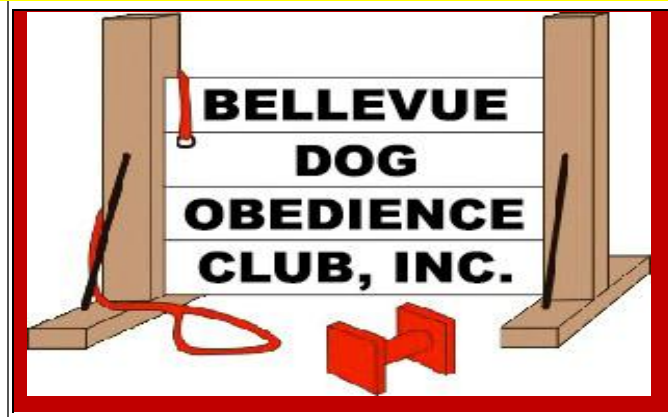


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Bellevue Dog Obedience Club

November-December 2025 Edition

Next Meetings

Board Meeting on Zoom February 10, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

The General Membership meeting will be the BDOC Holiday Party January 4, 2026 at Gerianne's home from

1-3:30pm. The club will provide the meat and the members will provide the side dishes and desserts.

Remember a dog themed gift for the gift steal, I mean exchange! \$20.00 Price limit.

The Awards Party will be February 28, 2026 at gather at 5:30 pm at Christ the King Church Fellowship Hall. Dinner will follow at 6 pm. Bring your own Libation.

BDOC MINUTES

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club
Board Minutes December 9, 2025

The ZOOM meeting was called to order at 7:02 by President Gerianne Darnell.

It was **moved** by Joanne and seconded by Gale that the reading of the July 15, 2025 General Meeting and the October 7, 2025 Board Meeting be waived since they have been distributed by email and in the newsletter. Motion carried.

There was no report of the President, Vice President, or Secretary.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the treasurer's report. The way in which the cost of ribbons was recorded will be reviewed by Joanne and Gerianne and new profit and loss statements for all events will be emailed to board members. An explanation of why judges are given gifts was made. The gifts are small tokens since the charge for a judge is small compared to the time they put in at the trial.

The following is a list of the events for 2026.

March 27-29 AKC Obedience/rally, GA & Erin chairs, need volunteer coordinator & food
April 10-12 AHBA/AKC Herding, GA & Erin chairs, need food
April 24-26 AKC Scent Work, Sue Chair, Shelly Volunteer Coordinator, need food
June 5-7 UKC nose work, Shelly chair, Sue Volunteer Coord, GA & Erin obedience/rally, need food
July 31, 8-1-26 AKC Obedience/rally, GA & Erin chairs, need volunteer coordinator & food
Aug 14-16 AKC Scent Work, need chair, vol coordinator, food
Sept 18-20 AHBA/AKC Herding, GA & Erin chairs, need food
Oct 24-25 AKC Obedience/rally, GA & Erin chairs, need vol coordinator and food
Oct 30, 31&Nov 1 AKC Scent Work, need chair, vol coordinator, food

Gale volunteered to be the volunteer coordinator and do food for one day for the March trial. Beyond that, it was decided to recruit other positions at Holiday Party in January.

The Awards Dinner is set for February 28. Gathering at 5:30 (bring your own libation) and dinner served at 6. Caroline will try to reserve Christ the King fellowship hall again this year.

The board has selected the Member of the Year for 2025. The discussion of who should be chosen led to Erin volunteering to determine if there is anything in the Constitution or By-Laws that prohibits a Board Member from being selected. It has been an unwritten precedent. After further discussion, the board did determine that nothing prohibits a member being selected more than one time.

The next General meeting is the Holiday Party Sunday, January 4, at Gerianne's beginning at 1 pm.

The next Board Meeting (by ZOOM) is February 10, at 7 pm.

BDOC HAPPENINGS

Watch for events in 2026. Consider volunteering for a BDOC event maybe an event in a venue you don't compete in. You'll learn about that competition and won't have the stress of volunteering and showing a dog.

From Linda Puckett...

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SPOT-ON, RL3X2 RL2-AOE RL2X3
RL1X3 RLVX FL1-AOE**

"Misty"

13th June 2013 - 6th October 2025

The sweetest "Wheelie girl" in the world!!

