



The Barker

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Monthly newsletter of the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club
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GLOC Picnic June 2 at 6 p.m.

Everyone is invited to the annual GLOC summer extravaganza. This party combines the thrill of the monthly membership meeting with the yummy goodness of a potluck dinner. Dogs are welcome and will be treated to fun and games after the humans are too stuffed to move. Bring a dish to share, your favorite canine, and the rest of the family for an evening of hilarity.

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 glothebarker@gmail.com.

Help Found

Kathy Zupancic has graciously volunteered to be the Corresponding Secretary. Thank you, Dr. Z!



**GLOC Board Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2016, 6:30 p.m.**

In attendance: Kat Potthoff, Judy Vitamvas, Jessica Bruns, Teresa Lee, Susan Melcher, Alicia Graybill, Martha Anderson, Jayne Sebby

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Judy Vitamvas

Minutes: There were some spelling corrections noted for the April minutes. No other corrections or additions were noted. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Alicia and seconded by Jessica. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Susan reported income for the month of April of \$2,968 and expenses of \$5,513 for a net loss of \$2,544. Current balances in checking and savings are \$43,085 and \$17,444 respectively. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Kat and seconded by Alicia. Motion carried.

Committee reports:

Sports Director: Jayne reported that she will need the deposit checks for the trials. The class schedule has been finalized and she will post. The current class session registration had all classes full except one which will be canceled. There have been some comments regarding members initially signing up for multiple classes and getting registered for all and subsequent members are registering and put on waitlist and in no classes. Jayne will post the class pre-requisite on our website. The agility meetings were good and resulted in great ideals for four new classes. They will have a committee review. A question was raised about Advanced Flyball being limited to members only. Jayne will touch base with Gisele.

Obedience Director: Alicia reported that for the next six weeks she can only teach a couple of classes. She will be calling instructors to help cover the remaining classes. The new Treibball class may have to be postponed. Alicia received a very

complimentary email from a former student which she read. She would like to put this in the Barker.

Registrations: The report distributed by Gisele was reviewed and it appears that we may be able to evaluate the extra week built into the schedule. Almost all of the registrations are complete in the first day. It was noted that no class rosters were provided to instructors making class cancellation notifications impossible.

Building: Any building clean up concerns should be reported to the GLOC email address.

Old Business:

Judy reported that Adrienne is working on organizing the pet walk booth and demonstration. She also reported that the June trial is still on despite the unknown entry situation. The deposit has been made on the building and judge's accommodations are made. We need a hospitality person for Thursday. The board reviewed the possibility of re-keying the buildings locks and who would track the keys. It was noted that for now that the board had designated the Vice President to take this over. It was suggested that for a smooth transition when the locks are re-keyed that we set the date for the change, announce when this will happen and have a key exchange. Susan requested that we remind members of their obligation to volunteer in order to maintain their good standing status. Judy asked if Andy would be a good person to get an estimate on a security camera. She will touch base with him. Susan requested permission to truncate (and return a portion of the annual fee) an activity pass for a member who would not be able to participate for personal reasons. There would be no change to their membership. There is no policy on this. Discussion centered on setting precedence. The consensus was that this could be brought forward on a case by case basis. Alicia moved and Martha seconded a motion to offer the opportunity for Julee V to early expire her activity pass. Motion carried. Judy discussed the proposal made by Gisele to include an electronic waiver of liability in the membership renewal application. She also proposed

adding a check box to the registration for SCC students. Judy also reported that Denise W asked if the club would be interested in a grooming seminar, a demonstration from a bed bug sniffing dog and participating in Bark in the Park with the Saltdogs. The board decided to bring the demonstrations to the membership to see if there is adequate interest. Bark in the Park would require the club to pay a sponsorship fee but we would get a table, announcements and our name would be listed in the program. We would have the opportunity to do a demo, sponsor a prize and get 20 tickets to the game. The demo could be flyball or agility and this would be a recruitment opportunity. After discussion Jayne moved and Alicia seconded that we participate in Bark in the Park. Motion carried. Judy reported that we do not have any word yet on the county fair. Judy F has the information. Our event has been moved to the last Saturday to an outside venue. The date is August 13 and we would need a trial chair. Pat sent an email about a potential nosework seminar for the club to sponsor. After some discussion, the consensus was we should ask Pat for some more information on this opportunity. Judy reported that Kelly was finally able to mow after some delays. Judy also noted that the club has a lawn mower but it is not running. The question was asked if we should get it repaired or get rid of it. The board will ask Andy if he can get an estimate on a repair.

