

OKLAHOMA CITY OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB OCOTC COURIER



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Next Meeting

March 21, 2017

April 18, 2017

May 16, 2017

All Club meetings
are at 7:30 pm and held
at the training building.

Arthur McCasland Award

The highlight of our 2016 Christmas party was the presentation of the Arthur McCasland Award to recipient, Betsy Staton. Angie Dayton presented the award to Betsy to commemorate this honor.

Betsy shows her devotion to our club on a daily basis. She happily volunteers and gets the job done. She teaches, she works as different chairs/committees for our trials, and volunteered to be on the board. The plaque was not ready at the time of the presentation so it was presented to her later during a board meeting. Congratulations!!!



Christmas Party 2016

The party was a smashing success. Thanks for Robert taking the time to plan and make sure that the party was one to remember.

January Fun Match 2017

The match held in January was very successful. The club made around \$1000 (give or take). We had 3 CGC tests administered on Sunday and all three passed. The board wants to thank everyone who volunteered to work the tables, judge the entrants and just help all around with everything that needed to be done.

PROUD ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND OTHER NEWS

February 2017 graduates from the Puppy classes Congratulations!!!
We had several people pass the puppy star testing, but I haven't been able to find any pictures. Congratulations to all!

February 2017 graduates from the Beginner classes Congratulations!!!



February 2017 graduates from the Novice classes Congratulations!!!



Congratulations to Jennifer Bianchi and her Corgi Skye. They recently won the 2 firsts and 2 seconds in obedience and Rally in Wichita Falls.



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT: It was brought to my attention that we need to include business info in the newsletter by one of the members. So here is the information that has been going on.

- We had a successful Fun Match in January.
- We vote in new members in January. We will be voting on another new membership in March. So if you can come to the meeting in March it would be greatly appreciated. In February we didn't have a quorum of members in attendance. So we didn't vote on anything. Just discussed the issues that we are having with the State Fair Grounds and their new rules on food and other new expenses. Angie D is diligently working on to resolve those issues. Saturday Trial 1 will be in memory of Valerie Trumbly, Saturday Trial 2 will be in memory of Jim Wright, Sunday Trial is in memory of Jetta - Ch AprilGold's Signature Girl UD GN RAE NA NAJ ASCA CDX HIC (10/27/2000-9/3/2016)
- Premium for the Spring Trial is out on Onofrio's web site.

Board business-

- Main board business is discussing the upcoming Trial and current classes starting at the end of February, beginning of March.
- A new policy was voted on for the use of our Facility. The changes have been made to the Rules and Regulations document.
- We received a \$100 gift as a "Valerie Trumbly Memorial"
- OCOTC board did vote to have another fun match in June 24-25. This is the weekend before the OKCKC Summer Classic shows. So you can get a chance to practice before those shows. The OCOTC board is looking into doing a pet CPR class. It is in the beginning stages, no date, time or cost has been concluded at this time.
- OCOTC will be holding an AKC Judges seminar for Obedience and Rally in September.
- OCOTC will be holding a Peggy McConnell Seminar in July. Flyer to be released soon on the cost etc.
- Treasurer Report for December: 12/01/16 beg balance \$14,644.92, deposits \$2,245.85, expenses \$4,253.20 – Ending balance 12/31/16 \$12,637.57
- Treasurer Report for January: 1/1/17 Beginning Balance \$12,637.57, deposits \$4,690.00, expenses \$3894.81 – Ending balance 13,432.76

Other Thoughts – Elections will be in June as always. If you are thinking that you might want to serve on the board in some capacity, please let Angie Dayton know. She is Chairing the nomination committee this year. Every office except the corresponding secretary has been in that position for two years. That can extend past the two year with membership approval in June. Consider making a commitment to be on the board for at least a year and see the how the day to day business is handled by the board. I will say although in our Rules and Regulations it doesn't say anything about computer skills, but it does help in some of the positions if you have them.

Here are some requirements to consider when thinking about the offices.

President - Shall have been a club member for at least three years; and shall have held at least one other club office for at least one year. (Does not have to be on the current board, just have to have been on the board at one time)

Vice President - Shall have been a club member for at least three years.

Recording Secretary - Shall be a club member skilled in typing and/or secretarial work. (Not listed in the rules, but should be able to have some computer skills in typing up the minutes of the meetings.)

Corresponding Secretary – is the same as the Recording Secretary, however the duties are different. This secretary makes sure all letters and notifications get sent to AKC and Members as needed.

Treasurer - Shall be a club members fully knowledgeable and experienced in keeping financial records. (Computer skills is a plus for this position in order to do financial reports.)

Training Director - Shall have been a club members for at least three years; shall have participated in the training program as an instructor for at least two years; shall have trained a dog at least through a CDX title. (We currently have several members that meet this requirement)

Directors - Shall have been a club member for at least two years.

The duties of each of these offices are listed in the Constitution and Bylaws of the OCOTC.

Please keep Perry Dillon in your thoughts and Prayers. He has been fighting a chronic illness for years and has gotten worse in the last year. He has been moved into a facility so that he has 24 hour care. He was a long time instructor and I personally miss his classes. He was very encouraging, but wouldn't hold back in telling you what you need to correct as well.

If you have any stories or things you want to see in the Newsletter please let us know, the club email address is OCOTC100@gmail.com.

Current President

Susan McClintick

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