



The Barker

Please read by
August 1, 2019

Monthly newsletter of the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club

August, 2019

Contact: glocthebarker@gmail.com

P.O. Box 84031, Lincoln, NE 68501 402-464-6529

Agenda

General Meeting, August 1, 2019

- *Greeting/Introductions
- *Minutes from November
- *Treasurer & Committee Reports
- *Old Business
- *Announcements/Brags
- *Adjourn

The Barker is a monthly publication by and about the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club, its members and events. Provided free by email to all club members, past issues are available on the glocdogs.org web site in the members' area. To submit brags, announcements, articles, or other information, email the editor at glocthebarker@gmail.com. GLOC's physical address is 5740 Johanna Road. The mailing address is P.O. Box 84031, Lincoln, NE 68501.

REMINDER: Barker Deadline

Just a friendly reminder, the Barker deadline to make certain that something will be included is 5 p.m. on the 15th of the month. You can submit things after that but they may not be printed until the next month.

GLOC Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Called to order at 6:10 PM on July 11.

Board Members Present: Teresa Barney, Mary Schweitzer, Kyle Smith, Jeannine Beer, JuLee Vincent, Katie Schwartz, Kat Potthoff, Megan Zawacki, Jessica Bruns.

Corrections for June minutes:

Review of June minutes: Correction, we received \$18,200 from SCC, for winter and spring. The \$1820 additionally listed for the spring was not correct. Our new member, Janet, her last name was omitted, it is Stander. Motion to accept the minutes as amended, Kyle firsts, Mary seconds, motion carries.

Treasurer's report – Jeannine

Income for June was \$33,790.77, includes the \$18,200 from SCC, and our June trial, which was \$14,640. Expenses were \$6,905.06; does not include rent, estimate for the venue may be in there; cash flow was \$26,885.71.

Checking acct balance as of the end of June was \$73,909.60; our float is negative 3,134.20; total funds on hand are \$70,775.40. Mary moves to approve the treasurer's report, Kyle seconds, motion carries.

Question about the income from the June trial, this was not the gross, just the entries, plus the

\$100 for dog massage vendor. Profit will probably be around \$3,500-4,000.

Corresponding Secretary - Megan

Card to be sent to Kim Kempkes, for Bobby Sue, her cat passing away. Card to Marcy Graybill, for recent hospitalization and surgery.

Teresa reporting that the Board has agreed to comp the entry for the goose dog for Dog Splash. Janet Ball letting us know that Dog Splash this year is August 18, 6:30-8:30 PM, the goose dog has changed, and she will invite the new team. This takes place at Star City Shores, and we need 2 volunteers to wear wet suits, and go into the water during the event to help, for dogs that may be in distress. Kyle reporting he will possibly get a wet suit and volunteer.

We are still looking for a training director. asking for suggestions/names, no one new given at this time. Also will need a new recording secretary, starting possibly in August, someone on the short term until December, and then possibly be elected for the next term. Review of who has done this previously, and who could fill in, possibly Teri Lee. Alicia's name was also brought up.

We will have a guest at our general meeting, Calvin DeVries, from the 4-H Lancaster office, will be here with request to borrow some of our agility equipment, everything but the contacts, also ask for volunteers to assist them at the County Fair. Volunteers are there just to assist and mentor the parents.

Leath has set up the next NADAC trial to be on the 21st of Sept., will offer Chances, Touch 'n Go, Standard, Jumpers, and Tunnelers.

Discussion as to the email regarding the puppy manners curriculum, sent by Ellen, and that this would be a change from what we have now. Ellen is teaching Marker words, other usual topics, the puppy's name, pottyng in the house.

