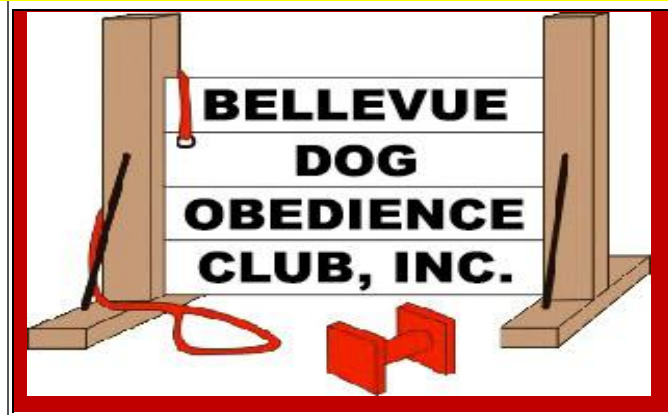


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Bellevue Dog Obedience Club

May and June 2026 Edition

Next Meetings

The Next General Meeting of the BDOC will be July 15, 2026 at Sgt. Pepper's Italian Café Restaurant, 13760 Millard Avenue, Omaha, NE 68137.

The Zoom Board Meeting will be scheduled Thursday August 20th, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

BDOC MINUTES
Bellevue Dog Obedience Club
General Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2026

(See Highlighted positions still needed to be filled.)

The meeting was called to order by president Gerianne Darnell at 7:00 pm. Meeting was in ZOOM format.

Members in attendance were Gerianne, Erin, Joanne, Caroline, Gale, and Ron. Absent was Kris.

Erin moved and Gale seconded that the reading of the minutes of the February 16, 2026, board meeting and the April 29, 2026, general meeting be suspended since they have been distributed to the membership via email. **Motion Passed.**

There was no report from the President or Vice President.

Prior to the meeting the Treasurer distributed by email reports to all board members. There was an individual report of each of trials held since the last board meeting and a Profit/Loss statement for January 1- June 25, 2026. Statements were reviewed. Gale moved and Caroline seconded to accept the treasurer's report. **Motion Passed.**

The Secretary has received an AKC packet with 2 booklets of the Obedience Rules as revised in May 2026 and several forms regarding aggressive dogs. It is not needed until the next Obedience Trial so the secretary will keep it for the time being.

The president reviewed the remaining upcoming trials for 2026. See the following list...
(the volunteer positions still to be filled are highlighted.)

July 31, 8 1-2 AKC Obedience/rally, GA and Erin chairs, volunteer coordinator Gale, Caroline food
Aug 14-16 AKC Scent Work, Sue chair, need vol coordinator, Kim will do food
Sept 18-20 AHBA/AKC Herding, GA and Erin chairs, Caroline food
Oct 24-25 AKC Obedience/rally, GA and Erin chairs, Rhonda vol coordinator, Caroline food
Oct 30, 31, 1 AKC Scent Work, Ron chair, Teresa vol coordinator, need food

Rhonda is moving prior to the Obedience/Rally trial but she will still recruit volunteers. The chairs will work with the volunteers

at the show. The most pressing need now is a volunteer coordinator for the August 14-16 trial.

NEW BUSINESS: Ron raised the suggestion that we work on a drive to recruit new members.

OLD BUSINESS: An award in memory of Dean and Marlene Lee will be given for the High Scoring Member in Novice B at the yearly awards banquet. Discussion was held about how to memorialize Connie. Suggestion was made for a Rally A Novice Rosette but this will be further considered at the coming general meeting.

The next general meeting is July 15 at 6:00 pm at Sgt Peffers. The address is 13760 Millard Avenue.

The next board meeting will be Thursday, August 20 at 7:00 pm by ZOOM.

Gale moved for adjournment and Joanne seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Rice, Secretary

BDOC HAPPENINGS

BDOC UKC Obedience, Rally and Scent

Work Trial... On June 5-7, Friends of BDOC had a nice and warm weekend of UKC Scent Work, Obedience and Rally Trials. Jim and Gerianne had the building all set up for us for the match on Thursday evening. Our judge for Obedience and Rally was Anna Arendt from Des Moines. She was able to enter under a backup judge to get another UUDX Leg on her Sheltie, Freddie! So that sure was nice for Melissa to show and be a backup Judge to allow this to happen.

Norine and the girls expertly handled the secretary duties through the weekend and a couple people stopped in and supported her with ribbons and putting the results out. Caroline brought out great lunches each day for the volunteers and judges.

Those who helped with Obedience and Rally were Kim Embrey, Gale Osborne, Gerianne Darnell, Rhonda Pratt, Devetta Hill and Erin Embrey. Gerianne's new student, Linda, came out Sunday and was our table steward! We even had everything all cleaned and ready to go for Scent Work to invade the room by noon or earlier every day.

Thank You for supporting these trials!
Co-chairs, Erin Embrey and Gerianne Darnell

BDOC EXTRA



On the left is the team that won once. They got the ribbon, the title, the photo, the recognition.

On the right is the team that kept showing up.

The team that came in 5th. The team that didn't place.
The team that struggled. The team that kept training.

The team that kept entering when they were ready. The team that kept learning.

Both are champions.

In dog sports, it's easy to look at the podium and assume that's where success lives. But the reality is that most of our growth happens in the runs nobody remembers. the wrong cue. The moments of distraction when you lose your dog. The off courses. The NQs. The missed contacts. The blown start lines the moments where you drive home wondering what went wrong.

