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Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County

November 2019

OFFICERS

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

BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

Nancy Honchar ,Tracey Guiejka , Diane Sedberry

COORDINATORS

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

OTCPBC HOLIDAY DINNER



SUNDAY - 12/2/18

More info and sign-up form inside this issue!

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REMINDER:

Renewal memberships are due
on or before December 31, 2019!
Form included in this issue!

Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County (OTCPBC)
General Membership Meeting
Monday, November 4, 2019

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve September 9, 2019 minutes from the General meeting as printed in Lead Lines. Motion by Angel Andrews. Seconded by Judy Wetzel. Motion approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Fran Smith: Fran gave a report on the club's finances. The taxes are paid. The club is doing okay.

Nose-work Coordinator –Judy McPartland: A nose work trial is coming up on Thanksgiving weekend (11/30 & 12/1) at the clubhouse. Props are needed. A request will be sent out by email listing the items. Volunteers are needed for the Sunday December 1 trial. Please contact Judy at mcpartlandjudy@gmail.com if you can volunteer. Training is provided. Diana Johnston Ford is the trial secretary for the November trial. It is now filled, but there is a wait list.

There will be a NACSW Odor Recognition Test (ORT) test on January 18, 2020. All 100 runs are filled. A wait list is being maintained. It will be held at the OTCPBC clubhouse.

Nominating Committee: Listed below is the report of the nominating committee for the club's 2020 slate of officers and board members:

President	Betty Gansky
Vice President	Steve Campbell
Recording Secretary	Celeste Platte
Corresponding Secretary	Lieselotte Hookey
Treasurer	Fran Smith
Board of Directors	Scott Adams, Sr., Nancy Honchar, Tracey Guziejka

Respectfully Submitted: Steve Campbell, Donna Kornmeyer, Cindy Ponga, Nominating Committee

There were no nominations from the floor. The slate will be voted on at the January meeting.

Obedience Coordinator – Diane Sedberry: Thank you teachers and everyone for all the hard work and the time you have put in this past year. It has been a pleasure to work with you.

Rally Coordinator – Steve Campbell: All four rally trials in November are full.

Tracking/Lead Lines – Lori Patterson: Happy to say that 2 members passed their VST test and both got their championship tracking titles. They were Joe Hamzey and Jane Craig. Tracking test coming up in 2 weeks. Cindy Porter got a TD title for on her puppy. Lead lines deadline is November 18. Please send your brags to OTCPBCLeadlines@gmail.com NOT her personal email address.

Constitution and By Laws: The following revision was made to the Constitution and By Laws by a vote of the membership present. (New verbiage is underlined.)

ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP

Section 2. Paragraph 2: All applications are to be filed with the Correspondence Secretary and each application is to be read at the first meeting of the Club following its receipt. Potential members are then required to volunteer hours, as set by the Board of Directors, at any club event of their choice, prior to the second reading of their membership application. These hours will not be included in the hours required to purchase an access card or receive discounts on classes. At the next Club meeting, after the volunteer hours have been earned, their application will be voted upon and affirmative votes of 2/3 of the members present. Voting by a show of hands at that meeting shall be required to elect the applicant. If not so approved, the dues paid shall be refunded. Motion by Celeste Platte. Second by Lori Patterson. Motion approved. Opposed: 2

The Board has set the required volunteer hours at 10. This revision will become effective on January 1, 2020, so anyone in the middle of the membership process will not be affected.

Holiday Party – Cindy Ponga. The party will be held Sunday December 8th at Buongiorno here in Lake Park at 5:00 pm. \$20.00 per person inclusive except alcoholic drinks. There will be a gift exchange limited to \$20-25, doggie themed. Contact Cindy Ponga with any questions at cponga@msn.com or text at 561-324-3739.

Christmas Tree Decoration – Charlotte Czermann and Cindy Ponga volunteered. Contact Charlotte at aczermann@netzero.com is you would like to help. After Rally and Scent trials.

Upcoming Trials: The Club's September Obedience trial has been moved to November starting in 2020. That date is November 7 & 8, 2020. next year, 2020. This has been approved by AKC. The snowbirds are usually back by that time and the threat of hurricanes are greatly reduced.

Overhead Rollup Door Replacement: Four bids were received, and the Board chose the low bid to perform the work. This replacement will cut down on the air conditioning lost through the opening at the top of the door. It will also be quieter during high winds. This work will take two days and will be done in December.

Toys for Tots: Nancy Honchar will pick up the boxes from the Marine Armory on Belvedere Road. The Marines will come and pick up the boxes once they are full.

New Signage in Potty Area: Scott Adams put up the signs regarding cigarette butts there were being thrown on the ground in that area.

New Members: The following membership Applications were read.

