



Chatter-Barks

Obedience Club of Daytona, Inc.



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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: Dave Shampine
Treasurers:
Renee' Johnson
Janet Berry
Board of Directors:
Nina Daly
Kathy Nicastro
Lind Bara-Weaver

OBEDIENCE:

Joan Costello
386-212-2689
for information

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Linda Hudak
386-295-3240

APPLICATIONS:

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

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views and opinions of the
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	<p>NEXT MEETING 7:00 PM Monday, May 11, 2026</p> <p><i>“General Club Business”</i></p>	
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President's Message,

Dear Members,

Our Club will be very busy over the next few months and will need your help with cleaning and helping with the Trials. Helping with the cleaning and working an event gives you credit towards the discount for classes. We are required to work a cleaning and event in the first 6 months and again in the second 6 months to be able to receive that class discount. DON'T forget to sign in the book when you've helped, it's on the table by the front desk.

If you would like to assist with our classes, please email me at jhcostello37@att.net. When you assist with classes you earn class credits to help pay for a class you would like to take or for ring time.

We are looking for someone to take over our Fun Agility class at the Training Center, you would have to have agility experience. The class could be on Tuesday or Thursday evenings at 6pm. Claire Israelson has done this for a few years and we appreciate all she did but is unable to continue. Please email me at jhcostello37@att.net or call 386-212-2689 if you would like to take over this class.

Nina Daly is working on setting up guest speakers for our meetings, please let her know if you have someone in mind that would be willing to come and speak to our club, usually the subject should be dog related. Maybe you have a Veterinarian you would like to come.

Joan Costello



New Members

Leah De Lorenzo

David Reeves

Loren Cowan

Mary Browder

Jennette and Steven Linney - Dumesnil

Cathy Hartman

WELCOME



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 Member Dinner

When: Saturday, May 30th

Time: 4:00 Sharp !

Where: Margarita Island
24 Ocean Shore Blvd
Ormond Beach

Call Carol Mason
for reservations or cancellations

386-228-3965 or e-mail her
carolsjeep@hotmail.com

Join other Club members

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

Club Shirts

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



Please pay with a Check !

Therapy Dog Testing

OCOD's Tester for Alliance of Therapy Dogs

If you are interested in being evaluate please contact them

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



Kelly Zen's "Chi", "Radar", "Piper", "Jett"



Pat Dean's "George"

Wins & Brags

Ralph Orlando and "Trumpet" Recently at 2 Obedience Trials at ODTG with them and also Central Florida Club. "Trumpet" qualified in 5 doubles (Open/Utility) out of 6 and now had 39 double and one away from UDX 4. If she had a better handler it would have been all 6 and a New Title. (I messed up in Command Discrimination of all things). Also "Trumpet" hit visit 600 on 4/17 at the VA Clinic. That is her last AKC and Top Therapy Dog Title at AKC called Therapy Dog Supreme, she accomplished this all in 2 yrs and 3 months to the day.

Diane Ashley and "Flair" won a First Place at the Greater Orange Park Obedience Trials in Elkton on Thursday, April 2nd, earning us a HIT with a score of 197. On Sunday, April 5th, we earned a First Place at the same venue with a score of 195 earning us a HIT again! so proud of my girl.

Frank Horvath and "Martin" competed in Rally Trials in Elkton held in early April. On the last day of the trials, "Martin" won both the High Combined and the High Triple awards. Overall, "Martin" qualified in a total of 10 trials and placed in the top 4 in 6 of those trials. His placements in each class were as follows: Master Class - a 2nd Place & two 4th Places; Excellent Class - a 1st Place; Advanced Class - two 4thPplaces. At OCOD's Scent Work Trials, Frank Horvath and "Martin" had a 1st Place Win in Master Container Search. Martin also earned his Advanced Handler Discrimination Title with a 2nd Place Win. In addition, "Martin" earned his Advance Exterior Search and Scent Work Advanced Titles.

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Congratulations !

