



# SACCARAPPA Yapper

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*Need some practice before the spring shows?*  
**Check out these opportunities!**

**Marshland Obedience Club Show N' Go at Finish Forward Dogs in Saco - Sunday, March 22nd, 2015**  
Registration begins at 8:30am, Obedience runs begin at 9am.

**Obedience Show N' Go at Finish Forward Dogs in Saco - Sunday, March 29th, 2015**  
Registration begins at 8:30am, Obedience runs begin at 9am.

**Run Thru's at Positively Best Friends in Edgecomb - Sunday, April 5, 2015**  
PRE-REGISTER at [Marcia@positivelybestfriends.com](mailto:Marcia@positivelybestfriends.com)



## **NEXT MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY March 25, 2015**

7:00pm

Barron Center, Portland, Maine

## **REFRESHMENTS:**

Chris Berg, Rusty Morrison

& Bob Cuzner

## **2015 Officers & Board:**

**PRESIDENT:** Cindy Strumph

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Chris Berg

**REC. SECRETARY:** Barbara Schwartz

**CORR. SECRETARY:** Claire Marx

**TREASURER:** Jeremy Shaw

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** Rusty Morrison,

Drema Shaw, Sue Crocket

**PAST PRESIDENT:** MaryJo McCormack

**AKC DELEGATE:** Barbara Schwartz

## Some thought provoking quotes from The Naughty Dogge (Monique Anstee Victoria, BC)

### FOOD

We as humans are inherently lazy. When we train with food, we allow food to do all of our work for us. It works really well on days that I'm too tired to train. But quickly it can become a habit, one that is very hard to remove.

When you train with food, do you still use proper praise before you feed them. Do your dog's eyes light up when you tell them how clever they are?

Are you just a boring pez-dispenser mono-syllabically muttering "good"? Or do your words have emotional value and meaning? Is your body showing that you are happy. Or are your shoulders hung low, looking like you just got a repair bill for \$1000?

Do you just drop your food into your dogs mouth, or do you let them chase it, jump up and catch it, chuck it at them? Or what? Make your food fun. Don't just pop it into their sleepy mouth. Lazy begets lazy. Put some energy into your food delivery, and then you will start to get some energy into your work.

So yes, I like to cheat on lazy days, and just use food. But it will be a cold day in hell when you see me become mono-syllabic, muttering, as I boringly stuff food in their mouth.

February 26, 2015  
Monique Anstee  
Victoria, BC

### Humble

What I love most about our sports is that as soon as you think you might know a little bit, you get a new dog who reminds you that you don't! We must be one of the only sports that requires you to be humble for success - you must be willing to ask for help or you will fall flat on your face!

February 18, 2015  
Monique Anstee  
Victoria, BC

Monique has some interesting thoughts on training. You can follow her at <https://www.facebook.com/monique.anstee> on facebook

or her website at [www.naughtydogge.com](http://www.naughtydogge.com)

*Have a trainer or inspirational person you would like to see featured?*

Email Rebecca with the information.  
[flyballdoggz@gmail.com](mailto:flyballdoggz@gmail.com)

Finish Forward Dogs

## Show N' Gos

Hosted by Brenda Proulx

~~November 9th~~

~~December 7th~~

~~January 4th~~

~~February 1st~~

~~March 1st~~

**March 29th**

**April 26th**

Entries taken starting @ 8:30 until the start of each class.

Judging will start @ 9. Run order will always be

Utility, Open then Novice.

**\$12 a dog and \$5, 2nd entry of same dog.** Any questions email Brenda at [bsppwd@aol.com](mailto:bsppwd@aol.com)

**Finish Forward Dogs  
30 Spring Hill Rd, Saco, ME**

# Wags & Brags

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Congratulations to  
Drema & Quincy  
on the qualifications  
for the  
Rally Nationals!

## Flash Back!

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Do you know  
who's who?



*All Brags and photos must be submitted to [bex@pawsink.com](mailto:bex@pawsink.com) by the first of each month*

# Membership Meeting Minutes:

February 25, 2015

The meeting was held at the Barron Center and was called to order by the President at 7:05p.m.  
Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report:** Approved. There was a motion which was made and seconded to pay the bills.

**Correspondence:** There was no correspondence.

## Committee Reports

- Show 'n Go---the next and last Show 'n Go will be on March 15, 2015 and members are encouraged to attend.
- Trial---AKC has approved the trial.
- Training Committee----Joey Shaw asked whether the Training Committee meets regularly. There was a discussion of how classes are selected. Currently the classes include Star Puppy, Beginner and Advanced Beginner and the classes are full. Jane Mendelson has offered to do Rally Run-Thrus.

## Unfinished Business:

The discussion of refreshments at the Show 'n Go's which was brought up by the Board was continued. The concern is that the expense of giving free meals to members who volunteer to work the Show 'n Go and this is costing us money. It was the consensus that we have too many sweets which do not get consumed. Several members mentioned that they would rather donate money than sweets. There was also a discussion of brown vs red hot dogs, the reds being much more expensive. Jerry Shaw and MJ have offered to provide the hot dogs for the next Show 'n Go. It was concluded that as long as members provide the food, free lunches will be provided for members working the Show 'n Go's.

There was a discussion of doing Rally Run's at the Show 'n Go's. In the past there has not been sufficient interest. There might be interest on doing a Rally Workshop.

Certificates were given to Rusty and Anthony for their devotion to picking up and putting down the mats.

## New Business

No new business

## Braggs

Drema announced that she received a letter informing her that Quincy has qualified for the Rally Nationals

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

# OBEDIENCE RUN THRU'S

Positively Best Friends LLC  
Dog Training  
& Canine Activity Center  
Edgecomb, ME

Last chance to get in some practice before CBDTC's  
Trials!!

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

Due to one ring & limited parking, the schedule will be  
divided as follows: **Please pre-register.**

**A phone call or email will do 😊**

AM: Utility starting @ 9:00

Followed by Open

PM: Novice starting @ 1:00

Rally will be offered following obedience – compressed courses 40x50

\$10.00/dog \$5.00 subsequent runs same dog.

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Directions: [www.positivelybestfriends.com](http://www.positivelybestfriends.com)