FIRST READING:

Mike Edmondson & Keith Musbach

146 Vassar Drive, Lake Worth, FL 33460-6357

Mike: 561-389-0421

Keith: 561-390-4198

mike.edmondson@gmail.com

WPBRealtor@gmail.com

Household Membership

Doberman Pinscher

Obedience

Sponsors: Diane Sedberry, Lorene Taylor

Allyn Harper

124 Lighthouse Drive, Jupiter, FL 33469

402-301-4323

sadielady@harpersonlp.com

Regular Membership

Vizsla

Obedience, Scent Work, Tracking

Sponsors: Mary Macchia & Mary Wright

Richard Levine

7584 Wentworth Drive, Lake Worth, FL 33467

561-779-9393

RichardLevine@juno.com

Regular Membership

Obedience

Sponsors: Betty Gansky, Lieselotte Hookey

SECOND READING – VOTED IN. Fran Smith made the motion to accept these applicants. Janet Moore second. All approved.

Jennifer Patti

1193 NW 33 Street, Sunrise, FL 33323

954-218-3085

Ajendas@aol.com

Xolo, Chinese Crested

Debra Bundschuh

10126 Patience Lane, Royal Palm Beach, FL

561-351-9626

debbiebund@bellsouth.net

Papillons, Noderland Kooikerhondje

Obedience, rally, agility, Nosework

Patricia & Anthony Caruso

2 Aspen Ct, Boynton Beach, FL 33436

pvcgigi@aol.com

Yorkshire Terrier

Obedience & Rally

Sponsors: Peggy DeMinico, Susan Minix

Kathy Kealey

14483 NW 16th, Pembroke Pines, FL 33028

516-770-7541

HeremeRory@yahoo.com

Lab & Border Colie

Obedience, Agility

Sponsors: Peggy DeMinico, Susan Minix

Charlene Miserendino-Espodoza

13339 82nd Lane North, West Palm Beach, FL 33412

German Shepard Dog

glorykennels@yahoo.com

561-236-5963

Sponsors: Peggy DeMinico, Fran Smith

Arlene Diamante

4515 Main St. #4078, , Jupiter 33458

954-654-8417

Gianttracker@yahoo.com

Lagotto Romagnolo

Scent Work, Rally

Bark & Bowl: \$3500.00 total. The club donated \$1000.00. The 50/50 raffles raised \$725.00. Member donations equaled \$1775.00 – Terrific! We finished #1!

Lodged Webber congratulated the club on the contributions but was disappointed that only two members attended the bowling event. He hopes in the future there will be more show of members at these types of events.

Dog Rescue Operations in Abaco: Bobbi Nettles reported that Big Dog Ranch has had a large presence in Abaco helping to rescue and reunite dogs impacted by the hurricane. OTC gave a donation to this organization.

Overgrowth of property behind the building. Still waiting for hearing regarding overgrowth behind our building. The prior owner of the property (a bank) transferred ownership of foreclosed property to another bank in October. Unfortunately, the notification process to clean the property had to start over again.

Next Meeting January 6th at 7 PM

Adjourn meeting

Respectfully Submitted: Celeste Platte, Recording Secretary

Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, November 4, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM.

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

Treasurer Report – Fran Smith gave a report of the club's finances. Fran is willing to contact a realtor about the vacant property behind the clubhouse. There are three parcels of land owned by the bank. They may be willing to release the central piece of property that has no access except through the other parcels.

Maintenance – Tracey Guziejka: Looked into the price to replace the roll up door to reduce noise and loss of air conditioning through the top opening. Tracey got bids from four different contractors; General Garage Door \$5,315, Crawford Garage Door \$3,047, Palm Beach Garage Door \$4,600, and Broten Garage \$4,728. The products offered were pretty much the same, but the prices varied widely. The permit fee was not included in the bids.

A Master Lift can be put in after the new door is installed if it is determined that the door is too heavy to lift. The prices of that lift would be \$1,200 plus an electrician at a cost of \$1,200 to \$1,500.

The Board recommended to install the base door without the lift at this time.

Fran Smith made a motion to hire Crawford Garage Door, who submitted the low bid. Steve Campbell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Shade for the Agility Field – Betty Gansky and Tracey Guziejka researched a shade structure for the agility field. It would be placed against the fence on the north side of the shed clear of the door and ramp.. The shade structure looks a lot like you see at park pavilions, but to measure only 12' wide by 20' long. Preliminary search found one that would withstand 180 MPH winds. Total would be \$2,800 installed. A permit would have to be obtained from the City of Lake Park.

A motion was made by Celeste Platte to have Betty and Tracey further research the pavilion and concrete slab. As there will not be another meeting before January, Betty will send the information to Celeste who will send an email to the Board for further action based on their findings. Steve Campbell second. Motion approved.

Light above the agility field shed – the Board was advised that a light over the shed was needed. It will be purchased and installed. Approximate cost at Home Depot is \$100.00 plus installation

Corresponding Secretary – Liese Hookey: To date, there is only a third of the membership that has renewed. Betty felt that the renewals would start coming in faster as the deadline approaches.

