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Next MOC Membership Meeting

AWARDS BANQUET

April 6th (Wednesday)

<< Meeting Starts @ 7:00 pm >>

Longhorn Steakhouse

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Miami, FL 33172

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The Miami Obedience Club, Inc.

Officers:

President: Mylene Arza

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*Jackie Kurzban, , Trina Chicvara. Wien Yu,
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Canine Comments

Carol Clark

Our Obedience Trial is only a month away. If you haven't already pledged to donate for awards, please consider doing so now. Because it's three trials in two days, we need even more support from the membership than in the past. Also, In a tough economy with ever-rising travel expenses, we have to work a little bit harder to make our trials attractive to competitors.

If you've already pledged award money, please give it to me in an envelope with your name and amount written on the outside, hopefully at the May meeting, and I thank you in advance.

To make entering trials easier, check out Oaklines.Com. Click on "Express Entries" at the bottom of the page, and follow directions from there. After you enter your information for each dog, to enter trials, you only need to fill in the club's name, dates, amounts and what you are entering. It saves all the tedious registration numbers, dam and sire information, etc. Print, and mail with your check. It's free!

Carol



**Minutes of the General Meeting
April 6, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Mylene Arza at Denny's restaurant located at 5825 NW 36th St., Miami FL, 33166. Carol called roll and brags were shared.

Mylene read the minutes of the March meeting. Corrections to the minutes March 2011 were as follows:

Add to obedience trial- Jill stated that the Premium lists have been sent. Need insurance for the trial at the Fair Expo Center, Arnold Hall, a month before our trial date.

Correction- in CGC change eight people to six.

Correction-Under the motion in New Business, delete Nancy A. as having said that instructors must attend a specific number of meetings.

Change "dog aggression seminar" in Old Business to "behavior modification clinic".

Change – the word "delegated" to "gave" after membership rabies certificates.

Motion made by Carol Ann to approve minutes as added and corrected, 2nd by Carol, motion approved.

Committees:

Correspondence- Carol received premium lists from Brevard County DTC for their obedience and rally trials.

Treasurer- No report due to illness.

Obedience Trial – Jill reported that Pre-Novice was left out of premium list for Sunday so new premiums have been sent with pre-novice added.

Agility Trials- Cori reported that the Oct trial will have four days of the following Standard, Jumpers, T2B and three days of fast. Dates in 2012 Oct. 20-23.

Obedience training- no report

Agility training- Jackie reported the agility committee consists of Debbie R., Debbie W., Jackie, Cori and Nancy A.. The "obedience for agility" class might start in June on Monday nights.

CGC-Carola will give the test on April 25 with help from Laurie.

DACOF-Dave reported that we may have two teams, composition to be determined.

DOCOF-4th of Sept.

Finance-Dave reported that Nancy had provided the committee with 3 years of financial reports.. Their goals are budgeting, finding out where money goes and where money comes from.

Membership-no report

Sunshine-no report

Education- Jackie reported that there have been distemper outbreaks. She recommended that we check our dogs titers for this disease.

Library- no report

Scooper-no report

Web-site-no report

Equipment-Cori reported that she and Keith are updating the list to judges of our equipment.

Old Business- Nancy reported the votes of the members present that the awards banquet will be held at the Longhorn in Doral.

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Standing Rules-Trina reported that she has been reading old minutes and will present current standing rules. These will be distributed by mail and email. She will also publish questionable ones that were not voted on.

New Business- Motion by Vicki that club purchase tape recorder;2nd by Carol. Motion passed.

Trina reported that she has purchased updated Rally signs and new Beginner Novice signs for use in the classes and for the trial.

Carol Ann motioned to adjourn, seconded by Carol. ,Motion passed.

*Respectfully submitted by Clair Jill Sidran,
Recording Secretary*

MINUTES NOT APPROVED UNTIL NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes of the Board Meeting April 6, 2011

Board Meeting called to order at 9:18 pm. In attendance were Mylene,Carol,Nancy, Jill, Jackie and Trina. Absent Linda, Wien and Keith.

Correction of previous board minutes by Nancy; Mylene stated that she had received a letter from the member about the late submission-added "of dues".

Nancy corrected Check signers need to be bonded-add "research needs to be done".

Nancy corrected Discussion on club members who will be 3rd signature-add "on the clubs checking account".

Nancy changed "provided profit and loss statement" –to "written report given".

Need Feb statement not March.

Addition left out previously-Jill brought up that the rules governing ballots in the future should be addressed. Is it correct about the additional values given when balloting for the board members? Trina will check on what is correct.

Current Board Meeting Business:

Keith called Mylene and said he would be absent tonight and will be absent in May due to surgery. Discussion followed about his attendance,-board members must attend 4 out of 6. Mylene will call him.

3rd signature-Mylene will call a member for third signature on checking account..

Mylene failed to bring guidelines about Scooper but will bring to next meeting.

Discussion about Agility. Mylene stated that there is no agility training director.

Nancy wondered why Carol Ann Klein was still listed as an obedience director.-was she replaced. Cecilia is the director and Carol C. will make the change in the Scooper.

