

2-4-26 Sherwood Dog Training Club Meeting Agenda, meeting to be held via ZOOM, meeting will be called to order at 7pm by President Danielle Silverstein

**Secretary will keep Attendance when people sign in,**

**President's Message, Danielle Silverstein:**

Board Meeting actions

**Secretary Report, Robin Murphy**

January 2026 Minutes were posted on the club's website, any changes or corrections?

In January reports are to be sent to AKC, if you have any current changes, please let the Jill Faulmann, Robin Murphy and/or Darlene Brushwein know, and they all need to update current records.

**AKC Delegate Report, Jill Faulmann:**

•Current Stats form AKC. See next page for details. Reason for events being down??? Obedience events due to facility difficulties, training required based basics, population getting older, increase AKC fees = increased entry fees. SDTC is fortunate our Trials fill and we currently have a great facility at the Cash's.

•Many fines for late submission from superintendents and Secretaries, we have never had that happen because of great due diligence at getting paperwork done right away and back to the AKC within the short time frame.

**Website Update, Jill Faulmann**

People that have left the club have been taken off the Members List. Please check to make sure your information is current. Website continually updated.

**Treasurers Report reported at meeting**

Checking OnPoint checking: Cash: Fidelity Investment:

**Money in:** Dues since last meeting \$1366.95, April Trial entries, \$2918

**Money out:** \$289.90 for storage unit (going up in March) \$8.25 for Microsoft 365. WIX website \$624, 2 years (\$26/month, still a good price) \$820 for CASH Award for April Trials to Susie McClain to make roses, \$480 JOTFORM for our online Entry system, \$100 to AKC for Rally 2026 Trials application, \$19.90 to file our 2025 Taxes, \$50 to Oregon Sec of State for our State Business License,

**Membership, members this month**

Mary Fister, Sun River, OR Border Collie & Golden Retriever, Agility, Nosework, Obedience and Rally Sponsored by Gail Schmutz and Geri Steward

**Events:**

**2026 Obedience Trial Dates April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>** Premium List is done, it is on the club's website and also on the AKC website, Online Entry form is done, on the club's website. Notice sent to all SDTC members that the P List is done. Entries have been coming in like crazy, Darlene has computer set up for these Trials.

Judge: Michele Dembowski Trial Chair: Jill Faulmann Trial Secretary: Darlene Brushwein Hospitality: Salomega Garolis Awards: Debbie Gibbons Jill will be acting also as chief Ring Steward. Michele Dembowski will be bringing her husband Bob, who acts as the table steward, Jill will also be overseeing the stewards area, will still need one or 2 other people each day for stewarding.

To go along with our beautiful Rose Cash awards for HIT and HC, **artfully and greatfully done by Susie McClain**, 1<sup>st</sup> place in each class will get a money rose of \$15.

**2026 Rally Trials May 30 & 31** Don Rennick has agreed to be our Judge, Jan Lewis Chair, Darlene Brushwein Secretary Hospitality will be needed.

**2026 Obedience Trial October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>** **Margaret Chandler, Judge** CJ Johnson Chair, Darlene Brushwein Secretary Chief Ring Steward, Laurie Rubin

**2026 Obedience Match dates will be: April 12, May 17, October 4**

**Other Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Meeting Adjourned at:**

AKC has added so many more events that, naturally, it's pulling entries from each other. 54 (maybe it's 57) titles in scent work? Imagine how much money that takes.

In rally, once a dog is going for their champion title, they must enter three classes on the same day. That's easily \$95 or more a trial. At my clubs 3 day cluster, that's \$285 for one dog in one sport over the weekend.

Report of AKC Delegate Committee Meetings December 2025:

Companion Events: Subcommittee to look at beginner novice and companion dogs in an effort to make these events friendlier and welcoming. Entries are down. Looking at preferred novice title.

Subcommittee looking at ways to show how Obedience can be helpful in other aspects of the sport.

The goal is to show those who come to the sport, for instance Scent Work, Fast CAT®, how Obedience training can help with their dog's behavior.

As of June 20, 2025, the Sports:

Events department at AKC showed a loss of nearly \$2.2M.

For years, the surplus revenue from Registration has defrayed the expense gap between what Sports and Events generates and what they spend to keep going.

IT is a large part of the expense with the cost of proper IT personnel to fill the gaps.

This is the need to increase fees for entries. Doug Ljungren reported the following 2025 July YTD Entries by Sport:

- **Conformation down – (4.8%) • Agility down – (1.7%)**
- **Scent Work up 13.0% • Fast CAT®– up 0.4% • Rally – up 1.9%**
- Field Trials down – (2.4%) • Obedience down – (2.4%) • Hunting Tests down – (2.7%)**
- Fetch down – (31.9%) • Herding down – (9.4%) • Lure Coursing – down (9.2%)**
- AKC Temperament Test – up 6.7% • Farm Dog Certified – up- 4.0%**
- **Earthdog down – (25.7%) • Tracking down –(0.3%)**
- **Total Entries – all AKC Events – down (2.0%) • Total Events – up 1.0%**