I'm sorry I haven't written to let you know before this but my heart has been shattered into a million pieces! It has taken me a couple of months to wrap my head around losing my spunky little wheelie girl Misty at the beginning of October!! She has been full of fun and energy her whole life, even when she lost the use of her back legs, over four years ago due to an inoperable cancerous tumor that had wrapped around her spinal cord. She accepted it in stride and did anything and everything she wanted to do.... with gusto!! From the beginning of life she was head strong and always vocal!

Misty loved Scentwork, Agility, Tricks, Obedience and Rally too, often putting her own spin on an exercise like heeling and finishing on the wrong side when she felt like it, along with spins every now and then to make everyone think! She knew exactly how she should do each exercise perfectly.... but had fun with them!!! (I swear she was smiling as she did them with a twinkle in her eye!! She had such a sense of humor!!). Agility was her favorite in the early years. She couldn't wait to get on the course and run - her barks of excitement were deafening as she ran. I would get so frustrated with her as she ran off course.... but it was always my fault for not giving her timely directions... or I wasn't fast enough to keep up with her. She would tell me off royally, voicing loudly her opinion of me in no uncertain terms!!! 😊. We both had great fun together and

I always went home with the best dog! Even in her wheels she still loved to run the agility course through the stanchions and "jump" them with an excited smile on her face and of course barking wildly, skidding to a stop, dust and dirt flying!!!! I loved to make her happy and see the joy in her smile!! She earned many titles over the years and still earned many in Rally, Obedience and Scentwork in her wheels! I tried to make her life as normal and happy as possible. Many thanks to Gerianne, our teacher, for helping us so much and sticking with us!! I don't know how she did it! She had to have so much patience with us both over the years!!! Scentwork was the favorite in her later years and she was good at finding the hides. In the beginning she was a "bull in a China shop", moving boxes or anything else in her way with her wheels. I so appreciated everyone including our judges who were so great at accepting her, and making allowances for her. After a while she was quite deft at navigating the course!! She made me smile every day! Oh, my goodness, all the memories I have, especially these last four years. We became very bonded as I had to do so much for her. It was never a chore! She was always appreciative and would reach over when I got close to her, to give me a quick kiss! We had lots of cuddles, kisses and talks late at night. I always told her that when it all got too much for her, I would understand. That day came early in October when we both knew it was the right time and it was very peaceful.

She and Chilly were good friends. Chilly was a wild puppy too but was always respectful and gentle with Misty right from the day her litter was born, so they got along well. In this last year we have been showing Chilly in conformation and Misty always came along in her stroller to cheer Chilly on. She loved meeting the people who came up to pet her and give her treats! She was so spoiled and we both loved it! Anything to brighten her day!!.... such a character!!!

This has been the hardest goodbye as I have adored this crazy girl from the moment, we picked her up from her breeder Estelle in Winona, Minnesota!! We have had a great life together and made the most of every day that I was lucky enough to have her with me in every adventure!! We must have travelled thousands of miles together!! It still wasn't enough time but I know she is happy at the Rainbow Bridge back with Icy, Stormy, Hazy, her mother Quest and all who went before her. She is whole again and is free to run, jump and play with no restrictions. Hopefully she will find an agility course and run like the wind again, jumping the bars and flying through those weave poles as well as she used to when my friend Mary helped us so many years ago. She was the best weave pole dog I've ever had, thanks to Mary!!! It was such a privilege and joy to have loved Misty these 12 1/3 years - over four years longer than the vet predicted when she was first diagnosed.... but that is our Misty! She, as always, did things her own way, not what I, or anyone else thought she should do!!!! We have no regrets!!!

Run free sweet girl. I'll miss you and will love you forever...I know we'll meet again one day, my MistyMo...Misteryyyy.... Luv ya always my sweet pup! xxxxxxxx 🐕 😊 🥺 ❤️

Continue to 2026 Dues Form and the Awards Form...

BDOC Membership Dues are coming due by the annual meeting in February 2026.

\$25 for single membership

\$40 for family membership

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club

2026 Membership Dues pay before February 2026.

Name _____

Single Membership \$25.00

Family Membership \$40.00

**Submit your BDOC Membership Dues to: Joanne Swenson,
7511 South 189th Street, Omaha, NE 68138.**

Awards form follows...

