

# LEAD AND COLLAR



April/May 2022

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**Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska**  
Board Meeting, Dec. 4, 2021  
Sunshine Farms, Council Bluffs, Iowa

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 p.m. Members present were President Gerianne Darnell, Vice-President Erin Embrey, Secretary Kris Woodke, Treasurer JoAnne and Members-at-Large Devetta Hill and Linda Puckett. Absent was Member-at-Large Dee Ann Nelson. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Membership meeting was made by Devetta Hill and seconded by Joanne. Motion passed. A Motion to waive the reading of the minutes of last board meeting was made by Devetta Hill and seconded by Erin Embrey. Motion passed.

**Report of President:** Gerianne Darnell: Nothing to report at this time.

**Report of Vice President:** Erin Embrey: Nothing to report at this time.

**Report of Treasurer:** JoAnne Swenson: Reports of last trials provided. Discussion of tax status of the

club (501(c)(6) – mutual benefit). Discussion of ribbon expenses and how those are split up between the trials.

Motion to accept treasurer's report – Erin, seconded by Devetta. Motion passed.

**Report of Secretary:** Kris Woodke: Nothing to report at this time.

**Report of Committees:**

Devetta will be helping out with food for events. GOAG has been notified we are no longer having agility trials and will not be a member of GOAG in 2022.

**Check agenda for committees:**

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- AKC Scent Work, November 3-6, 2022—We need both a Trial Chair(s) and Volunteer Coordinator for this trial.

**New Business:**

**Ribbons** – Linda orders all obedience ribbons. The fall Obedience trial has special awards; do we still want to continue to do that? Discussion of the process in determining these awards. It was decided to keep groups, junior handlers, Marge Danielsen award, toys in general (not specifically per 1st place, etc.). We will make sure to ask for donations at the upcoming Annual Meeting.

**Date and location of Annual Meeting** – Feb. 26, 2022. The Awards program will not be as extensive as has been in the past. The Board will ask the general members at the next meeting if there are any places they would recommend for the Annual Meeting.

**Committee to Revise Bylaws** – It was determined that we need to update and revise the Bylaws for the Club. Kris will be the chair, and Linda and Gerianne will serve on the committee. We will ask the general membership for another member at the upcoming meeting.

**Nominating committee:** The Board will ask the general members at upcoming meeting for volunteers to serve on this committee. President, Treasurer and two members-at-large positions open (Linda and Devetta's positions). Erin will be the Chair.

**Date and location of next Board meeting**—Feb. 9, 2022; Panera, 78th& Dodge, 6:30 p.m.

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn was made by Linda and seconded by Erin. The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

**Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska**

General Membership Meeting, Dec. 4, 2021  
Sunshine Farms, Council Bluffs, Iowa

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.

A Motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Membership meeting and the last Board Meeting was made by Erin Embrey and seconded by Joanne Swenson. Motion passed.

**Report of President** Gerianne Darnell: Nothing to report at this time.

**Report of Vice President** Erin Embrey: Nothing to report at this time.

**Report of Treasurer** JoAnne Swenson: Our new Treasurer, JoAnne, was introduced to the members present. Reports of the last few trials provided. Discussion of tax status of the club (501(c)(6) – mutual benefit). A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by George Embrey and seconded by Sue Volkmer. Motion passed.

**Report of Secretary** Kris Woodke: Nothing to report at this time.

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**New Business:**

**Committee to Revise Bylaws** – The Board determined the Club's Bylaws need to be updated and revised.

Kris will be the chair, and Linda and Gerianne will serve on the committee. Sue Volkmer also volunteered to serve on this committee.

**Nominating committee:** We need a nominating committee for the upcoming Annual Membership Meeting. The offices of President, Treasurer and two members-at-large positions are open (Linda and Devetta's positions). Erin Embrey will be the Chair, and Kim Embrey also volunteered to serve on this committee.

Date and location of Annual Meeting – Feb. 26, 2022. The Awards program will not be as extensive as has been in the past. We still need to find a location for the meeting. Randy Frady suggested the 40<sup>th</sup> Street Theater again, but we would have to have it catered and parking is limited. Gerianne offered her house again, but again, it would have to be catered. Sue suggested Fire Barn in Waterloo that has a large party room where we could order

off the menu. Sue will check into it and get back to the board about it.

**AKC Tracking Invitational** - The Club sponsored a track at the AKC Tracking Invitational (sponsored by NKC) for which a sign was made. The sign is now hanging in Gerianne's obedience building.

**Date and location of next Board meeting** – Feb. 9, 2022; Panera, 78th& Dodge, 6:30 p.m.

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn was made by Randy Frady and seconded by George Embrey. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Club member brags followed the Membership Meeting, along with our annual Holiday Party gift swap/steal. Much fun was had by all.

