



WAGS *and* TALES

August 2026



2026 July ACT 1 Trial

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 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
- 09/03 Monthly Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 09/07 Neenah-Menasha Labor Day Parade
- 10/10 – 10/11 WDC Obedience & Rally Trials

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September News Deadline

Please submit articles

By **August 15th** to

WDCNewsEditor@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

There was no member meeting in July – membership meeting minutes will return next month

BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 16th, 2026

Call to order at: 6:28 pm

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

Guests: Jennifer Doro, Jon Kester, & Mike Rudolph

Jennifer Doro came to the WDC board to see if there was anything she could do for the club as far as Project Management and is working on a project management certification. The club needs someone who is willing to do food service for the workers. The club is potentially in need of a new hospitality chair, checking the stock of supplies in the kitchen and figuring out an inventory process. Getting a good inventory of various kitchen items so we know what we have before rentals come to the building.

Financial Presentation: Mike Rudolph, a financial advisor with KerberRose, presented to the Board regarding low-risk investment strategies to maximize return on the club's savings. Mr. Rudolph outlined safe financial options, comparing bonds to the club's current Certificate of Deposit (CD) strategy. Additionally, he shared information on KerberRose's money market account options, which currently offer a significantly higher yield than the club's current credit union rates.

Secretary Report:

- AKC released a memorandum for dogs in vehicles during events. At the time of meeting the memorandum was very unclear and as a board we were waiting for AKC to clarify things. Further discussion will happen at the next board meeting and will make a statement on this after that.
- Discussed who would be the board liaison for the election. August 10th the election for Menasha will be set up in the front room and the building will be closed to members on Tuesday August 11th as the voting will be taking place.
- AKC event service fees will increase by \$1 beginning January 1, 2027

Treasurer Report:

- June Financial Report: June closed at a net loss due to reduced income from a smaller class schedule, combined with the unbudgeted purchase of a new lawnmower. The Board opted to replace rather than repair the old mower, as replacement was determined to be more cost-effective.
- Financial Review: Gabby presented the bank statements covering transactions from the previous two months for Board review.
- Office Equipment / Copier Contract: Due to ongoing communication issues with MBM, Gabby has scheduled a mid-August meeting with a representative from James Imaging Systems to explore alternative copier and service contract options.
- Bylaws & Governance: > * The Board reviewed the current bylaws and discussed potential revisions. If the Board decides to proceed with updates, a Bylaws Committee will be formed. Further details will follow.
- In response to a query regarding procedural rules for changing the club's primary financial institution, it was noted that managing funds falls under the fiduciary responsibility of the Board and requires an official Board vote.
- Payment Processing & Technology:
 - Gabby is working with a dedicated PayPal specialist to implement point-of-sale card readers ("tap" machines) for events, trials, seminars, and class orientations. Equipment costs are \$29 for the first reader and \$79 for additional units. Rollout timeline details will be provided once finalized.
- Website Issue: An issue was reported regarding the website's class registration and payment confirmation system. Technical troubleshooting is underway.
- Motion: A motion was made by Barb to transfer the Money Market balance from Fox Communities Credit Union to a Charles Schwab Money Market account managed by KerberRose (Michael Rudolph, Financial Advisor). Motion carried unanimously.
- The Board will vote at next month's meeting regarding whether to transition reserve funds from Credit Union CDs into government bonds.

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*Board Meeting Minutes Continued:***Membership:**

-There are no new members to be accepted since there wasn't a July member meeting

A Member Request was made and read, the board discussed the pros and cons and decided to not move through with it.
 A complaint was made about the sound system during the awards dinner and at an event that the system is hard to hear. One member offered to come and give a quote of different offers since they do systems. It was decided that a board member would take this on.
 Gabby is taking over the contract rentals.
 Request from Judy and Nichole to move the fun match to either November or December and the board would like to keep it October 3 and Kayla B is volunteering to help to keep it the planned weekend.
 Due to neighbor complaints we need to adjust sound before 7:00 am in the yards due to the City of Menasha sound ordinance and if your dog is barking or loud please do your best to keep them quiet before 7:00 am. If your dog is loud then please come after 7:00am. Otherwise more strict rules may need to be put in place.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

NOTICE – Volunteers Needed for Fast Cat

We need VOLUNTEERS to work at WDC Fast cat August 14,15th, 16th. At the Oshkosh kennel club. Please contact Michael Allen at Miklinw@aol.com or Margie Hohman@ muttsgo@gmail.com I also need 5-6 people for set up on the 13th around 1pm. Remember!! We can't run these events without VOLUNTEERS!! NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

NOTICE – Morning Yard Use

If you are using the yard before 7:00am your dog must be quiet (no barking), and there shouldn't be any yelling or loud voices in order to comply with the City of Menasha noise ordinance and be respectful to our neighbors. If your dog barks, please wait until after 7:00am to use the yard.

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WDC LOSES TWO LIFETIME MEMBERS

Allen and Judy Yingling joined Winnegamie Dog Club in 1981 and spent many years raising and showing their West Highland White Terriers. Sadly, they both passed away in June of this year, Judy on June 5th at the age of 78, and Allen on June 29th at the age of 80. They enjoyed 60 years of marriage together and shared their lives with 15 dogs over the years.

Complete obituaries are available at the following links.

Obituary for Allen Yingling: <https://www.valleyfh.com/obituary/Allen-Yingling>

Obituary for Judy Yingling: <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/48711960/judith-yingling>

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

COMMITTEE HELP NEEDED

Contact: Jackie Kobierecki

920-739-8626

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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

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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.



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