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Monthly newsletter of the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club
January, 2018

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Agenda

General Meeting, January 4, 2018, 7:30 p.m.

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

Slate of Officers/Board Members

To be voted on in January, 2018. Nominations will be accepted from the floor during the December meeting.

Recording secretary: Katie Schwartz

At large:

Treasurer: Jeannine Beer

Obedience Training Director:

Sports Director: Kat Potthoff

Nominees must be present to consent or provide a note of consent for their names to be considered.

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.

GLOC Obedience Committee is looking for interested folks to be on the committee. Mainly to help brainstorm how to make it better! You don't have to be involved in competition obedience to partake on the committee. If you would be interested, please contact Chair: Robin James rjames_1@windstream.net). 2018 trial is November 17-18 at the club building. We will have a meeting in January to discuss ideas.

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 Friday,
December 1, 6:00 p.m.**

In attendance: Teresa Barney, Jeannine Beer, Jessica Bruns, Kat Pothoff, Teresa Lee, Kim Kempkes, JuLee Vincent, Robin Bonge, Judy Vitamvas

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Teresa Barney

Minutes: No minutes from November have been distributed via the Barker as of today.

Treasurer's report: Jeannine B reported income for November of \$12,190.47 and expenses totaled \$9,382.22 for a net income of \$2,808.25. Our current balance is \$50,391.62 in the checking account and our funds on hand is \$46,736.65. There are outstanding items from the trial. She was unsure how much we would owe Saunders County. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Kat P and seconded by Jessica B. Motion carried.

Minutes: No corrections or additions were noted. A motion to approve the minutes as printed was made by Jeannine B and seconded by Kat P. Motion carried.

Committee reports:

Robin reported that the judge at the CPE trial had nothing but good things to say about the club. The judge was well liked and a last-minute substitute from Maine as the original judge was sick and unable to attend.

Correspondence: Kim reported there was no new cards send. It was mentioned that Denise W got 100 tennis balls donated and we should send a Thank You.

Jessica B reported that she has lined up a Santa and photos for the holiday party. It will be potluck and not include a gift exchange this year.

Obedience: No report.

Sports: Kat thanked everyone that helped with the CPE trial in Wahoo. They had 5 dogs cancel and the question was asked if they had their money returned. Since we had a change in the premium, they can drop no questions and get a refund. After a brief discussion it appears that the checks for those individuals were not deposited, but returned to the participants. Jeannine reported the deposit contained 55 checks for a total of \$5,408 and that the trial should clear \$1,500 to \$1,700. It was reported that the judge liked us, and her course changes were in favor of the dogs. The judge helps at nationals and was very familiar with the rules. She noted that we cannot have sand bags in the middle of the tunnels or the current leash holders in the rings (tipping hazard). It was mentioned that maybe we could zip tie them to the gates. The judge also said we ran an efficient trial compared to others. Kat then reported that we need to begin working on the April CPE trial and we need to read everything over before mailing it in. We will need 7 people on the committee to complete the paperwork. Robin is listed as the trial chair. Sherry T is the chair for November. Kat noted that we need to be fast in lining up the March AKC and there are some changes to class lists. She wants to work with AKC representative to do a fast review. We need a quicker turnaround. It was mentioned that the holiday may have been a factor. Kat then reported that the June group will meet to discuss classes. Chris S is the chair and Amy is the secretary. Amy cannot be the secretary for the October trial. Kat asked if we had another seasoned member that would fill that role otherwise we will contact Lisa Black. For the competitors the priority is to get premier classes to accumulate points. It was noted that the Iowa trial has moved to a three-day event with two judges and we need to stay competitive to keep folks coming here. Premier brings in more runs.

There was a discussion about SCC dropping the Focus course from their catalog. If this continues to be the decision of SCC, then instructors may need to meet to discuss changing Agility I to cover the materials in Focus. Kat reported that we need to get more information from SCC about the students that enroll prior to class in case we need to contact them for cancelations due to weather. It was noted that it would also be nice to send a welcome letter with instructions for the class (do's and don'ts).

Kat then reported that we still have a few equipment repairs to make (painting the contacts before March) and there would be another wing workday. She will be recruiting instructors at the holiday party. Jeannine then reported that we had spent \$2,400 for equipment so far this year and \$1,700 for ribbon, pins and bars. We may not need to purchase more until June. This past trial gave lots of awards and 3 catches.

Old Business: Teresa B noted that there will be a delay in launching the new website. With changes to the volunteers administering the site, we no longer have a primary contact for the account in order to get the domain transferred. She said we are in the process of getting things changed and we have glocdog.org held for 60 days. She reported that there would be a section for volunteer opportunities and the ability for members to update their hours on the new site. We can have as many admin users that we need to view, update, etc. Teresa reported that when we add or change a class, it will update the calendar. This also holds true for volunteer opportunities.