### **Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska**

February 23, 2022 Board Meeting  
Village Inn, Council Bluffs, IA

The meeting was called to order at 6:51 p.m. Members present were President Gerianne Darnell, Vice President Erin Embrey, Treasurer Joanne Swenson and Members at Large Devetta Hill, Dee Nelson and Linda Puckett. Absent was Secretary Kris Woodke.

A motion was made to waive the reading of the minutes from the last board and general membership meetings by Dee and second by Joann. Motion carried.

**Report of the President**, Gerianne had nothing to report.

**Report of the Vice President**, Erin had nothing to report.

**Report of the Treasurer**, Joanne reported she had full access to the bank and accounts. A detailed report will be given at the Annual Awards Banquet.

#### **Reports of the committees:**

\***AKC** Obedience and Scent Work April 1-3, 2022. Judges reservations are made. Devetta will gather food orders and Gerianne will pay. Erin will buy the fixings for a Potato Bar on Saturday. Shower curtains will go up prior to the event.

\***AKC** Herding May 14-15, 2022, judges are booked and reservations will be made for travel. Devetta will gather food orders and Gerianne will pay.

\***UKC** Nosework, May 27-29. NEED CHAIR! Need Volunteer Coordinator and food.

\***UKC** Obedience and Rally June 11-12, two trials each day. Gerianne and Erin are chairs. Devetta is chief ring steward. Need Food!

\***AKC** Obedience/Rally August 5-7, Gerianne and Erin Chairs, need chief ring steward and food

\***AKC** Scent Work August 18-21, Sue and Erin chairs, need volunteer coordinator and food

\***AKC** Herding, September 23-25, Gerianne and Erin chairs, need food

\***AKC** Obedience/Rally October 29-30, Gerianne and Erin chairs, need chief ring steward and food

\***AKC** Scent Work, November 3-6, need chairs, volunteer coordinator and food

Discussion was held on an alternative format for the April and August 2023 Obedience trials. Have two Rally

trials on Friday, two Obedience trials Saturday and one Obedience trial on Sunday.

**Nominating committee**, Erin presented the members that would run for the positions on the board whose terms are expiring. The slate will be presented to the General Membership at the Annual Awards Banquet.

**Committee for Constitution and Bylaws**, chair is Kris with Linda, Gerianne and Sue.

Discussion was held regarding PVKC applying for the Agility weekend and the options we have to hold another event on that same weekend.

**Next meeting** will be set at the Awards Banquet Motion to adjourn made by Dee second by Joanne. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

### **BDOC 2021 Annual Meeting President's Report February 26, 2022**

In 2021, BDOC continued to navigate through various stages of the pandemic to have another very successful year. Unlike 2020, 2021 featured our many events getting back to pretty much normal.

Our first event of the year was a UKC Nosework trial held in February. Eight inches of fluffy, un-forecast snow made for some interesting searching on Sunday! But a good time was had by all, including the making of snow angels!

Our club sponsored a successful AKC Scent Work Judges Education event at the end of March, which was very well-received. We all had a great time and learned a lot.

Our next event was a combined AKC Obedience/Rally/Scent Work trial April 2-4. We continued to experiment with masks on/masks off and creating a comfortable distance in the obedience room. It is always fun to see so many people having a great time with their dogs in a variety of events.

The second weekend of May featured a CPE Scent Sports trial. This was the first time chairing for new club member Shelly Rehmeier, and she did a great job bringing the huge amount of search items needed. We learned a lot at this trial, most specifically that some organizations are easier to work with than others. Enough said about that!

The middle of May brought our semi-annual AKC Herding Trial. We had exhibitors attending from all over the country, including one from California, and the competition was fierce. The ducks were particularly naughty on this weekend, which netted them a trip to the sale barn the following week.

Our next event was our combined UKC Obedience/Rally/Nosework event in June. We had a large, enthusiastic entry for this weekend, and many titles and qualifying scores were earned.

We then had a break until the next AKC Obedience/Rally weekend in early August. We had a nice, healthy entry, and again many titles and qualifying scores were earned. Two weeks later we offered AKC Scent Work, which featured our first Detective trials, one at Sunshine Obedience and one at Sharon Dowell's home. It was great to add these challenging and fun searches to our other offerings.

We held our second weekend of AKC Herding Trials in September, which included ranch trials on Friday. Our club members were again quite successful during this weekend.

Our last weekend of AKC agility trials in October was a bittersweet event. Much as we hated to move on from almost 30 years of holding agility trials, we all agreed it was time.

Our last two events of the year were AKC Obedience/Rally trials at Companion Dog Club in October and AKC Scent Work trials in November.

