



# Chatter-Barks

Obedience Club of Daytona, Inc.



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January 2024

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

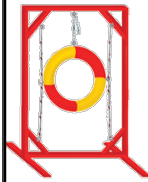
President: Pat Mozden  
Vice Pres: Kris Davenport  
Secretary: Linda Campagna  
Treasurers: Renee' Johnson  
Chris Franczek  
Board of Directors:  
Anna Johnson  
Sarah Beaudoin  
Michele Lemole

**OBEDIENCE:**  
386-212-2689 Joan C.

**AGILITY:**  
Linda Hudak  
386-295-3240

**APPLICATIONS:**  
Can be found on our  
web site  
[www.ocodb.org](http://www.ocodb.org)

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NEXT MEETING 7:00 PM  
Monday, January 8, 2024



*"Linda Hudak will discuss the upcoming  
Jan. 19, 20, 21, 2024 Agility Trial"*

## *President's Message,*

January 2024

Dear members.

As I begin a third round as OCOD President, I find myself thinking about all that has happened since I began my first (only one year) and second (4 years) experience as President: frustrated with training in a parking lot, we rented indoor space resulting in the purchase of our training facility. We invested (\$\$\$\$) in refurbishing the space with specialized flooring and a new commercial A/C system. We survived the outbreak of a dangerous canine flu that shut down dog facilities for months. We survived COVID 19 when many small businesses did not. And sadly, we have said a final goodbye to many friends – both human and canine.

We are now more experienced as property owners and in managing the complications that result from holding activities throughout the day, 7 days a week. But we still have work to do.

From my previous experience as president, I know this - I cannot do it alone. I hope each of you will reach deep inside yourself and determine what you can do to help us improve our club.

The January meeting will give time to the upcoming agility trial but the remainder of the meeting will be spent as an "open forum" to brain storm ideas from members that may help us improve the OCOD experience for everyone.

I hope you will attend.

*Pat Mozden*





New Members

Heather Alexander  
Kimberly Mowry



*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



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Club Member Dinner**

When: Saturday, **January 29**

**Time: 5:00 Sharp !**

Where: **Outback**  
**135 E. Granada Blvd. Ormond**

Call Carol Mason  
for reservations or cancellations  
386-228-3965 or e-mail her  
[carolsjeep@hotmail.com](mailto:carolsjeep@hotmail.com)

Join other Club members  
*and their quests !*



**Please Note !**

***Instructors and Assistants***  
should wear their Club Shirts  
when teaching or assisting in  
classes, so you will stand out  
from the students. If you need a  
shirt, Please contact Pat in the  
box below.

**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  
[patmozden@cfl.rr.com](mailto:patmozden@cfl.rr.com)



**Please pay with a Check !**

# Therapy Dog Testing

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

If you are interested in being evaluate please contact

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



Cheryl Robinson & Chloe



**Freestyle Dance Class**  
Starts on Sunday Afternoon  
**Start Dates**  
**January 28th**

1276 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Corner of 8<sup>th</sup> & Derbyshire, Daytona



The 7 week class covers how to select music for Freestyle, how to perform a variety of freestyle Moves, how to move in time with the music, how to choreograph a freestyle routine and how to select costumes & props to enhance the routine.



By the end of the class, students will be able to Perform a simple routine with their dog that they Have choreographed using music they have selected.

This is a FUN Class!  
Linda Campagna is the instructor.



You need to pre-register for this class, applications are on our web site

[www.dogobediencedaytonabeach.com](http://www.dogobediencedaytonabeach.com)

**Call Linda 386-848-4594**

For more information and price  
**LEAVE MESSAGE, CAN'T RECEIVE TEXT**



Kathy Nicastro

**PUPPY CLASS**

Janet Berry

## Wins & Brags

Mindy Rohr and "Keon" earned his CDX in obedience, his NAP in agility, AND his BH-VT in IGP obedience all in 2023! "Keon" and I got our BH-VT at the Top Working Dog trial in Plant City under the positive evaluation of Deb Krsnich. It rained all day but we "muddled" through!