Nose-work Coordinator – Judy McPartland: Volunteers are needed for Sunday's nose work trial on December 1. Set up will be Friday afternoon. Celeste will send out an email for Judy McPartland as to the supplies she needs for the November/December trial.

NACSW Odor Recognition Test (ORT) test on January 18, 2020. All 100 runs are filled. A wait list is being maintained. It will be held at the OTCBPC clubhouse.

Web-master – Judy McPartland: Wendy Wingfield as agreed to help with the online class roster.

Rally Coordinator – Steve Campbell: All four trials are full for the November trial.

Tracking/Lead Lines – Lori Patterson: Lead Lines deadline is November 18. Lori will send out an email reminder.

Modification of class refunds once the class starts – Celeste Platte. History: Several classes require that a dog be able to do certain exercises to qualify to enter that class. IF the instructor chooses to evaluate the dogs prior to the class and the dog does not pass, the student should be entitled to a refund.

MOTION to (1) allow a full refund to the student if the dog does not pass the prerequisite exercises needed for the class. These evaluations shall be dofirst night of class if the instructor wishes to perform evaluation. The instructor will notify the Treasurer via email or written request that the student is to receive a full refund. (2) If a bitch comes into season during a class schedule, a prorated refund will be issued to the handler when a note from their veterinarian has been given to the instructor. The instructor will notify the Treasurer by email or written request the total number of classes attended and the balance of the classes remaining. Motion made by Celeste Platte. Seconded by Fran Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Obedience Coordinator – Diane Sedberry: Class Size: In January, the number of students for the lower levels should be addressed. If the instructor does not want an assistant, then the class size should be smaller.

Confirming that ALL payments for classes shall be made througne on the h the website (PayPal) for class assignment and financial tracking. No payment may be taken outside of PayPal. This is in the Policies and Procedures. The teachers need to be reminded of this rule.

Palm Beach Shores Homeowners Association will do a Dog Festival promoting the community with different dog events on Saturday, February 20, 2020. They want OTC to come and do a demo. Diane will go back to the Homeowners and find out what type of environment the dogs would be performing in. Diane to get more information. The association would give the club a free booth to hand out our brochures.

Signage for the potty area regarding cigarette butts has been posted. Thank you, Scott Adams.

The July Rally Trials have been moved back a week starting in 2020.

Obedience judges have been hired past 2020.

Volunteers Needed: Lori Patterson will list upcoming events in the Lead Lines so the snowbirds can contact the appropriate person to volunteer.

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Bark & Bowl: \$3500.00 total. The club donated \$1000.00. The 50/50 raffles raised \$725.00. Member donations equaled \$1775.00 – Terrific! We finished #1!

Respectfully submitted, Celeste Platte, Recording Secretary

OBEDIENCE TRIAL THANK YOU

I would like to express a Huge Thank You to everyone from OTC who came and volunteered this weekend to make our September Trial one of the best! Everything went smoothly and flowed well. We really had a great response from the exhibitors and the entire trial ran in a timely manner.

First off, I want to thank my Friday set up crew! Without Scott opening up and taking everything out of the trailer, to Joe, who expertly hung the curtains over the mirrors. Also the crew of Celeste, Mary, Marjorie, Charlotte, Sandy and Linda; we pulled it all together before the Judge came to inspect! Great Job!

The Chief Ring Steward, Lodge Weber, and the Main Table Steward, Scott Adams kept the ring flowing with the best group of stewards ever. They all maintained a professional and efficient manner. Thank you, Lori, Kathie, Matt, Rose, Kelly, Lucy, Marie, Peggy, Mary, Lynne, Charlotte and Marge....You guys were The Best, Thank You!

As for the Trophy Committee: who could be more organized than Linda Wood and Sandy Gates! Great Job to you two. I know the ribbon count is correct.

As for feeding us all...a feast was held on Saturday thanks to Charlotte Czeermann and Bev Cash, we lacked for nothing! And on Sunday, Donna Kornmeyer also didn't disappoint, deserts were spectacular. I think we all gained 5lbs over the weekend! Your hospitality was magnificent.

Last but not least, I want to especially thank Celeste Platt, our Trial Secretary, for her never ending work and devotion to the sport. Being the secretary is a tedious and tireless job and we all thank you Celeste all the work and effort put forth!

After the Trial was all said and done, I want to thank every one of you that stayed to help clean up. It went fast and efficient. There are real TEAM PLAYERS at OTCPCB and our trials could not go on without each and every one of you, Thank you again for all of your spirit and time, this is what makes our club really SHINE!

Karen Jones,
Trial Chair

RALLY TRIAL THANK YOU

Well, another four trials held at OTCPCB are over; I must say that all four trials moved along smoothly, efficiently and without any problems, except that the mac and cheese was a bit over cooked.....

Needless to say, the four trials would not have been so successful without the help of many folks, dedicated to our club and it's continual success.

