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From the President's Desk

Our November trials were very successful! I know it was two LONG days and I want to thank everyone who volunteered to steward, and especially those who helped us clean up.

Our strategy of doing two Rally and Obedience trials each day really paid off, literally, as the club actually made a profit of about \$5,000., rather than just breaking even as we usually do (or, losing money, as we done that, too). In case you're new to the club, K-9 is a Not-for-Profit. Nobody gets rich from our classes or events. The instructors can be paid a small percentage of their class's fees to the public but it's usually enough to cover gas (especially these days!) with a little left over. The money we bring in stays in the bank and is used for supplies, maintenance, equipment, maintenance and yet more maintenance. Our steel building requires a lot of maintenance.

The big news for December is our Annual Holiday Party. All members are invited and significant others are welcome (though I'd suggest leaving your dog(s) at home). We keep the meeting short and quickly get to the main subject – dinner. This will be a pot luck dinner so think of your best recipe and bring it on! Please let me know what you intend to bring. We don't want to have 1 main course and 12 desserts. My # is 904 661 8999. Send me a text!



Full Members

None

New Provisional Members

- Rachel Baumgartner
- Diane Brush
- Sarah Czerwinski
- Faith Frost
- Kimberly Penado
- Thomas & Kathleen Quinlan
- Lorraine Tanzler
- Rhonda J Taylor
- Amy Trelford

From the President’s Desk continued ...

After dinner we have our annual gift exchange. (The gift exchange is NOT mandatory, but you have to bring a gift to participate.) This is a fun game where wrapped gifts are displayed and everyone who brings a gift can pick one out of the pile. But there’s a catch – the gift can be “stolen” by the next person, and so on.

My advice is always to bring your best sportsmanship. The odds are you won’t be going home with the gift of your choice. Please note: This is not an occasion for “gag gifts.” Bring something that people will really enjoy receiving. There’s not a set price amount, but if I had to list one I would say the \$15 - \$20 range.)

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season!

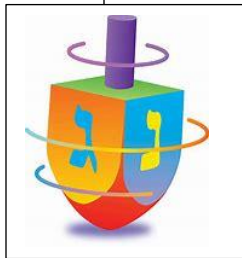
- **Ginny**

The presence of your company is requested at

K-9’s Annual Holiday Party!

Thursday, December 15th, 2022

7:00pm at K-9



December's Training Director's Report

K-9 OBEDIENCE TRIAL in DAYTONA UPDATE

If you showed or volunteered at the K-9 obedience and rally trials in Daytona Beach November 12 & 13, you were witness to a club that is flourishing! Entries were up, volunteers ran the rings professionally, and competitors were treated to a great ring experience with 2 of the best Obedience judges in Florida-Luci and Ron Seeley. In the Rally ring, the Triple Q competitors continue to make it the hot ring of the trials. Nearly 20 handlers were showing in 3 rally classes per trial! Rally has quickly taken over as the burgeoning team sport. K-9 awarded it's first ever Rally Champion Ribbon to **Maggie Pogue** for her RACH 2.



Obedience Novice A competitors were given a trophy for their participation and blue rosettes replaced the flat ribbons for placements. Our trial secretary Adrienne Swanick recorded organized all the entries, the premium, and the scores--not to mention a report on each dog's accomplishments. The basket raffle added fun and some profit, thanks to **Ginny Ruskuski**. However, AKC trials for any sport don't just happen.



Trials for any AKC sport take planning and volunteers--especially when offering 4 trials in 2 days. If you didn't show your dogs THIS time, there will come a day when you ARE in the show ring for some sport.





Then, a volunteer army will make it possible for you to compete with your dogs, and this is how we keep our sports going forward for future trials. Your commitment to K-9 and AKC sports is always appreciated. **Deb Gilman** coordinated the stewards for her 1st time as 2nd VP. Please let her know if you can be counted on to volunteer this spring--it's never too early to help with the behind the scenes organization.

I see more good things for K-9 in the future because of a growing base of active members willing to dedicate their time to K-9 classes and trials. Next up are May 6 & 7, 2023, K-9 obedience and rally trials, again in Daytona Beach. Obedience judges are Bob and Cathryn Knight and I am working on Rally judges. It is sure to be a fabulous trial with these OUTSTANDING obedience judges (again 2 of Florida's best) and we can expect numerous entries for that weekend!

