



# The Barker

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Monthly newsletter of the Greater Lincoln Obedience Club  
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## Crates at the Building

If you have a personal kennel or crate at the club it is suggested you clean it, want to clean it or check it. It was probably exposed to bleach while the building was being cleaned. Additionally, if you have a personal crate or kennel at the club you will need to place a luggage tag on it with your name so we can identify whose is whose. If this is not done the lock will be taken off and it will be used for public use.

## Help Wanted

Unfortunately, our newly elected Corresponding Secretary Amy Hoger has moved to Des Moines, IA, so the Board is in need of a volunteer to complete her term.

Corresponding Secretary sends cards for special occasions, deaths, etc., receives correspondence directed to the club and sends correspondence on the club's behalf. To find out more or to volunteer, contact Judy Vitamvas at [glocpresident@gmail.com](mailto:glocpresident@gmail.com).

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*Image not a realistic portrayal of the Corresponding Secretary . . . most have a dog or two on-leash.*



## **GLOC Board Meeting**

**Thursday, April 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m.**

In attendance: Kat Potthoff, Judy Vitamvas, Jessica Bruns, Teresa Lee, Susan Melcher, Alicia Graybill, Martha Anderson, Jayne Sebby, Julee Vincent, Andy Fritzinger, Amy Hoger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Judy Vitamvas

**Minutes:** There were no corrections or additions to the March minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jayne and seconded by Martha. Motion carried.

**Treasures report:** Susan reported income for the month of March of \$17,466 and expenses of \$8,157 for a net profit of \$9,309. We received the payment from SCC and the Agility trial is included in these figures. Current balances in checking and savings are \$63,073 and \$17,443 respectively. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Alicia and seconded by Jessica. Motion carried.

### **Committee reports:**

**Sports Director:** Jayne congratulated Martha on a great agility trial. The event included good food and good judges. Jayne will work with the agility chairs to get registrations, notifications and judges approved. The AKC event is registered, the CPE application is ready to go and judges need to be decided. The new table is here and needs assembly. Requests for demonstrations were made by the Boys and Girls Club for May 13 at Park Middle School. We are also doing demos for Child Advocacy Center in April and Capital Humane Society Pet Walk.

**Obedience Director:** Alicia reported she has some new assistants for obedience classes. There have been requests to return to the 6 week format. Since schedules have been provided to SCC, this will have to wait until next year. The six week format is more practical. The new Nosework class is going well and we may offer Puppy Manners II.

**Registrations:** The report distributed by Giselle was reviewed and it appears that we may be able to reevaluate 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.

**Correspondence:** Amy reported she has a card ready for Noelle.

**Building:** Andy reported the building was deep cleaned with bleach three weeks ago. There have been no reported illnesses since that time.

**Membership:** No report

### **Old Business:**

Judy noted that Robyn should be notified for those events needing volunteers so that she can send emails. Jayne proposed that the club purchase a tablet to record performances of agility and other events in order to use for educational purposes. There was a discussion regarding the security of the tablet and where it could be stored securely. Alicia made a motion that the board purchase a tablet. After further discussion, Alicia amended the motion to limit the purchase price to \$250. Jayne seconded the motion. Motion passed. Judy discussed the changes to equipment needed due to AKC revisions. She will be asking for volunteers to assist in the needed adjustments to jump cups on the wooden winged jumps and adding short legs for the wingless jumps. It was also noted that the timer needs to be repaired by the end of May as it has a rental commitment in Omaha. The club received a thank you note from the judge at the trial. This will be put in the Barker. Amy reported that she will be moving out of state next week and was turning in the Corresponding Secretary materials. The board will have to fill the vacancy.

Alicia motioned to adjourn the meeting and Martha seconded. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

### **GLOC Membership Meeting Thursday, April 7, 2016, 7:30 p.m.**

Members present: Andy Fritzing, Whitney Fritzing, Judith Andre, Kat Potthoff, Danielle Green, Alicia Graybill, Terese Pril, Teresa Barney, Julee Vincent, Jessica Bruns, Martha Anderson, Kathy Zupancic, Jean Schlukbier, Kerri Paulsen, Carrie Johnston, Marilyn Scheffler, Judy Lambert, Amy Hoger, Robin Bonge, Adrian Schlake, Jayne Seby, Jennifer Brown, Noelle Sherdon, Judy Vitamvas, Teresa Lee, Susan Melcher

Guests present: Signature illegible

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Judy Vitamvas.