Mindy Rohr and "Glory" earned her Conformation Championship.

Terrie Brensinger and BD's Lillie Mae "Lillie" obtained her first open leg with a 2nd place finish at the OCOD trials in December.

Cheryl Robinson and 'Chloe earned a Beginning Novice Title awarded by the amazing judge Ted McCall.

## *Congratulations*



*Congratulations!*

## "2024 Membership Dues"

**were due by Dec. 31st.  
As of January 1st add a  
\$10.00 late fee.**

Contact Patty Mills, if you have any questions.

615-773-1936 or

pattylou.mills@gmail.com

**Membership fees will be:**

**Single \$45. - Household \$60.  
- Junior \$30.  
( includes the \$10. late fee )**

**If your dues are not paid  
You have to pay  
FULL price for classes**

You can pay online or  
Mail to:  
Obedience Club of Daytona  
P.O. Box 290822  
Port Orange, Fl. 32129-0822

## OBEDIENCE CLUB OF DAYTONA

## CHRISTMAS BANQUET

DECEMBER 4, 2023

A good time was had by all. The Palmetto Club was beautifully decorated. The food was delicious and the staff took very good care of all our members. Michele called for a motion to vote on the Nominating Committee's choices for the club officers and the board members. The list was Pat Mozden for President, Kris Davenport for Vice President, Renee Johnson for Treasurer, Chris Franczek for Treasurer Assistant, and Linda Campagna for Secretary. The list for the Board of Directors was Anna Johnson, Sarah Beaudoin, and Michele Lemole. Adria made the motion to vote and it was seconded. Michele said all in favor and the vote was unanimous. Michele called on Linda Campagna for the Secretary's report and she said we have two new applications: Heather Alexander (S) Port Orange and Kimberly Mowry (S) Debary. The club thanked Michele Lemole for all the work she had done when she was president. Michele excitedly thanked everyone and told how she had been a member for 25 years. She said it had been a real honor being president and she hoped to continue seeing us all....Applause. Pat Mozden wanted to thank everyone that was at the Banquet. It's been a rough few years for the club and covid took a lot out of us. Pat hopes we will be able to build the club back to what it once was. We need everyone to help us with that. Pat would like to bring speakers back to our meetings to boost attendance. We are trying to examine continually what we're doing. The world is changing and things are changing financially. The world of dog clubs and dog activities are changing as well. We have to keep up with that or we will get left behind. Sometimes the decisions we make aren't as popular as we hoped they would be. We are so fortunate to have our facility. That does require that we have a good flow of money and that's thanks to all of you who help with our classes and help with our trials. Without that kind of activity we couldn't continue to do what we're doing. If you have suggestions, complaints or whatever I'm not hard to find. Most of you have my e-mail already. Let me know your ideas. I might tell you no we can't do that but at least I will listen to everybody. We have a variety of interest levels as well. We try to accommodate everyone as best we can. If there is something you would like to see us do to accommodate people at your level we want to know. We need everybody and we want everybody to feel they get something out of our club. I'm really proud of the building that we have. We've done a great job with it and we are still well regarded as a good facility to hold a trial in. I hope that in the coming year you will chip in to help at our trials because it takes a small army to put on a trial. I really appreciate all of the help that you give to the club. We are the club and we all help each other to stay at the level we're at and also find ways to improve and be even better. We need to offer a better product because we are not the only game in town. Today we have lots of competition for training. We need to be as good as we can be. Thank you so much.....Applause.

The raffle would be next. Thanks so much to Terrie, and her helpers Claire and Anna, who put lots of time, talent, and effort getting the products, making several baskets and selling the tickets to make money for the club. Lots of awards were given out to members who competed during 2023. The club members who did the gift exchange had lots of fun sorting through all the packages to pick out their favorite. A good time was had by all.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Campagna



## **Liebchen's Smokey Bones Mountain Mischief.**

It is Christmas Eve Morning and Smokey crossed the Rainbow Bridge 3 days ago on December 21, 2023. The pain runs very deep for Maria and I right now but I know time will heal the pain and we will focus on all of the good time and great joy that he brought of our lives.