In June the membership committee. chair responsibilities will be discussed.

Mylene stated that the direction of the constitution should be to align our constitution with the recommendations of the AKC, review membership categories,update to reflect current club realities and use previous committee work.

Trina motioned to adjourn. Adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Claire Bradshaw
Sidran,PhD
Recording Secretary

Sunshine Corner

Wow, is it nice to report good news! My Sunshine is to congratulate Phil and Jill Sidran on becoming grandparents to a baby girl, Sadie.

Congratulations also go to Carol Ann and Les Klein for the adoption of their new baby dachshund, Chester.

Congratulations on your growing families!

Debbie Willey Sunshine Chair

Happy Birthday!!!

The following MOC members will celebrate B-Day's in May:

✚ Marilyn Leff

✚ Dave Proe

✚ Lynn Proe



Mickey's Tip of the month



When taking a bite into a chocolate bunny, 76% of Americans prefer to bite off the ears first. 5% eat the feet first and 4% eat the tail first. Don't wanna know what the other 15% prefers:)
WooF! Mickey -The Schapendoes

Helpful Tips

The American Kennel Club® Offers Tips on How to Assemble a Disaster Preparedness Kit for Your Dog

A surge of wildfires, floods, and record-breaking tornados this year have proved that hurricane season isn't the only time you should be prepared for the worst. If you own pets, the likelihood that you and your animals will survive a natural disaster depends largely on being prepared to evacuate at a moment's notice. The American Kennel Club® (AKC) offers the following tips on how to assemble a pet disaster preparedness kit.

Food and water. Keep at least three days of food in an airtight, waterproof container and at least three days of water specifically for your pets in addition to water you need for yourself and your family.

Medicines and medical records. Keep an extra supply of medicines your pet takes on a regular basis in a waterproof container.

First aid kit. Talk to your veterinarian about what is most appropriate for your pet's emergency medical needs. Most kits should include cotton bandage rolls, bandage tape and scissors; antibiotic ointment; flea and tick prevention; latex gloves, isopropyl alcohol and saline solution; pet first aid reference book.

Collar with ID tag, harness or leash. Your pet should wear a collar with its rabies tag and identification at all times. Pack a backup leash, collar and ID tag. Keep copies of your dog license, vaccination documents and medical records in a clean plastic bag or waterproof container. You should also consider a permanent identification such as microchipping, and enrolling your pet in a recovery database. Visit www.akccar.org to learn more about microchips.

Crate or other pet carrier. Be prepared to take your pets with you in an evacuation by having a sturdy, safe, comfortable crate or carrier ready for transporting your pet. The carrier should be large enough for your pet to stand, turn around and lie down.

Sanitation. Include pet litter and litter box if appropriate, newspapers, paper towels, plastic trash bags and basic household chlorine bleach.

A picture of you and your pet together. If you become separated from your pet during an emergency, a photo will help you document ownership and allow others to assist you in identifying your pet. Include detailed information about species, breed, age, sex, color, distinguishing characteristics and microchip number.

Familiar items. Put favorite toys, treats, or bedding in your kit to help reduce stress for your pet.

Additional tips on how to prepare your pets for emergencies can be found on the AKC Website at http://www.akc.org/news/disaster_preparedness/.

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BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION CLINIC

LISA RADOSTA, DVM, DACVB

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2011

HOSTED BY THE MIAMI OBEDIENCE CLUB

AT THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF GREATER MIAMI

MOC is pleased to present a one-day Behavior Modification Clinic with Dr. Lisa Radosta. One of only 54 board certified veterinary behaviorists in the US, she is trained in veterinary medicine, clinical behavior problems, learning theory, psychopharmacology, and behavior modification. Dr. Radosta has lectured in the US as well as internationally at veterinary conferences. She has worked one-on-one with animal aggressive behaviors as well as trained and shown her own dogs, Rottweilers, in Obedience, Tracking, and Therapy work. Dr. Radosta teaches reactive dog classes and works with canine aggression clients. You can find out more about Dr. Radosta at www.livebehavior.com.

On May 21, 2011, Dr. Radosta will present a 6-hour clinic (9:00 AM – 4:00 PM) at the Humane Society of Greater Miami, 18101 West Dixie Highway, North Miami Beach, FL 33160. The clinic is limited to 55 people. There are several fast food facilities close to the Humane Society for lunch.

There will be approximately 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of demonstration covering the following topics:

- Basic Tools
- Body Language
- Causes of aggression
- Expectations
- Liability
- Management of dogs who are aggressive
- Pitfalls
- Recognition of techniques used to alleviate aggression in dogs

The last subject will include demonstrations with people and their pre-selected dogs.

The cost of the clinic for MOC members is \$35 and \$45 for non-members.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

MOC Member: \$35 _____ Non-Member: \$45 _____

Please mail your registration and check to Carol Ann Klein, 534 NE 94 Street, Miami Shores, FL 33138 by May 13, 2011. For questions, please call or e-mail Carol Ann at 305-751-9988 or caak@bellsouth.net or Nancy Bloom at 305-891-8391 or nabloom@bellsouth.net.