

**Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association, Inc.
General Meeting Minutes, September 20, 2016**

The annual meeting of the Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association was held on September 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM. A quorum was declared with 65 members present. A **motion** by Robert Saputo was seconded to approve the minutes of the August, 2016 with two corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

President—President Brenda Allison summarized the past year's activities and was thankful for the successful agility trials, obedience and rally trials, for the lure coursing fun days, show n gos and the DACOF and DOCOF Teams. She thanked the outgoing board, volunteers and trial chairmen for their efforts over the past year. She reminded everyone of the upcoming agility trial, conformation match and Spooktacular show n go scheduled for October.

She invited everyone to attend the October General Meeting to participate in our annual Halloween and Pizza Party.

Brenda announced that Connie Adams, Elaine Wilson and Sue Veres would serve as tellers for the 2016 election and invited eligible members to cast ballots during the meeting.

Corresponding Secretary—No report.

Treasurer—Cindy Deak provided a verbal report of club balances to date.

Training Director—Sally Shaw reported that the September 19 CGC evaluation had 7 dogs and all passed. New classes begin next week. The next CGC/CGCA evaluation will be held on November 14. There were no incidents to report.

Committee Reports

AKC Obedience and Rally Trials—Carol Harrison reported that three trials are in the works. On January 21-22, 2017, two obedience trials are scheduled at the MADTA facility. Donna Hamm is Trial Secretary and Luci and Ron Seeley and Jeffrey Kern are judging. On June 17-18, 2017, four rally trials will be held at the Citrus County Dog Training facility. Lisa Forbes is Trial Secretary and Brenda Crim-Critelli and Aline Brisendine are judging. A rally trial is scheduled for September 23-24 at Citrus County Dog Training. No Secretary or judges have been selected yet. Carol is looking for Obedience and Rally Committee members for the new club year.

AKC Agility Trials—Cindy Deak reported that all is in place for the October 7-9 Agility Trial at the Livestock Pavilion. It is shaping up to be our biggest ever agility event and we are short on workers. Contact worker coordinator Becky Stewart to sign up to help. Janet Barber and Cindy are working with SELP to insure that the footing is in good shape.

The new 300 foot long pavilion at SELP will have no bleachers but a 200 foot long section of dirt and a 100-foot concrete slab and may serve as a good venue for future MADTA agility trials.

AKC equipment changes are coming in January. The chute has been eliminated and there will be new requirements for the tire jump frame.

Conformation Committee—Leslie Pope-Hall reported plans for our October 15 conformation match are coming together. Breed judges have been appointed and it should be a fun event.

Lure Coursing—Melanie Magamoll reported that plans are finalized for the September 24 fun match at the Deak property and plans for an October match are being finalized. We will be hosting our first AKC Coursing Agility Test at Grand Oaks in Lady Lake in February.

Business Development Committee—Karen VanGunst reminded the members of the annual Blessing of the Animals at Grace Episcopal Church on October 8. Mary Anne Fitch is coordinating MADTA's presence at the event.

Election of Officers and Board Members—Brenda Allison announced the results of the 2016 election as follows:

President	Joan Stewart
Vice President	Mary Riley
Corresponding Secretary	Pat Paulding
Recording Secretary	Donna Hamm
Treasurer	Cindy Deak
Training Director	Brenda Allison
Board Member	Aline Brisendine
Board Member	Robin Stewart
Board Member (returning)	Carol Harrison
Board Member (returning)	Sue Veres

The gavel was exchanged and the new board took their seats. Joan Stewart thanked the members of the outgoing board for their hard work over the last year.

Membership—Mary Anne Fitch presented first readings for:

Elizabeth Chadwell (present)
Dr. Pamela Ginn (present) and Tanner Ginn Hahn (absent)
Sue Vickery (present)
Karla Wolfon (present)

Second readings:

Carol and Kyle Rike (present)
Dan and Millie Mainwaring (absent)

Cindy Deak moved to approve the second readings for membership. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business—Bob Saputo reported that plans for the April 8-9, 2017 UKC trial are being finalized. He proposed adding a second UKC trial during the month of November this year.

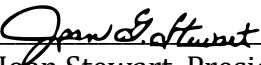
Collette Miller reminded the members that Seminole Feed offers its 10% club membership to MADTA members.

New Business—Multiple members requested that member ID cards be provided so that MADTA members could take advantage of business discounts.

Joan Stewart reported that the Board had established a Committee to study the feasibility of the property located at 7895 SW 38th Street in Ocala as a potential training facility. Cindy Deak will serve as acting Chair. Board members on the committee will be Sue Veres, Leslie Pope-Hall, and Brenda Allison. Members volunteering from the floor include Bob Saputo, Janet Barber, Donna Hamm (now on the Board), Becky Stewart, and Carol Rike.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Joan Stewart
Acting Recording Secretary

Approved  _____
Joan Stewart, President, MADTA
October 18, 2016