Introductions of members and guests present.

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

Susan reported revenues of \$17,466 and expenses of \$8,157 for net profit of \$9,309 in March. Current balances in checking and savings are \$63,073 and \$17,443 respectively. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Noellee and seconded by Teresa B. Motion carried.

#### **Reports:**

**Correspondence:** Amy reported that Noelle's father passed away and a card will be sent. Amy also reported that she will be moving next week, vacating the correspondence secretary position. It was noted that a mid-term board opening is voted on by the board. Anyone interested in filling the position should contact anyone on the board.

**Sports Director:** Jayne congratulated Martha on a great trial. Everyone did a great job and there were no complaints. The judge has sent a thank you card to the club to thank everyone. Jayne also reported that the new table is here but not yet assembled. We will use this for future trails. All of the trials are lined up. The AKC trial will require some equipment changes, but nothing drastic. Judy will need volunteers to assist with this. She also noted that due to demand, there will be two agility handling classes next term. On a side note, Jayne has lost a small flip phone and asked that folks keep an eye out for it.

**Obedience Director:** Alicia reported that she had a meeting scheduled on 3/19 for all instructors. Many were not able to attend and she is seeking feedback on another time for a meeting. Next year the class schedule will be moved back to 6 weeks. Next term we will offer the nose work class again and an intermediate puppy class.

**Building:** Andy reported the building was deep cleaned with bleach three weeks ago. There have been no reported illnesses since that time. We had a good turnout of volunteers to help with the cleaning. Thanks to all who helped.

**Membership:** Teresa reported that all renewal forms are in. There was a question about who updates the email list. Alicia will keep this updated. New membership applications were presented. The club welcomed Evangeline Stuck to the meeting. Other new members not present are Terri Brown, Moni Usasz, Linda Conroy, Julie Sonderup, Tanya Whale and Linda Miller.

**Old Business:** The March trial was a success. The club may now begin to look at a new security system.

**New Business:** Adrienne reported that she is need of members to do demonstrations at the Capital Humane Society Pet Walk on May 21. Volunteers will need to have a good recall with their dogs as the event is outside. She will also need volunteers for a

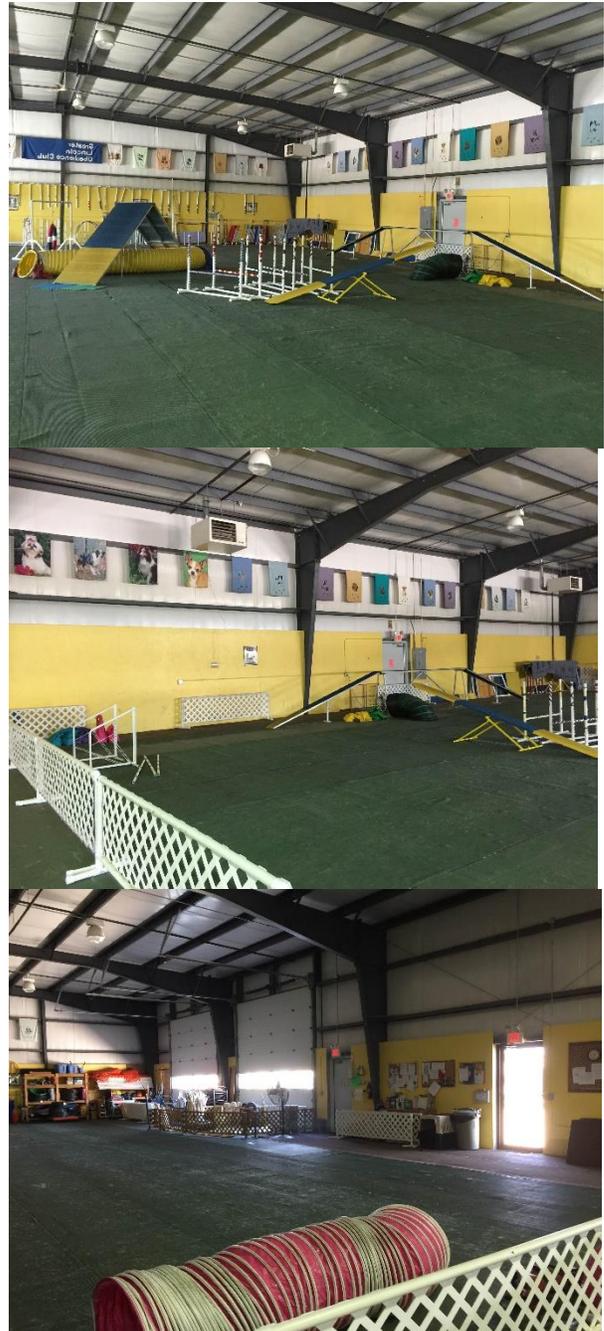
booth at the Boys and Girls Club event on May 13. On another note, Adrienne has lost her key so please keep an eye out for it. Jayne noted that volunteers will be needed for the Child Advocacy Center demonstrations on April 26. Food will be provided by CAC. Robyn can email for volunteers. The date has been set for Dog Splash so mark your calendars for August 21. This is a great fund raiser for the club and Lincoln Parks & Recreation Foundation. It was requested that anyone with personal crates in the building with padlocks needs to label the crate. A luggage tag is recommended. Judy also noted that AKC has made some changes to equipment requirements and some of them need to be done by June. Volunteers are needed to replace the metal jump cups and make adjustments to the bases of the wingless jumps. She is looking for at least three individuals with skills/experience with tools to assist. Anyone who can help should see her after the meeting.