Teresa B then reported that she received a form from Nancy from SCC that she thought should go to Danielle for a quick count. Teresa then reported that we need to get the audit committee determined. Sherry and Mary (from prior years committees) have agreed to serve again. Vince has declined. There was a discussion about a replacement member. Terri L volunteered to

serve on this committee. Teresa B requested that the committee provide the board with a report and feedback.

Teresa B then noted that the date for Dog Splash 2018 has been set. It will be August 19. It has been determined that none of the other pool facilities are adequate to host and there will only be one location (Star City Shores).

Teresa B then asked that the wording revision to the key agreement discussed last month (change responsibility from Treasurer to Key Master) be given to her so that she could post the new document on the web site. There was a question about requiring vaccinations and what specific vaccinations we would require and track. The discussion was tabled due to the lack of medical knowledge of the members present. Teresa B will check with any members that are veterinarians for feedback. The discussion then turned to Instructor keys. There is a paragraph in the agreement about teaching a minimum of 4 classes during the calendar year in order to qualify. It was clarified that the document specifies the replacement cost of a lost key of \$50. It was asked how many instructor keys are outstanding. Jessica B reported there are 9 instructor keys outstanding and that she knows of one that is going to be returned. There was a discussion about changing the number of classes in the agreement. It was decided to leave it at 4. There was a question about what happens if an instructor fails to teach the required number of classes. After a brief discussion it was decided that the member would be required to check out a key for teaching purpose for the next year. Teresa reported she would update the website with this information.

Teresa B then reported that she had to call out a lock smith Wednesday night as someone had sprayed graphite into the lock. This blocked up the magnetic functioning of the lock. The lock smith had to clean out the lock and it is working fine now. She reminded everyone not to spray anything into the locks or on the keys. She will

send out this information to the membership as well.

Kat reported that she, Pam E and Terese P had not yet finalized the event calendar and we have not yet been asked to do the Dog Expo. They are still looking at swag ideas and had considered a luggage type tag. She then reported that Flyball was going well and the tracking class has four new students. She noted that if we have an open winter we may do a barn hunt event but it would be on a very short notice. It was asked what the minimum temperature was for the rats outside. This is something Pam would have to determine.

Teresa B then noted that we need to vote on the changes to required volunteer hours. Jessica B motioned that we increase the number of hours required for the membership discount and activity pass key to 30. The motion was seconded by Jeannine B. Motion carried. There was a discussion and clarification about the number of hours required to remain in good standing (this remains at 12) and that you must be a member for one year before becoming eligible for the activity pass.

Teresa B then reported that Tatiana has withdrawn her nomination for member at large as she is moving out of state. Teresa contacted and received confirmation that Mary Swietzer and Holly Adams will accept nominations for this position. Any nominations from the floor at the holiday party must have the member present to accept or have written acceptance. There has been no interest in the obedience position yet. It was asked if Alicia would stay until a replacement was found. There was a discussion on splitting the position. This has been suggested to potential candidates and there has still been no interest.

There was a discussion about the possibility of doing dangles for volunteers. This is not feasible due to costs. There was a discussion

about changing the volunteer award. Suggestions were creating tiers (new member volunteer, seasoned member volunteer, etc.) or doing a volunteer of the month and include in the Barker. Other suggestions included tracking past winners and collecting information on why they are nominated. No decisions were made. Teresa B reported that she will be doing the awards this year.

Julee V motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jessica B. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

GLOC Membership Meeting Thursday, December 7, 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Teresa Barney, Beth Vincent, JuLee Vincent, Holly Adams, Jessica Bruns, Dave Griffith, Cheryl Griffith, Jenna Diraschneider, Kim Kempkes, Jennifer Brown, Eileen VanLent, Sherry Tomes, Katie Schwartz, Pam Eckstein, Chris Sumner, Jeannine Beer, Terese Pirl, Mary Schweitzer, Kat Potthoff, Alicia Graybill, Marcy Graybill, Judy Vitamvas, Whitney Fritzing, Andy Fritzing, Stef Bowers, Kerri Paulson, Vince Kamarth, Robin Bonge, Teresa Lee

Guests present: Jenny Pasco, Howard Schwartz, Evan Lee

The meeting was called to order at 6:54 pm by Teresa Barney.

Teresa B started the meeting by wishing everyone a Happy Holidays. She then opened the floor for nominations. Currently the slate of nominees are;

Recording Secretary – Katie Schwartz
Board Member at Large – Mary Schweitzer,
Holly Adams
Treasurer – Jeannine Beer

Sports Director – Kat Potthoff

Training Director – Open

There were no nominations from the floor.