Ellen teaches Watch Me and Focus at wk 4, we used to do this on Wk. 1. Some of the training is from Patricia McConnell, from the Puppy Primer. Explaining that Puppy Therapy Group is where the participants say 1 good thing, 1 bad thing about what their puppy might have done during the week, everyone then talks about what's worked for them, etc. Opinions are that if we are going to change the puppy manners curriculum, we will have to change the entire curriculum. Discussion for including a checklist, so to hold the participants accountable, if they follow through with instructions/homework, they can earn prizes each week. However thoughts are that this could possibly cause a problem, if the next instructor, and in other classes, prizes are not offered, could lead to complaints. Also suggesting that the main motivation should be that your puppy learns the basics, how to sit, come, down, etc., this should be a good reward. Puppy class is very similar to our Obedience 1, and having review of the instruction is usually helpful. Suggesting that there could be 2 separate classes, one for obedience, one for socialization. Need to look at both of our documents, the curriculum syllabus and the socialization checklist, and explain that there are different curriculums. And consider if are we accomplishing the same objectives over time, and do we need to adjust the curriculum and see if we agree with what's being taught, and then address the socialization aspect with another document. This should go into the syllabus and why you want this to happen. Agreement during discussion that the curriculum for Puppy Manners should not be changed until all the classes are changed, so that what we are offering works together smoothly and isn't confusing for the participants. We are going to consider the proposed ideas, and changes are desired, will wait at this time so more discussion can take place. Kat reporting that she, Sherry and Rosalie, possibly Alicia, also Ellen possibly as chair, would be the suggested group to be involved with the changes. Recommending balanced training, and

stating that there is always some negative training, such as withholding rewards, though not always talked about. This is needed at times, in general there need to be a balance.

Suggesting that we put together a committee to review the curriculums, some things have been left out; that we now separate the puppies out according to energy level, and size; that we no longer sit there and let the puppies 'work it out' when there is a conflict, this has been discontinued. These should be written into the curriculum. Discussion that board members present are in favor of nixing giving out prizes, feeling this won't give good results, and could be confusing for future classes, suggestions and thoughts will go to committee.

Information for lending our equipment to 4-H for the County Fair, Kat stating she has communicated with Calvin and 4-H regarding use of the swinging bridge, the 4-H rule is that they should not have or use a swinging bridge if they have not practiced with it. Names mentioned that possibly are judges this year for the 4-H events are Judy Vitamvas, Marcy Graybill, and Kathy Zupancic. Kat has emailed them records to the 4-H, also expects they need to write a paragraph of recruitment of participation for our club, information for sharing the equipment, needs to have the date, time, and other important information, and that if our members choose to volunteer, this is fine. But not required for anyone to volunteer, and what we do should not take away from what their parents or leaders there need to do, just providing mentoring. Sometimes we can jump in to help if the owner/handler has to hide during an event/run. Will need to check if we can lend them our panel jump. We will inform them that any damages to the equipment if incurred, would have to be repaired/replaced before our Oct. trial. Okay to lend them our practice broad jump. We can ask the judges to put in to have no panel jump, other etc., due to safety issues. Suggest to them ways to change

things around, to give some variety, without lots of different pieces of equipment. Okay for Calvin to put the request in an email.

Sporting Director Report - Kat

Jeannine and Kyle have things on track for the October trial, opening date will be next Friday the 19th rather than the 12th. We had a request from a provisional judge for October, but not enough notice for this, AKC agility rep has to approve in advance, AKC rep has to come in and supervise, etc, Jeannine is ready to get the premium out. One rule is that a judge cannot judge within 200 miles, another trial within a month, this was part of the discussion also. Rose will be the trial secretary. Jeannine stating she made sure it is on the premium for everyone to plan ahead for accommodations, as there is a Husker home game also that weekend, and could have problems finding a place to stay. Need to work on the facility contracts for upcoming trials, Jeannine will be talking with Judy regarding these. Scentwork, we are having the trial weekend of July 20/21. Robin is serving as co-chair. Clean up of the building is this Sunday June 14, 9 AM. Friday the 19th at 4:30 PM, set up for the trial is planned, moving and setting up equipment, and then the building will be open Sat morning at 7 AM.

Barn hunt, we need to work on the details, such as planning the costs/figures, lead time, etc., to see about going forward with these trials.

Tracking is now on hiatus until sessions 7 and 8.

If anyone wants to sub/assist with classes, let Kat know. Needs sub for 1 of the nights, Rosalie and Robin are splitting teaching a class.

Organizing these classes at this time.

Kyle reporting that the new agility poles are here, candy striped solid pieces. We also have 12 5 ft poles, these will be cut down to 40", these will be good by January and ready to go for AKC. We will have 2 sets.

