

**RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.**  
**MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 1, 2025**

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at the club building on Tomlynn Street. President Patti Kilcullen called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. as members enjoyed good food for our annual indoor picnic. THANK YOU to Gabby Hughes for another successful picnic. 30 members were present.

Arlene Dickson introduced our 8 guests: Cindy Briggs, Anna Finch, Dana Grindstaff, Shannon Hughes, Katie Lenhart, Donna Miller, Molly Norville, and Barbara Stephenson.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** A motion was made by Dave Frazier and seconded by Steve Shanks to approve the minutes of the June 2025 meeting as printed in the Pawprint. Minutes were approved by verbal vote.

**Report of the President:**

- President Patti Kilcullen shared that our Recording Secretary Claibourne Jackson's Dad had passed earlier that day and Susan Altimore was filling in the meeting. Sympathy and healing thoughts to Claibourne and her family.
- President Patti Kilcullen expressed great appreciation for the many successful events and all the classes our club has had during the first half of the year. She is very appreciative of all the volunteers that have made the first half of the year so very successful and encouraged others to join in the fun and keep our successes going.

**Report of the Secretaries:**

**Recording:** None

**Corresponding:** Patti Kilcullen reported for Joan Trentadue, that Margaret Van Cleave lost Einstein. Sympathy and healing thoughts to Margaret and her family.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Rocky Altimore reported for June 2025:

Income	\$11,862.97
Expenses	<u>\$10,382.50</u>
Net income	\$ 1,480.47

The net profit for the June trial is \$2,166. Year to date 2025, (Jan – June), we have a net profit of \$3,981.10. Rocky thanked everyone for all their hard work and encouraged members to keep volunteering for events and teaching classes.

**Report of Committees**

**Buildings and Grounds:**

- Dave Frazier reported a tree fell down on the fence line of our dog potty area during the storm earlier that evening. The potty areas is still usable but, please stay away from the fallen tree and keep your dog on a leash in the area. Dave will contact the landlord for a resolution for the issue.

**Trials and Events:**

- Debbie McGuire reported the June Rally and Obedience Trials. The trials ran smoothly with Karen Wrey as our judge. Debbie thanked the volunteers for their hard work.

- Arlene Dickson reported our next trials are on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Rally will be on the Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> and Obedience will be on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - We will have 1 day of trials on February 14, 2026 with Obedience in the morning and Rally in the afternoon.
    - Volunteers are needed for these trials. Please email Arlene Dickson ([afdickson61@gmail.com](mailto:afdickson61@gmail.com)) volunteer.
- Arlene is looking to reduce costs for the trials. She is targeting the cost of ribbons. Several ideas and suggestions were discussed. Please email ideas for cutting trial costs to Arlene Dickson ([afdickson61@gmail.com](mailto:afdickson61@gmail.com)).

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Election of New Members:** Susan Massart made a motion to hold a discussion concerning potential new members Alexandra Foster and Donna Miles in the absence of their membership applications. Their membership applications were reviewed and approved by the Board last month and need to be discussed by the membership before voting. Pat Speas seconded the motion. The motion passed on verbal vote.

Arlene spoke briefly about each potential new member, the membership voted and we have 2 new members – Welcome to Alexandra Foster and Donna Miles.

**New Business:**

- Theresa Myers is planning a NASDA (North American Sport Dog Association) Seminar on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. The seminar will be presented by Aleta Channell, owner of Bear Creek K9 Sports. Please see our website for more information.
- THANK YOU to Gabby Hughes and all her helpers for another wonderful picnic!

Braggs were offered in abundance by many members.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Carol Maupin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Crumpler. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. by unanimous vote

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Altimore, ad hoc Recording Secretary

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