Nancy Honchar, our terrific and lovely trial secretary, who worked quietly, always with a smile on her face, and answered many questions throughout the weekend, except when she made a face at me.

Scott Adams, our chief ring steward, who as usual, did a great job managing the ring and stewards and is helpful in so many ways.

Marge Butcher June Feigenblatt, and Dianne Parker, who handled the trophies brilliantly.

Stewards: Peggy DeMinico, Sandy Crechiolo, Susan Minix, Diane Sedberry, always smiling and making the day run smoothly.

Our table steward, Mary Wright, who worked quietly and efficiently at all four trials.

David McKennan, our timer, who has worked these November trials with us for the past three years and has kept accurate time throughout.

A thank you to those who helped set up on Friday, some folks listed above and also Patsy Clouser and Judy Wetzell.

I cannot forget Betty and Jeff Gansky for their assistance with the kitchen and Betty's amazing side dishes and deserts. Thanks so much especially for the coconut cake. Also, we need to thank Betty for her continual cooking of dog cookies that are given as prizes at all of our trials.

I hope I have remembered everyone. Many of you work every rally trial and I thank you so much for this....

Steve Campbell
Trial Chair

Dear Friends and OTCPBC members,

THANK YOU to everyone for supporting the Club's 50/50 drawings that benefit the 10th Annual Bark and Bowl event and especially the members who have donated individually.

Our team was the highest fundraiser for the event! We finished in first place with \$3500.00 raised for this wonderful cause. The club also donated items to create awesome gift baskets for this event.

The total funds raised for the evening: \$17,500.00.

A special thank you to Lucy Carr for creating the baskets and getting them to the event.

Thank you to Scott Adams, Lodge Weber and Tricia Boychuk and family for representing the club at the event. I wish I could have been at the event, but was unable to, due a health issue.

In loving memory of: Allie, Bandit, Bentley, Charlie, Cher, Coco Blue, Coco Lannon, Dash, Fallon, Fiona, Gator Dog Adams, Hobie, Hope, Jet, Kona, Opie, Racer, Ramses, Reese, Ronan, Sansom, Shadow, Shamrock, Spike, Stormy, Taffy, Tucker, Watson, and Willow.

If loved could have saved you, you would have lived forever.

Thank you

Kelly McDonough

**10th Annual
South Florida Bark and Bowl!**
Presented by: Florida Public Utilities
Friday, October 18th
7 to 10 PM
AMF Boynton Beach Lanes

Tonight's the night! Can't wait to see all of our amazing teams at the 10th annual Bark and Bowl.

Still time to get those donations in, or bring checks, cash, or credit cards to registration tonight. Can't imagine anyone catches Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County, but we've been surprised before.

TOP 10 TEAMS

	Raised	Team
1	\$3,500.00	OTCPBC Paws for a Cure
2	\$1,300.00	Tailwaggers
3	\$1,000.00	DigDogz
4	\$1,000.00	MaggieMooseLunaTuna
5	\$595.00	Smooches For Pooches
6	\$575.00	Christie's Critters Woof Gang
7	\$500.00	Pet Calls Animal Hospital
8	\$300.00	PetloverCentral
9	\$250.00	Team Chewbie Skybie
10	\$100.00	The Fast and The Furiest



OTCPBC Membership Application: Renewal 2020

Renewal memberships are due on or before December 31, 2019

Name: _____

Address: _____ New? Y ___ N ___

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Breed(s): _____

Memberships:

Regular \$40 Household \$50 Associate \$30 Junior \$25 Honorary & Silver Medalist \$30

Dues Enclosed: _____

Trophy Donation: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Please circle all that apply: Agility, Breed, Barn Hunt, Herding, Hunting/Retrieving, Scent Work, Obedience, Pet Therapy, Rally, Schutzhund, Tracking,

Please volunteer for all that apply: Instructors: Puppy, Basic, CGC/CGC-A, Beginner Novice, Novice, Open, Utility, Agility, Rally, Tracking, Scent Work, Therapy

Committees: Obedience Trials, Agility Trials, Tracking, Building Maintenance, Barn Hunt, Equipment, Training/Teaching Seminars.

Please enclose your check (NO CASH) along with this form and mail to:

Lieselotte Hookey, Corresponding Secretary, 8645 Square Lake Drive, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418

OR put your check and the form in an envelope and drop it into the designated basket on the desk in the lobby.

BRAGS



Bob Becker & Reve taking high in trial and high combined



On Saturday, October 19th, Knight Drmz Frank Lloyd Wright, also known as Josh (Joshie) earned two wonderful achievements. Josh earned 196 in Utility B and 190 in Open B, which gave him High in Trial and High Combined.

Three cheers for Josh. Maybe it should be 3000 cheers for Josh!

Janet Moore



Happy Thanksgiving!



