



WAGS *and* TALES

May 2025



April 2025 CGC & Tricks

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 05/01 Monthly Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 05/26 N-M Memorial Day Parade
- 06/05 Monthly Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 06/12 Appreciation & Awards Dinner
- 07/10 Monthly Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm

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June News Deadline

Please submit articles

By **May 15** to

WDCNewsEditor@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – April 3rd, 2025

Margie asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion approved.

Secretary report: Tracey read a thank you letter from Mary Jo Plamann for the flowers sent after her surgery.

Treasurer report: Gabby announced if you rent the building from now on, there are stickers to be placed on envelopes for building use that should be filled out so Gabby can report the accounting and taxes properly. Gabby stated that the club had a loss this month especially with plowing costs. Gabby has ordered a shredder for the club, so anything with a person's name on it should be shredded.

Presidents report: The board has changed the rental of the building so that if individuals sign up to use the building and do not show up, they will be charged for the no-show. The rental can be cancelled at least 4 hours before your scheduled time if you cannot use the building. The board will be meeting April 15th this month.

Committees:

Amy Schneider stated that the Memorial Day parade is on May 26th. The club will meet at the old Germania Hall. Individuals participating should bring poop bags. Members can bring their dogs, but individuals not yet voted in cannot bring their dogs due to insurance reasons. Participants earn 3 volunteer hours.

Karla Smith explained that yard passes are required to use the yard at the club. 2024 yard passes are valid until May. The form to get a yard pass is on the website. Members can only use the yard, however anyone taking a class can use the yard before and after classes.

Peggy Stevens mentioned that if your dog earned AKC titles in 2024 you can get your dog's name on a wall plaque. The deadline was the end of March but can be submitted for a few more weeks.

Membership:

Barb asked those that signed up to become new members to stand up and state their name.

2nd Meeting:

Bredael, Shellie & Gary Roberson
Cashin-Koffarnus, Cortney
Gengler, Bethanie
Kohlbeck, DeAnn
Kohrell, Mary & Mark
Miller, Joy

1st Meeting:

Barker, Heather
Bellin, Stephanie & Caden
Brantingham, Jan
Detampel, Kay
Gonzalez, Ada
Witt, Mitchell

Len Hoehne stated that the Canine First Aid and CPR Class had 34 attendees which has been our largest class by far. He announced the next class is July 19th.

New Business: Margie stated that our conformation trainer, Anne Schmidt, will step down at the end of this session and we are looking for new instructor starting in September. Anne will be trying out conformation classes Wednesday AM after Rally instead.

Len Hoehne asked about having a PR person for utilizing photos from club offerings. Marie will upload photos to the website.

Cry and Brag was held.
50/50 raffle was completed.
Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracey Rymer

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 15th, 2025

Attendees: Margie Hohman, Gabby Finnegan, Marianne Laird, Barb Hoffman, Jackie Kobierecki, Tracey Rymer

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Guest: Kayla Fink

Secretary Report: Tracey asked for the June 19th board meeting to be moved to June 17th. It was agreed to change it.

Treasurer Report: Gabby stated our first full energy bill since the new lights were installed came and we already saved money this month.

Jackie will contact our social media person and discuss advertising our club more on Facebook. The board discussed when we make money at different shows/trials we could take a percent and put that into a fund for scholarships for certain individuals in need to take classes at our club dependent on certain criteria. This will be discussed further.

Membership: Barb went through the individuals applying for membership. The board approved their membership.

2nd Meeting:

Bredael, Shellie & Gary Roberson
Cashin-Koffarnus, Cortney
Gengler, Bethanie
Kohlbeck, DeAnn
Kohrell, Mary & Mark
Miller, Joy

Jackie announced that the Achievement and Recognition awards went to the trophy shop. The criteria for awards will be reviewed and updated as determined by the board. Starting in 2026, to apply for an award for the 2025 calendar year, members must have volunteered for an event or volunteered in some capacity to help the club.

Jackie also stated that the next CGC will be the first Saturday in November. There will be a practice CGC class on October 18th.

Jackie stated that due to the waitlist for the Tricks Class, the instructor has offered to provide a seminar this summer. Time and date will be published in the newsletter for those interested in attending.

The board discussed charging for electricity use for recreational vehicles. It was decided that we would charge \$50 for the weekend.

The board stated that we should change our building rental agreements to combine the security and cleaning fee deposit to \$200. The refund of the security and cleaning fee will be at our discretion. We will continue looking at this and Gabby will look at a new agreement.

