

Sherwood Dog Training Club Meeting Minutes 1/7/26

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	Nina Koiv	
Carolyn Wray	Nikki Illes	Shannon Biondi	Salomeja Garolis	Linda Keast
Debbie Gibbons	Nancy Crandell	Mary Jo DeBrosse	Holly Thau	
Helen Hamilton	Barb White	Laurie Rubin	Katrina Browne	
Erin Hildahl	Dee Pigman	Cindy Bankston	Sherry Cassidy	

President's Message: (Danielle Silverstein) Annual Meeting.

- A little Club History: SDTC started in 2013 with 4 members, Jill Faulmann, Danielle Silverstein, Joeanne Butler and Betty Batchelder. Wanting Obedience to not be the “add on” for Conformation shows. The process started with getting accepted and licensed AKC, that was completed in 2008 after a whole ton of paperwork, demonstrating to AKC we are a “real” club, having B and A Matches. SDTC became an AKC Member Club in 2020. With the expansion of dog sports, SDTC is now approved for Rally, Scent Work, Tracking, FAST Cat, and Agility. We have come a long way and are still thriving, currently with a membership of 150.
- Jill made a donation of \$510 to PAVE, an organization that provides service dogs to veterans in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Thank you, Susie for the suggestion.

Secretary Report: (Robin Murphy) December Minutes were posted on the Website by Jill Faulmann. Dee made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Darlene seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

AKC Delegate Report: (Jill Faulmann) Nothing New.

- Jill Faulmann will be “passing the hat” of her Delegate position to SDTC member Lori Sage. Lori is excited about doing this job and wants to travel back to the east coast where AKC meetings are held, and will pay her own expenses.

- We were delayed on getting the Trial Oversight committee going, the holidays got busy for everyone, we hope to get it going full speed in January.

Treasurer Report: (Jill Faulmann)

DUES, please pay soon, to not be bugged and pestered no later than by the end of January 2026.

**all payment info is on this page of the website
<https://www.sherwooddtc.org/membership>**

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

Money in:

- Dues
- April Trial entries
- March Match at Penny Harvey's
- \$120 from sale of Marti Nicholi's equipment donations

Money out:

- \$289.90 for storage unit
- \$8.25 Monthly Microsoft Office 365 for club use

Danielle suggested moving some of the monies from the checking account to the American Fidelity account. Jill stated that this is a board decision, so we will discuss it at our next board meeting.

Website Report: (Jill Faulmann)

- How to pay membership dues has been updated on the website.

Membership:

- There are no new members this month.

Old Business:

2026 Obedience Trials April 18 & 19: Premium List is done, it is on the Club's website and also on the AKC website, Online Entry form is done, also on the Club's

website. Notice was sent to all SDTC members that the Premium 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: Salomeja Garolis, Awards: Debbie Gibbons and Susie McClain (roses). 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, we will still need one or two other people each day for stewarding.
- To go along with our beautiful Rose Cash awards for HIT and HC, artfully and gratefully done by Susie McClain, 1st place in each class will get a money rose of \$15.
- Darlene encourages people to enter ASAP, as you can withdraw early or change classes with no penalty. There is always a waiting list.

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

Jan asked about hotel accommodations for our judge. Jill and Danielle have hosted him in the past. They will talk with him and them let Jan know what is decided.

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

Matches: Darlene reported that they do not accept money for the matches at the Cash's until a few weeks prior to the match.

New Business:

- Laurie reported on the March 21 match at Penny's. They are taking forms and money for that now. Jill will contact Penny and ask about cost for the building, and to make sure she got our insurance rider. Jill will also put it on the website.
- Laurie reported that she is in conversation with Wendy Waggoner about doing a match at her place in July.

Events:

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

- **Obedience Match March 21 and 22 @ Penny Harvey's**
- **Obedience Match April 12**
- **Obedience Trials April 18 & 19**
- **Obedience Match May 17**
- **2026 Rally Trials May 30 & 31**
- **Obedience Match October 4**
- **2026 Obedience Trial October 10th & 11th**

Braggs were shared.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM. Dee made the motion, Jan seconded.