Thirteen and a half years ago he entered our lives being the first litter of his mother, Liebchen's Summer's Song of Grace and sire Gemini's Furst Draft (Ruff). They were born with the intent of becoming service dogs. The litter of seven remained with us for 8 weeks at that time returned to New Horizon's for there training. That very day I got word that one would be sold and, in a flash, I was back at the kennel for my pick of the litter. Our choice who we considered best for obedience training was Smokey. Attention, focus and willingness to learn and to please at such a young age would prove to be his strong points in his life of competition in all dog sports. The agreement with the kennel was to train him in service dog tasks and return often to the kennel with him as a demo dog to help out with training of the new teams. The other agreement was to make him a Therapy Dog and he did that at the age of 15 months.

Smokey has these 23 titles, VCD2 UDX PUTD RM TDU MXP AJP OFP SIN SHDN THD SUPREME DJ CGCA CGCU TKA and the sport he loved most was Tracking where he had 2. It is also my most favorite sport and am now practicing with two of my younger dogs. They are new at it and both have article noses but not Smokey quality yet but time will tell. Over the last month or so as we tracked and Smokey watched, I knew he wanted in. So, on the day before he passed, I laid a track for him.

He nailed it as usual like the pro he has been. Then later that day we notice him having more trouble standing and getting around than normal. After earlier that day tracking so well, I had visions on him coming back to try for the TDX one more time. With his now trouble functioning though, I quickly scrubbed that idea. My thought was that he was too old to try and his lack of function was age related.

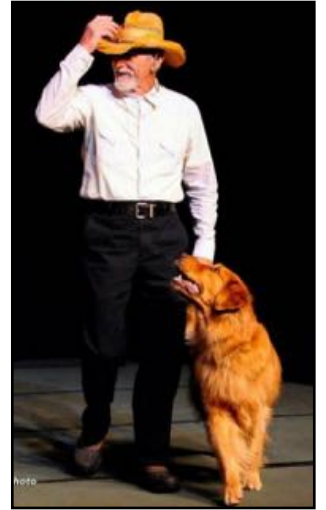
His other favorite job activity was in visiting Nursing Homes, Hospitals and where ever it was to make someone smile and be happy even if for a short time. Oddly the day before he passed on December 21, Andy Hall delivered Smokey's Therapy Dog Supreme car magnet from the MFGRC which was his last AKC title and for reaching his 600th visit. His visits total more like 800 but 600 is the top award offer by AKC.

Then on the next day December 22nd, he was even worse and threw up a mass of food. I immediately called his Vet and in minutes was on my way to the office in Deland. The initial finding found that he was bleeding through his spleen and that spleen removal was the answer. The loss of blood and oxygen was also the reason for his weakness and not his age. I gave the approval to proceed but after exploring inside him, it was obvious that many other organs were also in jeopardy. So, as a pet owner and the Doctors recommendation, the dreaded decision to put him down for his sake was made. I want to add that had we not had pet insurance to cover most of the operating expense an almost \$5000.00 cost is not taken lightly by most. In 2021, at age 11 his Vet found a mass in his stomach which she removed. That bill was also at the \$5000.00 amount.