AKC Farmdog Certification
10-12-19

Bleyde vom Degahaus

Cindy Ponga



AKC BN TITLE
10-19-19



Very excited about completing a UD with Havanese, Colby Sir Cheese Wiz CGC, BN, TKN UD. My first three utility dogs were trained more than 40 years ago! I trained with a "vintage" group of OTCPCB trainers and competitors, including Buzz Taylor, Mary Jane Kelly and Peggy DeMinico. I've enjoyed getting to know some of the current members of OTCPCB and am happy to see that there is still a hard-working, dedicated core of members who help with trials, matches and classes.

Bobbie Blythe



We had a great time at the Tailwagger's November Agility Trial. Sadly it's the only one I can get to right now.

She was such a good girl - Friday QQ, blue blue. Saturday she did everything I told her, I just told her wrong! Sunday QQ, blue blue.

We sure do love our little re-homed girl!!

Judy Streisand

Team Leo accomplished a huge goal in NACSW Nose Work today. NW3 title and 2nd place overall.

In 6 searches (4 areas: Interior, Exterior, Vehicle, Containers) each area having an unknown number of hides up to 3, we got all of them correct with a total search time of 10min33sec for 2nd place overall (and 2nd place in Container search). There were 35 entries with 6 passes which I hear is fairly typical of the NW3 level.

We have been training smart with the help of professionals Fred Helfers, Amy Herot, and Stacy Barnett, and local trainers Judy McPartland and Marti Hohmann. Nosework (scent detection) is the successful marriage of the study of how dogs communicate, how odor moves, and playing with your best friend and teammate. You must first have a happy dog, then your dog must love to search and know what he is searching for. The handler needs to know a bit about how airflow, humidity, and temperature affect odor and when you put it all together, you are playing a fun game with your best buddy.

Leo loves to search and I love seeing him work. The way his nose twitches at the start line, the eyeball up/nose down alert, the RUNNING to the hide, his plume of a tail waving his satisfaction, his SOLID understanding of multiple hides, my NEW learning of what dogs look like when there is NO odor, and his tolerance of my varied moods during the ups and downs of uncertainty with the results throughout the day. In NW3 you don't know if you were correct until the end of the day when the CO (Certifying Official) posts the "answers" to each search puzzle.



Laynie got her Beginner Novice A Title October 20th at the JTDC Trial! I was so VERY excited! Happy to be part of our Duo!

Rose Siebeneck



Willy did good at his first agility trial. After standing in the middle of the course, watching him run zoomies around me during our first class, we worked it out and qualified in novice standard and jumpers at the Tailwaggers agility trial. He is starting to get that his back end is attached and we have a party going on!

Susan Minix



Dallas earned his PACH 3 this weekend at the Tampa Bay German Shepherd Dog Club agility trial

John Gorbas



Bo and I received the RAE this weekend at our Rally Trial. We had a wonderful time. Thanks to Steve, the committee, stewards, and judges for a very organized trial. My heartfelt thanks to the club for your support and friendship the last few weeks. GOOD BOY BO FOR BEING A CHAMP.

Linda Wood



Kevin and Bobby both earned blues at the Treasure Coast Agility Trial. Kevin earned his first Novice Jumpers and Bobby earned his first Open leg of jumpers.

Sandy Crechiolo



Bobby earned his Advanced Rally Title and his Excellent Rally Title at our OTCPB November Rally Trial.



Cody earned his CGC and his Novice Rally Title. He earned his three Rally legs, all with blues and all 3 scores of 100.



Cody trying to buy his second Rally Novice leg, first place blue by flirting with the judge.



Jim and I are so proud of Trevor who earned the last two legs of his Advanced Q's and received his Advanced Rally Title this weekend. A big thanks to the "Club", all our Rally friends for their support and Peggy (the best Rally teacher you could ask for) and the Judge and volunteers who make this possible.

Dianne Parker



Rally Intermediate title

Happy 1 year anniversary of our Gotcha week for Tortellini was early November. He is now 2 1/2 years old and keeping up with his new siblings Mistic, Ginger, and Leo.

Shoreland's Positive Reflection O TallTails, BN, RN, NA, NAJ, TKA, CGC, FDC, SSB

Translated titles and awards: Beginner Novice, Rally Novice, Agility Novice, Agility Jumpers Novice, Tricks Novice, Tricks Intermediate, and Tricks Advanced, Farm Dog Certified, Canine Good Citizen, and UK International Agility Speedstakes Beginner and 2nd Place in Novice FAST at DACOF in June. If you have ever met him, you will know he is as sweet as he is smart.

Diana Johnson-Ford



Fate did a fabulous job at our Rally trials over the weekend. She went 3 out of 3 to earn her Rally Excellent title. She earned her 1st leg on Saturday afternoon with a score of 94 after I got lost on the course!

Sunday was much better. She earned a 1st place in the morning class with a perfect score of 100. She also earned a score of 100 Sunday afternoon & placed 2nd to a time so slight even the judge was impressed!

My baby keeps right on amazing me!

