



Chatter-Barks

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Meeting Location
OCOD
Training Center
1276 8th Street, D.B.
Corner of 8th & Derbyshire
7:00 pm General Meeting with Members & Guests

President: Joan Costello
Vice Pres: Kelly Zen
Secretary: Michelle Sellers
Treasurers:
Renee' Johnson
Janet Berry
Board of Directors:
Nina Daly
Kathy Nicastro
Lind Bara-Weaver

OBEDIENCE:

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APPLICATIONS:

Can be found on our web site
www.ocodb.org

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Next Meeting 7:00 PM
Monday, March 9, 2026

“Program”
General Club Business



President's Message,

We welcomed Dave Shampine to be a new member to our Board as Secretary at our February Board meeting.

I want to thank everyone who attended our last meeting when we had guest speaker Jessica from one of our fire departments. I hope in the future when we have guest speakers that our attendance will be even better. If you have any ideas for speakers let Nina Daly know and she might be able to arrange one for us.

Renee' Johnson will be teaching a Tricks Class starting on March 4th, there is still space available, please contact me at jhcostello37@att.net if you would like to take that class.

Claire Israelason has broken her shoulder and she and Anna Johnson will need your help on the cleaning days. When you help, please sign in the book on the table by the desk, so that you will be credited for helping to receive the class discount. In order to receive the discount, you need to help with an event and a cleaning day in the first and second 6 months. Next cleaning date is Saturday February 28th at 12 noon.

We have a CGC, A and U test on March 14, registration starts at 12 noon and the test will start shortly after that. The fee for members to take the test is \$10. per test, only 2 test per dog allowed.

I hope to see you at our meeting,

Joan Costello

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!



New Members

No New Members this month



Club Member Dinner

When: Saturday, **March 28th**

Time: 4:00 Sharp !

Where: **Margarita Island**
24 Oceanshore Blvd
Ormond Beach, Fl
Corner of Granada & Oceanshore Blvd.

Call Carol Mason
for reservations or cancellations
You Must Have a Reservation
386-228-3965 or e-mail her
carolsjeep@hotmail.com

Join other Club members
and their quests !

Please Help the Humane Societies

1. Southeast Volusia Humane Society
386-428-9860
2. Flagler County Humane Society
386-445-1841
3. Halifax Humane Society
386-274-4703

Military War Dogs,
Volusia Sheriff 13
K-9 Teams,
Daytona and
Port Orange K-9 Teams
Always Need Our Help

Contact:
Ralph Orlando
386-788-4268 or
rorlando2@cfl.rr.com



Club Shirts

Please contact:
Pat Mozden
386-451-0848
patmozdenocod@gmail.com



Therapy Dog Testing

**OCOD's Testers for
Alliance of Therapy Dogs**

If you are interested in being evaluated please contact

Ralph Orlando 386-788-4268
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 HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY


*Get Well Wishes
for
Claire Israelson,
she broke her
shoulder. Wishing
her a speedy
recovery.*



Wins & Brags !

Kelly Zen & "Jett" received 2) 1st Place Wins in Novice C at the CDSP Trials hosted by Central Fla. Obed. Dog Club held at OCOD 2/7, as well as High In Trial in Trial 1. "Jett" was presented with a beautiful custom HJC rosette by the host club to celebrate completing his CD-CCH in October. "Jett" will be 14 years old this summer.

Kelly Zen & "Piper" who is fresh out of obedience retirement since her cancer dx in '22, received her CDSP Title in the Starter Novice B class with 1) 1st and 2) 2nd Place Wins on 2/8 as well as a move up to C class with another 2nd Place Win in Trial 2.

Anna Johnson & "Seamus" earned his Starter Novice Title so I moved him up on Sunday to Novice and he earned his first leg!

Anna Johnson & "Tooty" earned her first Utility B leg (for UDX) with a fantastic score of 198!

Anna Johnson & "Trooper" earned his second Versatility leg. Thank you Kris and all of the judges and workers for a fantastic trial! We had a fantastic weekend at the CDSP Trial.

*Congratulations
Everyone !*

Obedience Club Of Daytona – Membership Meeting Date

February 9, 2026 Time 7:00 PM thru 8:00PM

Meeting called to order by Joan Costello - President

In attendance Member/Guest Attendees: see Attachment !