We continue to have a healthy treasury, and we will continue on with our events for as long as our health and finances permit. In 2022 we will have two less events than in 2021, as we decided to not have either CPE Scent Sports or AKC Agility this year. I have been your president for many years, and some of my most fond memories of my life are putting on our many events with all of you.

### 2021 BDOC Member of The Year

When the Board discussed who the 2021 Member of the Year should be, one person's name was brought up, and we all agreed it was a perfect choice.

This person has helped set up and clean up at our Obedience Trials, Rally Trials, Agility Trials, Nosework Trials, and Herding Trials, whether it be 20 degrees or 100 degrees. This member is always readily available during the trials and is ready to jump in where needed. In fact, I have my doubts we could put on our many trials without this person.

After a trial, the trial site needs to be cleaned up and returned to its original condition. This person is always available to clean up, take down tarps in the rain, and load and unload all of the "stuff" necessary to have a successful trial.

This person enjoys working with his own dog in herding, and we are all enjoying watching this new relationship evolve. This year's 2021 Club Member of the Year is **Jim Hogsett**.

## UKC Nosework Trial Report

Gerianne and Erin, co-chairs

Friends of BDOC held a three day UKC nosework trial February 18-20 at Sunshine Obedience School. Although it was a small trial, it was a fun and successful event. And, the bonus for the trial being smaller was being done early! Three new Nosework Championships were earned by Erin and Reign, Shelly and Dillon, and Gerianne and Rayna. Reign and Rayna also finished their Novice Grand Championships and Robert finished his Advanced Grand Championship.

Special thanks to our secretary Norine and to the volunteer coordinator, Sue. Erin and Gerianne laid out some search areas early in the week, then Sharon helped Gerianne fine tune them on Thursday, and she also brought the ribbons, boxes, and supplies. Erin, Jim and Gerianne then finished setting up Thursday night. Devetta helped Gerianne get the food orders together for Friday and Sunday, and Erin bought the fixings for a baked potato bar on Saturday. Dee brought us a truckload of "stuff" along with a truck to search. Club members who helped steward and/or set up each afternoon after the trial were Kim, Sue, Shelly, Rhonda, Laura, Devetta, Ron, and Erin. Special thanks to clean up people Shelly, Sue, Erin, Gerianne, and Sharon, who hauled the ribbons and scent stuff away. Thanks to Jim for helping move vehicles, going to Subway to pick up lunch, and for all the setup and cleanup.

We lucked out on the weather this year, and on Sunday afternoon Norine, Sue, Shelly, Erin and Gerianne enjoyed some beverages on the deck.

Thanks to all for your help.



## 2022 RULES CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

These are just a few highlights of the Rule changes. There are changes to all rulebooks. Please read each rulebook in its entirety.

### SECTION 1. Competitor Rules

1. **Height Division Changes.** Small 15" and under, Medium 15.1
2. **Hair ties.** Dogs can wear more than one hair tie but for vision
3. **Covered prongs.** All prong collars must be covered.
4. **Class briefings.** Upper level Class briefings are being eliminated
5. **Phones.** Phones/devices can now be in the blind/ring but can't be used
6. **Tunnels.** Lengths and turns changed. Upper level tunnels must have a appropriate tunnel will always be in the ring). If a dog does an upper level tunnel
7. **Distance challenges.** Matted entries required with handler at the end
8. **Lack of control.** Dogs who destroy the course or who fling tunnel
9. **New Games Class.** Line Drive, optional for Clubs to offer.
10. **New (pending programming) title.** REX, for completing 10 100 Club titles. Clubs may (not required) offer a REX Q or New Title ribbon.

### SECTION 2. Club Rules

1. **Specialties.** Clubs may offer lower-level classes only at special events
2. **Entry limits.** Clubs can limit entries into Senior, Master, Line
3. **Steps.** Ramps are eliminated, steps only.
4. **Blinds.** May be 15' from the ring.

### SECTION 3. Judge Rules

1. **Judge candidates.** Need to have shown a dog at the Master level
2. **Judges showing dogs.** Simplified and streamlined.
3. **Relief/Back Up Judge.** The two tasks are combined.
4. **Course design.** No more interior jogs in tunnels. The tunnel must be as long as floor elements change.

## Spoiled Dog Cupcakes

Nancy Wyckoff

### Blend together:

- 1 c flour
  - 1/8 c veggie oil
  - 1/2 c unsweetened applesauce
  - 1/2 c pumpkin
  - 1/2 tsp baking soda
  - 1/4 c peanut butter
  - 1 egg
- Bake 20-25 minutes at 350 degrees.

### Frosting

- 1/2 c plain Greek yogurt
- 1/4 c peanut butter