



# General Meeting Minutes

## November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** After Goldens Finish at the Dog Show in Ocala

**Location:** In person at The Greater Ocala Dog Club

### Reports:

**President** – Robin Burket was unable to attend the meeting, so Camille Nasca opened the meeting at 11:49 pm by introducing Carl and Carol Vogel and George Baldacchino.

**Secretary** – Cindy Patz was also unavailable for this meeting, so there was no Secretary Report

**Treasurer** – Robin Bowen gave the Treasurer Report including current balances and amounts spent so far this year as well as our being in the black for the year. She also reported that FL Gulf Coast sent a thank you for our \$500 donation.

### Committee Reports:

**December Specialty** - Caroline Kendrick (chair of the specialty) thanked Camille Nasca for being Trophy Chair and announced that again our upcoming event is the largest independent specialty in the US. Camille Nasca made a general call for volunteers for the show, particularly early morning (7 am).

**Hunt Test** – Kristin Sipus gave Hunt Test dates (12-6 thru 12-8-2024) and announced Pat Rubrecht needs more volunteers; no experience is fine! Pat or Kristin Sumall can be contacted if you are willing to work even a 4-hour shift in any area.

**Volunteer Rewards Program** - On the Volunteer Rewards program Kristin said we've got a Tracking seminar just waiting for dates, and we will do another grooming and handling seminar this year, as well as another obedience seminar. She asks for suggestions from membership on other desired seminars and explained the Rewards program in detail.

**Handling Classes** - The handling classes will be re-starting since the weather has become more tolerable for the dogs. They will be held at Ann Rowe's lovely property in Sorrento and the next one will include grooming tips if there is time. Date will be posted on the FB page when it is determined.

**Field Training Days** - Field training days continue to be held monthly; the next one will be Nov 30, at 9AM, at Brian Parker's place in Paisley. Limited live flyers will be available for purchase.

**MFGRC Yearly Activities** - Camille listed the activities we hold yearly and explained we'd love to start a shadowing program so that several of us can learn to do multiple jobs for the Club. She listed the following:

- Hunt Test (February)
- Dock Diving Fun Day
- Fun Match (obedience, rally, conformation)

- Barn Hunt Fun Day
- Health Clinic
- CCA/Breeder's Ed. Seminar
- July Specialty (conformation)
- Rally/Obedience Trial
- Agility Fun Day
- WC/WCX
- Hunt Test (November)
- December Specialty

We plan an agility fun day and Morgan Brooks offered a Dock Diving day at her place. 2025 Board Nominations – Camille read the slate (see list below) for next year's board and asked for nominations from the floor.

### **Officers:**

President - Robin Burket

Vice-President - Christine McDaniel

Secretary - Cindy Patz

Treasurer - Robin Bowen

### **Returning Board members:**

Camille Nasca

Brian Parker

Kristin Sipus

Julie Wangelin

### **New board members for 2025:**

Morgan Brooks

Amanda Fell

Susan Sherman

Musta El Korchi was nominated by Robin Bowen, and he spoke until it got too loud to hear him (he was joining the meeting via facetime) then Robin read his bio for the attending members.

### **New Business:**

**New Member Applications-** Christine reported that there are no new applications to read.

**2025 Dues Collection (starts mid-November)-** Christine McDaniel reported that she will start the membership renewal process on the day of the November general meeting and will send the first email on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Cindy Patz said she will send the email blast if Pat cannot. Christine also reported that the dues and membership levels will stay the same.

**End of Year Awards-** the end of year awards were explained and some members said they did not receive it the email (perhaps resend it?). Kristin Sipus explained the Gold Standard Award.

**Holiday Party -** the Christmas Party at Ann Rowe's home 12-14-2024 beginning around 6 pm was outlined by Ann who spoke to the Greedy Grabby Gift parameters (\$25 suggested, not necessarily dog focused items).

**Brag:**

Camille's Shimmer was WB today!

Ann Rowe with Roadie - multiple titles!

Maria Randall- her dog was BOB and her mom went SB to her

Morgan had a brag on Dewey (our apologies Morgan for not catching what the brag was)

Amanda Fell got an unexpected Dock title on Jovi

Chris and Laura Topping's Monroe was WB/BOW yesterday at Ocala and Henley won a Select and OH Gr4 and a second OH Gr 4.

**Next General Meeting is December 14<sup>th</sup> (in person at Holiday Party)**

**Next Board Meeting is TBD in January**