Betty Gansky



On Sunday, October 6th, our sweet Sean - aka Doodlebug - shed his earthly bonds to run pain free and chase tennis balls at the Rainbow Bridge.

Sean truly was God's Gracious Gift to us. On a Wednesday night in December 2003, Lucy, Hope (my 4 year old Sheltie at the time) and I drove down to Hallandale Beach to see some Sheltie puppies as we were all suffering broken hearts after the sudden loss of my Ronan to cancer. Hope picked "her puppy" that night and we drove home to begin a 16 year adventure with him.

Sean was named in honor of my Mum; Sean means "God's Gracious Gift" in Gaelic and for one of her favorite films: The Quiet Man. Sean Michael Thornton McDonough healed many broken hearts and gifted me with another 8 years with my Hope, his Momma Dog.



Sean, our Doodlebug, loved to play ball, his teal elephant (inherited from his big brother Ronan) and his purple tiger. He hated baths, pulled wholeheartedly on his leash and barked at every two wheeled vehicle he saw or imagined he saw. He eagerly lavished love and kisses on his humans, wonderful snuggles, and let us not ever forget the devious gleam in his eye. Yeah, he also knew how to blow raspberries at us as well.

He kept us on our toes for an adventurous 16 years. He followed in his Momma Dog's paw steps by passing his CGC exam at the age of 11 and then earned his Tricks Novice title at the age of 14. Our sweet Doodlebug, you have left us broken hearted. We will be forever grateful for our crazy, sweet and loving 16 years.

Forever Loved: Galway Sean CGC, TKN. September 24, 2003 - October 6, 2019.

Kelly McDonough



Brewster beagle passed away last month. At 14.5 yrs, his cancer returned aggressively and I had to let him go.

People talk about a once in a lifetime dog and Brewster was mine---he gave me so much joy. And gave me confidence! In all the years that I've had dogs, he was the one that I could take into the obedience ring, the agility ring, to a tracking test, to a scent work trial and I felt confident that he would do a great job and most of all, we would have fun. He was known for being the beagle that could run agility and work obedience without sniffing the ground---an amazing feat. Yet he could use that excellent nose and scenting talents to do wonderful work and became my Champion Tracker.

My heart is broken, but I thanked him for showing me the very best of what a dog friend can be.

Brewster CT Roirdan's Magic Brew VCD2 CDX RE MX MXJ MJP SWN SCA SIA NW2

Jane Craig





OTCPBC Holiday Dinner

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B U O N G I O R N O



PIZZA & PASTA

4379 Northlake Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410
561-799-2686

Sunday - 12/2/18 @ 5pm

Price \$20.00 pp

(includes tax and tip)

Deadline to join is November 27, 2019
Limited to First 40 RSVP With Payment

Included with the dinner:

Soup or Salad

Two Bread Rolls (garlic or plain)

Soft Drink (fountain, coffee or tea)

Main Entree Dish

Dessert (a mini cannoli)

Alcoholic beverages are extra (Beer and Wine)

Name: _____

Email: _____

SOUP/SALAD (CIRCLE ONE)

Side Garden Salad

Side Caesar Salad

Cup of Minestrone Soup

Cup of Chicken Noodle Soup

Cup of Pasta Fagioli Soup

Cup of Italian Wedding Soup

CHOICE OF ENTREE DISH (CIRCLE ONE)

Lasagna

Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo

Chicken Parmigiana with a choice of side pasta

Eggplant Parmigiana with a choice of side pasta

CHOICE OF SIDE PASTA (CIRCLE ONE)

Marinara, garlic oil with tomato, butter, or plain

Make \$22.00 check payable to OTCPBC and mail with this form to:

