klein	Carol Ann	9/23/2018	5/26/2019	33.75

Last Name	First Name	Earliest Service Date	Most Recent Service Date	Total Hours
Kornmeyer	Donna	7/22/2018	1/13/2019	66
Kryla	Kathie	9/29/2018	9/29/2018	5
Macchia	Mary	8/30/2018	6/2/2019	21.5
McDonough	Kelly	6/10/2018	1/13/2019	42.5
McKennan	David	11/18/2018	1/6/2019	20.5
McPartland	Judith	6/10/2018	6/6/2019	261.75
Millar	Robert	6/24/2018	2/10/2019	49
Minix	Susan	9/12/2018	5/19/2019	43
Moore	Janet	9/30/2018	4/7/2019	34.25
Munn	Carol	6/24/2018	9/9/2018	3
Norton	Judy	6/24/2018	1/27/2019	41.25
Parker	Dianne	6/17/2018	5/31/2019	59.75
Patterson	Lori	1/6/2019	4/20/2019	44.5
Pichette	Helen	1/27/2019	1/27/2019	8
Ponga	Cindylou	6/4/2018	6/3/2019	52.5
Porter	Cynthia	9/9/2018	11/25/2018	32
Richards	Lou	9/9/2018	1/27/2019	17.25
Roche	Gary	11/18/2018	1/6/2019	23
Rubin	Laura	11/3/2018	6/3/2019	10
Siebeneck	Rosemarie	7/22/2018	6/3/2019	81.5
Smith	Lindsey	8/5/2018	2/13/2019	33.75
Strumwasser	Steve	1/19/2019	1/19/2019	2.5
Taylor	Lorene	10/19/2018	10/19/2018	2
Taylor	Matthew	11/17/2018	1/6/2019	22.5
Thors	Edda	4/20/2019	4/20/2019	2
Trummer	Michelle	2/3/2019	4/28/2019	18.5
Vasiliou	Libby	6/24/2018	8/5/2018	15.75
Vence	Robert	6/3/2018	5/19/2019	141.75
Walsh	Lauren	9/9/2018	1/6/2019	9
Weber	Lodge	7/12/2018	4/28/2019	49.25
Wheeler	Kay	8/19/2018	1/27/2019	21
Wingfield	Wendy	9/9/2018	1/27/2019	13
Wolak	Diane	6/24/2018	1/27/2019	42
Wolak	Joe	6/24/2018	1/27/2019	57.5
Wood	Linda	8/19/2018	2/3/2019	77.25
Wright	Mary	9/17/2018	6/3/2019	107.8

NEW AKC "BED DOG" Title

The AKC has approved a new obedience program:

Requirements are as follows for the 3 levels of performance: BD, BOX, and BOO

All levels shall require:

1. Dog does not come on the bed unless invited.
2. Dog does not get handler out of bed until alarm goes off.
3. Dog takes up only his space.
4. Once the lights go out, there is no activity from the dog, such as bathing, scratching, chewing on toys, etc.
5. If told to get off the bed, dog does so immediately.

The Bed Dog (BO) requires one handler and one dog in bed. It can be earned in a twin-size bed.

Higher titles require larger beds.

The Bed Dog Excellent title (BOX) puts one dog in the bed with 2 handlers. At this level it is also required that the dog sleep at the foot of the bed, not between the handlers.

The Bed Dog Outstanding title (BDO) consists of 2 handlers and more than one dog. At this level it is required that the dogs do not bicker among themselves over space. (If you add a cat to the group, your dog can earn a Bed Dog Unbelievable. Cats can also earn any of these titles, substituting C for Din the title certificate).



Non-qualifying Performance:

1. Dog anticipates the command to get on the bed.
2. Any activity from the dog that requires the handler to get out of bed during the specified time period (when lights go out until alarm goes off).
3. Knocking the handler out of bed.
4. Soiling the bed.
5. Not getting along with the other animals in the bed (BOO level).

Major Deductions:

1. Waking the handler, without getting him out of bed.
2. Minor infractions of scratching, bathing, or chewing during night.
3. Causing the handler's feet to go to sleep.

