



General Meeting Minutes

August 11th, 2026

Time: 7:00 pm on Zoom

WELCOME: Robin Burket opened the meeting at 7:02 pm with the wish for everyone to stay safe and cool in this hot weather. We still need a newsletter editor to sub in for Emily for the Fall newsletter. Please reach out to Robin Burket if you are interested. It's that time of year again to form a nominating committee. If you are interested in being on the nominating committee, please reach out to someone on the board.

REPORTS:

Secretary – Cindy Patz asked if there are any proposed amendments to the July minutes as posted. No changes were proposed so the minutes were approved as posted.

Treasurer – Robin Bowen was not available so Robin Burke presented the financials and said that the Eastern Regional account has been closed out.

Rally Obedience Trials (wrap-up) – Susan Sherman reported that the trials went well and there were new people at this trial and they were very complimentary of the trials. Susan also thanked the many volunteers that helped make the trials a success.

Puppy Referral – Donna Mack Crowell has been in the roll for 2 weeks and was surprised how many people still wanted to be on the list. She is getting more than 1 inquiry a day!

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members – Christine McDaniel called for any prospective members who might be on the call to introduce themselves.

Sally and Ray Greiner in Hernando sponsored by Christine McDaniel introduced themselves. Originally from Ohio. 6 goldens. 48 years of marriage. Looking for another golden.

Tracy Pollard in Green Cove Springs sponsored by Brian Parker introduced herself. She has Flatcoats and Shepherds.

Mona Garray (associate membership) in Morriston sponsored by Robin Bowen Tracy and Mona were voted in unopposed. Sally and Ray's application still needs to be read to the board.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Field Training Day – Kristin Sipus reminded everyone that the August training day is this Saturday at 8:30am at Persimmon Hollow Farms and we have new ponds to train in with all the work that has been done.

Guest Speaker: Aaron Kincer

Aaron Kincer is a Systems Engineer who has extensive experience in assessing risk and designing Safety and Monitoring Systems appropriate for our dogs in various hazardous weather conditions. He will be giving a talk on ways to implement and/or improve the design of your current system, the importance of allowing for redundancy, the power of utilizing multiple alerting systems and the importance of vigilance.

The discussion was recorded so it will be posted on the website once it has been processed. The link to submit personal questions is

<https://forms.gle/ZBq4PCHc86D5Prhw7>

Bragg:

Katelyn Dunsdon - Now working in veterinary medicine!

Monica Echaves – Freud took best of breed

Alison – has a new puppy, Treacle

KK Vines - Queso bred by Morgan Brooks finished at Tarheel Specialty with a 5 point major

Lisa Torres – Desi got his CD novice title over the weekend

Next Board Meeting is September 1st on Zoom at 6:00 pm

Next General Meeting is September 8th on Zoom at 7:00 pm

Christine McDaniel made a motion to adjourn, Katelyn Dundson seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:53pm