



"Training Dogs to be Good Citizens"

Dog Obedience Club of Lee County Training Times

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Sandy (cont)

I was born in Atlanta, GA, but grew in Jupiter, FL where our closest neighbor was 3.5 miles away. We had at least 9 adult dogs at any one time of various varieties, Dobermans, German Shepherds, a couple of Beagles and a Greyhound, and their numerous litters of puppies. I had two horses (an Arabian/Paso Fino and a Palomino) and a donkey named Pappy. As a teenager I competed in local gymkhanas and taught my horse to herd cattle and barrel race.

I was married for 35 years when my husband lost his 3-year fight with cancer and passed away from a malignant brain tumor in December, 2010.

I joined the Dog Club when we moved to Fort Myers in July 1995 after taking the beginner class with Joe Waring and Robbie Roberts. I was on the Board for several years and have held the positions of Recording Secretary and Vice President. I was Trial Chair for our trials in 2011 and 2012 and helped with the trials from 2002 thru 2006. I have taught the Cape puppy classes and have taught and currently am the instructor for the Cape beginner classes for the Club. I left the Club in early 2012 in anticipation of taking a job in Atlanta that did not materialize. I rejoined the Club in 2017 and currently serve on its Board as Corresponding Secretary.

I am a Certified Paralegal by profession and have 34 years' experience in most aspects of the law. I have one child, Missy, a son-in-law, Jon, and one granddaughter, Charlotte, that we call Charlie.

I have had several Golden Retrievers – all rescues - and have put Novice titles on all of them and one – Darby – an Open Title. I currently have a Golden Retriever, *Beau*, and a Rat Terrier, *Scooter*, in my household. I live in the Cape.

Bios of Candidates running for office:

President

Lisa Beever
(Nominated for President)

58 years old, married to Jim for 28 years. DOCLC Member since July 2012 and founding member of the Calusa Dog Agility Club in 2009. I organized DOCLC AKC tracking matches and tests since 2014. I also offer monthly tracking opportunities to DOCLC members. I first trained with DOCLC with my dachshund Willi in 1991.

My first performance dachshund, Penny earned an Obedience CDX, highest rally title at the time (RAE), Master Agility Championship, Earthdog and scentwork titles. My current dachshund, Rita, earned her Tracking Championship, Obedience CD, Rally Excellent, agility titles and scentwork title. We are currently working on Rita's focus to obtain a CDX, through the use of fun games and practicing in distracting environments.

I retired in 2016. As the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program Director, and before that the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda Metropolitan Planning Organization Director, I was responsible for leading multi-jurisdictional organizations through complex and controversial decisions to agreed-upon results. My philosophy is the best decisions are made everybody's ideas and consent.

Sandy Smith
(Nominated for President)

Vice President

Mary Young
(Nominated for Vice President)

I have been a resident of Florida since 2015 and a member of DOCLC since 2016. I am a current member of Suburban Dog Training Club (in PA), Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung (regional BMD club in PA) and the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (national BMD club). Since owning a Bernese Mountain Dog in 2001, I have participated and competed in multiple AKC events -- Confirmation, Obedience, Rally, Drafting, CGC, CGCA, CGCU, Trick Dog, BMD Versatility, Tracking, Nosework and Therapy Dog. I have also participated in numerous parades, fairs and fund raisers to promote dog awareness, educate the public on the BMD breed and promote/educate the public on therapy dog work.

I am retired, married to Bill and currently own two Bernese Mountain Dogs. In my past professional career, I was a CPA and held various executive financial positions and several board of director positions on non-profit organizations. I have also served on several Audit and Finance Committee Boards of public companies. I am currently a member of the Presidents' Advisory Council for LaSalle University, my alma mater in Philadelphia.

Recording Secretary

Coleen Hann
(Nominate for Recording Secretary)

I have owned dogs all my life since my mom got me a dog for my first birthday. At age 12, I joined our local 4H in an obedience class with

Colleen (cont)

a rescued Golden we had. In 1998 I got my first conformation Rottweiler. On recommendation from the breeder, I attended my first basic obedience class with a trainer who also was a fellow rottie club member. I continued with that trainer, along with several others, with all my dogs for mainly house manners. I also competed in conformation. I've had 3 litters and all litters had puppies with conformation, obedience, rally and herding titles and/or championships. During those years I had Blaze (from my first litter) and competed in conformation, herding (ranked #7 in the country and went High in Trial at the Nationals), obedience (Nationally ranked #7 in Novice for Rottweilers), rally, therapy at an elementary school, dock diving for fun, and carting seminars for fun, and was high scoring dog for the DOCLC team at DOCOF for 4 years. I currently have Smoke, a 4-year-old Rottweiler. He is competing in Obedience and is therapy certified, doing visits to the Cape Coral 911 dispatch.

