



# ON LEAD

VOLUME 49 NUMBER 4 April 2025

On Lead Editor - Nancy Lincoln lincolnbw@aol.com  
Corresponding Secretary - Patricia Shelton patricia.ann.shelton@gmail.com



## NEXT MEETING

**Thursday**  
**April 17, 2025 - 7:00**

**NCOTC Training Bldg**  
**4401 N. Hwy 67**  
**Florissant, MO**



## NEW MEMBER

**Karla Sauerwein**  
**O'Fallon, MO**

## CANDIDATES

**Pamela Wollenberg**  
**St. Louis, MO**

**Jim Comunale**  
**Ballwin, MO**

## **NCOTC OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS**

President	Tim Cutshall
Vice President	Tony Matteoni
Treasurer	Nancy Lincoln
Recording Secretary	Carol Carter
Corresponding Secretary	Pat Shelton
Training Director	B. J. Arnold
Board Members	Loren Shelton
	Missy Kichline
	Bryan Clifford

**WEB SITE: NCOTC.COM**



gg60598480 GoGraph.com



## **The President's Gavel**

Greetings members. Don't forget that our meeting this month will be held at the club training building. Please bring along a chair.

We have several events in the near future. Our Show N Go will be held May 3rd at WestInn and our June trial will be June 20,21,22 also at WestInn

Please volunteer and help out wherever you can.

Happy Training!!

Tim

### **TRAINING DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Classes are going well, most importantly, we have not had to cancel classes due to snow and ice. The puppy class did cancel one week as the tornadoes were moving into our area. It is also nice that the evening classes are not being held in total darkness due to daylight savings time.

We have a few Rally folks who are polishing their skills getting ready for RNC this July at Purina.

The building is open to members who wish to practice for upcoming events when classes are not in session. Remember to sign in and vacuum after use. If you do not have a key, please contact me.

Another reminder, Monday 5:30 is a member practice session. This is a good time to proof your dog, have distractions with other dogs and experience various training techniques - we can always learn from each other.

BJ



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

---

## — UPCOMING EVENTS

Show and Go - May 3, 2025

Obedience/Rally Trial - June 20-22, 2025

Obedience/Rally Trial - October 3-5, 2025

Novice Obedience/Rally Trial - December 6-7,

FastCAT Trial - October 25-26, 2025



---

## -- MEETING CHANGE - April 17 - NCOTC Training Building

Due to Maundy Thursday, the church will not be available. Bring a chair to the meeting, just in case.

## — FASTCAT TRIAL CANCELED

Remember our April 19-20 trial is canceled due to the bad weather at Purina.

## — SHOW AND GO

May 3 at Westinn. Volunteers get a free entry.

## — LINDBERGH ROAD WORK

Roadwork will be starting on Lindbergh on 4/14. The understanding is that it will begin at Walmart, leaving one lane open toward our building.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL

Kathy Pinkas - 21

MAY

Sharon Dash - 4



# Future Obedience, Agility, FastCAT Trials

Check the AKC web site for accuracy

## April 2025

- 04-06 Tri-County Agility Club - Agility @ Westinn
- 05-06 Show-Me Agility Club - Obedience @ Coloumbia
- 11-13 Greater St Louis Agility Club - Agility @ Kim's
- 18-20 Capital Canine TC Springfield, IL - Agility @ Westinn
- 25-26 Show Me Agility Club - Agility @ Columbia



## May 2025

- 02-04 Triune Agility Club - Agility @ Wood River
- 03 **NCOTC Show & Go - Obedience & Rally @ Westinn**
- 09-11 Capitol Canine TC Springfield, IL - Agility @ Glen Carbon
- 17-18 Greater St. Louis OTC - Obedience @ Westinn
- 23-25 Greater St. Louis Sheltie Club - Agility @ Wood River
- 29 Gateway Terrier Association - 2 Rally trials @ Purina



## June 2025

- 06-08 Mound City OTC - Agility @ Kim's
- 07-08 DTC of Champaign-Urbana - 4 Obedience trials @ Urbana
- 13-15 Schipperke Club of America - Agility Kim's
- 20-22 **NCOTC Obedience TC - Obedience @ Westinn**
- 20-22 Old English Sheepdog Club of America - Agility @ Wo
- 27-29 MO Rhineland KC - Obedience & Agility @ Purina

## July 2025

- 03-05 **Rally National Championship @ Purina**
- 04-06 Show-Me Agility Club - Agility @ Westinn
- 06-07 **Obedience National Championship @ Purina**
- 11-13 Tri-County Agility Club - Obedience @ Westinn
- 19-20 American Spaniel Clab - Obedience @ Purina
- 25-27 Gateway Agility Club - Ato;out @ Purina