Approval of minutes

The January meeting was conducted as scheduled. The previous Secretary resigned for personal reasons and no minutes for the January Board Meeting were available to approve.

Opening Comment

Carol Shreve (member) presented a Letter Of Appreciation (Attachment 2) that she had received from AKC for the outstanding work of the Agility team.

Guest Speaker

The Guest Speaker for the meeting was Jessica Wolelschneider from the Dade County Fire Department. Her discussion included how to properly handle a fire extinguisher using the PASS system (Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep). Jessica also described the best locations to store the fire extinguishers and well as escape routes in the event a fire gets out of control. Jessica went through several scenarios and statistics of how fires occur in homes and some of the common preventive measures that can be used to prevent fire. We should all have escape plans from the home that include animals as well as people. Jessica concluded with a question-and-answer period for members.

Treasurer's Report

Renee Johnson presented the Treasurers report for the month.

President's Report:

Joan asked that members submit their Wins & Brags to be included in the newsletter

David Shampine was nominated and voted in as the new OCOD Secretary.

Lind discussed the possibilities for 4H members to observe the activities that OCOD has to offer and to eventually participate. Lind will contact 4H to discuss dates for OCOD to host a date and time that will fit into both parties' schedule.

New Business

David Shampine was nominated and voted in as the new OCOD Secretary.

Rene discussed "cash payouts" to trial participants and their impact on trial revenues and eliminating toys for the dogs. Cash payout at trials are being limited to High In Trial and Hight Combined winners.

There will be a new requirement for Trial Chairpersons to submit a budget 60 days prior to the trial with a detailed expense projection for planning purposes. We will also instill the requirement of having a 5 person committee for trials noting that it is important that all trial committee members participate in organizing and conducting the trials.

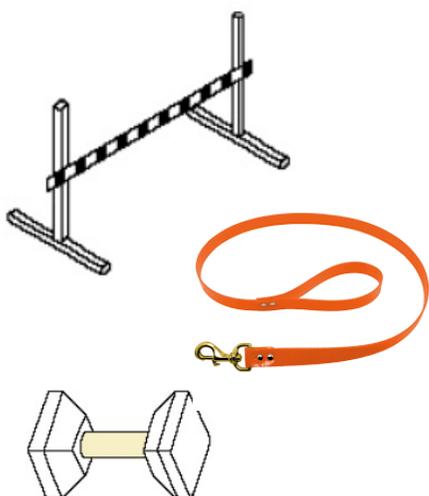
We are removing maintenance of the membership roster from the Secretary's responsibility and will create a new position. The By-Laws and Constitution will be modified to create the position of "Membership Administrator" along with the position's duties and responsibilities.

Lind has taken the lead in organizing a Marketing Committee and establishing the framework to accomplish their tasks. The charter of the Marketing Committee will be to 1. Increase membership/participation, 2. Increase revenue, 3. Create/modify the OCOD website. The goal is to centralize and maximize the effectiveness of marketing efforts to increase membership, participation, and revenue for the club. Funding is being suspended for all advertising funding while the Marketing Committee investigates alternative solutions

MOTION: Adjourn Meeting by several members and was seconded by several. All members voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Shampine

A few photos from the CDSP Trials



Our Tracking Test in February from Pat Dean

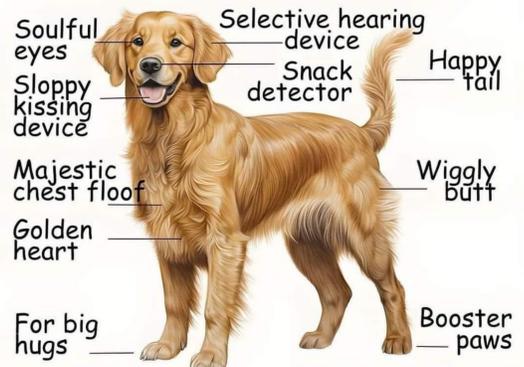
Our Tracking Test in February was a success even though it was 23°! Our judges were Luci and Ron Seeley who always are fun to work with and very helpful. Thank you to our tracklayers, Janet Berry, Andy Gibbons, and Kathy Nicastro for giving up two days in the bitter cold. All of the entrants worked very well and Maple who traveled from Miami achieved earning her TD. Congratulations and many thanks and appreciation for everyone's help.