Cindy Ponga, 17211 38th Lane North, Loxahatchee, FL 33470

Volunteer Hours

Includes Hours Earned between 11/18/2018 and 11/18/2019

Last Name	First Name	Earliest Service Date	Most Recent Service Date	Total Hours	Last Name	First Name	Earliest Service Date	Most Recent Service Date
Adams	Scott	9/28/2018	11/17/2019	252.5	Klein	Carol Ann	9/23/2018	5/26/2019
Andrews	Angel	9/30/2018	9/22/2019	43	Kornmeyer	Donna	9/28/2018	10/31/2019
Asaro	Jean	10/28/2018	1/27/2019	34.25	Kryla	Kathie	9/29/2018	9/29/2019
Auer	Nancy	11/25/2018	4/7/2019	25	Macchia	Mary	10/11/2018	6/2/2019
Becker	Robert	2/3/2019	8/18/2019	73	McDonough	Kelly	1/13/2019	10/31/2019
Bounds	Hailey	4/20/2019	9/8/2019	11.95	McKenna	David	11/18/2018	11/17/2019
Boychuck	Tricia	11/17/2018	11/18/2018	8.25	McPartland	Judith	9/16/2018	11/18/2019
Brady	Lynne	9/8/2019	9/29/2019	10	Millar	Robert	10/14/2018	7/14/2019
Brown	Sandra	11/5/2018	9/9/2019	17	Minix	Susan	9/17/2018	11/17/2019
Butcher	Marjorie	3/31/2019	11/17/2019	52.25	Moore	Janet	9/30/2018	9/22/2019
Carey	Kim	2/3/2019	9/8/2019	31.5	Nettles	Bobbie	4/20/2019	9/8/2019
Carlee	Lane	9/23/2018	11/15/2019	43.25	Norton	Judy	10/14/2018	1/27/2019
Carr	Lucy	1/13/2019	10/18/2019	32.75	Parker	Dianne	9/30/2018	11/30/2019
Carson	Mary	9/8/2019	9/8/2019	2	Patterson	Lori	1/6/2019	9/29/2019
Cash	Beverly	9/29/2019	9/29/2019	6	Pichette	Helen	1/27/2019	1/27/2019
Clouser	Patsy	11/18/2018	11/17/2019	30.5	Ponga	Cindylou	9/17/2018	9/9/2019
Corey	Kim	11/25/2018	11/25/2018	3.5	Porter	Cynthia	11/5/2018	10/31/2019
Craig	Jane	11/17/2018	3/28/2019	52	Richards	Lou	11/25/2018	1/27/2019
Crechiolo	Joe	2/3/2019	6/9/2019	10	Roche	Gary	11/18/2018	1/6/2019
Crechiolo	Sandy	9/17/2018	11/17/2019	62.25	Rubin	Laura	11/3/2018	6/3/2019
Czermann	Charlotte	9/28/2018	9/29/2019	66.75	Siebeneck	Rosemarie	9/17/2018	9/29/2019
Davis	Diane	5/26/2019	7/14/2019	23	Smith	Lindsey	10/19/2018	2/13/2019
Davis	Marge	10/14/2018	11/25/2018	17	Strumwasser	Steve	1/19/2019	1/19/2019
DeMinico	Peggy	9/28/2018	11/17/2019	147	Taylor	Lorene	10/19/2018	10/19/2018
Didjurgis	Barbara	9/8/2019	9/8/2019	2	Taylor	Matthew	11/17/2018	9/29/2019
Feigenblatt	June	10/28/2018	11/17/2019	46.25	Thors	Edda	4/20/2019	8/18/2019
Feliciano	Jess	11/25/2018	11/25/2018	7.75	Trummer	Michelle	2/3/2019	4/28/2019
Forgach	Marie	11/25/2018	9/29/2019	31.25	Vasilou	Libby	6/9/2019	6/9/2019
Gates	Sandra	9/29/2018	9/29/2019	134	Vence	Robert	9/23/2018	9/22/2019
Gomez	Janet	3/3/2019	7/14/2019	47.25	Walsh	Lauren	11/25/2018	1/6/2019
Gorbas	John	1/13/2019	6/16/2019	44.75	Walter	Noel	6/9/2019	6/9/2019
Gosnell	Mike	6/3/2019	6/3/2019	4	Weber	Lodge	11/18/2018	9/29/2019
Grosso	Brian	11/25/2018	1/27/2019	33.5	Wetzel	Judy	8/5/2019	11/17/2019
Grosso	Kathleen	11/25/2018	1/27/2019	33.5	Wheeler	Kay	1/27/2019	1/27/2019
Hamzy	Joe	9/28/2018	9/29/2019	18.5	White	James	4/20/2019	9/8/2019
Hamzy	MaryAnn	11/25/2018	9/8/2019	9.5	Wingfield	Wendy	11/25/2018	11/16/2019
Hohmann	Marti	10/14/2018	1/27/2019	23	Wolak	Diane	10/14/2018	1/27/2019
Johnson-Ford	Diana	10/14/2018	8/15/2019	135.5	Wolak	Joe	10/14/2018	1/27/2019
Jones	Karen	9/17/2018	9/29/2019	110	Wood	Linda	10/31/2018	10/31/2019
Katzman	Andi	10/19/2018	10/19/2018	2	Wright	Mary	9/17/2018	11/17/2019
Kennedy	Bridget	12/19/2018	2/3/2019	22				

Looking for Volunteer Hours?

Here are some upcoming Club Events you can volunteer for. Contact the Trial Chairperson for the event. Premiums are or will be available on the club website.

AGILITY TRIALS

January 31 – February 2

St Lucie Fairgrounds, Ft Pierce, FL

May 2-3

Bratty Paws Dogplex, Punta Gorda, FL

June 11-14

Turner Agri Center, Arcadia, FL

August 14-16

Turner Agri Center, Arcadia, FL

NACSW Events

January 18, 2020

Odor Recognition Test (ORT)

OTCPBC Clubhouse

Obedience Trials

January 11-12, 2020

OTCPBC Clubhouse



This is a touching story regarding Big Dog Ranch that was on the internet. If you have room you can put it in the next edition of Lead Lines. OTC donated \$500.00 to the Big Dog Ranch rescue effort in the Bahamas after Dorian:

Betty

A drone flew over the wreckage, using an infrared camera to try to identify heat — a sign of possible life hidden amid the rubble.