"AKC Approves New Obedience Title", by Joanne Barnes.

Human Foods Dogs Can and Can't Eat

By AKC Staff

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Dedicated dog lovers tend to be very kind people. We share our hearts and homes (and for some lucky pups, even the foot of our beds) with our canine pals. Surely there is nothing wrong with sharing our favorite foods with them too, right? Not necessarily. Many of the foods, such as fruits and vegetables, that humans digest just fine can wreak havoc on a dog's body, causing severe health problems. On the other hand, some of the foods people eat can be introduced to a dog's diet just fine, and even provide health benefits such as joint strength, better breath, and allergy immunity. But before giving your dog foods that you crave, read on and learn which foods are safe and which can send your dog straight to the vet.

Safe and Not so Safe Foods for Dogs

Almonds: No, dogs shouldn't eat almonds. Almonds may not necessarily be toxic to dogs like pecans, walnuts, and macadamia nuts are, but they can block the esophagus or even tear the windpipe if not chewed completely. Salted almonds are especially dangerous because they can increase water retention, which is potentially fatal to dogs prone to heart disease.

Bread: Yes, dogs can eat bread. Small amounts of plain bread (no spices and definitely no raisins) won't hurt your dog, but it also won't provide any health benefits either. It has no nutritional value and can really pack on the carbohydrates and calories, just like in people. Homemade breads are a better option than store-bought, as bread from the grocery store typically contains unnecessary preservatives, but it's best to avoid it altogether.

Cashews: Yes, dogs can eat cashews. Cashews are OK for dogs, but only a few at a time. They've got calcium, magnesium, antioxidants, and proteins, but while these nuts contain less fat than others, too many can lead to weight gain and other fat-related conditions. A few cashews make a nice treat, but only if they're unsalted.

Cheese: Yes, dogs can eat cheese in small to moderate quantities. As long as your dog isn't lactose intolerant, which is rare, but still possible in canines, cheese can be a great treat. Many kinds of cheese can be high in fat, so go for low-fat varieties like cottage cheese or mozzarella.

Chocolate: No, dogs should not eat chocolate. This isn't just an old wives' tale. Chocolate contains very toxic substances called methylxanthines, which are stimulants that stop a dog's metabolic process. Even just a little bit of chocolate, especially dark chocolate, can cause diarrhea and vomiting. A large amount can cause seizures, irregular heart function, and even death. Do not have chocolate in an accessible location. If your dog does ingest chocolate, contact a veterinarian or Pet Poison Helpline as soon as possible.

Cinnamon: No, cinnamon is not OK for dogs. While cinnamon is not actually toxic to dogs, it's probably best to avoid it. Cinnamon and its oils can irritate the inside of dogs' mouths, making them uncomfortable and sick. It can lower a dog's blood sugar too much and can lead to diarrhea, vomiting, increased, or decreased heart rate, and even liver disease. If they inhale it in powder form, cinnamon can cause difficulty breathing, coughing, and choking.

Coconut: Yes, coconut is OK for dogs. This funky fruit contains Lauric, which strengthens the immune system by fighting off viruses. It can also help with bad breath and clearing up skin conditions like hot spots, flea allergies, and itchy skin. Coconut milk and coconut oil are safe for dogs too. Just be sure your dog doesn't get its paws on the furry outside of the shell, which can get lodged in the throat.

Corn: Yes, dogs can eat corn. Corn is one of the most common ingredients in most dog foods. However, the cob can be hard for a dog to digest and may cause an intestinal blockage, so if you're sharing some corn, make sure it is off the cob.

Eggs: Yes, it's OK for dogs to eat eggs. Eggs are safe for dogs as long as they are fully cooked. Cooked eggs are a wonderful source of protein and can help an upset stomach. However, eating raw egg whites can give dogs biotin deficiency, so be sure to cook the eggs all the way through before giving them to your pet.

Fish: Yes, dogs can eat fish. Fish contains good fats and amino acids, giving your dog a nice health boost. Salmon and sardines are especially beneficial — salmon because it's loaded with vitamins and protein, and sardines because they have soft, digestible bones for extra calcium. With the exception of sardines, be sure to pick out all the tiny bones, which can be tedious but is definitely necessary. Never feed your dog uncooked or undercooked fish, only fully cooked and cooled, and limit your dog's fish intake to no more than twice a week.