REST IN PEACE BIG BOY, WILL SEE YOU ON THE OTHER SIDE



**Ralph Orlando and Smokey** were honored by the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club with a special award at the club's year-end party in recognition of a very significant accomplishment -- Ralph and Smokey earned the AKC's Therapy Dog Supreme title earlier this year when Smokey completed his 600th therapy dog visit. Ralph was presented with a car magnet recognizing Smokey and the AKC title. Smokey is Liebchen's Smokey Bones Mountain Mischief VCD2 UDX PUTD RM TDU MXP AJP OFF SIN SHDN THD DJ CGCA



## **OCOD CONFORMATION CLASS**

Class Dates: Wednesday  
***NEW Start Date***  
**January 10 – February 14**  
 Time 7:00 – 8:00pm  
**Instructor: Jim Danhauer**

1276 8<sup>th</sup> Street (corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and Derbyshire)  
 Dayton Beach  
 Come train/handle in an air-conditioned Matted ring setting

*"Female dogs in heat are NOT allowed in the building"*

**\$10. per night**  
 or Class Credits  
 Bring shot records if you don't have one on file with us

Mask may be required  
 But up to the Instructor at this time



Terrie Brensinger



Joyce Swegle





## Committee Chairpersons 2021

1. AKC LEGISLATION: Edd Gordon
2. AKC AMBASSADORS: Renee' Johnson & Joan Costello
3. AKC PUBLIC EDUCATION: Sandy Bailey
4. AUDIT COMMITTEE: \_\_\_\_\_?
5. BUILDING COMMITTEE: Ralph Orlando, Claire Israelson, Linda Decastro, Janet Berry
6. CALENDAR OF EVENTS: Renee' Johnson
7. CANINE GOOD CITIZEN: Ralph Orlando, Renee' Johnson, Janet Berry, Joan Costello, Lind Weaver
8. CLASS REGISTRATION OBEDIENCE: Joan Costello
9. CLASS REGISTRATION AGILITY: Linda Hudak
10. CLUB PINS: Shirley Shalansky
11. CLUB SHIRTS: Pat Mozden
12. DOCOF: Linda Hudak
13. EQUIPMENT: Ralph Orlando
14. LEASHES, COLLARS: Nina Daly
15. EVENTS: \_\_\_\_\_?
16. FAKC (Florida Association of Kennel Clubs): \_\_\_\_\_?
17. HUMANE SOCIETIES: Halifax- Pat Mozden, SEVHS \_\_\_\_\_? Flagler \_\_\_\_\_?
18. HISTORIAN: Joan Costello
19. MAIL: Joan Costello
20. MEMBERSHIP: Patty Mills
21. Newsletter: Joan Costello
22. Obedience Trials: Ralph & Maria Orlando
23. PARADE: Linda Campagna
24. PROGRAMS: \_\_\_\_\_?
25. PUBLICITY: \_\_\_\_\_?
26. PRINTING-COPIER: \_\_\_\_\_?
27. RALLY: Nancy Miles, Kelly Zen
28. RIBBONS: Kelly Zen
29. SOCIAL EVENTS: Carol Mason

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- 30. SUNSHINE PERSON: Kelly Zen
- 31. SCENT WORK: Anna Johnson
- 32. TRAINING CENTER CONTRACTS: Coralee Leon
- 33. THERAPY DOG TESTER(S): Ralph Orlando, Janet Berry, Linda Eastlake
- 34. THERAPY DOG VISITS: Ralph Orlando & Janet Berry
- 35. TRACKING: Patricia Dean
- 36. TRAINING COMMITTEE OBEDIENCE: TBD
- 37. TRAINING DIRECTORS: Obedience: Linda Hudak, Agility: Linda Hudak
  - 1. RECORDS FOR BOTH: Joan Digilio
- 38. WEB SITE: Barb Perez, Chris Franczek
- 39. WINDOW / PICTURES: Dana Connolly

We have a few positions open, please contact Linda Hudak at [randylindahudak@bellsouth.net](mailto:randylindahudak@bellsouth.net) if you would like to fill one.