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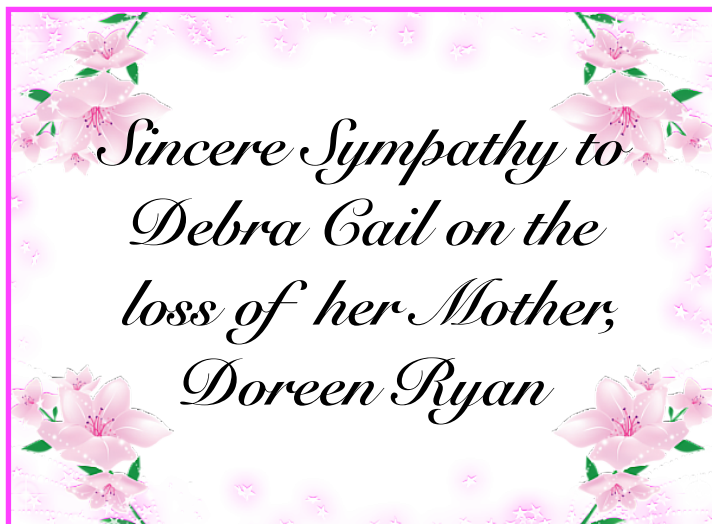
April 24	Rally Trial
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July Rally & Obedience Trials

Please contact Ralph Orlando if you are able to help with our July Obedience & Rally Trials.

You do not have to have experience to help, there will be someone there to help you. You don't have to work the whole 3 days but any help you could offer would be greatly appreciated!

Ralph's phone # 386-788-4268
email: rorando2@cfl.rr.com



OCOD July 10-12, 2026 Rally & Obedience Trials

First after many years as trial Chair for the July and December trials, I have decided this trial will be my last. So, this message is in hopes of another club member stepping up to take over this very needy position. The job includes hiring judges for both trials to cover the 2 Rally Trials on Friday and then 2 Obedience on Saturday and 2 also on Sunday. This job should go to a Chair with background in both events to have a pretty good idea of who to hire and who to maybe avoid. Where they live is now a factor since travel expense has become a big factor. Once they are selected and a hire contract is received back from them you will then enter them into the AKC portal. Next is booking hotel rooms for their stay here in our area. The one that I use is below \$100/day, close enough to the show location and near a variety of attractions to walk to (food & shopping). The hotel is also pet friendly for those judges who bring a dog and the hotel also becomes the host hotel for exhibitors at a good rate. Lot more on this line and if you have an interest please contact me for more details and tag along for the July trials.

2 Rally Trials on July 10

Trial #1 Begins at 8AM with Judge Nancy Watson and will end near noon. Usually, 4 stewards are needed as Table, Timer, Ring & Board. Stewards must arrive NLT :45 minutes before start.

Ring # 3 is the show ring

Trial #2 Begins at 10:30 with Judge Norine Noonan and again will end 4 hours or so later.

Ring # 1 is the show ring

Trial #1 Saturday July 11 Obedience Rings 1 for Utility, Ring 2 for Open & Ring 3 for Novice. The judges rotate to different events are Nancy Watson, Robert Knight and Cathryn Knight. This scenario usually begins at 8AM but often is slightly adjusted by the trial secretary to avoid conflicts for teams competing. After the entries have closed the trial secretary will guesstimate the run time for each event and then decide the start time for the next trial. Not an exact science but close.

Trial #2 Saturday July 11 Obedience

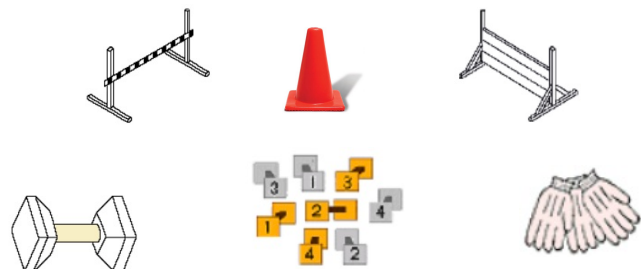
The same ring arrangement is used for these 3 trials with the difference being the afternoon on Saturday will include all non-regular events and often a somewhat longer time to completion but normally ends not later than 4pm.

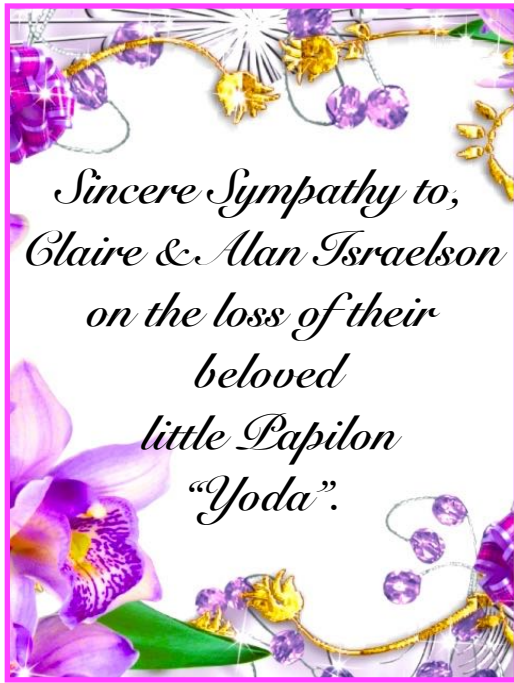
Trial #1 Sunday July 12 Obedience

The same ring arrangement for all 3 rings as on Saturday. The difference here is that the non-regular classes are included in the morning and left out in ALL of the Trial #2s.

