



WAGS *and* TALES

July 2026



2026 Appreciation & Awards Dinner

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 07/02 **No Membership Meeting in July**
- 07/18 Canine First Aid & CPR Class
- 07/25 ACT 1 & 2 Agility Trials
- 08/01–08/02 IABCA Int'l All-Breed & Rare Breed Dog Show @WDC
- 08/06 Monthly Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 08/07-08/09 WDC Agility Trial
- 08/14 – 08/16 WDC Fast CAT trials @ OKC

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August News Deadline

Please submit articles

By **July 15** to

WDCNewsEditor@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – June 4th, 2026

Motion to approve minutes was requested, moved, and seconded to accept the May Member Meeting Minutes.

Call to order at: 7:06pm

President Report: -

The board meeting will be held on June 16th. -
Polled the membership about having a meeting in July due to the holiday. Those who opposed were asked to stand, there was a clear majority in favor of not having a member meeting in July. There will still be a board meeting on July 16.

Vice President Report: No Report

Secretary Report: Tracey Rymer substituted as the guest secretary. Gabby read some reminders from Kayla Fink which entailed the following:

Remember to pick up after your dog outside and lock the building doors when leaving. The lock box code has been changed.

The dates for the AKC calendar will be different next year (a week later).

AKC has redefined the meaning of fast in the obedience regulations. Fast now means that the handler and dog must move forward at a noticeably accelerated speed. National Owner Handler Series levels of achievement can now be done through the AKC title application portal. Additionally, the AKC board of directors has voted to allow AKC licensed Agility clubs to hold two trials on the same day.

Treasurer's Report:

Gabby is finding extra money in the petty cash envelope in the training store. Please do not add to petty cash.

If you are purchasing something, please use the envelopes behind the office door and write on it what was purchased, your name, and the date. Purchases from the training cabinet need to have sales tax applied so it is important to know what is being purchased. Currently when there is extra money in the petty cash Gabby assumes something has been sold and needs to be taxed. Went over the club's financials

Committees:

Awards Dinner - Jackie Kobereicki - Reminded that tonight was the last night to sign up for the awards dinner. The reservation link could be found on the website. Reminded everyone of the banquet next week, Thursday June 11th with a social at 5 pm and the dinner from 6-8 pm with awards. Please bring a dish to pass. Please bring treats for dogs to help the Helping Paws Dog Pantry. The club has given about 400 lbs of dog food so far. Dog treats are appreciated, we will continue to collect treats through July.

Agility - Korie Hansen - ACT (Agility Course Testing) Event held at the Club July 25. Volunteers are still needed and

can sign up with the We Join link [here](#)

Fast Cat - Mike Allen - FAST CAT is coming up in August and it will be at the Oshkosh Kennel Club. Set up will be on Thursday, August 13th, and the trial will be August 14-16. There will be fun runs available for \$5.

Bulletin Boards - Jeannine Schmidt - For the bulletin board near the main entrance in the front room, there is now a size requirement for your posting and there will be a 2-month limit for posting your item. There is a plastic bag hanging with a form that needs to be filled out for each posting. Businesses please only put your business card up (1 only as the rest will be recycled). Reached out to Jeannine to get the size requirement and form.

CPR - Len Hoehne - The next Canine CPR & First Aid Course will be Saturday, July 18th from 8 am – 12 pm. The class comes with a book, and the cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for nonmembers. Sign up before it is too late. Volunteers are needed on July 17th at 4 pm for set up.

Pavement - Jon Kester - July 6 - 8 the parking lot between door #1 and the small yard will be repaved. Access the building through the back room or the unlocked "out" door if coming for a drop in/class. Please do not disturb the work the pavers are doing. The rest of the parking lot will be getting resealed at another time and the date will be announced once we know.

Yard Passes - Karla Smith - reminded everyone to get a yard pass to use the dog yard. Details are on the website.

K9 Kloset - Cindy Veit - showed the group the logos that can be used on apparel and other items in the closet.

Parade - Bethany Reilly - announced that the next parade is Labor Day. Also, if you walked in the parade and need your volunteer sheet signed put it in Amy Schneider's box for signature.

Membership - Barb Hoffman -

1st Meeting: - - -

Howl Hazebrook - Corgi Mix & Terrier Mix
Robert Keller & Natalie Froelich - Malinois
Ari Zenz - German Shepherd

2nd Meeting: - - -

Christiana Coakley - Chihuahua
Megan Pingel - Chi/ACD Mix
Gail Ann & John Winkler - Mixed Shepherd

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Cry & Brag was held.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

50/50 raffle was drawn.