**Central Florida Companion Dog Sports  
CDSP Sanctioned Trials  
February 10th and 11th 2024  
2 Trials Each Day  
All Trials: Utility C/B/A. Novice C/B/A**

**This is a titling event under Companion Dog Sports Program rules and regulations. Open to all dogs of any breed and any ability – including mixed breeds.  
Go to [www.companiondogsportsprogram.com](http://www.companiondogsportsprogram.com) for more information.**

**Hosts and Location**

**Central Florida Companion Dog Sports**

***Trials will be held at: Obedience Club of Daytona 1276 8th St***

<b>JANUARY TO MAY CLASS SCHEDULE</b>			
<b>January to May</b>		Revised 12/18/23	
<b>CLASS &amp; TIME</b>	<b>Start/End Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Instructor and assistant</b>
<b>Puppy</b>			
Thu 5:00PM	1/4 - 2/15	Rings 4 & 5	Daly, Collar
Tue 9:00AM	1/16 - 2/27	Rings 4 & 5	Eastlake, Govoni, Collar
Wed. 6:00PM	2/7 - 3/20	Rings 4 & 5	Eastlake,
<b>Basic</b>			
Thu 7:00PM	1/4 - 2/15	Ring 4	Daly, Collar
Wed 6:00PM	1/17 - 2/28	Ring 3	Angel, Hendricks
Tues. 7:00PM	2/13 - 3/26	Ring 4	Harrington,
Tue 1:00PM	2/27 - 4/9	Ring 4	Daly,
Tue 6:00PM	3/5 - 4/16	Ring 3	Mozden, Beaudoin
Thu 6:00PM	3/21 - 5/9	P.O City Center, skip 4/18	Tomlinson, Bell
<b>Canine Good Citizen</b>			
Wed. 6:00PM	3/6 - 4/17	Ring 3	Brensinger, Mozden
<b>Intermediate</b>			
Thu 6:00PM	1/4 - 2/15	Ring 3	Costello, Cail, Gordon
Thu 6:00PM	2/29 - 4/11	Ring 3	Costello, Cail, Gordon
<b>Intermediate Plus</b>			
Wed 6-7:30PM	starts Jan. if any interest	Ring 1	Connolly
<b>Novice Comp.</b>			
Thu 6:00PM		Ring 2	A. Johnson
Mon 11:45		Ring 2	Massaro
<b>Open</b>	Mondays	monthly	M. Orlando
Mon 9:30AM	Mondays	monthly	M. Orlando
<b>Utility</b>			
Mon 10:30AM	Mondays	monthly	Scott, Massaro
<b>Open/Utility Comp.</b>			
Tue 5-6:30PM	Tuesdays	limit 8, sign up book, Ring 1&2	R. Johnson, Berry
<b>Rally</b>			
Mon 4-6PM	Mondays	By Appt: 386.299.1500	Miles
<b>Fun Agility</b>			
Tue.. 6:00PM	Tuesdays	monthly	Israelson, VanHorn
<b>Agility Handling</b>			
Wed	Wednesdays	at SSBC	Hudak, Lemole
<b>Scentwork</b>			
Fri 9:00AM	Drop in, call for 1st visit	not on 1st Friday	A. Johnson, L. Weaver
Fri 5:00PM	Drop in, call for 1st visit	not on 1st Friday	A. Johnson
<b>Conformation</b>			
Wed 7:00PM	January 10 - February 14	Ring 2	Danhauer

<b>Beginner Rally</b>			
<b>Free</b>			
Wed - 3:00PM	Jan-24	Ring 1	Connolly
<b>Rally Free</b>			
<b>Dance</b>			
Wed 5:00PM	January, 2024	Ring 1	Connolly
<b>Proofing &amp; Distractions</b>			
<b>Adv. Utility</b>			
Mon 8:30AM	Mondays	Must be an active exhibitor	Swegle, Hulett
<b>1 on 1 Prob. Solving</b>			
Thu 10-11:00AM	Reserved appt. members only	Rings 1 & 2	Massaro
<b>Ring Time</b>			
OB/RLY Match	12/2		
OB/RLY Trials	12/9		
Maybe	12/16		
Maybe	12/23		
Maybe	12/30		
Maybe	1/6		
<b>Beginner Dance</b>			
Sun 2:00PM	call Linda Campagna	386.848.4594	no text
<b>Advanced Dance</b>			
Sun 3:30PM	call Linda Campagna	386.848.4594	no text
<b>SPRAY</b>			
1st Friday	first Fridays of month	3 hours to dry	
<b>Ring Rental</b>	call Linda Hudak	appt. only 386.295.3240	
<b>Legend:</b>	7 Week Class GREEN	Monthly Class RED	Pay By Night Class BLUE