Trial #2 Sunday July 12 Obedience

Same ring classes as in Trial # 1 with the exception of no non-regular classes making this Trial shorter in time. Trial Chair Ralph Orlando





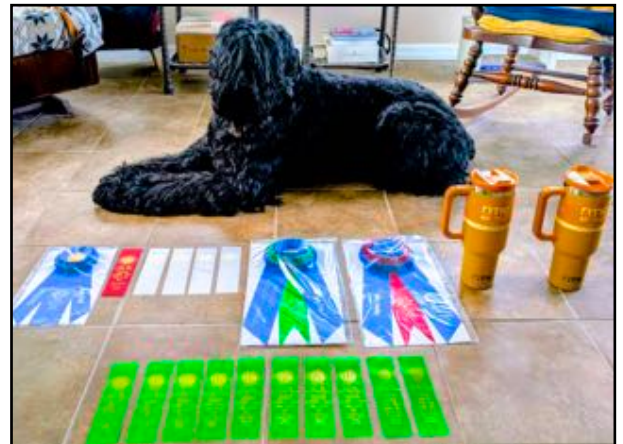
Diane Ashley & "Flair"



Claire Israelson's "Icy"



Anna Johnson's "Trooper"



Frank Horvath's "Martin"



Kelly Zen's
"Chi" & "Piper"



Kay Bell's
"Spencer"



Janet Berry's " ? "



Ruth Andrick's "Jolene"



SCENTWORK

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Wins & Brags

Claire Israelson and "Icy" earned at the OCOD Scent Work Trials in April. 1st leg in Masters Containers. His Title in Novice Buried with 2 -1st Place Wins, Advanced Container -1st leg. I am so proud of him!

Anna Johnson and "Trooper" Wow! My boy earned his first Detective leg and 1st Place Win today at OCOD's scent work trial! He also got 4th place in Exterior Master. I am so proud of him!

Pat Dean and "George" earned an Exterior Advanced Title at the Obedience Club Of Daytona Scent Work Trials this weekend. He needed two Q's and achieved them easily with a 3rd Place Win in the second trial. On to Excellent. This dog loves scent work and I love him!

Kay Bell and "Spencer" finished his Interior Excellent Elite Title and his Buried Excellent Title. He also got legs for his Exterior Advanced Title this weekend at OCOD Scent Work Trials. I am always proud of him.

Ruth Schaefer Andrick and "Jolene" Q'd on her very first run and earned a 2nd Place Win in Containers at the OCOD Scent Work Trials.

Janet Berry and "Dixie" earned 4 titles , Novice exterior , Excellent container, Excellent Buried and Excellent Interior.

Carol Davies and "Stanley" completed his overall Advanced Scent Work title, and qualified several classes at the Excellent level! Thanks to Anna for her instruction and efforts in chairing a great event, and to everyone that made it happen. It was a lot of fun.

Congratulations !

OCOD CONFORMATION CLASS



Class Dates: Wednesday
Dates For Class
 May 6, 13, 20, 27
 Time 7:00 – 8:00pm
 Instructor: *Jim Danhauer*
 386-506-6050



1276 8th Street (corner of 8th and Derbyshire) Daytona Beach
 Come train/handle in an air-conditioned Matted ring setting
 Classes are on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm - \$10 per dog per night.



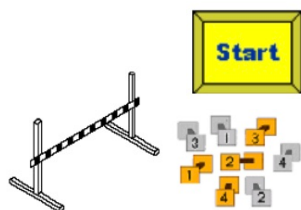
Get your dog ready to win those points!
 Focus is on preparing the handler/dog team to confidently enter and show at a Conformation Show.
 Skills to be learned include stacking the dog, movement around the ring, along with show management.
 The dog must be 6 months old or older.



