



Training Times

Training Dogs to be Good Citizens

Dog Obedience Club of Lee County

March 2015

Save the dates:

- General Meeting Monday, March 16th, 7:30 PM at Perkins (US 41 south of Crystal Dr.) 7:00 if you plan to eat dinner.
- Monday, April 20th at 7:30, the board meets at Perkins in Cape Coral.



New member: **Tracy Gustafson**;

Voting at the general meeting on new membership for: **Susan Dunn**

Record breaking trial ...

Our January 2015 trial was a tremendous success. We had twenty more entries than the year before; and thanks to super salesperson, junior handler Taylor, we nearly doubled our raffle revenue. The extra volume created a few glitches but all was resolved and compliments outnumbered complaints by a wide margin.

We all owe a big THANK YOU to Carol Tollini and Peep Stevens for their Good Sportsmanship by giving up their hard-earned Qualifying ribbons the day of the trial. At the end of the day on Sunday we ran out of qualifying ribbons for the last class of the trial. Their thoughtfulness helped us survive the larger-than-expected number of entries!

Also thank you to everyone who helped set up, steward, tear down, cook, clean, and donate make this event possible.



Junior Handler Taylor and Blaze with Judge Deborah Desjardine, DOCLC Trial 2015

Classes...

Cape Coral:

The winter trimester classes are finally wrapping up in Cape Coral. We had a cold day and a rain day which delayed the last day of class until March 19th. We've turned in our winter coats and umbrella for sunglasses and shorts to finish out the eight weeks.

Puppy and Beginner spring classes begin on March 26th. Registration is through Cape Coral Parks and Rec.

ABC4K9s:

What's happening now: Becky Rash just graduated a group of Canine Good Citizens and Cathy Niles's Advanced Novice class is in progress. Train on your own opportunities continue on Wednesday nights.

Private Lessons: Do you have a problem that needs some special help? Need help with learning a new exercise? or just want to improve your scores? Cathy Niles will be available to do private lesson at ABC4K9's during the day on Wednesdays. Cost is \$50 per hour. You can reach Cathy if you would like to schedule a lesson time.

Rally Novice Class: A new rally novice class will start on Sunday, April 12 at 2:00PM at ABC4K9s. This is a four week class on the basics of Rally focusing on interpreting the signs and perfecting

skills to get ready for competition or as a refresher. The cost is \$80 for non-members and members receive a 50% discount.

Braggs...

Terri Bell reported that at the DOCLC trial: Jenni earned her 1st leg in Utility A with a 188 for 2nd place. At the SOTC trial on 2/8: Josi had a 196 in Open B. And at Everglades Golden Spec. 2/27: Jenni earned her 2nd leg in Utility A and was Hi Toller in Trial for the Toller Supported Entry . Josi Q'd in Open B and was Hi Golden and 3rd overall in the class.

Cathy Thompson posted on Facebook that Joy earned her first leg in Rally Novice. What a smart puppy!