**From Ralph Orlando about our December Obedience & Rally Trials**

Well another very successful series of 3 days of trialing has now passed. As I mentioned in my pre-trial messages that went out to those volunteer stewards who said I WILL GLADLY DO IT. The stewards will make or break a trial and you all shined. Lots of praise my way from judges and exhibitors.

And then there is Linda Campagna who for many weeks has been working hard to fill the vacant steward positions. Then with a few days left to GO day, she had all the spots filled.

When the last dog competed on Sunday at 2pm the work did not end since we now had to clean up, rearrange equipment and get the TC back to training conditions. So thanks to the 6 of you who stayed to take care of all of that, we are back to a training set up.

Thank you also to all of you who brought baked goods and goodies for our for our snack table.

I am not sure you are aware of it but being a trial steward now gives you CLEANING Credits which allow you to get members discounted prices on classes.

There is a list located in the Cleaning Sign up book on the up front table which I left there as a record. Each shift worked equals a cleaning day.

Thank you all again for stewarding  
Trial Chair Ralph

**Letter from Judges Cathy & Bob Knight**

*Maria and Ralph,*

*Please share out Thanks with all the hard working club members that made your Trial weekend work so well. Your Club puts on top rate Trials always enjoyed and we were happy to be part of it all! Wishing everyone a Wonderful Holiday Season and many Green ribbons in 2024!*

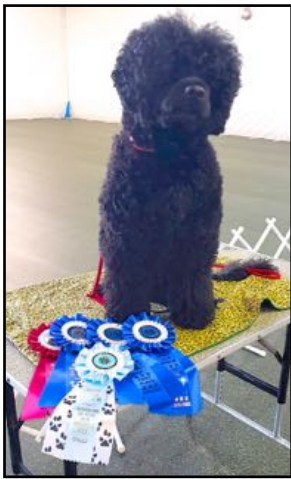
*Cathy & Bob Knight*



## **Title Awards for 2023**



Handler	Dog Name	Call Name	Title	Date of Title
Berry, Janet	Daydream Dixie Sunrise	Dixie		
		Gypsy	FCAT4	3/4/23
			SWA	4/15/23
			SEA	4/1/23
			SHDE	9/16/23
			SBM	9/15/23
			SCM	9/15/23
			SEE	10/15/23
			SWE	10/15/23
Zen, Kelly		Jett	SCN	4/22/23
			CDSPN	5/14/23
			SCNE	10/15/23
			RATNX	11/5/23
		PIPER	SHDA	9/16/23
		CHICHI	SHDNE	10/14/23
Wadelton, Nancy		Ripley	CGCU	7/1/23
			FITB	7/20/23
			RN	4/14/23
			RI	9/9/23
Rohr, Mindy	Clear Days E King Kamehameha	Keon	CDX	5/6/23
			NAP	12/1/23
			NAJP	12/1/23
			BH	12/1/23
	Absolute's Bigfoot's Written in the Stars	Glory		
			CH	7/8/23



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*No mail received at  
 Training Center*

# DOG Training



## 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan. 13-14 Rachel Flatley Seminar
- Jan. 19-20-21 OCOD Agility Trials
- Feb. 4 OCOD Tracking Trial
- Feb. 10-11 CDSP Obedience Trial
- Apr. 19-20-21 Scent Work Trials
- Apr. 27 Eye Clinic
- May 4-5 K-9 of Jacksonville Trials
- July 19 Clean Toy for Sent Work Trial
- July 12-13-14 OCOD Obedience & Rally Trials



**AGILITY!**

**OCOD Agility Trial  
 Set-up Thursday,  
 January 18  
 Agility Trial  
 January 19, 20, 21**

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