



The Hydrant



Official Newsletter of the DOCOH

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Welcome!

To the May/June issue of The Hydrant!



Meeting Place this month — Zoom

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Hydrant Submissions:

Email add submissions (articles, photos, event notices, brags, etc.) by the last day of the month to the Editor @info@dogclubofhollywood.com.

Be sure to include your name, phone number and email address.

Please submit articles as .doc or .docx (not PDF) and pictures as .jpeg or .gif format. Submitted items need to be attachments and not embedded into an email. In photos, please identify and individuals (persons and dogs!)

All submissions may be edited for brevity and/or clarity. We reserve the right to not publish all submissions.

Questions?

Email info@dogclubofhollywood.com

DOCOH Monthly Meetings, Event Dates and Trial Dates

Regular Monthly Meetings: (Currently held on Zoom)

Meetings are held on the third Monday of every month at 7:30pm

June 21, 2021

December 20, 2021

July 19, 2021

January 17, 2022

August 16, 2021

February 21, 2022

September 20, 2021

March 21, 2022

October 18, 2021

April 18, 2022

November 15, 2021

May 16, 2022

Board of Directors Meetings:

None Scheduled

Special Events:

None Scheduled

DOCOH Trials:

Obedience—None Scheduled

Agility—None Scheduled

Tracking—None Scheduled until 2022

DOCOH Classes

Classes are starting to resume post COVID-19 closing.

More class information to come in the July Hydrant!

For more information on upcoming Obedience Classes:

Contact Stacy Santarone at stacium@hotmail.com

For more information on upcoming Agility Classes:

Contact Jeff Greiff (jgreiff@outlook.com) or Annette Smith

Ongoing Tracking Activities

Tracking practice will held on most Saturdays at 7:30am at Rolling Oaks Park, 17630 SW 56th St, Southwest Ranches, FL 33331

Contact Stacy Santarone for more information and to confirm practice at stacium@hotmail.com

Regular Meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF THE MAY 17, 2021 ZOOM GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by President Alyson Casper at 7:40 PM.

The Minutes of the 4/19 meeting were accepted as amended as follows: p 3 – Corresponding Secretary Position – Stacy Santarone will not be the “The Hydrant” editor. Annette Smith volunteered to produce the May issue.

Members Present: Alyson Casper, Linda Frank, Colleen Kessler, Kathleen Keyte, Carol Ann Klein, Dawn Morris, Janis Neff, Tina Pietrzik, Stacy Santarone, Lil Sayre, Helene Shillington, Annette Smith, and Rae Towsley

Guests: Joe Shillington and Caybre Ferrari

This is our Tenth General Meeting via Zoom, and they are going well.

Reports of the Officers:

President’s Report – Alyson Casper advised that Life Member Jana Thomas, who has been ill with various conditions for many years has requested to be placed in Hospice. This was relayed to Alyson by Jana’s friend, Susan Russell.

Vice President’s Report – No report.

Corresponding Secretary’s Report – Stacy Santarone has volunteered for this position and gave a report on our Vertical Response Program.

Treasurer’s Report – Annette Smith, gave her report. She also mentioned that there will be a joint May-June Hydrant.

Committees:

Obedience – There is a Star Puppy Class starting 5/18. Alyson will teach. Tina and Stacy will apprentice. There will be a Drill class 3 weeks a month. On the 4th week, the teacher will work in some fun training. The class will start 6/1.

Joe Shillington – asked about apprenticing for an Obedience class. He was told that a person must be a club member and apprentice under two different teachers for two classes.

Tracking – Stacy advised that tracking is doing well.

Communications Committee – Stacy mentioned that the Vertical Response Program can send emails. We should all be receiving them.

Agility – Jeff Greiff will start a Foundation class in August.

Regular Meeting Minutes (Continued)

Committees (Continued):

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Old Business:

Trainer's Meeting - Stacy is to coordinate a Trainers' meeting shortly. She also advised we need more teachers.

Membership List – Annette advised that the Membership Roster will be sent out with the Hydrant.

Harryette Roth – the club will make a \$100 donation in memory of Harryette Smith to German Shorthaired Pointer Rescue.

Annette Smith mentioned that she is deeply concerned re the size of the club over the past year. She said she is encouraged by some new people signing up. Helene Shillington advised that her husband, Joe, is thinking of taking part in the club.

Corresponding Secretary Position – With Stacy taking on this position, a new Board member is needed. A replacement will be recommended to the Board by the May meeting. The Board makes the appointment.

New Business:

Website – Alyson contacted Kimberly who does the OTC website. General website maintenance runs \$69 per month. We can hire retainers for \$150 per hour to update the website.

Club Business – Alyson requested that during meetings participants speak one at a time so that the Secretary can keep up with club business while recording the minutes.

Future Meetings: Following are proposed meeting locations for 2021: We will have Zoom meetings on the third Monday of each month until further notice:

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ann Klein, Recording Secretary

In Memoriam

Although the last year has been very hard for the Dog Obedience Club of Hollywood due to the Pandemic, these past few months have been especially hard on us. Just as we were looking forward to re-opening and seeing all of our friends again, we have lost three Life Members. Below are some remembrances about Jean Lunsford, Harryette Roth and Jana Thomas. These stalwarts of the Club will be sorely missed and we wish them peace and joy as they reunite with their loved dogs at the Rainbow Bridge.

Harryette Roth (remembered by Carol Ann Klein):

Harryette was a working member of the club since joining in March 1995. During these years, at one time or another, she was President, Vice President, Secretary, Board Member, Training Director, Household & Beginning Obedience Teacher, S.T.A.R Puppy Teacher, Tricks Instructor, & Canine Good Citizen Evaluator, Life Member and her starring role as Editor of The Hydrant. She answered the club telephone and either answered questions or directed the caller to the proper person who could help them out. She was the one who found the restaurants where we held our Christmas parties. She was the one who arranged days in the park where we would get together with our dogs for the afternoon. In the olden days when the club did demos in various places, she was always there to lend a hand. The club has suffered a big loss with the passing of Harryette.



Jean Lunsford (remembered by Carol Ann Klein)

Jean was a Life Member. She joined the DOCOH in 1992. She was always in charge of food. When the club used to have trials, it was Jean that always put together the lunches for the judges and the members. When we had trials, she was always there to help set up & tear down. She was one of the few club members who put an OTCH on her sheltie. She moved to North Carolina about 10 years ago, but always remained a member, always donated to the trophy fund, and was always interested in what was going on with the club.

Jana Thomas (remembered by Annette Smith)

Jana was the most senior active Life Member having joined the Club in 1977. She served the Club in many capacities over the years including as an instructor, Board member and an active proponent of Club outreach and demonstrations. Jana also trained and/or competed in obedience, agility, tracking, lure coursing and more — she never let limitations stop her!

Jana's true legacy lies in her long standing work performing therapy dog work. I had the pleasure and privilege of going with her to nursing home and sharing herself and her dogs with those folks that needed that special care the most. She was a true advocate of the important work done by therapy dogs in South Florida. Jana and her work will be sorely missed.