Bellevue Dog Obedience Club of Nebraska



2025 Awards

Dear Club Members:

It's time to submit your titles for 2025. In order to receive an award, a member must be "active". You are an active member if you have given six hours of service to the club in 2025, which could include attending the general meetings, participating on a committee, helping with trials, etc. Please indicate on the form what six hours you have contributed to the club. BDOC currently offers a plaque for each dog with a "bar" for each title earned. Each year you will add new title bars to your plaque for your dog. There is also an award for "Competition Dog of The Year" which recognizes the top six scores earned in AKC obedience competition from the regular or preferred classes. We will also be awarding the "Jackie Griffith Memorial Award", given to the Highest Scoring Active Member's dog in the regular or preferred classes at the 2025 BDOC obedience trials in March/April, August, or October, along with the "Beginner Novice" award for our BDOC trials in March/April, August, or October. If you showed in Beginner Novice or the regular/preferred classes at any of the 2025 BDOC obedience trials, please submit those scores below. There will also be a bar awarded for Farm Dog, Trick Dog (any level), CGC, CGCA, and CGCU titles earned by club members in 2025. Another special award is the "Carol Wilson/Marge Danielson Memorial Award" for the highest score earned in Novice A, Open A, or Utility A at any obedience trial (not just BDOC trials) during 2025. We also have the "Alberta Gray/Sherry Rife Memorial Rally Award", given to the highest scoring member's dog in AKC rally. This award is for the top six scores earned in any AKC rally class in 2025. If more than one member's dog earns six 100 scores, multiple awards will be given.

Please return the following information to Gerianne Darnell, 11092 240th Street, Council Bluffs, IA 51503 by January 15, 2026. If you have any questions, call Gerianne (402-679-1548) or Linda Puckett (402-593-0703) or e-mail Gerianne at geriannedarnell@aol.com. Please copy this form if you have earned a title on more than one dog. **Please send the form via U.S. mail rather than an e-mail so I don't have to print out so many pages.**

Please indicate on the form if this is your dog's first title and you need a plaque for your dog. thanks, Gerianne

Please send the following to Gerianne, one form for each dog:

BDOC 2025 AWARDS

Member's name: _____

Dog's breed, registered name including titles, and call name: _____

Does this dog need a plaque? _____

Telephone Number and e-mail address: _____

Title(s) earned, please separate by venue, attach separate sheet if necessary:

If applicable, list your top six AKC **regular or preferred** class obedience scores (**not** rally, beginner novice, grad novice, or grad open, JUST Novice, Open, or Utility, preferred or regular) for 2025. You can list a fewer number of scores if you don't have six (date, show & score):

What was your highest score and class at any 2025 BDOC obedience trial (March/April, August, and October)? (include beginner novice but not rally, JUST the regular or preferred classes plus beginner novice):

Highest Score in Novice A, Open A, or Utility A in 2025 at any AKC obedience trial, (not just BDOC's trials):

Please indicate your top six scores in AKC rally for 2025, any level:

Indicate what six hours of service you gave to BDOC in 2025:

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Brags:

Reported by Ron Weaks... Stryker and I had a good weekend at the Nebraska Kennel Club's Scent Work trials held at Elkhorn Fire station and Werner Park. We went 14 qualifying scores out of 16 runs, 8 placements and one High-in-Trial. Thanks to Judges **Jeff Hartzler**, Khara Schuetzner and **Brenda Bruce**. I also want to thank Sue Volkmer for chairing the trials and all of the volunteers that help make these trials possible.

HAPPY HOWLIDAYS 🌲 🐾



Report from Gerianne... Rip got his first title "Virtual Home Manners Puppy", VHMP Anybody that knows him is aware of how funny that is lol.



Rita finished the year with the High Combined Ranch score of 134 out of 10 ranch dogs at the first trial of the Show Me Stock Dog League Winter Series here in Council Bluffs. We won this beautiful prize made by the talented Sharon Dowell.



Rayna finished her WCRL Veterans Championship at the Sunshine trials on December 14. Here is a link to one of her runs: https://youtu.be/JGJ6M_7B090

15 1/2-year-old Robert picked up his second WCRL Level One leg on Saturday. At his age one run a weekend is plenty!

Reported by Rhonda Pratt... What a great time I have had this past week. My brother flew over to Omaha to take a dog road trip to Orlando for Tonic to compete in the Obedience Classic. A few of my dogs have been invited but didn't think I had one to manage the environment. My friends in Omaha have worked hard trying to get us both ready. Travel was good thank you Bill Pratt. Thursday Tonic competed in the Orlando show in Grad Open and finished her title. I was surprised as she went out on her go out as the ring on the other side threw their dumbbell for their retrieve. Tonic froze but did figure out what she was supposed to do. Good job baby girl.

Friday, we visited with family made it back to warm up a bit and check in.

