



ALLEN TOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

General Meeting Minutes

Feb 14, 2024

Macungie Park

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**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
Date: Feb 14, 2024
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President Chuck Ackenzie, who noted that there were 23 members in attendance.

Minutes:

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on Jan 10, 2024 which are posted on the website. No corrections or additions were noted. Terry Papineau moved to accept the Jan 10, 2024 minutes. The motion was seconded by Sherry Hanley. The motions passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report - Linda Eldon:

(see attached page 6).

No corrections or additions were noted to the Treasurer's Report. Donna Barto moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Dusty Springer and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Correspondence – Kathryn Dyer:

We received written notification of approval for our May show as well as the October/November show. The judges panel has been approved and set as well.

Federation – Edie Rysdyk:

Absent no report

Membership Report – Debbie Achenzie:

The following Membership information will be presented at the General Meeting on 2/14/2024

First Readings ... Please mark present or not present for the minutes.

Kathy Pugh
454 West Hill Road
Glen Gardner , NJ 08826
Golden Retriever
H: 908-537-7869
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kwpugh@centurylink.net

Absent

Pat Wotring
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German Shepherd
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Present

Susan Rouse
6 Scenic Falls Road
Long Valley, NJ 07853
Pug
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Absent

Martha Bell
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Limerick, PA 19468
Golden Retriever
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mebonweb@aol.com

Absent

Second Readings.... vote into membership

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Alfred (Bud) Norris
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Siberian Husky
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Jessica Bing
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Northampton, PA 18067
Golden Retriever
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Thank You for including this report in the minutes.
Debbie Achenzie
Membership

Motion by Linda Eldon to accept the three new members. The motion was seconded by Katie Dyer and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Debbie Achenzie announced that at the end of 2024 she is looking to “retire” from Membership. She is announcing this now and has asked the general membership to consider/make suggestions for a replacement.

Training Director’s Report – Terry Papineau: report on page 7

COMMITTEES:

Website – Steve Markowitz.

No report

Publicity – Jennifer Weidman

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Newsletter – Jacqui Hartranft & Stacey Nash:

In an email dated Jan 30, 2024, Jacqui Hartranft noted Rita has fully retired from The newsletter and that Stacey Nash will take over in her place. Stacey’s email updated below.

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the next newsletter is due Feb 25th. Jacqui requested that members send their brags and pictures to be published in the Newsletter. Please send information and pictures to Stacey Nash: staceyhayesnash@gmail.com or Jacqui Hartranft: japhart@ptd.net

Jacqui emphasized the announcement from publicity about the member of the month and trainer of the month being added to the newsletter.

Sunshine committee Debbie & Chuck Achenzie

A sympathy card was sent to the family of Sally Campbell.

- Audit Committee – Steve Markowitz

(Audit report to be presented by Steve.) page 8

President Chuck Achenzie gave praise and accolades to Linda Eldon on a fantastic job she does as treasurer.

Donation Committee - Cris Courduff

Absent-report read by Chuck Achenzie

At the January Board Meeting, the Board voted to start making donations to other non-profits. Cris Courduff will be the chairperson for the committee. Please contact Cris with any non-profit organizations that you would like ADTC to donate to.

Mary Minnich made mention that the board should consult Eddy regarding a non-profit donating money to another non-profit. There may be a PA regulation regarding this and may be why the club stopped these donations previously.

Awards and Title Recognition – Judy Lasso & Pat Gombocz

No Report

Trophies - Cris Courduff

No Report

Point Show – Gail James

Gail absent, following report read by Chuck Achenzie

I still am not released to drive so I will not be at the meeting tonight. As for the Show Committee report everything is on schedule, Dusty has been in contact with Melanie about the food, Cris has sent the trophy donations to me and I will get the premium done and send it to my proofreaders this week. I should be able to drive after February 26.

Thanks,
Gail

Old Business: no report

New Business:

Club Treasurer, Linda Eldon said the club computer bookkeeping software is Quicken. Linda has been using her personal computer and program for Quickbooks. Linda would like to have Quickbook added to the club computer. Linda is requesting anyone with a copy of Quickbooks 2016 or more recent to contact her.

In response, Mary Minnich said she will look into a \$35 per year Quickbook subscription and report back to Linda.

