

# Dachshund Club of Santa Ana Valley

## Annual meeting – June 1st 2025 - Mr. D's Diner and Bar 126 Yorba Linda Blvd. Placentia, California 92870

Attendees: Jan Oswald, Dennis Duus, Luann Duus, Sherry Snyder, Cheryl Shultz, Steve Shultz

A quorum is present. [Bylaws: Quorum is 20% of active members. There are 10 active members. Two active members represent quorum]

Meeting called to order at 4:01PM.

- **Approval of March 16, 2025 minutes:** Hearing no objection minutes were approved as published.
- **President:** welcome to the annual meeting where the officers and boards for 2025- 2026 will be nominated and voted time.
- **Treasurer's report:** previous balance was \$25,991.83, deposits of \$2947.97, expenses of \$4757.05. Current balance is \$24,182.75. Note that the expenses include payment for club insurance which was \$750 annual fee.
- **Corresponding Secretary:** Luanne reported she received a packet from the American Kennel Club with several different forms used for shows; Thank you note from our specialty judge Fred Vogel; Cheryl received a brochure from the Pasadena shelter that the club made a donation to after the fires; Donation from the Carrie Mehdi Foundation for \$100.
- **Nominations open for 2025- 2026 Officers and Board** by secret ballot as follows:
  - Nominations for the position of President: Dawn Gordon-Perine (Luanne), Steve Shultz (Jan). Steve Shultz voted in as President.
  - Nominations open for the position of Vice-President: Haley Priest (Luanne). Voted in by acclamation.
  - Nominations open for the position of Recording Secretary: Jan Oswald (Dennis) voted in by acclamation.
  - Nominations open for position of Treasurer: Cheryl Shultz (Luanne) voted in by acclamation
  - Nomination for position of Corresponding Secretary: Luanne Duus (Cheryl), Dennis Duus who declined. Luanne Duus voted in as Corresponding Secretary by acclamation.
  - Nominations open for Board of Directors: Sherry Snyder (Luanne), Linda Castaneda (Cheryl), Dawn Gordon-Perine (Sherry), Dennis Duus (Luanne), Sue Rucker (Sherry)

Meeting paused at 4:16 PM - meeting resumed at 4:39 PM

- **Website:** no report.
- **PEC:** Steve reported having met with Tracy Freeling to discuss concerns over earth dog dropping entries and support for judge's seminars online.
- **Membership applications:** Noriko Weinstein. Cheryl stated this applicant does not know any club member to support her application as a sponsor. Luanne was asked to contact this person and Sherry suggested giving this applicant her phone number and possibly Luanne's phone number to contact.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- 2025 specialty shows follow up: entries were down with 41 entries on Saturday and 50 entries on Sunday. There was a loss of \$757.56. The raffle brought in \$400. Discussion on causes [for loss] that could include weather, Judging panel, timing close to the national events and other factors beyond the club's control. Discussion followed regarding increase of entry fee for both regular and non-regular classes, dropping the Award of Merit ribbons which would save the club \$69, dropping judges gifts which total approximately \$100 (keeping in mind the club helps pay for airfare, hotel and transportation which currently costing approximately \$800 per judge ), cutting back the number of catalogs printed, cut back on some of the prizes. Applying some of these changes could save the club approximately \$870. The DCA trophy plan it is typically a cost of \$199 per day. **Motion** by Sherry Snyder to raise the first entry fee to \$35 and non-regular entry fee to \$20, which brings our club in line and competitive with other specialty clubs. Motion seconded by Dennis Duus. Call to vote by Jan Oswald. **Motion carried.**

Steve suggested en lieu of sweepstakes offer best puppy to include bred by puppy which cover ages 6 to 9 months and 9 to 12 months. Cheryl added that our last sweepstakes entries combined for Saturday and Sunday totaled 8 puppies.

**Motion** by Jan Oswald to hold sweepstakes on Saturday and not on Sunday. Motion seconded by Luann Duus. Motion to close discussion by Dennis Duus and seconded by Sherry Snyder. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** by Sherry Snyder to drop the judge's gift. Seconded by Cheryl Shultz, Motion to close discussion by Jan Oswald seconded by Sherry Snyder. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** by Cheryl Shultz to drop the Award of Merit rosettes. Motion seconded by Jan Oswald. Motion to close discussion by Jan Oswald seconded by Dennis Duus. **Motion failed.**

**Motion** by Cheryl Shultz to offer one Award of Merit rosette per variety at specialty each day. Seconded by Dennis Duus. Motion to closed discussion by Sherry Snyder seconded by Luann Duus. **Motion carried.**

En lieu of the change to holding only one sweepstakes on Saturday, nominations placed at the last meeting for Sunday sweepstakes judge are dropped.

### **New Business:**

- Cheryl reported speaking to Vicki Holloway at the specialty who suggested holding our specialties concurrent with Shoreline Dog Fanciers Association of Orange County whose show date for next year is August 28th- 29, 2026. Cheryl reported that she spoke with Kathy Webster for additional information. **PROS:** The show rings are indoors and climate controlled. Show secretary contract could be Jack Bradshaw or Dog Show in a Box whom we currently use. The club can hire their own judge or use one of the judges already hired by the all-breed club. There is no cost for the ring. No food is allowed to be brought in for lunch as there are already vendors and concession stands on the premises. The club can pay their caterer to provide food- lunch for our judges. A couple of tables and some grooming area would be made available and we are allowed to hold a raffle. This would be in addition to are April 2026 specialties. The club, if we choose to do this, would then be holding 4 specialty shows in one year. **CONS:** This is one week after Dachshund Club of California specialties. **Motion** by Dennis Duus and seconded by Sherry Snyder to do this option in August

28-29, 2026. Motion to close discussion by Jan Oswald, seconded by Dennis Duus. **Motion carried.**

- Field trial status: Dennis led the discussion stating he researched Army Corps of engineers and held discussion with one of their representatives. There is a question if San Bernardino County overstepped as they are the custodians for that land - with question of did they even reach out to the Army Corps of engineers for input. Dennis provided a map of the olive Grove and surrounding land that is colored and labeled pertinent to purpose. He wants to find out when San Bernardino County hold their board meetings so he can attend and see if he can open a discussion. Dennis will contact San Bernardino Parks and Recreation. Cheryl is also going to write congressman Calvert.

**NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 14TH 2025 AT 4:00 PM SAME LOCATION.**

**BRAGS!**

LUANNE: MISS DOT FINISHED HER CHAMPIONSHIP AT LAKE MATTHEWS, AWARDED WINNERS BITCH, BEST OPPOSITE SEX, AND OWNER HANDLER



Meeting adjourned: 6:22pm

Respectfully submitted: Jan Oswald