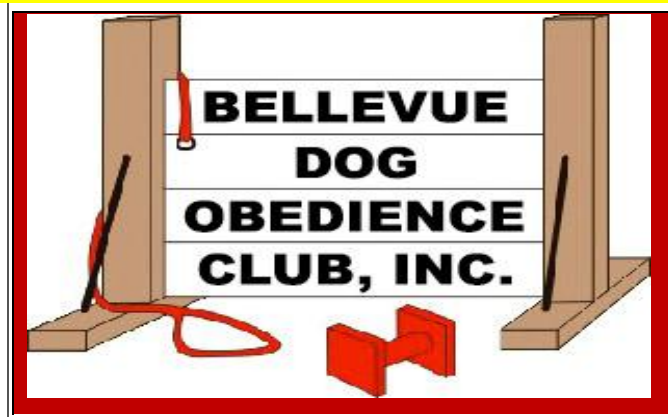


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Next Meeting
BDOC Club Meeting
DATE: April 9th, 2025 following
tarping for the herding trial. Bring a
sack lunch. We will try zoom again.
At Gerianne's training building.
5:30 Will be the tarping.
6:30 Clean up and eat.
7:00 Meeting will begin.

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club
February 2025 – March 2025

Minutes

March 1, 2025

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska
General Meeting and Awards Dinner

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by president Gerianne Darnell at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 7308 S. 42nd Street, Bellevue, Nebraska.

Ron moved and Rhonda seconded the motion to suspend reading of the minutes of the December general meeting and the January board meeting both

of which have been distributed by email and in the newsletter.

The **President's report** reviewed the many trials that the club has sponsored during 2024. The club did not make money on the trials, but neither was money lost. It was a good year.

There was no report from the **Vice president**.

The **Treasurer** distributed the Profit and Loss statement for January-December as well as individual reports for each of the trials held during the year. Discussion of successes and things to change followed. Sue moved and Rhonda seconded that the treasurer's report be accepted.

The **Secretary** reminded members that a new roster will soon be prepared based on those who have paid dues by March 15. The roster will be emailed to all members for any needed revisions, before it becomes final.

Events: The complete list of all 2025 events was distributed in advance. Gerianne noted that with one final volunteer at dinner, all leadership positions for all the events are filled. Club members are urged to step up to volunteer for the various jobs when by volunteer coordinators send out the call for help.

New business: The following persons were elected to office by acclamation: Vice President: Erin, Secretary: Caroline, Board Member Gale.

Outgoing board member Rhonda was thanked for her years of service.

There was a discussion of the new Friends of BDOC by-laws and how they will affect the club. The voted to accept the new by-laws was unanimous.

The board had selected a volunteer of the year.

Gerianne gave a little talk about all the many ways in which this person has served the club. Shelly received this year's Member of the Year award!

Old Business:

The next club meeting is Wednesday, April 9 at Sunshine Obedience School. It will begin at 5:30 pm with a tarping session in preparation for the herding trial on April 11-12. Bring a sack lunch to enjoy after the tarping. We will eat at 6:30 pm. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Zoom will be available.

The next board meeting is Tuesday, March 18 at 6:30pm. Zoom invitations will be sent.

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Rice, Secretary

BDOC 2024 Annual Meeting President's Report From Gerianne March 1, 2025

BDOC had another productive and fun year in 2024. For the first time in many years, BDOC decided to not hold our UKC nosework trial in February. That turned out to be a good decision as once again, it was cold and snowy for that weekend in 2024. By not holding this event, we now have five months between our last event of the year and our first event of the next year, giving our small and dedicated group of volunteers a nice long break. Our first event of the year was AKC Obedience and Rally on March 30, 31, and April 1st. This was a fun trial that was well attended. An exciting outcome of this trial was Gerianne's Rayna finishing her Obedience Trial Championship on April Fool's Day! There is probably a joke there, but we will leave it unsaid! Obedience was followed two weeks later by our first herding trial of the year, featuring two ranch trials on Friday and four regular herding trials over the weekend. Although both of these events lost money, that loss was more than made up for by an AKC Scent Work trial the last weekend of April. April is a busy month for our club! June featured a UKC nosework/ obedience/ rally trial early in the month and a CPE Scent Sports trial later in the month. Both events showed a profit, with the CPE trials barely breaking even. The club voted to again discontinue holding CPE Scent Sports. We have difficulty getting our regular volunteers for this event, and it was decided to let the event go for 2025. 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 was our August AKC Scent Work trial. The format of utilizing three judges and offering all of the regular elements plus Detective each day is very popular with exhibitors, and we have expanded that to include our April AKC Scent Work trials in 2025. We held our second weekend of AKC Herding Trials in September, which included ranch trials on Friday. For some reason the herding entry was way down in September. We are going to add American Herding Breed Association trials on