Starting June 1, 2025, the board has changed the rental of the building so if individuals sign up to use the building and do not show up, they will be charged \$5 for the first no-show, \$15 for the second no-show, and no rental privileges for 6 months for the third no-show. The rental must be cancelled at least 4 hours before the scheduled time if you cannot use the building. This change is for any member renting the building, including trainers, lifetime and active members. Room use sheets must be filled out as well. These are located on the table in each room. It is suggested if you are doing obedience or rally, please use the front room if possible and available.

When renting the building from now on, you must first register on wejoin and then use a sticker that must be placed on an envelope for building use and that sticker should be filled out for accounting and tax purposes.

Please note, the building committee has access to the building 24/7 for any reason and may show up during training classes or rental use of the building.

Kayla Fink discussed having a dedicated phone number that individuals can call into to find out if classes are going to be held when there is unsafe weather. Kayla will get back to the board.

Margie discussed that board members must attend the board meetings or let the board know if they will miss a meeting. Calling into the meeting is acceptable when necessary.

The meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Rymer
Secretary

Membership First Meeting

Barker, Heather
 Minature American Shepherd

Bellin, Stephanie & Caden
 Havanese, Doberman Bluetick
 hound mix

Brantingham, Jan
 Corgi & Lab

Detampel, Kay
 Papillons & Shelties

Gonzalez, Ada
 Terrier mix

Witt, Mitchell
 Mixed

Membership Second Meeting

Bredael, Shellie & Gary Roberson
 Australian Shepherds & a Sheltie

Cashin-Koffarnus, Cortney
 Newfoundland

Gengler, Bethanie
 Chihuahua & Boston Terrier Mix

Kohlbeck, DeAnn
 Beagle/Basset Hound, King Charles
 Cavalier Spaniel

Kohrell, Mary & Mark
 Brittany Boxer mix

Miller, Joy
 Shih Tzu

Building Rental Updates

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April 2025 CGC Testing

Great Weather for April CGC Test

On Saturday, April 12th, 15 dog/handler teams participated in the Canine Good Citizen Test, and 14 earned their CGC! I want to thank all my volunteers who made the test run so smoothly: Adela Christman, Adam Zschaechner, Lynn Lichterman, Jane Young, Pam Conine, Lindsey Wagner, Mary Ofenbeck, Dana Bourassa, Lynette Jones, Danielle Kohman, Amy Schneider, Leia Landro, Sheri Stack, Boyd Featherston, Julie Schuh, Beth Ubl, Ian Schuh, Candy Hilker, Theresa Kohanski, Linda Chmielewski-Larsen, Kristina Knight, Keith Klipstine, Lori Wolfert.

Thanks, Shari
Shari Lloyd, CGC Test Chair

April 2025 CGC and Trick Dog Testing



Conformation Class Update

Conformation classes are currently in session until May 7th. They are Wednesday nights from 7 - 7:45. There are no summer classes.

A new chair for the evening classes will be needed starting in September. After training the evening class for 25+ years it is time for someone else to step up.

I will test out classes on Wed. mornings from 10:30 - 11:15 (after rally) starting Sept. 10th.

Anne Schmidt



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

COMMITTEE HELP NEEDED

Contact: Jackie Kobierecki
 920-739-8626
nursejlk@gmail.com

CLASS HELP NEEDED

More help is needed with teaching and assisting. It's a fun way to share your knowledge with students and help them train their dogs to its full potential. A private training session will be held. We are also in need of assistants to help with the training equipment during classes: this is keeping track of payments, receipts, and fittings of collars, etc. during classes. Vacuuming after Obedience classes is also needed. This takes about 30-45 minutes each day. Hours are flexible. If interested in helping, contact the Director of Training,
WinnegamieDogClubTraining@gmail.com

HELP NEEDED VACUUMING

We need someone to vacuum after classes (at 8:30pm) on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings or early the morning after classes (7:00am) on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Contact Kayla Baudhuin (rigel7823@gmail.com) if you can help.

NURSING HOME VISITS

Contacts:

Barb Protogere-Sprangers
baproto@aol.com
 920-850-7237

Fawn Tauber
fawndan@gmail.com
 920-419-7336

Prerequisites:

- Must be an approved member.
- Your dog must be at least one year old and have earned its Canine Good Citizen certificate.
- Dogs need to be approved by Fawn Tauber (contact Fawn to schedule an evaluation)
- One of the nursing homes does require the handler to present their vaccination card, showing 3 Covid vaccinations.

Procedure for Submitting Member Volunteer Hours Reports

As you earn volunteer hours, please complete the "Volunteer Hours Report Form" and submit it to the Hours Recorder in one of three ways:

- Scan and email the form to: crystals214@yahoo.com
- Drop off the completed form in the club office
- Mail it to the Hours Recorder (address on form)

Hard copies of the form are available in the club office. It can also be downloaded from the website under the Membership tab (listed in both the Forms and Volunteer sections).