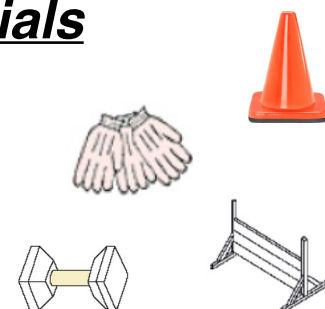
“Female dogs in heat are NOT allowed in the building”



Obedience / Rally Match for our July Trials



June 27th
Registration will start at 8am.



Obedience Club Of Daytona – Membership Meeting April 13, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM thru 8:00PM

Meeting called to order by

Joan Costello - President

In attendance

Member/Guest Attendees: see Attachment 1

Approval of minutes:

The March meeting was conducted, as scheduled, and the minutes of the meeting were presented to the Board for approval. The Board approved the minutes as written.

Secretary's Report:

There was no new correspondence.

Secretary Reported that 7 members have joined the club.

- Leah De Lorenzo, David Reeves, Loren Cowan, Mary Browder, Jennette and Steven Linney – Dumesnil, Cathy Hartman

There was no new correspondence to the Board to report.

Committee Report:

Marketing Committee Report: Lind Bara-Weaver reviewed the accomplishments of the marketing committee.

- 1) Outdoor Sign: Completed
- 2) Facebook: people are seeing our posts and looks fresh
- 3) QR Code: Chris Franczik has developed a QR code
- 4) Outside Groups – Front Window – no progress
- 5) Community Outreach: a. Foam Boards – replaced at no charge b. Canopy tent was donated b. Sophies Circle: Kelly Zen, Laurel Hendrix and Janet Berry c. Promotional items – 440 pieces \$130/300 spent Branding to be applied.
- 6) WEBSITE: a. Go Daddy account changes: On hold until new credit card is available.
 - b. **Membership vote:** To allocate up to \$7500 to redesign website, 3 years hosting with Go Daddy and plug-ins (ie DogBizPro- Schedule-It, etc) to be determined. **PASSED** unanimously.

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President's Report:

OLD BUSINESS:

Agility Chairperson, Linda Hudak discussed the possible termination of the OCOD Agility Program. It was noted that there are no Agility Trials scheduled beyond 2026. There are several problems associated with the current Agility Program that include:

- Limited labor pool to help with Trials, Heavy equipment, Safety concerns, Expensive venues, Seasonal participation, Condition of the current Trial site

The OCOD Club needs to determine if they are going to continue the Agility Program or abandon it. It was recommended that an inventory of all equipment, including cost, be completed to provide the Board with a better understanding of what to decide in the future. This topic was tabled for inclusion in the June OCOD Board meeting.

Joan Costello has made contact with the previous OCOD Secretary, Linda Campagna, to acquire past OCOD Club records in her possession, and informed the Board that Linda Compagna will provide those records this coming weekend.

Joan Costello noted that there needs to be a replacement for Obedience and Rally Chairpersons, and that Ralph Orlando is stepping down from his position of Obedience Chairman. Current replacements for Trial Chairpersons are:

- Scentwork: Janet Berry, Nina Daly and Kathy Nicastro
- Obedience/Rally: Jane Collar and Sharon McLachlan

Joan Coatello also mentioned that Renee will be stepping down as Treasurer in December and the Club will need to find a replacement.

During the month of April there was a 3rd motion proposed to revisit the award program for Obedience Trials sent out via email to OCOD board Members. The previous 3 motions to approve the award programs had failed.

*****MOTION:** Motion to reinstate the awards program for Obedience Trials. **FAILED** The vote was 3 members YES, 4 members NO, 1 member ABSTAINS, therefore the motion to reinstate the awards program for Obedience Trials failed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pat Mosden discussed several questions that were related to the proposed OCOD website. These questions revolved around the development, operation and the expected cost of the website. Lind Bara-Weaver provided data and clarification with respect to the concerns of various members. A major concern was clarification of the proposed motion for funding the development of the website up to \$7500.

Lind noted that there will be a detailed description of the website development and that that could take several months to complete. Funds will be required when the development proposal, along with its associated cost, is complete, presented to, and accepted by the OCOD Board.

David Shampine led a discussion to address the costs associated with Travel expenses for Judges. The discussion revolved around setting spending limits based upon GSA standards for travel, hotel, and meal expenses. Although there were no Board members that have experienced misuse of these types of expenses it was noted by Pat Mosden that travel expenses could use more scrutiny.

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David Shampine presented a cost analysis for purchasing internet services. The cost analysis determined that there was little financial difference between the two option and the choice came down to the type of internet connection each company proposed to provide. The eventual choice was Spectrum with a hardwired connection.