It had been a month since Hurricane Dorian decimated the Bahamas with Category 5 strength, killing at least 50 people. Search-and-rescue missions had long ago given way to stoic efforts to recover the bodies of the dead.

Then, the drone operated by Florida-based shelter Big Dog Ranch Rescue sensed heat. A volunteer trudged more than half a mile over debris to where an air-conditioning unit and piles of metal had trapped the survivor: a 1-year-old mixed-breed puppy.

“It’s a miracle this little dog had the will to live and to survive in the conditions he was in,” Lauree Simmons, president and founder of Big Dog Ranch Rescue, said Monday.

The puppy discovered Friday in Marsh Harbour, formerly the most densely populated neighborhood on Great Abaco Island, was among more than 150 animals the rescue group has flown to the United States from the Bahamas since the hurricane. Often, Simmons said, the organization finds the pets on the spots where their homes once stood. They’ve reunited some animals with their owners, while other pets wait for new homes.



Rescuers had been looking for specific dogs with known owners when they stumbled upon the trapped puppy. Volunteer Sean Irion sat with him for a few minutes, letting him lick dog food out of a can, to gain his trust. His ribs showed through his light brown fur.

“Look at that tail wagging!” Irion said to the dog, according to a video of the rescue. “We’ve got you.”

Irion and another volunteer then heaved debris out of the way and gently placed a leash around the dog’s neck. Irion picked up the dog, silent and unmoving, and carried him out of the wreckage.

Simmons’s phone rang around 9:30 a.m. that day with a plea for help: Her volunteers had found an anemic dog — barely alive — and needed to fly him back to Florida immediately. She called the pilot whose planes Big Dog Ranch had been chartering, and her volunteers prepared the puppy for the flight.

The dog had survived only on rainwater that filled a hole in front of him after the hurricane, so rescuers gave him some fluids to stabilize him before the hour-long flight. When he arrived at Big Dog Ranch, Simmons said, his muscles had wasted away from a month of immobility and his body weight had plummeted from about 45 pounds to 22 pounds.

His care includes antibiotics, gradual feeding and physical therapy to help him regain his muscle tone. The road ahead of him is long, but Simmons said her organization expects the dog to make a full recovery.

Big Dog Ranch plans to post the puppy’s details on missing-dog websites that will give his owners 30 days to claim him. If no one comes forward, Simmons said, the organization will put him up for adoption.

Another dog found alongside the rescued mix-breed was dead when rescuers arrived. To Simmons, it’s incredible that any dogs survived the disaster. The recovering puppy, she said, is a sign to families displaced by the tragedy that “there’s hope for rebuilding and a new beginning.”

If You Have Never Been—You Should Check It

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS DECEMBER 10–15, 2019



Visit akc.org/events/national-championship for updates.

If you attend only one event this year, *this* is the one!

TUESDAY, DEC 10TH

Space Coast KC of Palm Bay Dog Show
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges Institute
for Sporting and Non-Sporting Groups

WEDNESDAY, DEC 11TH

Brevard Kennel Club Dog Show
FSS/Miscellaneous Breeds Open Show
Orlando Dog Training Club Obedience
& Rally Trial
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges Institute
for Sporting and Non-Sporting Groups

THURSDAY, DEC 12TH

Central Florida Kennel Club Dog Show
Orlando Dog Training Club Obedience
& Rally Trial
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges Institute
for Sporting and Non-Sporting Groups
AKC Canine Health Foundation Canines
& Cocktails Reception

FRIDAY, DEC 13TH

Specialty Shows/Group Shows

FSS/Miscellaneous Breeds Open Show
Orlando Dog Training Club Obedience
& Rally Trial

Friday, December 13th (continued)

AKC Juniors Agility Competition
AKC National Owner-Handled Series
Finals – Breeds & Groups
AKC/Royal Canin National All-Breed
Puppy & Junior Stakes
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC/DJAA Advanced Judges Institute
for Sporting and Non-Sporting Groups
Judges Junior Showmanship Seminar

SATURDAY, DEC 14TH

**AKC National Championship presented by
Royal Canin (Daytime and Evening Events)**
AKC Agility Invitational
AKC Obedience Classic
AKC Juniors Classic – Obedience & Rally
AKC National Owner-Handled Series
Finals – Best NOHS In Show (Evening Event)
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC Meet the Breeds®

SUNDAY, DEC 15TH

**AKC National Championship presented by
Royal Canin (Daytime and Evening Events)**
AKC Agility Invitational
AKC Obedience Classic
AKC Juniors Classic – Obedience & Rally
NADD/AKC Diving Dogs
AKC Meet the Breeds®