The ice cream social was held.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Rymer, Guest Secretary

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 16th, 2026

Call to order at: 6:27 pm

Attendance: Attendance: Margie Hohman, Gabby Finnegan, Kayla Fink, Kayla Baudhuin, Jackie Kobierecki, Barb Hoffman, & Marianne Laird

Guests: Danielle Kolman & Len Hoehne

Danielle would like to get the board's approval to have a few vets in the area to review the CPR curriculum. This would allow them to have a curriculum that is vet approved so that those who are attending know that we are doing a program that is great. Wanting to make sure that we are keeping a clear curriculum that isn't being interfered with AI or other misinformation. Currently we have had a local vet that has gone through the program over the years and finds our curriculum very well done and up to date. Was approved by the board to move forward with writing up the curriculum and moving forward with having local vets review.

President Report: No Report

Vice President Report: No Report

Secretary Report:

- AKC has partnered with Equisure Insurance as an option to offer volunteer insurance
- AKC also sent out a memo about screwworm being in the United States for the first time since it was eradicated. They are advising that if you travel for dog sports, go in public, or are around other dogs it is important to educate yourself on screwworm. Currently there are positive reported tests in Texas and New Mexico
- Asked permission from board to reach out to committee chairs for the availability to utilize SignUp as an additional option for volunteers for events - board approval was given
- Asked permission from board to also send to the committee chairs a google form for events being held at WDC to receive contact information for events for setting up door times and other various needs for events - board requested to review the form.

Treasurer Report:

- A financial advisor will be joining our next board meeting to discuss smarter ways to invest our funds. A strategic investment plan is essential for the club's long-term growth and stability. By securing a reliable, steady source of income, we can ensure the club keeps running smoothly, even as costs rise and event profits fluctuate due to economic changes.

- Committee Chairs - there are thank yous available for chairs to use for judges' gifts or other notes from the club. These are available in Kayla Fink's mailbox if you need more than what is in the mailbox for an event, please reach out to Kayla (winnegamedc.secretary@gmail.com)

- Bank statements were passed out to be reviewed by the board

Membership:

2nd Meeting members to be approved by board:

- Christiana Coakley - Chihuahua
- Megan Pingel - Chi/ACD Mix
- Gail Ann & John Winkler - Mixed Shepherd
- Motion to approve the new members was made and the motion was made

Old Business: Fast Cat Ribbons - Kayla B presented a ribbon for an improved BCAT Fast Cat Ribbons for our Fast Cat trial in August. Approval to move forward with continued improvement of Fast Cat Ribbons - Motion to Approve Barb, Second Jackie - motion was approved by the board.

Training Incentive Program - Kayla B -

- Trainers would like to see more communication, quarterly meetings amongst the trainers to keep them updated
- Would like to have a directory of the program directors and class instructors for contacts
- Input was taken for the incentives
- Asked to have a chart or a cheat sheet made for when incident reports are needed.
- First Aid Kits in the building - discussed that we need to reorganize our first aid items in the building because it is a mess. We are also going to create 3 kits that are organized and items are kept track of.

Building Rental - An issue came to be due to not having equipment available to them for a specific jump in rally. A request was made to add a checklist for the type of dog events to be added to the contract.

- Including a spot to fill in for specific equipment was also added.

Award Pins - Going to look into how many 25 year member pins are still in the safety deposit box. Proposed to give the 25 year members the choice of the pin or a \$25 gift card with a list of options for where the gift card could be for.

New Business:

Memorial Fund - Sending money to Cindy Meyer in honor of her daughter Lynn Meyer our AKC rep who passed away June 8, 2026. We are letting Cindy choose how to use the money.

Motioning 7:54 pm

Next Meeting: July 16th at 6:30

Membership First Meeting

Hazebrook, Howl
Corgi mix & Terrier mix

Keller, Robert & Natalie Froelich
Malinois

Zenz, Ari
German Shepherd

Membership Second Meeting

Coakley, Christiana
Chihuahua

Pingel, Megan
Chi/ACD mix

Winkler, Gail Ann & John
Mixed Shepherd

NOTICE – Yard Cleanup

There have been complaints about an abundance of pet waste that is not being picked up in the WDC yard. Please remember to pick up after your dog in the yard. Do not leave it for other members to clean up, there are tools and garbage cans throughout the yard for this purpose.