**Announcements:** Kerri has flyers with the details for the fun matches in Omaha. She will post a flyer on the bulletin board. Adrienne reported that she has a co-worker that paints portraits which is a great gift idea. She will post more information on the Facebook page. She inquired if there was any interest in Twitter or Instagram. No interest was noted. Adrienne then reminded folks to like and share the posts on Facebook to increase visibility. Kat thanked everyone for the help with the 4-H event. Clinics were presented on obedience, rally, agility and showmanship. A good time was had by all.

The meeting concluded with brags. Kerri motioned to adjourn the meeting and Julee seconded. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

On Saturday, April 23, Jayne Sebby, Jessica Bruns, Andy Fritzinger and Whitney Fritzinger organized and sorted agility equipment at the building. Pictures are included.



Great work! -Barker editor

# Gallery of Brags

In February Maggie received 2 awards. One was for Most Improved in Agility and the other was for Most Improved in Obedience. Our journey began six years ago when we took our first Obedience 1 class. Our first teacher was Rosalie Claussen. It was a very large class. She gave both of us her patience and lots of encouragement. The first class we learned a recall - all of the classes that we have taken have done this. Two years later it saved Maggie's life. Maggie has grown because of all the obedience and agility classes we have taken. She has been my assistant when I have taught obedience classes. I believe she has given a happy face and encouragement to all who have been in our class. Maggie has also Q'd - first place (Snooker) in a March CPE Trial. Miss Maggs is very thankful for her awards. – Robin Bonge

*Blaze and I Qualified in Rally Obedience Level 3 in 2 of 3 UKC Rally Trials in Omaha this month with respectable 97 and 100 scores. – Judy Vitamvas*

**BRAG/ BRAG/BRAG!!!!**

Sir Shad of Newport (Shadow) my 12 year old standard poodle and the best friend and my lovely boy finished his CPE Strategy Games , Level 3 at the Companion Dog agility trial in Wahoo . He goes into retirement with his CGC, CD in obedience, RN, RA and RX Rally degrees finished. He finished his AKC Standard Novice and JWW Novice and AKC Standard Open and JWW Open. He has finished all levels of CPE agility up to and starting level 4. I have owned and loved standard poodles for 40+ years and Shadow is definitely one of the smartest.

My new little boy Bizzy Boy at his first real trial qualified in level 1 Standard, Colors and Jumpers and finished his first title in Fun Games at the Wahoo trial.

We have to THANK especially Leath and Kerri for all their support and guidance helping finish Shadow in great style to go into retirement. The

support we got from everybody at the trial and from GLOC members was wonderful. Shadow is now going to continue his therapy dog visits to SCC and Clark Jeary Nursing Home.

Thank You Shadow for 12 Wonderful Years.