Equipment meeting set for Aug 3, Kat cannot make this, so discussion for changing this date. Possibly work on these at different times when

possible. Plan to recycle and update jumps, to have some with fewer cups on them, easier for bar setters also.

Update on the lost paperwork from class participant from last year, she would like to have her membership reviewed, as she thought joining in Sept would be good into the next year, and not just the rest of the calendar year. Jeannine cannot find any record that she paid for membership any time in 2018. She is also upset for lost AKC registration paperwork, since this has never turned up. Also there is a question for the membership, if it was family or individual, and who was in the class with their dog, and if so, was this due to some injury, no one knows for sure.

Membership lists need to be updated per Kat, these may be out of date.

Motion to adjourn, seconded, motion passes, adjourned at 7:30.

General Meeting Minutes, July 11, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM.

Members present: Teresa Barney, Mary Schweitzer, Kyle Smith, Jeannine Beer, JuLee Vincent, Kat Potthoff, Katie Schwartz, Jessica Bruns, Dara Almanza, Megan Zawacki, Linda Krutz, Ellen Wilson Plouzek, Sally Clayschulte, Sherry Tomes, Robin Bonge, Jennifer Brown, Lynette Nelson, Kerri Paulsen, Judy Vitamvas, Jennifer Kaschke, Pam Eckstein. Guests were: Calvin DeVries, Tracy Anderson.

Review/correction of Member/general meeting minutes from June:

The total combined amount of \$18,200 was received from SCC, no other separate amount received. Janet Stander is the name of our new member introduced at the meeting, her last name was left out. Minutes were approved,

moved by Dara, seconded by Ellen, motion carries.

Treasurer's report – Jeannine

Income for June was \$33,790.77, includes the \$18,200 from SCC; and our June trial, which was \$14,640. Expenses were \$6,905.06; does not include rent, estimate for the venue may be in there; cash flow was \$26,885.71.

Checking acct balance as of the end of June \$73,909.60; our float is negative \$3,134.20; total funds on hand are \$70,775.40. We haven't paid rent yet, or for the venue for the trial. Will net about \$3500 profit for the June trial. Motion to approve the treasurer's report, Katie moves, Lynette seconds, motion carries.

Calvin is requesting to borrow some of our agility equipment for 4-H to use during the Lancaster County Super Fair, August 3. He also has prepared a volunteer letter, to explain volunteer opportunities. Volunteers get free entrance for the 4-H part of the fair. Kathy Zupancic is going to be a judge, Marcy Graybill also.

Sport's Director – Kat

October Agility trial, Kyle is chair and Jeannine is trial secretary, premium will be up Friday the 19th. Can also register online at Labtestedonline, and will be open until Sept. 20th. Kyle asking if anyone else can serve on the trial committee, he has the minimum number, so could use backup, also looking for someone to serve as food coordinator, Jessica is the volunteer coordinator and hopefully Leath will be volunteering as chief course builder. In August they will schedule the first meeting. We will use our new poles, they are extruded, don't need to ever be re-painted. This trial will be at the Lancaster Event Center, and good opportunity to volunteer, will have both Agility and Obedience trials going on at the same time, lots of vendors, etc. Dates are Oct. 4, 5, 6. Loading of truck will be Thursday eve, the 3rd,

and then reload everything Sunday afternoon when trial is over. This is an AKC trial. Next is our CPE Nov. trial, it is the weekend after Thanksgiving, Sherry is our trial chair, and Rose is the trial secretary. 2020, we are working on AKC venues, and other details.

Scentwork, we are having the trial weekend of July 20/21 at our building. Robin is serving as co-chair. Clean up of the building is this Sunday June 14, 9 AM. Friday the 19th at 4:30 PM, set up for the trial is planned, moving and setting up equipment. Pam has signups for volunteer assistance with this, we also need items for the cold objects. There are 2 themes, Saturday is Christmas in July, Sunday is Aloha/Hawaii. Pam passed around sign ups, to bring in items, anything you might have pertaining to the themes, palm trees, sunglasses, hats; sleds, lights for Christmas.