David Shampine discussed providing a central location for all OCOD important documents. Currently these important documents are scattered among various members both past and present. A central location would provide easier access, when needed, by Board Members and Trial Committees. The information would include, for example, past and current contracts for Trials, Building Rental, and Building services.

Ralph Orlando discussed the role of the Trial/Event Committee members at Obedience Trials. There was additional discussion relative to the requirements for naming members of the Trial/Event Committee members within the Trial Premium. Attachment 2 is an extract from the AKC Obedience Regulations, March 1, 2025, (Chapter 1, Section 6) and provides additional clarification of the requirements.

*****MOTION:** Pause signing trial contracts until addendum for liability release statements for all people involve and a participant list including name, email, and address for people attending is provided electronically or on paper to the club is attached. **PASSED**

*****MOTION:** Organize a committee to begin a total inventory of the club owned items and reconcile with financial records. **PASSED**

*****MOTION:** Include Liability and photo release on the sign-in sheet for the Training Center. **PASSED**

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Shampine



From Anna Johnson

Just like it takes a village to raise a child, it takes an entire club to put on a scent work trial. You guys all stepped up and made this a great trial. Whether you helped out before the trial with cleaning or during the trial, we couldn't have done it without you! Thank you so much for your time and hard work. Everyone I talked to said what a great trial OCOD puts on and how great our workers are.

Thank you!

PUPPY	Thurs. 4/9 - 5/14	11 am	Ring 4-5	Sharon McLachlan Assist: Anne Thompson
	Tues. 6/9 - 7/14	11 am	Ring 4-5	Nina Daly Assist: Sharon McLachlan
	Thurs, 6/11 - 7/16	6 pm	Ring 4-5	Nina Daly Assist: Sharon McLachan
BASIC	Tues. 3/31 - 5/5	6 pm	Ring 3	Pat Mozden Assist: Sarah Beaudoin
	Thurs. 4/9 - 5/14	1 pm	Ring 4	Sharon McLachlan, Assist: Anne Thompson
	Wed. 4/29 - 6/3	1 pm	Ring 3	Kathy Arnold Assist: L. Cowan
	Tues. 5/12 - 6/16	6pm	Ring 3	Laurel Hendricks, Assist: Sarah Beaudoin
	Tues. 6/9 - 7/14	1pm	Ring 4-5	Nina Daly Assist: Sharon McLachlan
	Thurs. 6/11 - 7/16	7:30 pm	Ring 4-5	Nina Daly Assist:
INTERMEDIATE	Thurs. 3/26 - 5/7 Skip 4/16 Scent Work Trials	6 pm	Ring 3	Joan Costello Assist: Pat Dean
	Thurs. 5/14 - 6/18	6 pm	Ring 3	Jane Collar, Assist: Pat Dean
	Tues. 7/7 - 8/11	6 pm	Ring 3	Jane Collar Assist:
TRICKS CLASS	To be scheduled at a later date			
CONFORMATION	Wed. Start May 6,13, 20, 27	7 pm	Ring 2	Jim Danhauer 386-506-6050
NOV. COMP. 1 pm	Tues. Monthly	1 pm	Ring 2	Renne' Johnson
NOV. COMP. 6 pm	Thurs. Monthly	6 pm	Ring 2	Anna Johnson

OPEN	Tues. Monthly	5 pm	Ring 2	Janet Berry
UTILITY	Tues. Monthly	5 pm	Ring 1	Renne' Johnson
One-on-One Problem Solving				
SCENT WORK	Fri. Monthly	9:30 am 5pm		Lind Weaver Anna Johnson
RALLY	Mon. Monthly	4-6 pm		Nancy Miles class 386-299-1500 for information
RALLY FREE STYLE DANCE	Wed. Monthly	Advanced 3 pm / Beginner 4 pm		Dana Connolly
FREESTYLE BEG. & ADV. DANCE	Sun.	Call 386-848-4594 for information NO TEXT		Linda Campagna
OPEN/Utility UDX all with Distractions	Mon. Monthly	9-10:15 am	Ring 1	Maria Orlando
UTILITY A	Mon.	Monthly 10:30 am		Robin Scott
PROOFING & DISTRACTIONS	Mon.	Monthly am		Maria Orlando
RING TIME 8am for MAY	May 2			K9 of Jax Obed / Rally Trials
	May 9			Robin Scott
	May 16			Paige Wiley
	May 23			Kris Davenport
	May 30			Anna Johnson

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Deadline for next issue

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