"My life philosophy can be expressed thusly:
I like naps, and don't share laps."



ANATOMY OF A GOLDEN RETRIEVER





OCOD TRICKS CLASS

Starting on

March 4, ends on March 25

The test on March 25

Levels Novice & Intermediate only

Time: 6pm, Limited to 8 student

Instructor: Renee' Johnson

Email Joan at jhcostello37@att.net to sign up
to



PUPPY	Tues. 2/24 - 3/31	11 am	Ring 4-5	Daly Assist: McLachlan
	Thurs. 3/19 - 4/30 Skip 4/16 Scent Work Trials	6 pm	Ring 4-5	Collar Assist:
BASIC	Tues. 2/3 - 3/10	6 pm	Ring 3	Mozden Assist: T. Bennett
	Tues. 2/24 - 3/31	1 pm	Ring 4-5	Daly, Assist: McLachlan
	Wed. 2/18 - 3/25	6:30 pm	Ring 3	K. Arnold Assist: Kathy Nicastro
	Tues. 3/31 - 5/5	6 pm	Ring 3	Mozden, Assist Beaudoin
INTERMEDIATE	Thurs. 2/5 - 3/12	6 pm	Ring 3	Costello, Assist: Collar
	Thurs. 3/26 - 5/7 Skip 4/16 Scent Work Trials	6 pm	Ring 3	Costello, Assist:
TRICKS CLASS	Wed. 3/4, 3/11, 3/18 Test on 3/25 Levels Novice & Intermediate Only	6 pm	Ring 4-5	R. Johnson
CONFORMATION	Wed. Start 2/25 – End 3/25	7 pm	Ring 2	J. Danhauer 386-506-6050
NOV. COMP. am	Tues. Monthly	1 pm	Ring 2	R. Johnson
NOV. COMP.	Thurs. Monthly	6 pm	Ring 2	A. Johnson
OPEN	Tues. Monthly	5 pm	Ring 2	J. Berry
UTILITY	Tues. Monthly	5 pm	Ring 1	R. Johnson
One-on-One Problem Solving	Thurs. 2/5 & 3/5 limit to 3 students, 20 minutes each for 4 sessions \$80.	11am		M. Massaro

SCENT WORK	Fri. Monthly	9:30 am 5pm		Lind Weaver Anna Johnson
RALLY	Mon. Monthly	4-6 pm		Miles class 386-299-1500 for information
FUN AGILITY	Tues. Monthly	6 pm		Israelson
AGILITY HANDLING	Wed. 5-8 pm at Silver Sands Novice - Masters 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 1/7, male 1/28			Hudak, Lemole Call Lind Hudak at 386-295-3240
RALLY FREE STYLE DANCE	Wed. Monthly Advanced 3 pm / Beginner 4 pm			Connolly
FREESTYLE BEG. & ADV. DANCE	Sun. Call 386-848-4594 for information NO TEXT			Campagna
OPEN/Utility UDX all with Distractions	Mon. Monthly 9-10:15 am	Ring 1		M. Orlando
UTILITY A	Mon. Monthly 10:30 am			Scott
PROOFING & DISTRACTIONS	Mon. Monthly am			M. Orlando
RING TIME 8am for MARCH	March 7			Closed for Bike Week
	March 14			Kris Davenport
	March 21 ?			Paige Wiley
	March 28			Anna Johnson

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 1276 8th. Street
 Daytona Beach, Fl. 32117
 (Corner of 8th Street & Derbyshire)



Dog Training



2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 14	CGC A & U 12:30
Apr. 17,18,19	OCOD Scent Work Trials
May 2, 3	K9 of Jax Obed / Rally Trials
May 9	Eye Clinic at OCOD
May 16	DUO Dogs Training 12:30
July 10,11,12	OCOD Obed. & Rally Trials.
July. 24,25,26	Dog On It Scent Work Trials
Aug. 22	DUO Dogs Training 12:30
Sept. 11.12.13	OCOD Scent Work Trial
Oct. 3,4	K9 of Jax Obed / Rally Trials
Oct. 31	Fast Cat (2 Events)
Nov. 1	Fast Cat (2 Events)
Dec. 4,5,6	OCOD Obed. & Rally Trials.
Dec. 26	Fast Cat (2 Events)

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 April 25
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