Friday to this weekend in 2025 to hopefully increase the entry on the weekend, along with offering more herding opportunities to local herding enthusiasts. In late October, we held our fall two-ring AKC obedience and rally trial at the Companion Dog Club, which features two trials on Saturday and one on Sunday. Although Saturday is a very long day for exhibitors and judges, this format is very popular with the exhibitors, as they only have to purchase two nights in a motel for three trials. Gerianne's Rayna finished her THIRD AKC Championship at a BDOC event at these trials, Rally Obedience Champion! In early November we held our last event of the year, AKC Scent Work, and again the entry was large and enthusiastic, and we made a nice profit. Our club broke even in 2024, earning a small profit overall of \$64.15. BDOC continues to provide the local dog community with several awesome events. We had some fun club meetings in 2024. March featured our 2023 Awards Banquet. We held this event at Christ The King Lutheran Church in Bellevue, with the food catered by Hy-Vee. Everybody enjoyed the good food and the nice quiet place to hold our banquet. In April AKC Fetch Judge and BDOC Board Member Rhonda Pratt presented a very interesting talk and demo on the new AKC Fetch program, and then several club members enjoyed trying out fetch. In July we held our meeting at the Pizza Ranch, and in September we combined tarping for the herding trial with a zoom and in-person meeting at Gerianne's, including obedience training time for anyone who wanted it. Our Christmas party in December featured wonderful food and our annual stealing gift exchange. Much fun was always had by all. Our treasury remains very healthy. That said, some event entry fees may have to be raised going forward given the higher cost of just about everything, including the AKC possibly raising event fees at some point. We will strive to keep the entry cost to our exhibitors as low as we can. We will continue on with our events as long as our health and finances permit. Thanks to all of you for allowing me to be your president for so many years. I consider all of you good friends, and I very much enjoy the fun we have putting on our events.



2024 BDOC Club Member of The Year

This year's choice for the 2024 BDOC Club Member of The Year was an instant unanimous choice by the board! Everybody agreed that this person is a hard-working individual at our events and is a great representative for our club.

I can hardly think of a nosework trial weekend that this person does not provide her expert help, many times as the Chairperson of the event or the Volunteer Coordinator. She also stewards at obedience and rally trials. She is always willing to do whatever needs done, and she is one of the first people to arrive and the last to leave after all of the work is done. This person attends most of our meetings and fun days, and she is always a fun, smiling presence at our events.

I first met this person at least 25 to 30 years ago when she was doing agility with her mixed breed. She then found her perfect breed with Labrador Retrievers, and I used to delight in petting her first lab's plush, velvety coat. Over the years, this person has participated in conformation, agility, obedience, rally, hunting, tracking, nosework, Fast Cat, CGC, Farm Dog, Fetch, and Therapy Work. She lends her hard-working expertise not only to the Bellevue Dog Obedience Club, but she is also a valued member of both the Nebraska Kennel Club and the Companion Dog Club.

The 2024 BDOC Club Member of the Year is Shelly Rehmeier



BDOC Happenings

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club
AKC Obedience & Rally Trials
March 28th-30th, 2025

This is a reminder that Bellevue Dog Obedience Club (BDOC) is offering AKC Obedience & Rally Trials on March 28-30, 2025. There will be one trial each day and this event will be held at Sunshine Obedience School, 11092 240th Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Entries will close in two weeks on Wednesday, March 12th, 2025. You will find the Premium/entry form by completing an event search on the AKC website or you can click "Trials" on [Bellevue Dog Obedience Club's website](#).

See you at our trials!

Awards Dinner 2024—



Thank You...



Last year you gave me the greatest honor by choosing me as the most valuable member of the club 2024! I was completely touched, blown away and at a loss for words, (which as you all I know, is very unusual in my case!!).

Soon after the banquet, life overtook me a little and due to many different reasons, I wasn't myself for much of this last year!! I had every intention to write a thank you to everyone but never did! To be quite honest, with everything that went on, I completely forgot!!

I am so late but know I need to at least tell you all how special this honor was and what it has meant to me this year!! Even now when I look at the plaque on the wall, I smile at all the memories it brings back of our special times over the years together! That helped me a lot this year! You are my second family....my American Family...who are so wonderful to work with and I'm very proud and humbled to call my friends! Volunteering in this club is not work to me when you're with friends who have respect for each other and common interests in our dogs.