Erika Wilson and **Ginny Ruskuski** are hard at work to provide classes and training help to get you ready--next time or in October 7 & 8, 2023. I hope you will plan to volunteer or are ready to show--either way, save the dates!

This is a very exciting time for K-9 Obedience Club with the growth of new members and increased class offerings. The 3rd set of classes will begin in January 2023. As always, let me know if there is a class you would like to see offered or would like to assist with a class as a volunteer.

Rachel Flatley returns to K-9 for the final seminar installment of 2022 on December 4. Rachel will present her Obedience training seminar from 9:00 am till 1:00pm. She also will provide private lessons by appointment after 1:00 pm. Audit spots are still open. Contact anelsonphs@yahoo.com to reserve a seat.

Happy training,
Alison



Title Awards for 2022

Did your dog earn one or more titles in 2022? If yes, you will be awarded a K-9 gift for your achievement 2023.

TO RECEIVE YOUR AWARD, FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Email the following information to Sheila Garbecki (sbgarb1@yahoo.com).
2. In the subject line put the Dog Titles received 2022
3. In the body of the email state:
 - a. your name,
 - b. dog's name,
 - c. title (i.e. CD, RN, etc.),
 - d. year awarded,
 - e. club/place where titled.
4. Send to Sheila by January 15, 2023.

Awards will be special ordered in February 2023 so send your title information in on time if you want to receive your 2022 title award!"



PLEASE DOUBLE-CHECK YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please confirm now!, it would be a shame to find out when you register for a class that you don't qualify for the discounted rate.

For those that haven't completed your annual volunteer hours we still have opportunities for you to do so. If you're not sure how many hours you've contributed contact us and we can tell you what you have on file.

Remember **active members** are those who pay their annual dues and contribute 8 hours to the club each year. **Active members** are entitled to discounts on our training courses. But even more than that the Club needs your help. We can't do it without our members supporting us.

Check with **Alison Nelson** and **Debbie Gilman** to confirm your hours before it's too late.





Rally Choice – New Rally Class for All Exhibitors

The Board reviewed a recommendation to modify the Rally Regulations to add a new optional titling class named Rally Choice (RC).

- The course will be the same as the Master course without the jump. All Rally signs, except jumps and the stay sign, may be used to design the course.
- The course will be judged with the dog off-leash.
- All dogs will be eligible to enter this class and may continue to compete indefinitely.
- To earn the RC title, the dog must receive ten qualifying scores under at least two different judges.
- A numeric designation will indicate the number of times the dog has met the RC title requirements, i.e., RC2, RC3, etc. Clubs will be required to offer this class

All Rally signs, except jump and stay signs, may be used to design the course. The course will be judged with the dog off-leash.



SAVE THE DATE K-9 MEMBERS!!!!
HO HO HO!!!



YOU'RE INVITED

That's right, K-9 members. The delicious and famously fun-filled K-9 General Meeting Holiday party is coming to town on Thursday December 15 at 7:00 PM. The meeting business will be brief so we can get to the potluck and gift exchange that is sure to provide some much-needed hilarity!

Bring a gift wrapped or gift bagged ANONYMOUS GIFT. Cost suggestion is \$15-20.

Each person is welcome to participate in the gift exchange--all you have to do is bring a present. We draw numbers and when your number is called, you choose a gift from the gift table or choose (steal) a gift from someone that has already chosen. A gift can be "rehomed" 2 times and after that is out of circulation. It's all in fun--you don't want to miss it!

Bring a dish to share at the potluck. Appetizer, Main dish, side dish or dessert...
Text Ginny with your offering





CONGRATULATIONS

“Barks and Brags”

Obedience Club of Daytona, Inc

Judy Fortner’s Ani earned her DCAT title with a new personal best of 26+ mph with OCOD at Dog Sports Unlimited on Nov 6. Ani also earned her TKN at the K-9 obedience “Show-n-go” on October 16.

Judy and Ani



K9 Obedience Club JAX @ Daytona Beach 11/12&13, 2022

Ben Bond’s JC got a first place and his Advanced Rally title at the K9 Jax trial. He also got his first leg of Excellent Rally.

JC



“Barks and Brags” Cont’d

K9 Obedience Trials Nov 12 Daytona Beach, FL

In November, Tug and I competed in Beginner Novice Obedience at Daytona.

As it was our first competition outside of K-9, I had very low expectations for getting any qualifying scores. I had been out of town quite a bit, so our training was less than consistent.