Every run teaches something. Every trial builds experience.

Every challenge overcome strengthens the partnership between dog and handler.

The dog doesn't know whether the ribbon says 1st, 3rd, or nothing at all. They only know that they got to play the game they love with their favorite person.

So, if you're currently in a season of near misses, frustrating results, or feeling like everyone else is progressing faster than you, keep going.

The teams that stay in the sport long enough to become truly great are rarely the ones who never fail.

They're the ones who keep showing up after they do.

Perseverance, Partnership and dedication make you a champion for a lifetime.

Volunteers Needed: Please check your calendar and step up to help.

1. Volunteer Stewards for the July 31, August 1-2 Obedience and Rally Trial.
2. We still need a volunteer coordinator for the August Scent work Trial
3. Food for the October Scent work Trial volunteers.

Continued to Brags and Calendar

Correction from the last newsletter...

Ron Weeks, Levi, was also the third dog who passed his Trick Novice (TKN) at the April 29th, 2026 meeting. Sorry for missing that achievement.

Brags:

Gerianne's Brags June 2026...Rita had a great AHBA trial at Sunshine Farm the end of June, earning three more points towards her HTCH and High in Trial.



Pictured swimming with her son Rip and housemate Rayna.



Rip and Rita did great at the Friends of BDOC UKC trials. Rip went 12 for 12, earning his Novice Nose work title along with his first High in Trial out of Novice Exterior with a blistering 3.29 second run, the fastest of the day! Rita was High in Trial Superior all three days and finished her Superior Championship and Master Containers. She also earned her Beginner Novice Obedience title with scores of 197, 197, and 196 ½



Report from Gale Osborne...Lyric TopFlite Song of Valyria, Harper, trialed at the BDOC UKC TRIAL on June 5 and 6th 2026 and earned a qualifying score of 190 and 1st Place in the Advance Novice Level of Obedience. He also earned a qualifying score of 194.5 and 2nd Place in the UKC Open Level of Obedience.

Harper also participated in the WCRL Rally Trial and collected 4 legs toward his Level 1 Championship. This was held at the Sunshine Obedience School in Council Bluffs and is a fun way to get your dog in the ring without stress.



Report from Gale Osborne...Blackmyst Kell Stirling Victory, “Stirling”, trialed at the BDOC UKC TRIAL on June 7, 2026 and earned 2 Qualifying scores and her title in Novice UKC giving her the title abbreviation UCD. Stirling also trialed and qualified at the Cyclone Country Kennel Club Show held at DMOTC June 28, 2026 in Preferred Open. She earned her first leg with a score of 192.50 and a first place.



Congratulations Everyone!



[Continue to the Regional Event Calendar...](#)

Calendar: BDOC events are in Red.

2026

July 3, 2026 Heartland Border Collie Club of Illinois, Agility Trial, Quad City Dog Center in Davenport, Iowa.

July 10, 2026 Muscatine Agility Club of Iowa, Quad City Dog Center in Davenport, Iowa.

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 26, 2026 AKC Nebraska Kennel Club (NKC) is hosting Two Detective trials at a new building at Bellevue University. We will have a new judge, Caroline Oldham from Texas.

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

August 7, 2026 Scott County Kennel Club Agility Trial at the Quad City Dog Center, Davenport, Iowa.

August 14-16, 2026 BDOC will host an AKC nosework trial at Sunshine Obedience School. There will be 3 Detective trials included.

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

September 11, 2026 Heartland Border Collie Club of Illinois, Quad City Dog Center, Davenport, Iowa.

September 12-13, 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 18, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club Agility Trial, Jester Park Equestrian Center, Granger, Iowa.

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

September 19-20, 2026 GLOC will host a CPE nosework trial in Wahoo. NE.

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

September 18-20, 2026 Des Moines Golden Retriever Club will hold their Spring AKC Agility Trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center. The Judge will be Karl Blakely.

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

October 9, 2026 Muscatine Agility Club of Iowa, Quad City Dog Center Davenport Iowa.

October 16, 2026 Des Moines Obedience Training Club, Jester Park Equestrian Center, Granger, Iowa.

October 17-18, 2026 GLOC will host a CPE nosework trial at the Saunders County Museum, Wahoo, NE.

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

October 30 and November 1, 2026 BDOC will host an AKC Scent work Trial hosted at Sunshine Obedience School, Council Bluffs, Iowa. These trials will include 3 Detective trials.

November 6, 2026 Muscatine Agility Club of Iowa, Quad City Dog Center, Davenport, 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.

November 21-22, 2026 Council Bluffs Kennel Club AKC All Breed Show, Mid-American Center, 1 Arena Way, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Check club web site as details come out or check AKC event Schedule.

December 5-6, 2026 NKC will host an AKC Scent work Trial at Werner Park baseball stadium in Papillion, Nebraska. These trials will include 2 Detective trials.

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 Jott Form. Go to the DMOTC web site and click on the Events tab. 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**

2027 Events

March 6 & 7, 2027, DMOTC Rally Only Trial at the club building in Des Moines, Iowa.

March 20-21, 2027, Connie Cleveland will be at Sunshine Obedience School in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Registration will be announced but no date is set yet.

April 23-25, 2027, Des Moines Golden Retriever Club Spring agility trial at Jester Park Equestrian Center, Granger, Iowa. The Judge will be Dave Nauer.