Equipment can't have come from a secondhand store, also not anything that has been used in any scent class, need to be cold cold items. Vehicles are needed for 5 runs ready to go, anything is okay that has a wheel and can carry a person. Pam has a wagon, and a kids tricycle. Bicycles work, Ellen has a full-sized trike, passing around list for this.

Plan to have an outside hose for the dogs, maybe buckets of ice set in front of the fans, it is expected to be hot. Recommending cooling rags as best way to cool them. Or freeze 2 liter bottles ahead of time, used to cool the dogs. Container class will be inside, using boxes, up to 10 boxes, 1 has the scent in it; second is room setting, interior. Outside are the vehicles, bumpers used, 2 vehicles for novice. Back of our building in the grass is the exterior scenario, Christmas in July. 1 trial is in the morning, all 4 classes; Sat afternoon is 2nd, again all 4 classes; then Sun AM, and Sun afternoon. Time for each may vary, depends on how long it takes the 'dog in white' to find the object, this sets the time. Then everyone else gets the same time for their run. Will have a space where the dogs can wait in line for their run. Right now there are about

75 runs planned, depends on what people sign up for. The judge will bring the scents. All crates inside the building have to be removed unless you are entered in this trial. If you come the night before to help set up and are competing, you can put up your crate then. Robin asking what are the new CPE rules, but Pam said she didn't know what might be different, maybe just some vehicle changes, going to get more information on this with highlighted information being sent to us tomorrow.

Corresponding Secretary - Megan

Card to be sent to Kim Kempkes, for Bobby Sue, her cat passing away. Card to Marcy Graybill, for recent hospitalization and surgery.

Dog Splash will be August 18th, Sunday, 6:30-9:30 PM. Need a couple people to wear a wetsuit and be in the pool to help tired dogs as needed. 2 wetsuits, size large available, will have 1 hr shifts in the pool. Contact Teresa if you can help, need people to collect money, and pass out tokens, security inside, no loose dogs allowed, people are not allowed in the water past their knees. This is our 11th year helping. It is at Star City Shores, 27th and Nebraska Highway 2, and is the last day pools in the city are open. People will be lining up way ahead of time. In the event of thunder and lightning, it will be cancelled, or if the pool closes due to this earlier in the day, will not re-open for Dog Splash. Suggestion by Jeannine, the first hour is packed and crazy, often better to come during the 2nd hour, it has thinned out and is more fun for dogs and people. Can skip waiting in line. Cost is \$10/dog, children under 8 not allowed in, they can watch outside. One dog for every 2 people, and one of those needs to be over 16.

We are still looking for a training director, please suggest someone, or if you are interested, come talk to Teresa. We are also needing a recording secretary, to fill this position for the rest of the year, start either in August or

September, Katie is moving to Colorado, and no one can take her place, but someone needs to try. Then this position is open for voting in December for the next term.

Warnings for everyone: Summertime risks, dogs can choke on hot dogs and potato chips. Also dogs in the water are at risk for water intoxication, if in the water very long they can ingest a lot of water. It affects their electrolytes, and gets into their brain. Suggestion that we print these warnings as PSAs on our website.

Robin provided hours for volunteers to date, and Teresa has this list tonight, so can check these if you want. Volunteer hours clarification: Attending the general meeting is not considered volunteer hours. Assisting at a trial, put down the time you volunteered, not for the whole day. To find where to enter your hours, go to the member's only page, click on the tab for Volunteers, then click on Record your Hours, this pulls up a google doc form that you fill out.

To be a member in good standing, you need to volunteer 12 hrs for the calendar year; if you volunteer for 30 hours, you get a \$10 certificate towards your 2020 membership dues. You also need 30 hours, after being a member for a full year, you then can apply for your activity pass. You need to have 30 hours each year to keep your activity pass. Some of the volunteer activities are to help with building cleaning; teach or help to teach a class, loading/unloading equipment for trials, helping at trials. When filling in the form, you don't have to list every day for the same activity (teaching a class) just put in activity, then total number of hours in the comments.

Sherry – membership

New member, Jennifer Kaschke, just moved back from Kansas City, hopes to start in agility, now doing obedience. Welcome to Jennifer!