Garlic: No, dogs shouldn't eat onions. Like onions, leeks, and chives, garlic is part of the Allium family, and it is five times more toxic to dogs than the rest of the Allium plants. Garlic can create anemia in dogs, causing side effects such as pale gums, elevated heart rate, weakness, and collapse. Poisoning from garlic and onions may have delayed symptoms, so if you think your dog may have eaten some, monitor him or her for a few days, not just right after consumption.

Ham: Yes, dogs can eat ham. Ham is OK for dogs to eat, but certainly isn't the healthiest for them. Ham is high in sodium and fat, so while sharing a small piece is all right, it shouldn't be a continuous habit.

Honey: Yes, dogs can eat honey. Honey is packed with

countless nutrients such as vitamins A, B, C, D, E, and K, potassium, calcium, magnesium, copper, and antioxidants. Feeding dogs small amounts of honey can help with allergies because it introduces small amounts of pollen to their systems, building up immunity to allergens in your area. In addition to consuming honey, the sticky spread can also be used as a topical treatment for burns and superficial cuts.

Ice cream: No, dogs shouldn't eat ice cream. As refreshing of a treat as ice cream is, it contains lots of sugar so it is best not to share with your dog. Also, some canines have an intolerance to lactose. To avoid the milk altogether, freeze chunks of strawberries, raspberries, apples, and pineapples and give them to your dog as a sweet, icy treat.

Macadamia nuts: No, dogs should not eat macadamia nuts. These are some of the most poisonous foods for dogs. Macadamia nuts, part of the Protaceae family, can cause vomiting, increased body temperature, inability to walk, and lethargy. Even worse, they can affect the nervous system. Never feed your dog macadamia nuts.

Milk: Yes, dogs can have milk. But be cautious. Some dogs are lactose-intolerant and don't digest milk well. While it is OK for dogs to have a little milk, owners should be cognizant of the symptoms of lactose-intolerance and might want to stick to giving their dogs water.

Peanut butter: Yes, peanut butter is OK for dogs. Peanut butter can be an excellent source of protein for dogs. It contains heart-healthy fats, vitamins B and E and niacin. Raw, unsalted peanut butter is the healthiest option because it doesn't contain xylitol, a sugar substitute that can be toxic to dogs.

Peanuts: Yes, dogs can eat peanuts. Unlike almonds, peanuts are safe for dogs to eat. They're packed with good fats and proteins that can benefit your dog. Just be sure to give peanuts in moderation, as you don't want your dog taking in too much fat, which can lead to pancreas issues. Also, avoid salted peanuts.

Popcorn: Yes, dogs can eat popcorn. Unsalted, unbuttered, plain air-popped popcorn is OK for your dog in moderation. It contains riboflavin and thiamine, both of which promote eye health and digestion, as well as small amounts of iron and protein. Be sure to pop the kernels all the way before giving them to your dog, as unpopped kernels could become a choking hazard.

Pork: Yes, dogs can eat pork. Pork is a highly digestible protein, packed with amino acids, and it contains more calories per pound than other meats. Pork also may be less likely to cause an allergic reaction in some pets compared to other meat.

Quinoa: Yes, quinoa is OK for dogs. Quinoa is actually an ingredient in some high-quality dry dog foods. The strong nutritional profile of quinoa makes it a healthy alternative to

corn, wheat, and soy — starches that are often used to make kibble.

Salmon: Yes, dogs can eat salmon. As mentioned above, fully cooked salmon is an excellent source of protein, good fats, and amino acids. It promotes joint and brain health and gives dog-immune systems a nice boost. However, raw or under-cooked salmon contains parasites that can make dogs very sick, causing vomiting, diarrhea, dehydration, and, in extreme cases, even death. Be sure to cook salmon all the way through (the FDA recommends at least 145 degrees Fahrenheit) and the parasites should cook out.

