

**K-9 Obedience Club of Jacksonville**  
**General Membership**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**June 19, 2025 at 7pm**

**Name & Board Position:**

Deborah Hardman – President present  
Alison Nelson – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President present  
Cheryl Loze – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President present  
Robin Wallen – Treasurer present  
Samantha Giacalone – Secretary absent

Christine Peterson – Member present  
Stacy Payne – Member present  
Juli Wilkison – Member present  
Sheila Garbecki – Member absent

Members in attendance: 25

- I. **Call to Order:** 7:05 pm by Deb Hardman
- II. **Approval of minutes from the General Membership meeting held on April 17, 2025**
  - a. Minutes were emailed to the general membership for review before this meeting
  - b. They have also been posted on the “Members” page of the K-9 Obedience Club website
  - c. Motion to approve the minutes as emailed to membership was made by Cindy Chambers, seconded by Angela Maddux and approved by the entire membership
- III. **Treasurer’s Report: Robin W.**
  - a. **April**
  - b. Income: \$ 10,669.97
  - c. Expenses: (\$ ,364.32)
  - d. Net: \$ 5,305.65
  - e. **May**
  - f. Income: \$ 4,314.04
  - g. Expenses: (\$ 8,521.82)
  - h. Net: (\$ 4,207.78)
  - i. Reason for the negative net in May is that there are no new classes and the reimbursements from the May Trial were processed.
- IV. **Membership Report: Stacy P.**
  - a. New Provisional Members:
    - i. Charlene and Morgan Francis
    - ii. Megan Hoepner
    - iii. James & Patricia Elliott
    - iv. Jason Short & family
  - b. New Full Members:
    - i. There were no full members for the membership to vote on at this meeting.
- V. **Training Directors Report: Update provided by Sam G. and presented by Alison N.**
  - a. Fall classes, likely starting the week of September 15, will be finalized at the beginning of August and open for online enrollment in mid-August
    - i. looking to offer a few new classes - Master Rally, CGCA/CGCU, and bring back a tricks class. Alison wants to teach a Novice Obedience on a weeknight
  - b. If you are interested in teaching or assisting with classes at K9, email Sam ([whoanellitetraining@gmail.com](mailto:whoanellitetraining@gmail.com))
    - i. We can only have classes when we have help!

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**VI. Building and Grounds Report: Deb H.**

- a. The clubhouse roof and the gutters around the training rings were cleaned and the debris removed.
- b. Broken fans, lights and switches were fixed.
- c. Deb H bought new cushions for the clubhouse benches.
- d. Need to clean the house.
- e. Need to do an evaluation of the grounds to determine what needs to be repaired or replaced with an emphasis on those things related to safety being done first.
- f. Board will evaluate whether to make repairs or sell the property provided we could find another location. Will make those decision after the IRS decision on the 501C3 designation.

**VII. Trial Chair Report: Alison N.**

- a. Trial dates are Oct 4-5 in Daytona Beach, FL Premium opens on July 9, 2025.
- b. There will be 2 obedience and 2 rally trials per day. Limited entries 60 per trial.
- c. Judges are assigned for each sport (Leslie Pinnell, Barry Roland for Obedience and Noreen Noonan, Nancy Heid for Rally)
- d. Cheryl Loze is looking for people who want to steward
- e. On the evening of Oct 4<sup>th</sup> there is a K9 sponsored Fast Cat event at Dog Sports Agility in New Smyrna FL. Contact Samantha Giacalone if you can volunteer.

**VIII. Community Outreach Report: Juli W.**

- a. There is a meet proposed at Sal Taylor Creek Preserve at 5873 Nathan Hale Road, Jacksonville, 32221 next Saturday, June 21st. We will leave the parking area at 8:30 sharp and plan for a nice 45 minute walk in the woods. Further details are posted on the K9 Facebook page.
- b. Dog Walk Event at the Jacksonville Arboretum, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – this event already has sufficient volunteers
- c. Diamond D Ranch's Dog Fest - October 11 & 12, 2025
  - i. There will be some dog demos.
  - ii. Contact Sam G. ([whoanellietraining@gmail.com](mailto:whoanellietraining@gmail.com)) if you want to volunteer (with or without your dog) or have any questions.

**IX. Sunshine Report: update provided Sheila G. and presented by Deb H.**

- a. May
  - i. Sympathy – Beth Mercier (son's death)
  - ii. Get Well – Debbie Gilman (hand surgery)
- b. June
  - i. Sympathy – Julie Schuneman (Sprocket), Elaine Nabors (Rise)
  - ii. Get Well – Judy Fortner (surgery)

**X. Open Items:**

- a. AKC Fit Dog – Group walk scheduled!
  - i. Now that we are AKC recognized the events in the outreach (mentioned above) would apply. Members would need to fill out the forms that are available on the AKC website.
  - ii. View title requirements on the AKC Fit Dog website.
  - iii. The club will look into getting the form or a link to the form posted on the K9 website.

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**XI. New Business:**

- a. Hurricane committee:
  - i. Needs to be formed again – looking for a group of volunteers to help with prepping and resetting the club. Will send out an email when a hurricane is on the way for people to come to the club and help.
    - 1. Contact Deb Hardman to volunteer (debhardman1@comcast.net).
    - 2. If you live near the club that is a big plus!!
- b. **Revised Provisional membership application and requirements:**
  - i. Requirements to be fulfilled in 6 months, attend 2 general meetings, 8 hrs of volunteer work, submit the completed card to Stacy Payne
  - ii. New application will be put on the website
  - iii. Classes discounts don't apply until provisional members become full members.
- c. **Other volunteer opportunities:**
  - i. Show-n-Go's. Need someone to coordinate the events -involves picking dates, posting them on the website/Facebook and getting volunteers to help. Can be more than one person.
  - ii. K9 Calendar – need someone to update the calendar on the K9 website.
  - iii. Building and Grounds – A committee of people with a chairperson. Need to coordinate what needs to be repaired and determine whether we can repair it ourselves or need to identify someone to provide an estimate and make the repairs following board approval.
- d. **501C3 update:**
  - i. Following a review by a consultant who has helped other clubs get their designation, the application is currently being submitted on-line.
  - ii. The application fee will be \$600 however if we get the designation we would not have to pay property taxes and could also get a resale certificate that would help with sale tax.
  - iii. Donations to the club would become tax deductible for our donors.

**XII. Acclimation of 2025/2026 Board of Governors:**

- a. President – Deb Hardman
- b. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Alison Nelson
- c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Cheryl Loze
- d. Secretary – Christine Peterson
- e. Treasurer – Robin Wallen
- f. Member – Jacquelyn Newlands
- g. Member – Juli Wilkison
- h. Member – Sheila Garbecki
- i. Membership – Stacy Payne

The membership affirmed the new board and thanked prior board members for their service.

**Motion to adjourn** by Juli Wilkison and seconded by Angela Maddux and approved by the entire membership. Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

**Post meeting Activities:**

Outstanding Achievement Award was given to Samantha Giacalone  
Sportsmanship Award was given to Stacy Payne