I am currently a member of DOCLC, the American Rottweiler Club and Colonial Rottweiler Club, and a past member of Penn Ridge KC, Blue Mountain KC, Greater Ft Myers KC. Within the various clubs the offices I have held are BOD, membership chair, herding chair for our yearly Specialty, archivist, and am currently DOCLC's recording secretary since April 2013. I have been DOCLC's Obedience trial chair for our January Trial since 2015. I have also assisted with the Cape classes since 2012.

John Lehmann
(Nominated for Recording Secretary)

56 years old, married to Shelley for 21 years. DOCLC Member since Sept. 2014. Became interested in Obedience while attending Beginner class on the Cape in early 2014, started assisting with Cape Classes and

John (cont)

joined the club to get more involved. Have 7 Obedience and Rally Obedience titles with the Pom, currently working on Obedience CDX and Rally Masters. Abbreviated history: Navy for 10 years, Manufacturing company for 14 years, Business software company (Oracle) for 11 years to present. Have participated in two National competitions for Rally Obedience. Worked with DOCOF for the past 3 years on improving & automating the Scoring / Results programs. Part of my 'day job' includes completing & distributing meeting minutes for several recurring meetings for DoD GS-14 & GS-15 chairs, and USMC Colonel, Brigadier General and Major General chairs.

Treasurer

Karen Snyder
(Nominated for Treasurer)

I have been a member of DOCLC since September 2013 and held the treasurer position from January 2015 to September 2018. Other duties have included teaching the CGC class/assisting in the Cape Coral Class, Event Committee Chair for the past few years and volunteering whenever possible.

My aunt introduced me to dogs/tracking more than 50 years ago and I was hooked on working with dogs...first Newfoundlands and now Bichon Frises. In total, my dogs have obtained 38 titles...Confirmation, Water Rescue, Carting, Obedience, Rally, CGC, Trick Dog, & Versatility in both the US and other countries. We are currently working on CDXs for both of my Bichons, Benny & Brody.

Currently, I belong to DOCLC, the Bichon Frise Club of America & the Sunshine State Bichon Frise Club of Florida (Board Member). Other memberships have been held in the northeast in various breed, obedience & performance clubs.

Karen (cont)

I retired in 2012 after more than 30 years in the health insurance field moving to Florida full-time shortly thereafter. My job was always operational in nature and included customer service, claims, legal, compliance, IT, and stand-alone organizations within the company portfolio. I am blessed with two adult children and five grandsons (two sets of twins).

Corresponding Secretary

Angela Smith
(Nominated for Corresponding Secretary)

Hi this is Angela Smith -- I have been a member of Lee County Dog Club since 2017. I am also a member of SOTC. I have been in dog training for twenty-six years since I started with my dog, Zoey, getting his CD, and 3 First Places in 3 shows. I have taught beginner classes at SOTC and am currently teaching a beginner class for our club at Dirks' Your K9s Come First in Ft Myers. I have also assisted Carol Tollini with classes at Pleasant Run on and off for over 20 years. I have also been on the Little League board in Zionsville, Indiana. I have served as secretary/treasurer of the Association Board in my neighborhood. I look forward to serving the membership of DOCLC

Baerbel (Barb) Wills
(Nominated for Corresponding Secretary)

Age: 63
Married to Ed for 45 years
Became a member of DOCLC in 2015 after moving to Cape Coral (from NH) full time and wanting a club that afforded me and my dogs a variety of classes.
In my adult life I have owned a Brittany, 2 German Wirehair Pointers, 6 dachshunds. I have attended 2 or more obedience classes with each of the dogs. Some of the dogs were strictly bird hunting dogs. I earned several titles with my dachshunds, including Field Championships, CGC, Earthdog titles through

Barb (cont)

Earthdog Excellent, TD, and more recent Scent Work titles.

I am retired, but in my professional life I worked for the NH Department of Revenue as a Taxpayer Assistance Manager and for the NH Division of Children, Youth and Families as a contract writer.

I am a past member of the North American Teckel Club (board member and treasurer), the Bay Colony Dachshund Club, Verein Deutsch Drahthaar (translated by-laws from German to English) and NAVDHA. I am a life member of the Greater Boston Area Earthdog Club (past board member).

I am an Earthdog judge (all levels) and a Field Trial judge.

During 2006 my husband and I worked on submitting a law that would allow for the use of dogs for tracking and recovering wounded game in NH. We saw this law to its successful passage through committees and legislature and in 2007 held the first 2 tracking licenses in the state.

I have previously chaired earthdog events, as well as a tracking event and been on their committees and/or volunteered for other event positions

Board of Director

Carol Tollini

(Board of Directors)

I am married and have two children. I have been in dog training for 30+ years. After a move to Florida I went to work at a bank where I became a banking officer in charge of operations. After working there for ten years, I was employed by the City of Punta Gorda in the Building Department. My true love was always working with my dogs. While still at the City, I opened Pleasant Run training, grooming and boarding. I have been in business now for 25 years. I have been on the DOCLC board

Carol (cont)

for six years. I volunteer to instruct classes and have been actively involved with our Club. I have titled many dogs and currently have two dogs. I would be pleased to serve on our Board for another term.