Shrimp: Yes, shrimp is OK for dogs. A few shrimp every now and then is fine for your dog, but only if they are fully cooked and the shell (including the tail, head, and legs) is removed completely. Shrimp are high in antioxidants, vitamin B-12, and phosphorus, but also low in fat, calories, and carbohydrates.

Tuna: Yes, dogs can eat tuna. In moderation, cooked, fresh tuna is an excellent source of omega-3 fatty acids, which promotes heart and eye health. As for canned tuna, it contains small amounts of mercury and sodium, which should be avoided in excess. A little bit of canned tuna and tuna juice here and there is fine — prepared only in water, not oil — as long as it doesn't contain any spices.

Turkey: Yes, dogs can eat turkey. Turkey is fine for dogs as long as it is not covered in garlic (which can be very toxic to dogs) and seasonings. Also be sure to remove excess fat and skin from the meat and don't forget to check for bones; poultry bones can splinter during digestion, causing blockage or even tears in the intestines.

Wheat/grains: Yes, dogs can eat wheat and other grains. Dogs do not have to be grain-free; it is perfectly OK for them to have grains. In fact, grains like wheat and corn are great sources of protein, essential fatty acids, and fiber. If your dog has certain allergies, however, it might be best to avoid grains, but it truly depends on your dog.

Yogurt: Yes, yogurt is OK for dogs. Plain yogurt is a perfectly acceptable snack for dogs. However, some canines may have trouble digesting it. If your dog can digest it, the active bacteria in yogurt can help strengthen the digestive system with probiotics. Be sure to skip over yogurts with added sugars and artificial sweeteners. [Read More](#)

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Benadryl for Dogs

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The temptation to reach into our medicine cabinets to treat our pets can be very dangerous. Humans and dogs react very differently to medications, which is why veterinarians caution dog owners against making independent decisions about how to medicate their animals. However, some human medications are safe for use with dogs, as long as they are used appropriately.

Veterinarians use Benadryl for dogs on a regular basis to treat allergies, travel anxiety, and motion sickness. While you should always consult with your veterinarian before giving your dog a human medication, here is what you need to know about using Benadryl for dogs.

What is Benadryl?

Benadryl is the brand name for the active ingredient diphenhydramine HCL. Diphenhydramine is a first-generation ethanolamine-derivative antihistamine, which is the scientific way of classifying antihistamines that can cross the blood-brain barrier from those that cannot. The ability to cross the blood-brain barrier makes them very effective, but also increases the risk of adverse effects when compared to less effective second-generation antihistamines. While Benadryl is not yet FDA-approved for veterinary use, it is considered safe for use in dogs and cats and is commonly used in veterinary practices across the U.S.

How Does Benadryl Work?

Diphenhydramine is a receptor antagonist, which means that the drug works by blocking the receptors that receive histamines in the body. This relieves many of the symptoms associated with allergies, like itching, sneezing, and hives. The body still produces histamines, but the receptor antagonist blocks the receptors from registering the histamines. It is a bit like the mail-person trying to deliver mail to an already full mailbox. The letter arrives, but there is no room for it.

What Does Benadryl Treat in Dogs?

Benadryl is a great medication for use in dogs with mild-to-moderate allergies. Seasonal allergies, food allergies, environmental allergies, and allergic reactions to snake and insect bites all respond to Benadryl in most cases. Benadryl is commonly used to treat itchiness in dogs caused by skin allergies, and it also reduces many of the other symptoms of allergies, including:

- Itching
- Hives
- Swelling and inflammation
- Redness
- Runny nose and eyes
- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Anaphylactic reaction

One of the side effects of Benadryl is drowsiness, which helps to

calm anxious dogs. The Merck Veterinary Manual states that diphenhydramine may relieve symptoms of mild-to-moderate anxiety in pets associated with travel. It also may help relieve motion sickness during car rides and plane rides.

Veterinarians prescribe Benadryl for dogs with mast cell tumors to help mitigate the effects of the massive histamine release caused by mast cell degranulation. Benadryl is also used as adjunct therapy for other conditions. Veterinarians sometimes prescribe diphenhydramine during heartworm treatment, as it helps prevent allergic reactions associated with heartworm treatment therapy.