Members can check their hours completed to date status on the website in the Membership / Volunteer section. The document name is "Volunteer Hours Log". Updates will be posted at least once a month.

Any questions or comments, please contact Crystal Dequaine at crystals214@yahoo.com.

For those of you who are already wondering:

COMPETITIVE TRAVELING TROPHY AWARDS will be presented at our annual WDC membership banquet held in June to the winning members who competed at AKC dogs shows between **January 1, 2024 through Dec. 31, 2024** and submit an application. Rules and information about these awards can be found on the WDC website.

On the WDC website – Look under: Membership -- Forms --
Traveling Trophy Awards Information & Application.

There is more than one page to look at so scroll down if you are looking for versatility and/or agility awards.

Conformation awards include:

WDC OWNER-HANDLED DOG OF THE YEAR;
MARY STRANGE AWARD (for novice handlers);
WDC TRAVELING CONFORMATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD;
WDC HIGH SCORING CONFORMATION AWARD;
LOWELL TRACY RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

Obedience awards include:

JUDY FALCK MEMORIAL TRAVELING OBEDIENCE AWARD;
PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

Dog Sport awards include:

HANK PERFORMANCE VERSATILITY AWARD;
WDC AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR – REGULAR;
WDC AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR - PREFERRED

Application deadline: send first-class mail postmarked by May 09, 2025 to: Laura Steidl, N7122 32nd Ct, Weyauwega, WI 54983

-- OR --

Send email before midnight, May 11, 2025 to: blsteidl@centurylink.net

2025 WDC YARD PERMITS AVAILABLE IN FEBRUARY

A 2025 Yard Permit is required to use the club's front and back fenced yards.

- The 2025 Yard Permits are **Orange and Blue**, and they are to be placed in the clear plastic hanging pockets. So, don't throw away last year's plastic hangers. Take out the old 2024 Yard Permit and place the new passes in the hanger.
- The plastic hangers are to hang from your rear-view mirror. If you bike or walk to the club, carry the permit with you.
- Household memberships may have two FREE permits. Individual memberships may have one FREE permit. Additional permits are \$1.00 each and additional plastic hangers are \$2.00 each. If your permit is damaged or stolen, replacement permits can be obtained for \$3.00 fee (pass \$1.00 and hangers \$2.00). If you get a new license plate number, you will need to get a new permit. The permits will change yearly. ALL CLUB MEMBERS MUST HAVE PERMITS BY MAY 1.
- We need your help – please help enforce the yard-use policy! Look at the cars for the people using the fenced yards. If someone using the yard doesn't have a yard permit, please courteously ask him or her if they are WDC members. If they are not members, tell them the yards are for MEMBERS ONLY and tell them how they can become WDC members. If someone is abusing the posted rules, give the license plate number and complain to any board member.
- Feedback/concerns/suggestions, contact Karla Smith (WDCYardPass@gmail.com or 920-303-1122) or any board member.
- To obtain a yard permit, complete the application below and bring it with you to the membership meeting, where Karla Smith will be on hand to distribute yard permits.
- Or you can mail the completed application with a stamped, self- addressed business envelope to: Karla Smith, 1005 Ardmore Tr, Oshkosh, WI 54904

2025 YARD PERMIT ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Membership:

Household (2 free yard permits & hangers if needed)

License Plate Numbers: 1st Plate _____ 2nd Plate _____

Individual (1 free yard permit & hanger)

License Plate Number: _____

Please Mark One

Hanger(s)
Needed

No
Hanger(s)
needed

ADDITIONAL YARD PERMITS (\$1.00/yard pass, \$2.00/plastic hanger, make check out to **WDC**):

Number of extra Permits: _____ Number of extra Plastic Hangers: _____

License Plate Numbers: _____

Bring completed application to a monthly membership meeting or mail with **a stamped, self-addressed business-sized envelope** to: Karla Smith, 1005 Ardmore Trl, Oshkosh, WI 54904



WDC Appreciation & Awards Dinner

Thursday, June 12th 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Place: WDC Training Center
2043 Manitowoc Road
Menasha, WI 54952



All WDC members and their guests are invited to share in this celebration of the great contributions made by our members and recognize the many awards and titles they achieved in 2024. You do not need to be receiving an award to attend.

The club will provide two meat choices, rolls, potato salad, and beverages. Members are asked to bring a salad, side dish, or dessert. The meal is free for members and their guests. Please leave your dogs at home, except for service animals.

If you have any questions, please contact Lori Piette (hoist1out@yahoo.com) or Becky Reider (spaniellover07@hotmail.com).

Please sign up at the following link so we know how many people will be attending:
<https://winnegamedogclub.com/2025-awards-dinner-sign-up/>





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