NOTICE – Volunteers Needed for Agility Trial

We need volunteers to help in the kitchen at the Agility Trial August 7-9 held at Oshkosh Kennel Club! Below is the sign-up link.
<https://www.wejoinin.com/o/winnegamiedogclubtraining@gmail.com>

NOTICE – Please Lock Doors If You Are Renting!

All members who are renting the front or back room please be sure that the doors that need to be manually unlocked and locked are in fact locked when you are finished with your floor rental. We have gotten multiple reports of locks being left unlocked.

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2026 Appreciation & Awards Dinner

It's A Wrap....

The 2026 Winnegamie Dog Club member recognition dinner was a success. More than 100 awards were presented, along with great company and delicious food that was provided.

It's always impressive to acknowledge the outstanding results that our members have achieved with their dogs. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

It all starts with members who complete the applications and send to Carol Lenz and Laura Steidl and the many hours working on preparing the awards prior to the dinner.

Thank you to all the volunteers who set up and decorated the room for the celebration. Lori Piette led a staff of servers who did a great job in the kitchen and with the prize drawing. Thank you for your help. Hope to see all of you in 2027!



The recipients of this year's Appreciation Award were Mike & Korie Hansen



OUR MEMBERS DID IT AGAIN!! 3 large boxes of pet treats and food were donated at the 2026 Recognition Dinner for families who may need help. The treats were delivered to the Helping Paws Pet Pantry. Thank you for caring.

2025 Winners of the Traveling Trophies

Congratulations to the 2025 Winners of the Traveling Trophies:

Submitted by Laura Steidl, Traveling Trophy Committee Chair

MARY STRANGE CONFORMATION AWARD

KAYLA FINK showing her English Setter

CH MONIMAR CIRCLING THE DOUBLE MOON

WINNEGAMIE DOG CLUB CONFORMATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

BARBARA HOFFMAN showing her Australian Shepherd

GCH CH APPLESTREAM'S RELIVING FLASHDANCE

WDC HIGH SCORING CONFORMATION AWARD

BARBARA HOFFMAN showing her Australian Shepherd

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LOWELL TRACY RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

BARBARA HOFFMAN showing her Australian Shepherd

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JUDY FALCK MEMORIAL TRAVELING OOBEDIENCE AWARD

CONNIE WOOD – averaging 194.5 with her Australian Shepherd

RACH RIOT'S LAPIS LAZULI UD

PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

KAREN COMBS – scoring 192.5 with her German Shorthaired Pointer

CH LAWLER'S LIL EIRE APPARENT

WDC OWNER-HANDLED DOG OF THE YEAR AWARD

BARBARA HOFFMAN showing her Australian Shepherd

GCH CH APPLESTREAM'S RELIVING FLASHDANCE

HANK PERFORMANCE VERSATILITY AWARD

CONNIE WOOD with her Australian Shepherd

RACH RIOT'S LAPIS LAZULI UD

WDC AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR - REGULAR

LAURA SCHREINER – 169.7 with her English Springer Spaniel

GCH CH MACH3 VINEWOOD'S THE FIRE INSIDE

WDC AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR – PREFERRED

Regrettably, this year there weren't any applications for this award





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 are in need of someone to vacuum after classes (at 8:30pm) on Monday and Tuesday evenings or early in the morning before classes (8:00am-9:00am) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
Please contact Marianne Laird (royalelaird@yahoo.com) or 414-303-1195 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.



WINNEGAMIE DOG CLUB, INC.

PRESENTS:

DOG CPR AND FIRST AID CLASS

Featuring: Canine CPR manikins

Learn to save your dog's life in case of an **emergency!**

SATURDAY, July 18, 2026 8:00 am until 12:00 pm

Winnegamie Dog Club
2043 Manitowoc Road
Menasha, WI 54952

COST: \$45.00

Registration deadline is **July 16, 2026**
Cost includes class and *K-9 Medic book*

FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE

No dogs allowed in class—*please leave your dogs at home*

Sign up today; class size is limited!

Sign up on-line at winnegamiedogclub.com or mail form as shown below

If you have any questions or for family and children's discounts, please contact:

Len Hoehne at: lhoehne@new.rr.com OR Text to (920) 427-0057

Canine CPR and First Aid Class Registration

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND COMPLETE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PARTICIPANT

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Your email will be used only to confirm your registration and to update you of any class changes.

Winnegamie Dog Club member discount \$35.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS July 16 2026 FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE

*Please mail your completed registration form and check payable to: **Winnegamie Dog Club** to:*

***Len Hoehne, 258 Water St
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