Much to my surprise, we came out of our first run with a second place 196.5. Two more rounds were lower scores but much higher than I ever dreamed of your first outing.

We came home with two second place ribbons and a Title ribbon. I am so proud of Tugg



Deb Gilman and Tugg

PAWS and QUES Nov 18, 2022 Williston, FL 32696

Ann Ouchterloney’s Shetland Sheepdog, Rafa, qualified for the 2023 CPE Agility Nationals that will be held in Perry, GA next year. He is not yet three years old, so I am thrilled that we were able to do this.

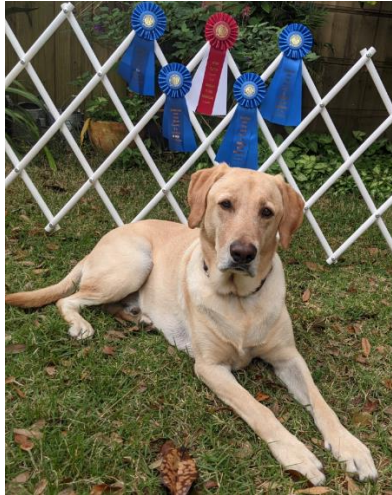


Rafa

“Barks and Brags” Cont’d

**K-9 Obedience Club JAX @
DAYTONA Beach. 11/12&13, 2022**

Rex Nelson(Alison)-Graduate Open title; Four 1st place runs



Rex Nelson

**K9 Obedience Club JAX @
Daytona Beach 11/12&13, 2022**
Coco Nelson (Alison)Three triple Q legs in Rally (legs 7, 8,9); three 1st placements & 1 High Combined award



Coco Nelson

**K9 Obedience Club JAX @
Daytona Beach 11/12&13, 2022**

Sheila Garbecki and Dannica did awesome at K-9 Obedience club of Jax Rally trial in November. She qualified in all but one event out of 9. She too home two 100's and came in 3rd and 4th place with 100's .

Sheila Garbecki and Dannica



“Barks and Brags” Cont’d

Paws and Pals 29 October, 2022

Ben Bond’s Magic earned his Novice Preferred Jumpers with Weaves title and his Novice Preferred Standard title in agility. He also got a first place and two second places.

Magic



K9 Obedience Club JAX @ Daytona Beach 11/12&13, 2022

Carol Fitzsimmon’s (on the left) Grace got 2 legs of her Rally Novice. One was a first place and the other a second

Grace



K9 Obedience Club JAX @ Daytona Beach 11/12&13, 2022

Robin Wallen’s and **Jasper** got their beginner novice title

Robin Wallen and Jasper





Membership dues for the year 2023 are due by December 31, 2022. If you are a new provisional member and were voted into the club on or after October 1st, you don't have to pay again until 2024.

We will accept payment by cash, check, Zelle and PayPal. There is a membership form is required for our records to ensure we have the current information, and you agree to the current policies of our club. Be sure to fill out an original with your signature and either drop it off at the club or mail the original to Colleen Whalen. Photos and scans of the form are not acceptable.

If you decide to drop off the form and payment at the dog club, let Colleen know. Be sure to place it inside the clubhouse with Colleen's name on the envelope.

Colleen Whalen

UPCOMING FLORIDA TRIALS

December 2022					
Date	Event	Club	City	Closing	Judges
09-11	R,O	Obedience Club of Daytona	Daytona	Nov 23	RE Millar, NE Noonan, S Sherman, J Kern, N Hayes, CA Boyles
14-16	R,O	Orlando Dog Training Club	Orlando	Nov 25, 30	BL Roland, CM Maurer, D Maurer, J Comunale

January 2023					
Date	Event	Club	City	Closing	Judges
12,13	R,O	Hernando County Kennel Club	Brooksville	Dec 21	AP Kincaid, K Kincaid, NJ Watson
14-15	O	Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County	Lake Park	Dec 28	CA Knight, RH Knight
14	O, RLY	Pasco Florida Kennel Club	Brooksville	Dec 28	NJ Watson, BJC Critelli
20-22	O	Marion Alachua Dog Training	Ocala	Jan 04	S Sherman, CA Knight, RE Seeley, L Seeley
22	RLY	Manatee Kennel Club	Brooksville	Jan 04	CA Klein, J Kern
28-29	O	Dog Obed Club of Lee County	Punta Gorda	Jan 11	C Mett, L Currey
28-29	R, O	Greater Gainesville Dog Fancier Assoc	Ocala	Jan 28	PP Barras, TG McCall
28-29	R,O	Five Flags Dog Training Club of Pensacola	Pensacola	Nov 16	N Grimm, NJ Watson