Alicia motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jessica seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

NOTE: This is a reprint from the 10/6/2015 meeting minutes printed in the Barker
Membership dues are payable in December and are due on or before the meeting in January (Jan. 7, 2016). Members who have not paid their dues or completed 12 or more volunteer hours will not be eligible to vote. Melissa moved and Jessica seconded to add the following to the Policies: A \$10

voucher toward membership dues will be awarded to members with a total of 20 or more volunteer hours, effective January 1, 2016. The motion carried.

GLOC Membership Meeting Thursday, May 5, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Jayne Sebby, Susan Melcher, Gisele Olney, Mimi Harvey, Jeannine Beer, Kathy Zupancic, Jessican Bruns, Martha Anderson, Shery Tomes, Kat Potthoff, Ken Lent, Adrienne Schlake, Wanda Dietrich, Teresa Barney, Terese Pirl, Robin Bonge, Judy Vitamvas, Teresa Lee

Guests present: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:41 pm by Judy Vitamvas.

Introductions of members and guests present.

Minutes from the April meeting as they appear in the Barker were reviewed. No additions or corrections were noted. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Teresa B and seconded by Jeannine. Motion carried.

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Reports:

Correspondence: No report. We need to fill this position temporarily. The duties include sending cards and being the contact for AKC. Kathy Z volunteered. Kathy also brought a card for Julee V .

Sports Director: Jayne reported that the class schedule is done. The instructors may change and she will post this. Beginning Agility II will be canceled due to lack of participants. There is the possibility of enlarging the special topics class in

order to eliminate the waitlist. The agility trails are coming up. Kudos to the cleaning crew! The items in the wooden fenced area either need to be identified and claimed by their owners or re-homed.

Obedience Director: Judy reported that Alicia will need help teaching classes due to her cast and she will be contacting others for assistance.

Building: No report.

Old Business

The Pet Walk is on May 21. Adrienne inquired of GLOC had a team and possibly doing that next year. She is planning on some demos with weaves, jumps and tunnels. She is still looking for volunteers to help man the table and provide demos. Any dogs participating will need good off-leash recalls.

Volunteers need to be there by 10:30 to help set up. The format will be the same as the Dog Expo, there will be lots of different booths. Robin will send emails and a signup sheet was passed around.

Judy reported that the date has been set for the Dog Splash and make sure to but this in your calendars. It will be held August 21.

All of the crates have been labeled and progress is being made on the equipment revisions.

New Business

Judy reported that Denise W would like to know if the club is interested in a grooming seminar. There would be no cost and it could be done at a scheduled meeting. After a show of hands, it was determined there is enough interest to peruse this demonstration.

Denise W also asked about a demonstration on nosework in sniffing for bed bugs. After some discussion, a show of hands determined there to be interest in this demonstration as well. Judy then reported on the County Fair. GLOC has a 20 year history with the county fair. Last year there was not listing of our event or directions to the event. This year our events have been scheduled for the last Saturday of the fair (Aug 13). The agility portion has been moved to the Amy Countryman and the

obedience portion will be in the Exhibit hall. Amy Countryman has dirt floors and more room. There is some concerns about participation if the weather is hot. Questions were asked about the time of day of the event, what else would be in the building and if the location is negotiable. If we are going to participate we will need a superintendent and will have to let them know. We will send a general email to membership in order to determine interest. We will also try and get more information. Judy reminded everyone that the June meeting is a potluck picnic with dog games. Kathy and Jessica volunteered to organize and requested suggestions for a theme. The picnic starts at 6 pm and there will be short general meeting. Judy also reminded everyone that when it is warm and windows and doors are opened they must be closed when you leave.

Announcements

Kat reminded the club that she and Kerri P. are willing to help members get their various registration numbers. It was also reported that there is a nosework match on 6/5 for those interested in seeing how this sport works. At this time it was brought to everyone's attention that we had skipped the membership report.

Membership report: Teresa introduced new member Wanda Dietrich.

Martha motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jeannine seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.