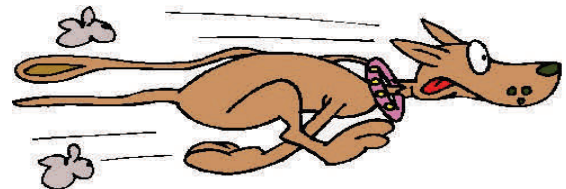


## August 2025

- 08-10 JCKC - Obedience @ Purina
- 15-17 Greater St Louis Agility Club - Agility @ Glen Carbon
- 22-24 Triune - Agility @ Wood River

## FASTCAT TRIALS 2025 - at Purina unless indicated

- 04/26-04/27 Three Rivers Kennel Club
- 05/06-05/10 American Belgian Malinois Club
- 06/07-06/08 Golden Retriever Club of Gtr STL
- 06/16-06/18 Dalmation club of America
- 09/10-09/21 Missouri Rhineland Kennel Club
- 10/25-10/26 **North County Obedience Training Club**



**FRONT & FINISH®**  
**2024 Rally Combined Rating System**

Ranks teams placing in Advanced and Excellent.  
Based on points for the number of dogs defeated.

**TOP TEN TERRIER GROUP**

#6	Southcross Indian Summer	Nancy Lincoln	233
	CDX PCDX BN GO RM2 RAE2 BCAT		

**MINIATURE SCHNAUZER TOP TEN**

#3	Southcross Indian Summer	Nancy Lincoln	233
	CDX PCDX BN GO RM2 RAE2 BCAT		

#6	Southcross Dreams Come True	Christine Carter	64
	UDX OM1 BN RM RAE MXS MJS NF FCAT		

---

**FRONT & FINISH®**  
**2024 Delaney Open and Utility Obedience Ratings**

The Delaney Rating System compares performances of dogs in AKC all breed obedience competition. This system was originally devised by Kent Delaney, a highly respected obedience and breed judge. Based on points for the number of dogs defeated.

**TOP TEN TERRIOR GROUP**

#5	MACH2 Southcross Dreams Come True	Christine Carter	113
	UDX OM1 BN RM RAE MXS MJS NF FCAT		

**MINIATURE SCHNAUZER TOP TEN**

#2	MACH Southcross Dreams Come True	Christine Carter	113
	UDX OM1 BN RM RAE MXS MJS NF FCAT		

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NCOTC MEMBERS  
INVITED TO THE 2025 NATIONAL OBEDIENCE AND RALLY CHAMPIONSHIPS  
QUALIFYING PERIOD: DEC. 1, 2023 - NOV. 30, 2024**

**OBEDIENCE QUALIFIERS**

Christine Carter and MACH Sourthcross Dreams Come True - MinSchnauzer

Selection Criteria

The top 25 dogs are invited to attend based on Obedience Trial Championship (OTCH) points earned during the period. In addition, the top three dogs of each breed, ranked by OTCH points, are also invited.

---

**RALLY QUALIFERS**

Donna Clifford	Felon	Novice
Michelle Miller	Ike	Novice
Cathy Cunningham	Kiko	Novice
Nancy Moss	Jamie	Advanced
Karen Rosso	Basil	Advanced
Karen Rosso	Elliot	Advanced
Scot Yates	Maizie	Master
Nancy Lincoln	Indy	Championship
Missy Kichline	Pearl	Championship
Karla Sauerwein	Ruby	Championship
Charlette Mielziner	Branch	Championship

Elgibility Criteria

All dogs that have met the eligibility requirements for a specific level may enter. Dogs should be entered at the highest level class for which they qualify.

Rally Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Excellent and Master Classes

Dogs must have earned the title prior to or during the qualifying period.

Must have earned three scores of 93 or more during the qualifying period from the specific class.

Rally Championship Class

Dogs must have earned the RAE title prior to or during the qualifying period.

Must have earned three scores of 93 or more during the qualifying period in Advanced B, Excellent B and Master.