February 2023					
Date	Event	Club	City	Closing	Judges
17=19	RLY,O	Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club	Lakeland	Feb 1	Dr. NE Noonan, L Currey, J Kern, R Cox, LM Unger
19	RLY, O	Tallahassee Dog Obed Club	Tallahassee	Feb 08	R Hornfisher, SD Heminger, L Pinnell
20	O, RLY	Ochlockonee River Kennel Cl	Tallahassee	Feb 08	R Hornfisher, SD Heminger, L Pinnell
21	RLY, O	Okaloosa Kennel Club	Tallahassee	Feb 02	ENA, L Pinnell, R Hornfisher, ENA
25	RLY	Dog Training Club	St Petersburg	Feb 10	K Kincaid
25-26	O, RLY	Indian River Dog Training Club	Palm Bay	Feb 8,10	L. Seeley, RE Seeley, AP Kincaid

RLY (Rally), O (Obedience), PO (preferred Obedience), NA (Not yet Approved, TBA (To Be Announced)
 RLY (Rally); O (Obedience); ENA (event not approved), P (pending), PJA (pending judge approval)

K9 Club Events Calendar for December

Monday 3:30 pm 6 pm 7:15 pm	Obed & Rally Skills (5,12,19) STAR Puppy (5,12,19) Rally Advanced (5,12,19) CGC (TBD) Advanced Puppy (5,12,19)	Friday 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Adv Obed & Rally Skills (2,9,16,23,30) Adv Obed & Rally Skills (2,9,16,23,30)
Tuesday 6 PM 6 PM 7:15 PM	First Tue of the Month – Guide Dogs of Northeast Florida STAR Puppy (6,13) Family Dog (6,13)	Saturday: 10:30 AM	Obed & Rally Skills (5,19)
Wednesday 8 -10 AM 7:00 PM 8:15	Obedience folks train together Conformation Drop Ins STAR Puppy (7,21,28)	Sunday 8-10 AM	Obedience folks meet to train
Thursday 2 nd Thurs	K9 Board of Governors Meeting		

Please check the K-9 web calendar for any last-minute updates

	<h3>Upcoming Events at the K9 Club</h3>
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Dec 4 Rachel Flatley Seminar



Dec 8 K9 Board Meeting 7 pm

Dec 15 General Meeting and Holiday party 7 pm

Dec 24 Christmas Eve

Dec 25 Christmas Day

Dec 31 New Year's Eve

	<h2>K9 Webpage</h2> <p>Alison Nelson watches over the K9 Website (excluding the calendar). For questions or comments related to the K9 Web pages please contact Alison at anelsonphs@yahoo.com. Thanks to Alison for updating the website.</p>
<h2>Membership Committee</h2> <p>Any membership questions can be sent to Coleen Whalen (K9Whalen@comcast.net)</p> <h2>K9 Website Calendar</h2> <p>Colleen Whalen updates the Calendar on the K9 Website. For issues or additions related to the calendar please contact Colleen at K9Whalen@comcast.net. Thanks to Colleen for keeping this updated.</p>	<h2>Sunshine Committee</h2> <p>Sheila Garbecki oversees the “Sunshine Committee”. If you know of a member in need of “cheering up” or “well wishes” from the club, please contact Sheila at sbgarb1@yahoo.com. Thanks to Shelia for volunteering to serve on this committee.</p> <h2>Facebook Page</h2> <p>Amy Wiley and Ginny Ruskuski co-administrate the Facebook Page. For issues or additions related to the calendar please email Amy makumshine@bellsouth.net or Ginny Ruskuski5030@att.net.</p>
<h2>New Program Committee</h2> <p>Deb Hardman and Colleen Whalen are our program committee. If you have suggestions for speakers or topics, please email them to Deb (debhardman1@comcast.net) or Colleen (K9Whalen@comcast.net).</p>	 <h2>Paper towels</h2>
<p>NEWSLETTER EDITOR DEADLINE:</p>	<p>Please email any material you would like included in the Newsletter to peteronchris7@hotmail.com. If not received by the 25th of this month it will be put in the next issue.</p>



**DON'T MISS THE QUILT DRAWING AT THE
HOLIDAY PARTY!!!!**