

RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
September 2, 2025

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, 2025, at the club building on Tomlynn Street. President Patti Kilcullen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with 42 members present.

Guests: Arlene Dickson introduced Dani Orender, Tyler Hart, Barbara Stephenson, Cindy Briggs, Heather MacNamee, Liz Smart

Minutes of the last meeting: A motion was made by Carol Maupin, to approve the minutes of the August 2025 minutes as printed in the Pawprint. The motion was seconded by Claudia Frazier and subsequently passed by verbal vote.

Report of the Board: none

Report of the Secretaries

Recording: none

Corresponding:

Jill Woith lost her dogs Scarlett and Luciano
Beth Goodbody's mother has passed away
Much sympathy to both members.

Treasurer's Report:

Patti Kilcullen reported for August (Rocky Altimore was absent):

Income	\$ 9832.07
Expenses	\$ 8854.72
Net	\$ 977.35 profit

\$2713.31 YTD

Report of Committees

Buildings and Grounds:

- Dave Frazier reminds everyone that the thermostats have to be *manually* changed from cool to heat vice versa!

Membership and Orientation:

- Arlene Dickson announced that the next new member orientation is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct 28, at 6pm in the Annex.

Trials and Events:

- Steve Shanks reported regarding the upcoming December Rally & Obedience trials that there will be a meeting for **Rally** volunteers and committee on September 13 at 4:00pm.

There will be a meeting in early October regarding the Obedience trial, but the date is not set yet.

- Arlene Dickson noted the need for a Steward for Saturday Dec 2 Rally Trial. Tracy (box steward) is finishing up the Premium and will post when complete. *If you are interested in Stewarding for the Rally trial, come to Susan Altimore's Rally class on Saturday mornings.*
- Sarah Grindstaff reported we are all set for the FastCAT events September 26, 27 & 28 at Hanover Ruritan park in Mechanicsville. Volunteers are needed! The trial is open for entries now.

Program:

- Donna Crumpler announced an exciting event in the works. We are planning a Sniff-Off as a fundraiser for the K9 Police of Virginia. This is a competition where civilian dogs search for the scent work odors against police dogs searching for drugs or fire accelerants etc. where time is the deciding factor. This will be a fun family day with great publicity for RDOC and we plan to have demonstrations to show off Rally, Obedience and perhaps even some Agility, Frisbee or Fetch. Members are encouraged to volunteer to help out with this fun event to be held at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds. Date is not decided yet. Date not set yet.

Training:

- Gabby Hughes announced that September 16 at 6:30 in the Annex, there will be an Instructors and Assistants' meeting and instruction. Anyone new to the club or teaching, please attend.

Seminars:

- Theresa Myers reported that there will be a NASDA Seminar at the club this weekend, so the building will be unavailable for training. Audit spots are still available in the seminar if interested.
- Theresa Myers announced that on Feb 21, there will be a seminar on First Aid for Dogs here at the club. Participants will be certified in K9 CPR.

Election of New Members:

Arlene Dickson read recommendations for Cindy Briggs. A ballot vote was taken and Cindy was voted in as a new member. Welcome Cindy!

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

Braggs were offered in abundance by many members.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Theresa Myers and seconded by Arlene Dickson and the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Claibourne Jackson, Recording Secretary

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