Teresa asked that anyone interested in the Training Director position to please let a board member know.

Obedience: Alicia reported that things are going well and that the program is in turbo drive. We have added classes Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We go almost all nights plus Saturday and Sunday. We will need more instructors and assistants. There are 3 new puppy manners per session and 3-4 more Obedience I classes.

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Teresa B reported that the audit committee would meet and should have a report back to the board in February.

Sports: Kat reported that she had placed lists on the tables of the 2018 and 2019 AKC Obedience schedule. We are still in need of an October AKC Chair. Kat thanked all of the volunteers and noted that we did not have reports from

chairs at this time. Martha A is the chair for March and information will be coming. Kat then reported that she had talked to Danielle (registrar) and the next registration opens December 15th at 6 pm and will remain open until December 22. She is working on the class schedule on the old website. Kat has a list of instructors and let her know if you are interested in helping. They may meet briefly after the meeting for a discussion of classes for the June trial and may look at October as well. Judges are in good shape. Robin B noted that the trail date in 2019 may be later and we may have to change weeks/judges.

Old Business: Teresa B reported that we had to have a locksmith out to repair the door lock. Please refer to the recent email that was sent to membership and DO NOT spray anything into the locks. They are high security, magnetic locks and if anyone has problems, please let a board member know. Teresa then reported that at the board meeting on 12/1, the board voted to increase the number of volunteer hours required to receive the \$10 discount certificate and key agreement. In 2018 members will need 30 volunteer hours to qualify for the discount or a key. Member in good standing will remain at 12 hours. She also reminded members that they must be a member one year before becoming eligible for an activity pass.

Teresa B then reminded members about awards. Forms can be done online, emailed to her or paper copy. They are due to her by January 3 so that she can have the awards done for the February meeting.

Vince K then reported that he will no longer be handling the Best Choice labels and that Cheryl will be taking that over. For those who are not familiar with this program, Best Choice labels from any product purchased at Super Saver or Russ's Market can be redeemed for 3 cents per label. All we need is the UPC section of the label. Cheryl presented the club with a \$60

check from this program. Many thanks to Vince for his work with this program.

Membership – Terese P reported that we have a returning member, Linda Krutz.

Robin B reminded folks to get their volunteer hours submitted and that they can email her the hours if they do not want to complete the form. Members need to get their hours updated so that she can forward the information to Terese P (membership) and Jessica B (key master).

Jeannine B then reported that anyone wanting to know the status of their 2017 activity pass should see her.

Braggs and announcements - Please submit your braggs to the Barker.

Jessica B motioned to adjourn the meeting and Pam E seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.



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.

I can't help but send in this brag:

Sage (officially Wet Mountain Sage) has received her certificates for passing both the Trick Dog Novice and Trick Dog Intermediate tests.

We thank everyone at the club who never gave up on either one of us.

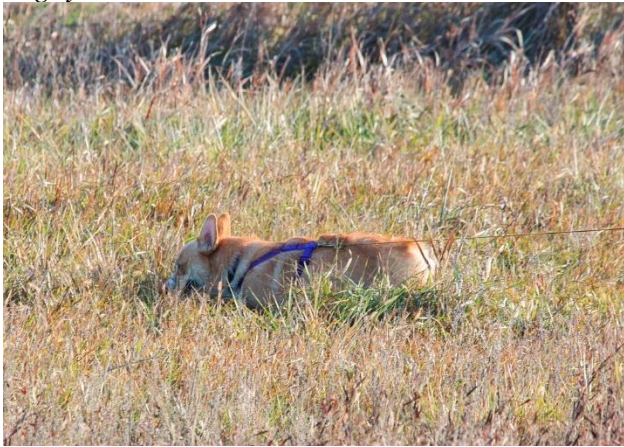
-- Submitted by Wanda Dietrich

This fall we attended the Pembroke National at Purina Farms near St. Louis. Buttercup earned another Pre-Trial herding test Q and a first Rally Novice leg. Digby proved that age is just a number by being the only qualifier at the TD tracking test. Back home, we attended one of the first AKC Scent Work trials at BDOC where Digby qualified in 16 of 18 runs. That completed his Novice level titles in Containers, Interior and Exterior and his Advanced title in Containers. The following week we celebrated his 14th birthday. He is now CT Buffalo Creek's Beau Geste RAE HSA's NJP NFP SCA SIN SEN. The next weekend Buttercup attended the Nebraska Kennel Club's tracking test at Chalco and earned her TD title making her Pokies Country Princess Bride TD PT

-- Submitted by Mary Kramer (Pics next page)



Digby



Buttercup

Rufus was able to move up to:
Level 3 in Full House, Jumpers & Jackpot!
Also earned level 2- Fun & Games Title!
(Or maybe the level isn't needed, just earning
the title is what I should mention.) -- Submitted
by Katie Schwartz



Rufus

*Frodo earned his novice tricks title on Friday,
November 3rd. – Submitted by Tatiana Height*

Viktor went 3/3 in Rally at the Obedience Trial
on 11-18 and 11-19. So proud of my boy!! –
Submitted by Teresa Barney



Viktor

INTERESTED IN BEING AN INSTRUCTOR OR ASSISTANT?