# BRAGS



**Missy Kichline and Pearl  
RACH - 3/22/25  
Rally Championship  
St Louis Sheltie Specialty**



**Nancy Lincoln and Indy  
RACH - 3/23/25  
Rally Championship  
St Louis Sheltie Specialty**





# **BRAGS**



**Karen Rosso and Basil  
April 6, 2025  
CT - Champion Tracker**



**VST (Variable Surface Tracking Title) –April 6, 2025  
This title in addition to the previously earned  
TD - Tracking Dog and TDX - Tracking Dog Excellent  
qualified him for the Champion Tracker Title**

---

---



**Donna Clifford and Felon  
MASCUSA Nationals  
RA Rally Advanced - 2 legs and title  
Novice Obedience - 1st leg  
100 FastCAT points toward the FCAT**





# BRAGS



**Ginger Kinion and Kirby  
St Louis Sheltie Specialty  
Sheltie - Rally High Triple  
Sheltie - 1st place in Utility**

**Donna Schepers and Felon  
St Louis Sheltie Specialty  
Rally Advanced A  
1st leg, 2nd place, score 99**



**Charlotte Mielziner and Branch  
St Louis Sheltie Specialty  
Sat - Rally High Combined  
Sun - Rally High Combined  
And High Triple**



# BRAGS



**Nancy Moss and Charlie and Jamie  
TAC Agility Trial  
Charlie - JWW que  
Jamie - 1st Open Fast que**



**Chris Carter and True  
Columbia  
Open B 3 way runoff for  
2nd place**





# **BRAGS**



## **MORE BRAGS**

**- Tim and Darlene Cutshall**

**Sheltie trial**

**Gala - UDX2 leg 7, 3 out of 4 ques**

**Twix - RI Rally Intermediate 2 legs and 2 1st places**

**Show Me Agility Club trial**

**Gala - UDX2 let 8**

**Twix - RI Intermediate title—scores 96,98,98—all 1st places**

**RA Rally Advanced leg 1 - Show Me trial**

**Spark - Rally Intermediate - 94 4th place**

**Phoenix - Rally Intermediate - 96 2nd place**

**Cutshall dogs placed 1st, 2nd and 4th!**



**To all**

**Happy Easter**



## **NCOTC MEETING - MARCH 20, 2025**

The February meeting canceled due to the cold and weather.

**PRESIDENT** - Tim Cutshall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pat Shelton made a motion to accept the past minutes for November 2024 and January 2025. Nancy Lincoln 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion approved.

**TREASURER** – Nancy Lincoln reported that we have in cash and bank accounts \$61,224.34 and CD's \$29,086.55 with total assets of \$90,310.89 to date.

Our income for 2024 was \$59,008.38 with expense of \$61,393.56 with a loss of \$2385.18..

She reported the earnings for the 4 trials we had in 2024. June \$1,285.52; October \$204.79; December \$760.12 and FastCat \$3886.40.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY** – Pat Shelton reported that sympathy cards were sent to BJ Arnold for the loss of Titus and to Karen Russo's for the loss of her mother. She sent a get well card to Terry Sullivan as well.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Pat Shelton announced that Karla Sauerwein has met her 3 meeting requirements and we voted for membership. Congratulations, we have a new member, welcome Karla. We also have 2 new candidates, Pamela Wollenberg and James Comunale. There were 2 new guests as well, Kenneth and Jennifer Felty.

**FAST CAT** – Kathy Schreck reported that Purina is waiting for a field assessment due to the tornado that stuck their property on March 14,2025. They will notify Kathy whether we can hold our trial.

**TRIALS** – Tim Cutshall reported that the June premium list is out. The October trial will be on 10/3 – 10/5. On this October date, the Border Collie Club is having their National show and asked our permission as required by AKC. Tim will advise them we are ok with it and we will not exclude Border Collies from our trial. Tim is still looking for 1 judge for October.

BJ Arnold stated the dates for our December trial are 12/6 – 12/7.

**SHOW N GO** – Donna Clifford stated our May show n go will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at Westinn.



**TRAINING DIRECTOR** – BJ Arnold stated the winter classes are now finished. Our spring classes are starting up on Monday March 24<sup>th</sup>, and all classes are filled. BJ also said she did a demo at Attonement Church with Zander.

**LIBRARY** – Ginger Kinion is looking for someone to replace her as the librarian. Pamela Wollenberg volunteered. Thanks Pamela

**NEWSLETTER** – Nancy Lincoln asked everyone who has a brag to send to her. She is also looking for folks who have qualified for the NOC and Rally National.

**OLD BUSINESS** – Jim Comunale is looking for volunteers for the Rally and Obedience Championships being held here at Purina on July 3<sup>rd</sup> thru July 7<sup>th</sup>. Please email him if you are interested. Jim stated there will be fewer rings than the usual 8 that they have had previously.

Tony Matteoni stated the painters are really busy right now, but he is still working on getting the building painted.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Donna LaChance will look into getting a laptop for the club for the treasurer. She is checking with an IT department and will get back with the club.

Missy Kichline made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tony Matteoni 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Carter