Gallery of Brags



At the Nebraska Kennel Club Show in Omaha on May 22, Quinn (Eatinrock's My-D Quinn) and I earned his PCD, Preferred Companion Dog, title. Onwards and upwards as they say, we'll be competing in Preferred Open in the fall. – Marcy Graybill

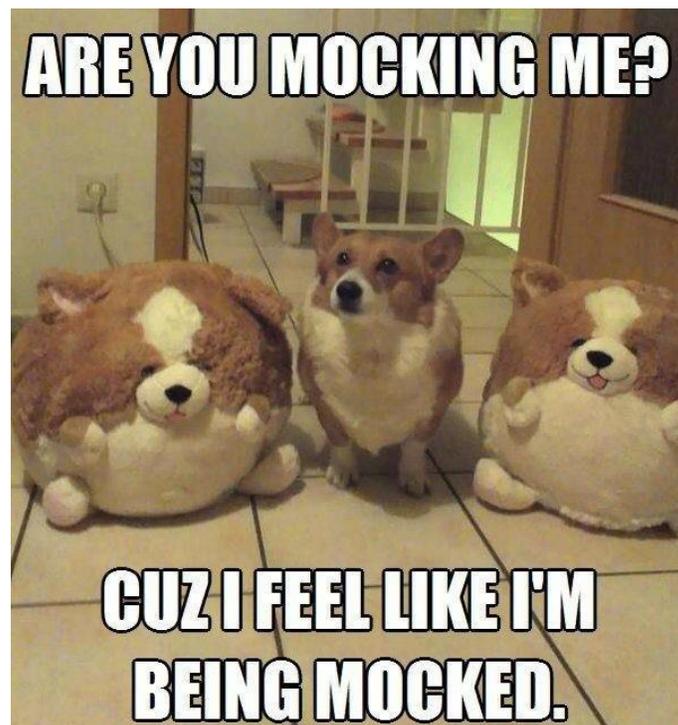
Blast has had a great month of Agility. finishing up with 5 double Qs in AKC and earning his 6th NATCH in NADAC. He will get a couple of weeks of well-deserved rest then back to work in CPE where he is closing fast on CATCH 2. – Leath McLachlan

Instructor's Notes

The primary method we teach humans to train their dogs is known as "lure and reward." Literally we use a treat to lead the dog through a behavior then give them that treat when they successfully perform that behavior. The advantage is that most dogs learn quickly using this method.

So let's see how this works. We'll imagine that we have already taught the dog to sit. Let's try teaching our dog to lie down. With Fido seated in front of us, we put the treat on the end of her nose. Slowly we move the treat down between her front feet all the way to the floor. Once we reach the floor, we move the treat slowly straight out from the paws until Fido is down. At that point, give her her well-deserved treat.

Lure and reward is only one method. Next time we'll explore another way to train our dogs.



Members' Meeting Agenda

June 2, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

GLOC Building

IT'S THE PICNIC!!!

Greetings/Introductions

Minutes May

Treasurer's Report- Susan

Correspondence

Committee Reports

Sports Director - Jayne

Obedience Director - Alicia

Building - Andy

Membership - new member applications

Old Business

June Agility Trial

New Business

Lancaster Superfair Superintendents Agility,
Obedience

Bark at the Park Saltdogs July 11 assistants for
Kat Potthoff

Announcements

Braggs

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Pupcoming Events

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, June 2 @
6:00 p.m.

Go Outs and Directions Seminar – Thursday, May
12 @ 7:00 p.m.

PUPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, June 2 @ 6:00 p.m.

Advanced Obedience – Open training on Thursdays at 7:00 pm except for meeting nights

Barker Deadline - Monday, June 20 @ 5:00 p.m.

Bark at the (Ball)Park – Haymarket Park, June 6 and June 13. GLOC sponsors the Dogs on the Berm on July 11. Denise Want can get complimentary tickets. Please contact Denise if you are interested. Her phone [402-416-6171](tel:402-416-6171) (no text) or email jacksonscage@hotmail.com.

Dog Splash – August 21, 2016, at Star City Shores.

VOLUNTEER PUPPORTUNITIES

I need some wonderful volunteers for our GLOC June Agility Trial. Friday June 17th, Saturday June 18th & Sunday June 19th. I can always use Ring Crew. We will train you - it's not hard & a lot of FUN!