Benadryl makes an excellent addition to your pet emergency kit. If you don't already have a pet emergency kit or pet travel kit, consider putting one together today.

When to Ask Your Vet About Benadryl for Dogs

Before you reach for the Benadryl, consult your veterinarian about your dog's symptoms. Allergy symptoms like itching and red eyes are also signs of more serious conditions. In some cases, like glaucoma, giving your dog Benadryl can actually worsen your dog's condition. Red, goopy eyes could be a symptom of allergies, or it could also be a sign of an eye disease like glaucoma or dry eye, which Benadryl will not help treat. Similarly, itching is frequently associated with both allergies and other skin conditions. As Benadryl is ineffective for treating certain skin diseases, it is always a good idea to consult with your veterinarian to make sure you are doing the best thing for your dog's health.

Your vet may recommend you bring your dog in for a checkup. If you choose not to bring your dog in against your veterinarian's advice, or if you administer Benadryl without first consulting your veterinarian, be sure to keep a close eye on your dog and call your vet if your pet's condition worsens.

Side Effects of Benadryl

There are side effects associated with using Benadryl for dogs that all dog owners should be aware of. Just like people check with their doctors before taking a new medication, you should always check with your veterinarian before introducing Benadryl to see if it has any potential drug interactions with your dog's other medications, or if it could worsen a preexisting condition.

If your dog has any of the following conditions, only use Benadryl after consulting your veterinarian:

- Angle closure glaucoma
- Severe heart failure
- Prostatic hypertrophy
- Bladder neck obstruction
- Seizure disorders

- Hypertension
- Allergic lung disease
- Pregnancy
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Common side effects associated with using Benadryl for dogs include:

- Sedation
- Dry mouth
- Urinary retention
- Hypersalivation
- Increased heart rate
- Rapid breathing

Rare side effects:

- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Decreased appetite
- Increased appetite

Most side effects occur within the first hour of exposure, so monitor your dog carefully during this time.

Benadryl Overdose

It is possible to overdose on Benadryl. Signs of an overdose include hyper-excitability of the central nervous system (CNS) and can be fatal. Other warning signs to watch for are:

- Rapid heartbeat
- Dilated pupils
- Agitation
- Constipation
- Seizures
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If you suspect your dog has overdosed on Benadryl, contact your veterinarian or emergency veterinary hospital immediately.

Some dogs develop an allergic reaction to Benadryl. If your dog starts having symptoms of an allergic reaction, seek veterinary care immediately. As Benadryl for dogs is often used to treat allergies, keep an eye on your dog after giving Benadryl for the first time to make sure that the allergy symptoms don't worsen.

Dosage of Benadryl for Dogs

The best way to determine the correct Benadryl dosage for dogs is to consult your veterinarian. The Merck Veterinary Manual recommends administering 2-4mg of Benadryl per kilogram of body weight, two to three times a day. However, this dosage can vary depending on your dog's existing medical conditions.

Never use time-release capsules for dogs, as capsules are absorbed differently in dogs than in humans and may affect your dog's dosage. They may also break open when chewed and deliver too much medication at one time, putting your dog at risk of an overdose. If you choose to use a liquid Benadryl, it is safer to use a children's liquid formula, as most do not contain alcohol (although they do contain sodium). Children's Benadryl pills or tablets can also be used to dose very small dogs. Dosage for liq-

uid Benadryl is different than the dosage for Benadryl pills. Consult your veterinarian for the appropriate dosage, and use a syringe to increase measurement accuracy and ease of administration.

Benadryl typically takes 30 minutes to start working, so plan accordingly if you plan on using it to treat anxiety or mild motion sickness. For dogs with chronic allergies or conditions that require daily doses, consult your veterinarian about the appropriate dosage, as it may change over time.

Always consult your veterinarian before giving Benadryl to pregnant or nursing dogs, since the drug is not recommended for use in these animals.

Is Benadryl Safe for Your Dog?

Benadryl is a relatively safe and effective medication for dogs when used according to the instructions of a veterinarian. As with any new medication, always observe your dog closely after administration to make sure your dog does not suffer any adverse reactions. If you have any further questions about Benadryl for dogs, contact your veterinarian for more information.