Announcements/Braggs – Jessica asking for everyone to turn in their Best Choice labels, they are due sometime in October or November. Would like to get these by the end of Sept, can put in container on table in GLOC building.

Jeannine reporting **Pappy** achieved all level 3 Jumpers at CPE trial in MN, so he's good to go for CPE Nationals next year, he just needs to get the Q's required, and is doing very well. Teresa reporting that **Viktor** did really really well in the Scentwork trial, but had to take a no time cause they didn't start the timers! But he did get 5/12 overall, so did great! At recent obedience trial, Judy V. reporting that **Blaze** finished his Novice Fast; **Ikon** got his Excellent Standard, also got his Therapy Novice Title. Ellen reporting that **Hank** got his Trick Dog Novice. Kerri Paulsen reporting that **Keo** got 5th in Veteran's at CPE nationals games; he got his 6th C-ATCH, and his first Interior Scent Novice Title! And **Kayza** got a Q! Kyle and **Jax** also went to Nationals, reporting that **Jax** ended up #46 out of 260 something dogs, he earned 2nd in level 5, 20", in the Standard runs he did all 3 Standard runs, and he got his C-ATCH Title also while there!

Reminder: Building has been left open a couple of times, please double check when you leave that all doors are locked.
Kyle moves for meeting to adjourn, everyone seconds, motion carries.

Announcement

Companion Dog Club (10803 N. 72nd, Omaha) is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year and we are having an Open House at the club from 1 to 5 on Saturday, August 24. We'd like to extend an invitation to GLOC members to attend.

Gallery of Brags

If you have a new puppy/dog announcement, a brag, or just some great pictures of your dog(s), submit them to the Barker for inclusion in our Gallery of Brags. Send your items to glocthebarker@gmail.com. Our deadline is the 15th of the month but for pics of puppies, we always make an exception.

Hank and me, Ellen Wilson, went 8/8 at our last scentwork trial, won five first places, had the fastest run at the trial in 3.5 seconds and won High in Trial both days we were there.

Kerri Paulsen reported that Keo placed 6th in Veteran's Games at CPE Nationals, earned his C-ATCH #6, earned a Q in Novice exteriors, and his first scent work title in Novice Interiors.

She also reported that Kayza earned her second Novice Barn Hunt Q with a 1st place & High in Class (the fastest time). She also earned her first scent work Q in Novice Containers.





Pupcoming Events

GLOC Meeting, Thursday, August 1

Barker deadline Thursday, August 15

For your planning pleasure: I had a request to add all the GLOC sponsored trials in the newsletter so you can mark your calendars. Below is what I can find so far. Some of the events are still pending so are not set in stone but will help to mark your calendars. If you know of more events that should be listed, let me know and I will add them to next month's Barker.

AKC Agility Trial October 4-6

Obedience Trial November 16-17
(Building clean Thursday November 14, Trial set up November 15-building closed 15th)
Note: No classes Friday-Sunday.

CPE Agility Trial November 30-December 1

Contact List:

Teresa Barney, President –
glocpresident@gmail.com
Jessica Bruns, Vice President –
glocvicepresident@gmail.com
Katie Schwartz, Recording Secretary –
kschwartz@neb.rr.com
Jeannine Beer, Treasurer –
gloctreasurer@gmail.com
Megan Zawacki, Corresponding Secretary –
mzawacki28@gmail.com
Kat Potthoff, Dog Sports Director –
kpottoff1@unl.edu
VACANT, Obedience Training Director –
Judy Vitamvas, Past President –
JAVlincoln@aol.com
Board Members (continuing):
Sherry Tomes – tomes.sherry@gmail.com
Board Member (new):
Mary Schweitzer – messchweitzer@gmail.com
JuLee Vincent – newportjulee@aol.com



Kyle Smith – ksmiff@gmail.com

Eric Wickizer, Registrar –

gloctraindirector@gmail.com

VACANT, Building Maintenance –

glocbuilding@gmail.com

Sherry Tomes, Membership –

glocmembership@gmail.com

Robin Bonge, Volunteer –

glocvolunteer@gmail.com

Martha Anderson, Barker Editor –

glothebarker@gmail.com