I have treasured these times over the years.... and that is A LOT!! Over thirty of my 57 years in America has been in this club... with many of you and many, many fun memories! Yes, I'm officially old!!!! I could use this as my excuse but that isn't right! I do owe you my apologies for not thanking you from the bottom of my heart, for this honor!! You are very special friends! THANK YOU. Love to all. Hug your dogs...They are life savers!!
Linda Puckett

Bragg:



Reported by sue Volkmer...

On February 16, 2025, my PBGV got her final point to get her AKC Championship. Pending AKC confirmation, my PBGV Josie (or JoJo) will be known as NN AC AI UCH IntCH CH Black Majesty Quid Pro Quo TD BCAT SWA.



Reported by Linda Puckett...First Birthday!!!

Left to right: Dusty, Rainy (mum), Steal & Chilly. Everyone was in on the joke, but Rainy wasn't amused! They are so much fun & keep us busy!



Reported by Gerianne Darnell...

Border Collie Rita earned her NACSW ORT Title in February.

(Author Unknown)

Remember that...

Hard work is a choice.

Attitude is a choice

Discipline is a choice.

Doing extra is a choice.

Excellence is a choice.

There are no shortcuts for success – you must work for it!

Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.

2025

March 1-2, 2025 DMOTC Rally Trial at DMOTC.

March 7-9 2025 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

March 15-16 2025 WCRL Rally, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

March 17, 2025 Sunshine Obedience School Classes start.

March 23, 2025 AKC Tracking, CKC Lincoln, Nebraska

March 28-30, 2025 BDOC hosts AKC Obedience/Rally Trial.

April 4-6, 2025 Iowa City Dog Obedience Club at Amana, Iowa. Obedience and Rally.

April 5-6 2025 CPE Scent Sports, GLOC Lincoln, Nebraska

April 11-13, 2025 AKC Herding Trials, BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa

April 19-20, 2025 Marion Crane Obedience Seminar “Keeping the Connection” at Sunshine Obedience School.

April 19-20, 2025 Mason City Obedience and Rally Trial, Mason City, Iowa.

April 25-27, 2025 BDOC hosts AKC Scent Work Trial.

May 2-4, 2025 DMOTC Spring Agility Trial Jester Park. Judge Katrina Walters.

May 3-4, 2025 AKC Conformation, Obedience and Rally Trial Seward Co. KC, Seward, Nebraska

May 10-11 2025 AKC Herding Trials, Central Plains, Brian Moline Farm, Ashland, Nebraska

May 16-18, 2025 Nebraska Kennel Club, Event Center Lincoln NE. Conformation, Obedience and Rally.

May 23-24, 2025 Cyclone Country Kennel Club host their Agility Trial at the Hansen Center in Ames, Iowa. Michelle Persian will judge in 2025.

May 30, 31 & June 1 2025 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa

June 6-8, 2025 Friends of BDOC hosts UKC Nose work/Rally/Obedience Trial at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa

June 21-22, 2025 WCRL Rally, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa

July 12-13, 2025 AKC Scent Work, NKC, Iowa Western, Council Bluffs, Iowa

July 12-13, 2025 Central Iowa Dachshund Club Obedience Trial at DMOTC Building in Des Moines, Iowa

July 27, 2025 AKC Detective Trials, NKC, Omaha, Nebraska

July 26-27, 2025 DMOTC Obedience Trial at DMOTC Building in Des Moines, Iowa.

August 1-3, 2025 BDOC hosts AKC Obedience/Rally Trial at Sunshine Obedience School Council Bluffs, Iowa

August 9-10, 2025 Sunshine Obedience School will host a Connie Cleveland Problem Solving Seminar, Sunshine Obedience School, council Bluffs, Iowa.

August 15-17, 2025 BDOC hosts AKC Scent Work Trial at Sunshine Obedience School Council Bluffs, Iowa.

September 5-7, 2025 DMOTC Obedience Trial

September 13-14, 2025 WCRL Rally, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa

September 19-21, 2025 AKC Herding Trial, BDOC Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa

October 18-19, 2025 CPE Scent Sports, GLOC, Lincoln Nebraska

October 25-26, 2025 AKC Obedience & Rally, BDOC at the Companion Dog Club, Omaha, Nebraska

October 31, November 1-2, 2025 BDOC hosts AKC Scent Work Trial at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa

November 14-16, 2025 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa

November 8-9, 2025 Central Iowa Dachshund Club Obedience Trial at DMOTC Building in Des Moines, Iowa.

November 22-23, 2025 DMOTC Obedience Trial

December 5-7, 2025 AKC Scent Work, NKC, Omaha, Nebraska