Have you ever thought about teaching or
assisting with a training class? Now's the time
to get started. GLOC is always in need of
instructors and assistants.

Instructors are responsible for leading the class,
keeping everyone moving in the same direction.
They demonstrate most behaviors and how to
train them using either their own dog or a
student's dog. They **explain** why the behavior is
important. They **demonstrate** how to teach the
behavior. They help students to **practice** in class
and assign them **homework** to practice on their
own. If you don't mind speaking to groups of 8-
10 people and their dogs, you would do great.

Assistants are responsible for helping instructors
by observing students when the instructors are
teaching. They go to individual students and
help them if they are having trouble. They help
manage paperwork on the first night of class and
equipment as needed by the instructor. (cont.)

INSTRUCTORS AND ASSISTANTS

They may be asked to take over the class if something should happen to the instructor. Anyone willing to help an individual with his/her dog would be a good assistant.

If you have achieved a title on your dog (CGC, RN, CD or any other title in almost any venue), please consider giving your time to help with classes. Each class is one hour per week for six weeks. If you teach 2 classes, you have your 12 hours in for the year. If you choose to teach a class, we may be able to schedule you for a night you take a class on so you only spend one night per week at GLOC.

If you are interested, contact Alicia at a_graybill@yahoo.com or if you are interested in helping with agility classes, contact Kat at glocsportsdirector@gmail.com.



PUPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, January 4, 2018 @ 7:30 p.m.

Barker deadline Monday, January 15 @ 5:00 p.m.

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, February 1 @ 7:30 p.m.

TRICK TESTING!

I have two evaluators (plus myself) willing to do Trick Testing on Monday, January 29th at 7 pm. For the first half hour we will have to make do, but then a ring will open up for us. Please bring the appropriate trick form(s) with you. They can be found at www.akc.org/trick-dog.

If you have any questions contact Marcy at mjgraybill2@gmail.com.



OBEDIENCE TRIAL, 2017

Our 2017 Obedience trial was a great success with the help of club members who stewarded (assist the judge) at the show (Robin Bonge, Jennifer Brown, Alicia Graybill, Rosalie Claussen, Marcy Graybill, Kat Potthoff, Holly Adams, Teresa Barney, Joan Olander, Evangeline Stuck, Jenna Dirkschneider and Jeannine Beer. Special shout out to committee members Lisa Black and Marilyn Scheffler.

Our Judges Jim Comunale, Linda Scanlon and Julie Wilson raved about their stewards. As we all know, the show can't go on without good stewarding.

Pam Eckstein dished up some enticing entrees - many who brought their lunch shelved them for Pam's specialty Mac N Cheese and Beef Brisket.

We received many compliments from competitors on how smooth our trial ran - again, could not have been accomplished without those members pitching in to support the trial.

See you next year, November 17-18, 2018

Thank you, all!

Submitted by Robin James

NEW AKC OBEDIENCE RULES!

Are you confused by the new AKC rules that will go in to effect on May 1st of 2018? Dick and Peggy Battig will present a one day seminar on the new rules to be held at Sunshine Obedience School in Council Bluffs on Saturday, January 27, 2018. They will start by discussing the basics and then show you the progression of putting the exercise together. There will be 12 working spots available and unlimited auditors. \$80 for a working spot and \$40 to audit. The seminar hours will be from 9 to 4, and lunch will be served. I look for the working spots to fill up fast, so sign up soon. The flyer can be found at <http://www.sunshineobedience.com/flyers/2018/NewRegsFlyer.pdf>

Also, save the date for an agility/rally/obedience/nosework fun match here at Sunshine on Sunday, February 4, 2018.

Thanks, Gerianne

Our mailing address is:
Sunshine Obedience School
11092 240th
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

For more information on the new obedience regulations,
<http://www.akc.org/events/obedience/news-updates/> (then scroll down to New Obedience Regulations Effective May 1, 2018)

-- Submitted by Robin James

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VOLUNTEER PUPPORTUNITIES

Instructors and assistants always needed for obedience and agility classes. Contact or Kat at glocsportsdirector@gmail.com.

It's that time of year again: If you arrive at the building to find the walkways are slick or snow-covered, you can claim time spent cleaning the snow off or sprinkling de-icer as volunteer hours.

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.