Saturday, was early we only showed once. Our heeling pattern with dogs on the back side made her worried so I had 2 no sits -3 each. And some front and finishes so Saturday-11. We decided to head back to the hotel to get some rest and play time.

Sunday, was so hard! Our first ring started at 8:00 12 dog in. Trust me we worked on sits with pressure it again 2 no sits with a total of -10 for that entry. We end up breaking for lunch and have to do groups stays at 1:30. I find lots of things to buy with such wonderful vendors. I did not buy a new collar. They had so many nice things. We did venture into the practice ring to have a little fun. We get out last run in the ring around 3:30. By now she is tired and looking for trouble. If you watch one of the videos, she had a nice heeling 1 no sit and decides that she has never heard the word, "come". She looks at me and sits there. So, I am like are you Fing kidding me. I smile and look straight down at front position and mentally tell her to get her ass here. She figures it out my heart is pounding she arrives I smile. We end with a -4 this run. Very proud of her she ends up 23 out of 93 dogs. What a fantastic time we had. Thanks again for everyone's support. I got to see old friends from California and made some new ones.

Rhonda and Tonic -- What an exciting experience. We are so excited for you Rhonda.





Reported by Gale Osborne... Lyric TopFlite Song of Valyria, “Harper” trialed at the GLOC Obedience trial at Companion Dog Club in Omaha and earned his final leg in Open A and his CDX title. Harper then earned his first Preferred Open Leg, then we traveled to the DMOTC Obedience Trial and Harper earned his 2nd Preferred Open Leg. We then went to the WCRL Rally Trial and Harper earned his final two legs in RL1 and his Title RL1. It’s been a busy year these Osborne boys.



Also reported by Gale Osborne...D’Artangan’s Shadow, “Shadow” trialed at the WCRL trial at the Sunshine Obedience School December 14, 2025. He earned two more legs toward his RL1X Championship Title. One to go at the February 2026 trial.



Cash



Shadow

Also from Gale Osborne...Crossroads Man in Black, “Cash” trialed at the AKC Scent Work Trial hosted by NKC in Elkhorn, Nebraska. He earned his 2nd legs in Novice Interiors, Novice Containers, and he earned his 3rd legs and Titles in Novice Exteriors, and Novice Buried.

And In addition, Blackmyst Kell Stirling Victory, “Stirling” earned her AKC Graduate Novice leg at the GLOC trial at the Companion Dog Club then the final leg and GN Title at the DMOTC Trial.



Continued to Calendar...

Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.

2025

December 20, 2025 Agility Fun match at Companion Dog Club. Big dog to jumping to 16 inches are in the AM and 12 down will be in the PM.

2026

January 4, 2026 BDOC Members Holiday party time is 1-? At Gerianne's home. The club will provide the meat. Members, please bring a side dish or a desert. Also, don't forget a dog themed gift for the gift steal, I mean exchange! (Price limit \$20.00)

January 10, 2026 Companion Dog Club will host Renee White Agility Seminar.

January 10, 2026 DMOTC Awards Dinner Des Moines-Glen Oaks Country Club – 1401 Glen Oaks Drive, West Des Moines, IA.

January 17-18, 2026 DMOTC Scent work Trial, Varied Industries Building Iowa State Fairgrounds, 3000 E. Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. Sunday has some room to register.

January 17-18, 2026 Central Iowa Kennel Club Host their AKC Breed Dog Show at the Iowa State Fair Varied Industries Building in Des Moines, Iowa.

January 23-25, 2026 Scott County Kennel Club Agility Trial at the Quad City Dog Center.

January 25, 2026 Agility Fun match December 25, 2025 at Companion Dog Club. Small dogs 4-12 inches are in the AM and 16 up will be in the PM.

February 7-8, 2026 AKC DMOTC Obedience Trial at the DMOTC Building Des Moines, Iowa.

February 14-15, 2026 Cyclone Country Kennel Club Breed Show at the Iowa State Fair Grounds.

February 14-15, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club at the Iowa State Fair Grounds Obedience/Rally Show.

February 13-15, 2025 Johnnette Ulch Advanced Nosework Seminar at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa. See Sunshine Obedience website for the Flyer link.

February 21-22, 2026 WCRL Rally Trial, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

February 28, 2026 BDOC Members Award party 5-9. Location TBA.

February 28-29 & March 1, 2026 Des Moines Obedience Training Club Rally Trial. Two trials on Saturday the 28th and one trial on Sunday the 29th.

