

Dachshund Club of Santa Ana Valley

General meeting – November 16, 2025

Mr. D's Diner and Bar 126 Yorba Linda Blvd. Placentia, California 92870

Attendance: Marianne Lovejoy, Steve Shultz, Cheryl Shultz, Dennis Duus

Meeting called to order at 4:03 PM.

Without objection, Cheryl Shultz will take minutes for this meeting in the absence of the club's Recording Secretary, Jan Oswald.

Minutes from the September 14th, 2025 meeting were approved as circulated.

Treasurer's Report: Balance from September 14th, 2025 was \$23,759.75; income \$36.00; expenses \$0; Current balance 23,795.75.

President report: Thanked those in attendance for coming despite all the recent rain.

Corresponding secretary: No report submitted.

Website: No report submitted.

PEC: No changes or updates to report.

Membership applications: No new applications.

Unfinished Business:

Field trial location updates:

Dennis Duus: Dennis spoke with "Jose", Assistant Director at San Bernardino County Parks Dept. who advised Dennis the olive grove is off-limits because the County has a plan to develop a walking path in the grove sometime next year. Jose offered two alternative locations: the first is an area near the lake behind Prado Dam; the second is the Prado Dog Park. The Prado Dog Park was investigated before and there was no indication of rabbits since gun dogs are trained on the site. Either of these locations would cost our club \$500.00 per day.

Dennis next reported on Riley's Farm in Oak Glen. Dennis visited the site and said it has fallen apart and in shambles. The only months available to us would be January & February, both with probable rain & snow. He was advised there are also mountain lions and bears in the area and the farm is not open on Sunday.

Steve thanked Dennis for his efforts to follow up on these sites.

Marianne Lovejoy reported the southern California basset clubs will hold trials on the beagle grounds near Lake Mathews on December 6th & 7th, 2025. Marianne recently visited the site and reported there are rabbits. The parking lot is small and needs work to be cleared; she estimated there is room for approximately 12-14 cars but no RV parking. She is looking into the cost of a port-a-potty rental since there are no facilities. There is concern about no fencing to keep dogs from running on the road; she plans to have spotters on the road to keep the bassets on the grounds. She will keep in touch with our club to let us know how the basset trials turn out.

Marianne also reported that she checked out two additional sites; one near Warner Springs and a second at the San Jacinto Wildlife Preserve. The Warner Springs location is too remote with no nearby facilities for exhibitors and there are lots of cactus and rattlesnakes. The San Jacinto Wildlife Preserve has plentiful game but costs \$675.00 per day and everyone coming onto the property must pre-purchase a permit. Marianne plans on contacting the water district near Lake Mathews and private properties for potential trial locations.

Meeting suspended: 4:25

Meeting resumed: 4:45

Earthdog:

Steve stopped by Canyon RV and the park has changed the grounds slightly to the positive for Earthdog Tests. A layer of mulch has been deposited where the liners are located so he will need to return with a shovel to dig out and investigate the condition of the liners.

Specialties:

2026 APRIL 25-26:

Saturday judge: Lynn Allen Junior Showmanship: Lynn Allen Sweepstakes Chuck Alarcon
Sunday judge: Ryan Horvath Junior Showmanship: Ryan Horvath NO SWEEPSTAKES

Cheryl reported the premium information will be due to our show secretary in January so committees need to be verified soon.

August 28th – 29th, 2026 concurrent specialties with Shoreline.

Jack Bradshaw has been contacted and will send our club an RFP to begin the contract process to be our superintendent. Bradshaw would like our club to have the same entry fees as Shoreline. Our premium list and catalog would be combined with Shoreline's, and our specialties on Friday & Saturday would follow the Shoreline classes in the afternoon.

New Business:

Judge nominations for April 2027 specialties (May 1st – 2nd, 2027)

Steve opened nominations but there were none. Nominations and VOTING will be opened at our next DCSAV meeting.

DCA 2026 Winter Newsletter - Performance Events featured

The next issue of the DCA Newsletter will have a featured section on performance events with special advertising rates. Advertising in the Newsletter is open to all DCA members. The Newsletter will be published and released about 1 month prior to the National Field Trial and Earthdog Test.

NEXT MEETING: Dates will be circulated to see what date in January or February works best for members.

Motion: To adjourn meeting. Seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned 5:05 PM.

Minutes submitted by Cheryl Shultz Secretary Pro Tem