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Mar. 2018 Newsletter



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From the President's Desk

All,

Spring is here! The temperatures are getting warmer, the skies are sunny and it's time to get training again.

The key change seems to have gone off without a hitch. Thank you, **Bob Hahn,** for changing out the lock mechanism. Please let me know if your 2018 key isn't working properly so I can get a replacement to you.

Melissa Hess is dealing with a lot of changes since her husband, Tom, suffered from some serious health problems. She will no longer be able to keep up with the "Brags" section of the newsletter.

However, **Diane Cohen** (who is recovering from her own serious health problems) has volunteered to take over.

If you have a good weekend showing, please send your accomplishments to Diane at udxtara@comcast.net

Remember that your successes, no matter how humble, bring honor to our club and all of us, so let us know! (Photos are wonderful, too.) Thanks, Diane!

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Meetings

Board Meeting – Mar. 8, 7:00

General Meeting – Mar. 15, 7:30 Pot Luck!



No training will be allowed on the grounds during the General Meeting

New Members



Please Welcome our new Members:

April and Bobby Peters Kimberlie and Charles Bell Jennifer Satur Theri DuFour

President's Desk (Continued)

Please don't forget to enter our April 21/22 trials in Daytona – the closing date will be here before you know it. Or, if you're not showing, call **Tom Wiley** (or email at tlwiley@bellsouth.net) and donate a day (or two!) to help at our trials. You'll learn a lot about Obedience and Rally, have a lot of fun and have our undying gratitude for the generous donation of your time.

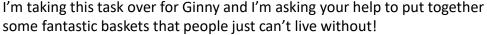
Speaking of training, Alison Nelson has planned a Show'n'Go on March 17th with set up planned about noon and ring run-throughs starting about 1:00PM. It's good practice and a good opportunity to touch base with your K-9 friends, both human and canine.

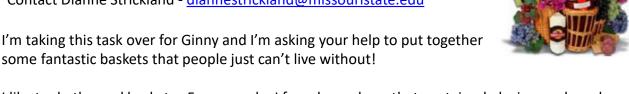
Join us for our March General Meeting! It's an "eatin' meetin'" so make something fabulous, or like I do when I get off work at 6:00 - stop at Publix. If you can't bring food, just bring yourself - that's what we really enjoy at dinner. - Ginny

– Ginny Ruskuski

Obedience Trial Baskets

Contact Dianne Strickland - diannestrickland@missouristate.edu





I like to do themed baskets. For example, I found a package that contained playing cards and some other stuff for poker. I got 2 really nice heavy glass mugs at a Flea Market and will purchase some really nice beers and to put together a basket called "Girl's Night Out." (or maybe Gent's?)

Other ideas I've used in the past: Puppy Basket, Big Dog Basket, "Whine" basket with 2 bottles of wine, 2 nice glasses and snacks. Coffee Basket (Daytona called it breakfast basket when I did it for them). Tea basket with a couple of nice books to read with one's tea.) "Well Heeled" basket with items of clothing or jewelry that had a dog motif. Agility/ Nose Work/ Barn Hunt basket. Golden Opportunity basket, etc. etc. Hopefully this will get your creative juices flowing and you'll want to put together a basket!

Ginny has some things in her closet and we have baskets; we just need great stuff to put in them. Begin collecting (great opportunity to visit those thrift shops and flea markets!) and I'll let you know later how you can get your stuff to me.

Continuing Classes

Nose Work - Marnie White, Marcia Ladendorff, Anita Gard, Cindy Torre/Christi Reifsnider

STAR Puppy – Colleen Whalen, Marnie White; Marcia Ladendorff

Pet Therapy - Colleen Whalen

Novice Competition – Alanna Lowry

Family Dog - Anita Gard

Advanced Puppy - Diane Cohen

Rally Advanced - Tom Wiley

Rally Novice – Tom Wiley

Conformation - John Mello

Upcoming Events

March

03/04 - CCI - 3:00 pm

03/08- Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

03/15 – General Meeting – 7:30 pm

03/17 - Show and Go - 1:00 pm

03/18 - CCI - 3:00 pm

April

04/08 - CCI - 3:00 pm

04/12 - Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

04/19 – General Meeting – 7:30 pm

04/20 - AKC Trials - Daytona

04/21 - AKC Trials- Daytona

04/22 - CCI - 3:00 pm

May

05/10 - Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

05/17 – General Meeting – 7:30 pm

Membership Renewals

Membership renewals end on 3/31. If you haven't sent in your renewal, you still have time!