Jeanette Larson

(Board of Directors)

I work as Behavior Therapist, working with Developmentally Delayed, including autistic individuals from infants to adults. I have been involved in dog obedience for over 40 years. I started with the Atlanta Obedience Club then joined The Suffolk Obedience Club when we moved to Long Island. I have taught obedience, led obedience groups, and trained dogs at all levels. I have trained my dogs in tracking, agility and field work. I have been a member of DOCLC for 13 years. I started and am chairman of the corporate sponsor program for our January Trial. I have served on the board since 2010. I currently have one field bred Labrador Retriever.

Brag and New Titles

Jeanette Rogers and Yuma earned their CD at Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach

Karen Irving and Molly earned leg #2 in Novice at Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach

Terri Bell – Miley ran her first agility trial on 1/11 1st place in both Standard and Jumpers run.



Sue Netzman and Ricky earned F-Cat title in Brooksville 1/12/19



Titles earned by Members for 2018

Robby Roberts Trophy

Karen Irving

Docuf Trophy

Colleen Hann

Founders Trophy

Terri Bell

Angela Smith

Frosti & Missi earned the following

Angela (cont)

Beg. Novice, CD, CGC, Trick Dog Novice and Intermediate

Sue Netzman

Champion, Jr. Earthdog, Grand Champion, Bcat, CGC, DCAT

Donna Pellegrino

Topper – CGC, Beg. Novice

Blue Skyz – Rally Intermediate & Advance

Terri Bell

Josi - Utility Dog

Miley – CD, CDX

Shelly Lehmann

Sage - Rally Advance Excellent

John Lehmann

Lulu - Rally Advance Excellent

Jean Bobis

Mooch – FCAT

Diane Clerment

Buster Brown – Rally Intermediate, CGC

Susan Dunn

Trick Dog Novice, intermediate and Advance

Irene Le Vine

Maggie - Rally Novice

Kira - Rally Advance and Bahama Beg. Nov and Bahama CD.

Haylee – Bahama Beg. Nov.

Tess – Bahama CD

Karen Snyder

Ch. Victoire – BCAT

Don't Rock the Boat - CD

Cheryl Brook

Promise – Achiever Dog Certificate, Trick Dog Intermediate, Trick Dog Advance, Beg. Novice, CD

Norma Brook

Royal Knight – CGC, Trick Dog Novice

Doris Lewis

Libby – Graduate Open

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE NEW TITLES AND HARD WORK THAT WENT INTO ACHIEVING THOSE TITLES!

Please send me your stories and any pictures to go with them. Also send information on new titles, new puppies, and old beloved dogs.

Also send information on tests or classes being offered, new members and future meetings.

This newsletter is a work in progress. Suggestions are welcome. Remember without your input it can't survive.

Thank you,
Irene Le Vine
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Meetings & Events

Board Meeting – February 18 2019

7:30pm

Perkins on Del Prado in Cape Coral just north of the mid-point bridge.

General Membership Meeting –Jan 21, 2019

7:30pm

IHOP

13061 B, Cleveland Ave, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903

Upcoming Trials

January 26 & 27 2019 DOCL0 Obedience and Rally Trial

February 2, USDTC Sanctioned B Match

February 24 Licensed Tracking Dog Excellent Test

February 14 Barn Hunt Workshop at Das Hund Haus

Classes

New Classes Starting

Fort Myers

Monday

Nose Work, Into

Feb 4. 2019 –

6:30 pm

Intermediate/Advance

7:30 pm

Thursday next class starts 1/24

Nose Work – Advance Class

Wednesday

New Beginners started Jan 2, 2019

Angela Smith Teaching

Class starts 6:30 to 7:15

Beginner Rally with Jeanette Rogers

7:15 pm to 8:15 pm

Cape Coral

Thursday (currently in session)

New class starts Jan 3, 2019

Tracking meets monthly

Punta Gorda

Pleasant Run

25310 Zemel Road

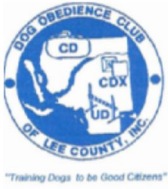
Punta Gorda, FL 33955

Cape Coral

Cape Coral City Hall

1015 Cultural Park Blvd.

Cape Coral, FL 33990



Classes

Schedule for Wednesday night training at K9's
Come First, 2558 Fourth St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Ring One:

Novice Class In Session Jan 2, 2019
6:15 to 7:15

Novice and Beginner Novice

Puppy & Beginner Classes

New classes will start:

Cape Coral

AKC Tracking

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