We will be loading the truck at the GLOC Building Thursday, June 16th, at 5 pm and unload at the Sports Center right after.

The address is **345 Sporting Village Drive**. Some of us will go back and set up the ring later that night around 10:30 pm.

I have completed the sign up form for the Agility Trial. Please click on the link below.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1bHuN3Mn2fdKBkN8rSB2wMhZKSnx_IU2aSlceuiBOQ0c/viewform?usp=send_form

Instructors and assistants always needed for obedience and agility classes. Contact Alicia at a_graybill@yahoo.com or Jayne at glocsportsdirector@gmail.com.

There is a box at the GLOC building on the table in the office. Next to the box is a notebook. If you find yourself with a few idle minutes, look in the box and find a quick chore. Make sure, if you complete a task, that you write it down in the notebook. These are quick and easy tasks that will contribute to your volunteer hours.

Check for other volunteer pupportunities in the GLOC calendar. If you have a pupportunity for GLOC members to volunteer, submit it to the Barker to be included.

**“Therapy Dog Take a Bite Out of Finals Week
Stress”
SCC presentation at the League for Innovation in
the Community College
2016 Innovations Conference
Dr. K. L. Zupancic, Ms. Nicole Trevena-Flores,
& SCC Psychology/Sociology Student Club**



This is a story about research at the community college level that culminated in fruition, with the presentation of our hard work on this project being accepted at the 2016 Innovations Conference. In 2013, Ms. Trevena-Flores and I wrote a proposal to the SCC administration

requesting that we be allowed to have therapy dogs on campus during finals week, first for the purpose of mitigating stress amongst our college students during finals week and second, for the purpose of providing our students, in particular the Psychology/Sociology Student Club, with the opportunity to actively engage in scholarly research on an on-going basis. Back in 2013 we could not have envisioned the far-reaching positive consequences of this research project.

Dr. Rose Suggett, our department chairperson, presented me with the opportunity of submitting a proposal to the 2016 Innovations Conference on the work Ms. Trevena-Flores, the student Psychology/Sociology Club and I were doing with the therapy dogs during finals week at SCC. All of us worked diligently to get the proposal written and it was the students who came up with the creative, catchy title for our forum and poster presentations at this conference. Shortly after I began work on this conference presentation proposal, the thought of taking therapy dog teams to this conference, should our proposal be accepted,

popped into my head, after all, it was a presentation on therapy dogs during finals week! Dr. Suggett and I began brainstorming on how we would get two large dogs (a Standard Poodle and a Golden doodle) along with two other adults (the dogs' handlers) to Chicago should our presentation be accepted. As for my tiny therapy dog, a five and one-half pound Chihuahua, I could simply tote her to Chicago in my backpack.

The presentation was obviously accepted, we were able to take one of the SCC mini vans to Chicago which transported the big dogs, their handlers, and all of our presentation materials, and as a bonus, the conference was held at a dog-friendly hotel in downtown Chicago. Over the weekend that we were at this conference, many times people would come up to us in the lobby, in the elevators, and in the hotel hallways and ask to pet our dogs. One woman, who stated she had a phobia of dogs, came up to us and talked with us about our therapy dogs, and much to my delight, this woman showed up at our forum presentation! People working at this hotel came up to us telling us

heartfelt stories of their own dogs, one maintenance worker, with tears in his eyes, telling me that he had recently lost his beloved "red-nosed Pit Bull."

Numerous people attended our poster presentation and there was a nice group of attendees at our forum presentation; participants who had many questions about SCC and our therapy dogs during finals week project; questions concerning how we made therapy dogs at SCC for finals week come to fruition. Ms. Trevena-Flores, the Psychology/Sociology Student Club, and I had an idea. We created a pilot project, demonstrated that this on-going activity/research project could work and continues to benefit not only our students but SCC staff and faculty as well, and elicited the help and support of multiple people within the SCC organization to make our dream become a reality. As an Organizational Psychologist, I would say that the Therapy Dogs during Finals Week project is an ideal example of people within an organization working hand in hand for the better good of everyone within that organization including our

community and society as well! Thanks SCC for providing us with this opportunity.

Dr. K.L. Zupancic, Nicole Trevena Flores, MA, and the Psychology/Sociology Student Club