

Sherwood Dog Training Club Meeting Minutes 7/1/26

The meeting was called to order by President Danielle Silverstein at 7:00 PM.

Members In Attendance were:

Jill Faulmann	Danielle Silverstein	Robin Murphy	Susie McClain
Jan Lewis	Darlene Brushwein	Vello Koiv	Carolyn Wray
Nikki Illes	Debbie Gibbons	Lori Sage	Salomeja Garolis
Lisa Klein	Marti Park		

President's Message: (Danielle Silverstein)

We have moved out of Sentinel Storage and all equipment is now being stored in the end stall (aka Stall 4) at Dwight and Paula Cash's. Payment is \$125/month saving the club \$205 a month, plus the VERY NICE convenience of having all our equipment in one place that we hold events.

Secretary Report: (Robin Murphy)

June Minutes were posted on the Website by Jill Faulmann. Jan made the motion to approve the minutes as amended. Susie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

AKC Delegate Report: (Lori Sage, Jill Reporting)

- The new Rally Regulations has an insert/update. If you read the Reg in this chapter, it says no harnesses on the Trial grounds.
- October Premium List is on the AKC Events Page
- Tracking News! Received on 6-11-26: We are now fully licensed to hold all levels of AKC Tracking. Member Lisa Klein is now approved to judge tracking!
- Entry recording fees were \$3.50 for the 1st entry to \$3.00 for the 2nd for forever it seemed. In 2025 they went to \$3.50 per entry, 2026 they went to \$4.50 per entry, in Jan 2027 will go to \$5.50 per entry.
- AKC has phased out the mailing of information on all every event as everything can be now downloaded, a one annual kit per year for each

sport a club is active in. Below is the mailing schedule for affected sports: June is designated for Obedience, July for Rally, August for Agility (though we not get since we have yet to have an Agility Event)

- This came across yesterday, Tues the 30th: The AKC Rally Regulations (Chapter 2, Section 3) are straightforward on this point: handlers who bring or offer food, toys, or any item that appears to be a training device or aid must receive a non-qualifying score. This same language will be added to the Obedience Regulations at their next reprint. These are mandatory scoring actions, not judgement calls, and uniform application is what keeps the sport fair for everyone. The reason this was brought up? Facebook Group.

Treasurer Report: (Jill Faulmann)

Funds were reported and recorded. Any member is welcome to contact Jill with questions or details about the treasury.

Money in:

- October Trial entries
- Refund from Sentinel \$143
- Dues

Money out:

- Cash's Storage: \$187.50 (1/2 month for June, \$65.50, and all of July \$125)
- 2 Boxes from Home Depot (\$76)
- Shredding of old trials entries (\$32)
- \$6.88 Monthly Microsoft Office 365 for club use
- All Event fees for Obedience and Rally for 2027 have been paid.

Website Report: (Jill Faulmann)

- Premium List and Online entry form for October Trials is done and link to the website.

Membership:

- New Members this month:

- Joan Moore, Ridgefield, WA (Viszla)

Events:

2026 Obedience Trial October 10 & 11: Judge: Margaret Chandler. Chair: CJ Johnson. Secretary: Darlene Brushwein. Chief Ring Steward: Laurie Rubin. Hospitality: Danielle Silverstein.

- Entries at this time are filling up.

2026 Tracking Test November 22nd:

Judge Terry Southard, contract is signed and secured. Terry has been communicated with about flight, lodging, meals. She is from California, so there will be some expense, but she is not charging us a fee. Carolyn shared that it is important to support new judges. The other Judge still pending, waiting for some AKC information. There will be a more involved report at the next meeting.

July 11 Match: Laurie Rubin- no report

2027 Obedience Trial April 24 & 25: Trial Chairs: Jill Faulmann & Darlene Brushwein will co-chair. Trial Secretaries: Darlene Brushwein & Jill Faulmann will co-chair. Judge will be Michele Dembowski, contract signed and secured, Hospitality: Salomeja Garolis

2027 Rally June 5 & 6: Trial Chair: Jan Lewis Trial Secretary: Darlene Bruswein Judge Margorie Geiger, contract signed and secured. We are waiting for AKC to manually remove the “seminar” requirement that Marge is already caught up on.

New Business: We will take a break, and **will not** have a meeting in August.

2026 Dates for Matches and Trials: (all at Cash’s, unless stated otherwise)

- **Obedience Match July 11** Wendy Waggoner’s in Ridgefield. Contact Laurie Rubin
- **Obedience Match October 4**
- **2026 Obedience Trial October 10 & 11**
- **Tracking Test November 22**

Braggs were shared.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. Marti made the motion, Jan seconded.