March 6-8, 2026, Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

March 14-15, 2026 Connie Cleveland/Kelsey Wehr Problem Solving Obedience Seminar at Companion Dog Club, Omaha, Nebraska. Contact Gerianne Darnell for registration and auditing.

March 22, 2026 CKC AKC Tracking, Lincoln, Nebraska.

March 27-29, 2026 BDOC AKC Obedience and Rally Trial at Sunshine Obedience School.

April 3-5, 2026 Iowa City Dog Obedience Club at the Amana Colonies RV Park Obedience/Rally Show.

April 10, 2026 AHBA Herding Trials, Friends of BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

April 11-12, 2026 AKC Herding Trials, BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

April 18, 2026 NACSW Nose Work, Winterset, Iowa.

April 18-19, 2026 AKC Seward Obedience and Rally Trial.

April 18-19, 2026 AKC Mason City Obedience and Rally Trial.

April 17-19, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club will hold their Spring Agility Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center. The Judge will be Ben Gibbs.

April 17-19, 2026 Nebraska Kennel Club's Fast CAT events at Banner Park in Bellevue, Nebraska.

April 18-19, 2026 Mason City Iowa Fair Grounds Breed, Obedience and Rally Show.

April 24-26, 2026 BDOC hosts AKC Scent work Trial, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

May 9-10, 2026 NACSW Nose Work, Malvern Iowa. Contact Sharon Dowell for Information.

May 9-10, 2026 Grand Island AKC Obedience and Rally Trial.

May 15 – 23, 2026 Papillon Club of America National Specialty Norman Oklahoma.

May 22-24, 2026 Cyclone Country Kennel Club will host their Agility Trial at the Hansen Agriculture Center on Mortensen Road.

May 30-31, 2026 WCRL Rally, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

May 30-31, 2026 AKC Scent work Trial.

June 5-7, 2026 UKC Obedience, Rally and Nose work Trial hosted by Friends of BDOC, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

June 12-14, 2025 Greater Lincoln Obedience Club Agility Trial.

June 26-28, 2026 Cyclone Country Kennel Club AKC Obedience and Rally Trial at DMOTC Training Building.

July 11-12, 2026 AKC Central Iowa Dachshund Club at Des Moines Obedience Training Club.

July 10-12, 2026 AKC NKC Scent work Trial, Iowa Western, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

July 31, August 1-2, 2026 AKC BDOC Obedience and Rally Trial at Sunshine Obedience School.

August 15-16, 2026 AKC BDOC Scent work Trial at Sunshine Obedience School.

September 5-6, 2026 Central Iowa Dachshund Club at Des Moines Obedience Training Club.

September 12, 2026 Marion Crane, "Are You Really Ready?" Seminar at Sunshine Obedience School. Contact Gerianne Darnell for registration and auditing.

September 18, 2026 AHBA Herding Trial, Friends of BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

September 19-20, 2026 AKC Herding Trial, BDOC, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

September 18-20, 2026 AKC Obedience and Rally at Companion Dog Club.

September 19-20, 2026 AKC Platte Valley Kennel Club Obedience and Rally Trial at Companion Dog Club.

October 24-25, 2026 BDOC Obedience, Rally Trial held at Companion Dog Club.

October 31 and November 1, 2026 AKC BDOC Scent work Trial hosted at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

November 7-8, 2026 Central Iowa Dachshund Club Obedience Trial at Companion Dog Club.

November 13-15, 2026 Patrick Shanahan Herding Clinic, Sunshine Farm, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

November 14, 2026 GLOC Obedience, Rally Trial held at Companion Dog Club.

December 5-6, 2026 AKC NKC Scent work Trial, Omaha, Nebraska.

December 12-13, 2026 WCRL Rally Trial, Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Watch for Obedience, Rally and Agility Matches in 2026.

Most trials will host a match prior to their show. See the premiums for those and watch to see if you need to pre-register for them.

Companion Dog Club will be hosting all three at different times. I will try to post those here and watch their website.

Des Moines Obedience Training Club will also be hosting matches. I will try to post those here and also watch their website. They have a slightly different way to sign up. That is shown below:

*DMOTC Matches are through an online sign up called Slott Me. Please contact John Kimbro to be added to the email notice. His email is kimbrol88@yahoo.com. It is easy to sign up. You just open the level you want to run your dog in such as Open. Pick a time slot and type in your name, dog's name and jump. You should arrive 45 minutes before your scheduled time, check in and run your dog and be on your way. There is another contact for rally. Deb Luzier debluzier@msn.com.