Dusty Springer announced that Dick Lobach is selling items such as crates, cavaletti, a grooming table for small dog, statues of Great Danes etc. Information on available items is also posted in the February news letter.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The next Board meeting will be held on February 25, 2024, at 6:00PM. in Macungie Hall. Open to the membership.
- The next General Meeting will be held on March 13, 2024, at 7:00 PM inside in Macungie Hall.
- Don't forget our Staples number is 610-439-2800

Brags:

3 members announced brags. Congratulations to all!

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the general membership Dusty Springer moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Debbie Achenzie.

The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 7:24 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Krapf, Recording Secretary

ADTC GENERAL MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT**Income/Expense by Category - February 13, 2024**

1/09/2024 through 2/13/2024

	1/9/2023
Category	2/13//2024
INCOME	
Dues	\$ 1,795.00
Brag Box	\$ 57.00
Point Show May - Trophy	\$ 764.00
Raffle	\$ 777.00
Training	\$ 4,701.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$8,094.00
EXPENSES	
Insurance	\$ (325.00)
Misscellaneous Expense	\$ (288.61)
Raffle Expense	\$ (100.00)
Storage Unit	\$ (203.00)
Telephone	\$ (52.93)
Training Exp	\$ (5,730.25)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (6,699.79)
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 1,394.21

CHECKING & MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS - 02/13/2024

Account	Balance
BANK ACCOUNT	
Truist Checking	\$ 67,199.43
TOTAL Bank Accounts	\$ 67,199.43
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	
Vanguard Money Market	\$ 31,932.16
TOTAL Investment Account	\$ 31,932.16
OVERALL TOTAL (Bank & MM Accts.)	\$ 99,131.59

Training Director's Report Feb 14, 2024

Classes are on week 3. All is going well.

Within the next month you will be receiving an email inviting you to join the a email group. You must accept in order to be part of the group. This will enable you to communicate directly with the entire club without having to bother Debbie. Hoping this goes smoothly

Our October 31/Nov 3 shows approved

Submitted by Terry Papineau

Audit Committee Report February 14, 2024

ADTC Audit Committee Report

January 18, 2024

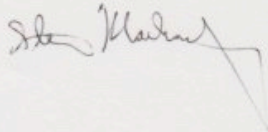
On January 17, 2024, the Audit Committee of the *Allentown Dog Training Club* conducted an audit of the Club's financials. The meeting was held in the Macungie Park Hall and consisted of John Landis, Debbie Achenzie and Steve Markowitz. Also in attendance were Chuck Achenzie, Club President; and Linda Eldon, Club Treasurer.

John Landis audited 6 random deposits and reviewed financial practices with Linda Eldon. 42 random payments were also reviewed by Debbie Achenzie and Steve Markowitz and compared to invoices and receipts. All were found in order, correctly matching the statements and paperwork.

The Vanguard savings account balance at the end of the year was \$61,659.03, agreeing with the end of year financial statement balance. The end of year Truist Bank checking account balance was \$35,805.22. John suggested that \$20,000 of this amount move to the Vanguard account for increased interest returns.

The Committee found financial records of the Club in good order.

Thanks to John and Debbie for their assistance with the audit. Also, a big "thank you" to Linda for keeping the books and records in a manner that made the audit transparent to complete.



Publicity Report - Jennifer Weidman

Allentown Dog Training Club – Publicity Report

February 14, 2024

As I'm new to this role, I'm excited to get my feet wet and hear what outreach activities you would like to see us participating in. As of today, we have two opportunities for our members to get out in the community and show people what we're about:

Sunday May 5, 2024: Paws at the Park (Grange Park, Upper Macungie, noon-3pm) – Last year, this was a very well-attended event where we had 6-8 members and dogs participate.

Sunday June 9, 2024: Pawprints on the Canal (Northampton, 11-4) – Last year we had at least a dozen members and dogs at this festival, which was packed all day. We gave a short obedience demonstration and may have been featured in the local paper (?)

Please add the dates to your calendar and look for more information in the monthly newsletter on how to sign up to join the fun.

We will be starting back up with the "Member of the Month" feature to help us to get to know each other better. As a "newbie" I really enjoy learning about everyone else's dogs and experiences.

To build on that, we're also going to be launching a similar feature to get to know our trainers! We are so lucky to have such knowledgeable and talented instructors with a wealth of experience...let's "toot our own horns" and celebrate that!

If you have any ideas of ways to spread the word about our great club and/or activities and event you'd like to see us participating in, please let me know. The further in advance of the date, the better, since many of these events have an application deadline and are organized well in advance. But even if it's too late for this year, at least we can add it to our list for next year.

Thank you all in advance for your support and great ideas!

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Weidman

Publicity Chair