Please update your information and send your form and dues and any optional donations to:

Deb Juhl 12365 Apple Leaf Drive Jacksonville, FL 32224

April AKC Trial – Volunteers Needed

The K-9 Spring Trial will be held the weekend of April 21 and 22, and will take place at the Obedience Club of Daytona, an indoor, fully matted venue. One obedience trial and one rally trial will be held per day on Saturday and Sunday. Obedience run-throughs for Novice, Open and Utility will be held Friday afternoon beginning at 6 P.M. Please see the Premium for details.

We are in dire need of stewards for both the Saturday and Sunday shows. If our club cannot get enough volunteers, it will be necessary to hire OCOD folks at \$25.00 per person per day. It does not seem that this would reflect well on K9. If you are showing, please help out for a class or two if you can. If not showing, please consider donating some time to the club and helping out. And don't be shy if you are new to stewarding-our more experienced members are happy to help you learn the easy and enjoyable jobs that make a trial work.

This is also a great opportunity for all our provisional members to see first hand how trials are run and to get your cards signed toward full membership!

Please email Tom Wiley at tlwiley@bellsouth.net so he can begin making a schedule. If you have a preferred volunteer assignment (rally or obedience), get an the schedule early! Thanks so much!

Support Your Club

As mentioned in the President's letter, Tom Wiley has agreed to Chair the Nominating Committee. If you are interested in using your talents as a member of the board or on a committee, please let Tom know.

Building and Grounds Chairperson Needed

We are looking for a new Building and Grounds Chairperson. Please let Ginny know if you are interested. You will not have to attend board meetings and can keep us posted by email.

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Cindy Torre and Skylar

K-9 Nose Work Element Specialty Trial, Orange Park FL NACSW EST L1 Containers New Title



Congratulations!



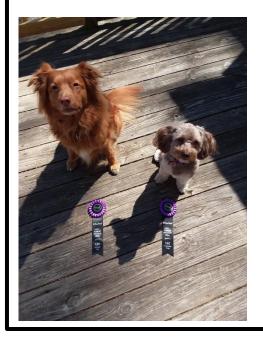
Anita Gard & Zeli

Feb 2 NACSW Elite Division Trial, Greensboro, NC. 1st place overall as well as 3rd place in 1 of the (4) searches and 1st place in 2 of the searches..

Colleen Whalen with Kate and Charlie

K-9 Nose Work Element Specialty Trial, Orange Park FL

Kate - NACSW EST L1 Interiors 1st Place New title! Charlie - NACSW EST L1 Containers New title!





Marnie White and Uno

K-9 Nose Work Element Specialty Trial, Orange Park FL NACSW EST L1 Interiors, 3rd place overall and EST L1 Containers, 6th place overall. Two new titles!

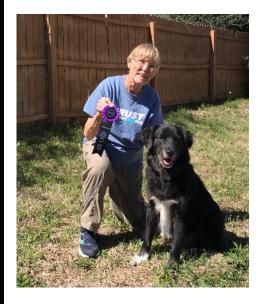
Congratulations!



Amy Wiley and Smoke

Smoke earned his USDAA Performance Dog and Starters Performance Standard titles on December 9 at Pals & Paws in Jacksonville. In January, competing in P2, he earned a Standard and a Gamblers leg in Brooksville and a Jumpers and a Snooker legs in Winter Park.

Smoke earned his third and fourth AKC Master Rally legs with two first places at the GODC trial in Ocala on January 26.





Amy Wiley and Stella

Stella earned her CL1-F and CL1-S titles at Paws & Ques CPE agility trial in Williston on Feb. 16. She also earned a Starters Gamblers leg in at Paws & Ques USDAA agility trial on January 6.

Dot Mitchell and Spirit

K-9 Nose Work Element Specialty Trial, Orange Park FL

NACSW EST L1 Interiors New title!

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