Shadow, left, and Bizzy, right. – Julee Vincent

Riko had a great start for 2016 Agility. He competed in the March CPE trial at Wahoo and had several placements and a new title. He also entered the March GLOC AKC trial held in Lincoln and received his Open Standard title. Had great accuracy for jumpers courses just working on speed consistency. Moving up in several agility games – let the fun continue! - - Rikokin & Kat



Quinn earned his first Preferred Novice leg in obedience at the BDOC show in Council Bluffs, IA. He took second place! – Submitted by Marcy Graybill

## Instructor's Notes

Human learning styles are very important to understand. Some people need to see information to understand it. Others need to hear it. Still others need to practice it hands-on. Some have to have a combination of styles to make it work for them.

GLOC obedience instructors have a specific method to follow to help all learning styles understand how to train their dogs.

**Explain:** Instructors need to explain what the student will be doing, how it is done, and why it is necessary to do. This benefits those learners who need to understand why certain things are necessary.

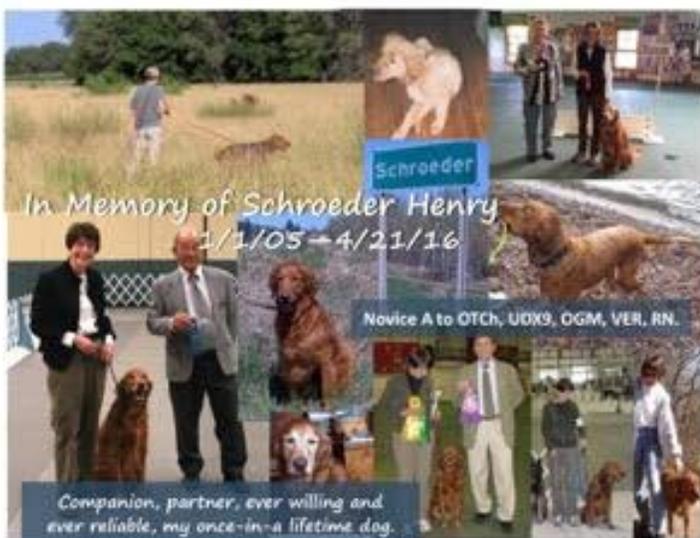
**Demonstrate:** Instructors next need to show students how to teach a specific behavior (i.e. sit.) This benefits those students who need to see and hear how the behavior is trained.

**In-Class Practice:** For those who need hands-on practice, this step is the most useful. The instructor and/or assistant go around to each student to observe their practice and to provide assistance if needed.

**Homework:** Once the students understand what they are doing, the opportunity to practice at home allows them to cement those skills and learn how best to apply the behavior in everyday life.

GLOC instructors are human teachers first, dog trainers second.

## In Memoriam



## Members' Meeting Agenda

May 5, 2016, 7:30

GLOC Building

Greetings/Introductions

Minutes April

Treasurer's Report- Susan

Correspondence

Committee Reports

Sports Director - Jayne

Obedience Director - Alicia

Building - Andy

Membership - new member applications

Old Business

Humane Society Pet Walk Demos May 21, Fallbrook Town Center, 11:00 am

ByLaw revisions?

New Business

Corresponding Secretary

June Picnic Committee

June Agility Trial

Other Demos

Other business?

Announcements

Brags

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## 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 16<sup>th</sup>, 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\\_IU2aSlceuiBO00c/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1bHuN3Mn2fdKBkN8rSB2wMhZKSnx_IU2aSlceuiBO00c/viewform?usp=send_form)

Instructors and assistants always needed for obedience and agility classes. Contact Alicia at [a\\_graybill@yahoo.com](mailto:a_graybill@yahoo.com) or Jayne at [glocsportsdirector@gmail.com](mailto: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.



Catherine Fletcher and Zeke showing the true joy of being a team. Picture by Judy Foreman.

## Pupcoming Events

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, May 5 @ 7:30 p.m.

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

Barker Deadline - Friday, May 20 @ 5:00 p.m.

Capital Humane Society Pet Walk, May 21, Fallbrook Town Center, 11:00 a.m.

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

### Important News for Members

1) All building requests must be sent to [glocbuilding@gmail.com](mailto:glocbuilding@gmail.com). Requests are not able to be addressed if they are sent to my or Andy's private Facebook accounts.

2) Andy is only able to respond to building related requests if they are received in email.

Please remind all members that the email address is: [glocbuilding@gmail.com](mailto:glocbuilding@gmail.com). This email account is only for the Building Committee Head to access.  
- Whitney Fritzing

Guess who's coming to GLOC?



Submitted by Giselle Olney.