

IRWSAA Board Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2024

Start time: 8:33 pm EDT

Roll Call:

Christina Phillips
Kathleen Hickey
Chris Orcutt
Vee Weathers
Deb Griese
Tammy Ciesla
Sean Rudden
Augie Lonardi

Absent: Jean Webb

Minutes of the August 2024 meeting

Minutes were reviewed and motioned to accept minutes as approved by Deb Griese, second by Chris Orcutt. Approved.

President Report - Christina Phillips

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Vice President - Chris Orcutt
Treasurer - Vee Weathers
Recording Secretary - Kathleen Hickey
Corresponding Secretary - Tammy Ciesla

Board Members:

Augie Lonardi
Deb Griese
Sean Rudden
Jean Webb

Member Vala Zupko has volunteered to do the 2025 calendar, I offered to assist as needed.

[Small dog club helpers | Facebook](#)

We signed up with them, Kathy holds Online auctions/raffles, many clubs have signed up with her. There are no expenses for us, no purchase of item takes place until all spots have been sold and winning items is send direct to winner..

Bonnlo Hydraulic Dog Grooming Table, Professional Heavy Duty Grooming Table for Dogs, Trimming Table Drying Table w/Arm/Noose. 42.5"

This is for the Irish Red and White Club of America
{we will have her correct the name}, Wendy is the go to person.

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Corresponding Secretary Report - Tammy Ciesla

Hello members,

There is nothing new to report from the C.S.

Thank you,

Tammy Ciesla

Corresponding Secretary

Treasurers Report - Vee Weathers

August 1, 2024 – August 31, 2024

Account Number -8251

Account Balance as of 7/31/2024 \$29,773.60

Income:

Dues -	25.00
August Natl - banquet, s. auction, raffle	1,904.00
Hunting dog/bitch (Bockman)	30.00

Expense:

Julie Yoho Spec. Mn	506.03
Deb Peterson - 2024 Natl Spec	136.90
Kowalski Catering - D Griese	639.41
Hodges Badges	105.84
Deb Peterson - Specialty Aug	73.42

Balance of 8/31/2024 **\$30,271.00**

Account Number -9887

Balance as of 7/31/2024 **\$7,492.77**

No Activity

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Standing Committees:

AKC Delegate Report - Chris Orcutt

AKC Delegate Meeting was held on Sept 10th. Committee Elections were held and I was voted back onto the Field Trial Hunt Test Meetings. I will forward the Delegate Meeting Minutes once they are posted by AKC.

Best regards,

Chris

AKC Gazette - Cynthia Lancaster

Deadline looming...

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Lancaster
AKC Gazette

Irish Red and White Setter Breed Columnist

Awards - Robert Webb, Christina Phillips, Lindsay Bockman

August				
Dog Title	Dog Name	Reg Number	Date Titled	Owners Name
Champion	CH Gilliegrae Mystic Magic	SS40402701	14-Jul-24	Kellyn Miller & MacKenzie M Rollins & Nathaniel W Rollins
Champion	CH O'Dobhailien Fermanagh Fergus FDC CGC TKN	SS26031903	27-Jul-24	Lisa Tester & Marc Tester
Grand Champion Bronze	GCHB CH Solarsnow Let Me Count The Ways	SS14169903	14-Jul-24	Helen Mitchell
Rally Novice	CH Killary's What's New Pussycat RN FDC FCAT2 SWM SCME SINE CGCA CGCU TKN FITB	SS07717706	26-Jul-24	Morgan Dart

Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 8	GCH CH PACH Munroc Innismore At Shaker Hill MXP9 MXPG MJP8 MJPG PAX3	SR94669905	14-Jul- 24	Diane Welling & Cheryl Mika & Rhonda Cornum & John Cottrill
BCAT	GCH CH Rose View Unleash The Sparkle RN FDC BCAT SWA SCE SIE RATN CGCA CGCU TKI VHMA VHMP	SS38378502	26-Jul- 24	Morgan Dart
FCAT	CH Killary Thru The Looking Glass At Verrami FCAT CGC	SS11712602	26-Jul- 24	Ann Marie Dart & Morgan Dart
Scent Work Buried Novice	GCH CH Laurel Oak Hang Fire SWN SEA RATN DN TKP	SR93482207	27-Jul- 24	Karen Gjevre
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Scent Work Buried Advanced	GCH CH Rose View Unleash The Sparkle RN FDC SWA SCE SIE RATN CGCA CGCU TKI VHMA VHMP	SS38378502	20-Jul-24	Morgan Dart
Scent Work Advanced	GCH CH Rose View Unleash The Sparkle RN FDC SWA SCE SIE RATN CGCA CGCU TKI VHMA VHMP	SS38378502	20-Jul-24	Morgan Dart
Advanced Canine Good Citizen	Moonstone Gaelic Legend BN RN FDC CGCA CGCU TKN ATT	SR78457102	7-Jul-24	Deborah Cournoyer
Canine Good Citizen Urban	Moonstone Gaelic Legend BN RN FDC CGCA CGCU TKN ATT	SR78457102	7-Jul-24	Deborah Cournoyer
Trick Dog Novice	Moonstone Gaelic Legend BN RN FDC CGCA CGCU TKN ATT	SR78457102	7-Jul-24	Deborah Cournoyer

Thanks

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Robert Webb

Statistician - Robert Webb

Nothing to report

By-Laws - Mary O'Leary, Rhonda Cornum, Maura Brady, Brandon Allen

Nothing to report

Companion Events - Kathleen Brown

Nothing to report

AKC Flyer Program - Michael Lamp, Brandon Allen

Nothing to report

Field Committee - Jean Webb

Nothing to report

Health Committee - Judy Taylor

Christina & Board Members,

The Health Committee has no new business to report.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Taylor, Chair

Health Committee

National Specialty Organization Committee - Christina Phillips, Dorothy Denton, Deb Peterson, Brandon Allen, Eileen Newell, Arlene Wilson

Nothing to report

CHIC Program - Chris Orcutt

The CHIC committee has no new items to report.

Respectfully,

Chris Orcutt

Judges Education - Michael Lamp

Nothing to report

National Guidelines - Christina Phillips, Kathy Gaut, Brandon Allen

Nothing to report

Newsletter Forum - Gary Scypta

Nothing to report

IRWSAA Club Store - Cynthia Lancaster

Nothing to report

IRWSAA Membership - Augie Lonardi

Nothing to report

2024 National Specialty: Minnesota - Deb Griese

National info-

Still no ribbons! I have called/ e- mailed from the Monday after the National & continued thru every week. I leave messages- they never get back to me- emails also ignored.

I'll contact AKC to see what else I can do.

Very frustrating. They could at least be honest and give a date or a credit as I requested so I could order elsewhere.

I have a few receipts to turn into Vee for expenses I incurred.

We got 3 nice thank you notes from our judges on Friday (Filburn & Gifford) and Saturday sweeps judge (Myhre). I also received a thank you note from the president of the local English setter club. We shared judges with them and collaborated on keeping everything running smoothly and getting judges to/from the hotel. Traditionally we do this with the local setter clubs.

Til later-

Deb

2025 National Specialty - Maura Brady

Nothing to report

2026 National Specialty - Christina Phillips

Looking at some fun non show events for the National.

The event weekend used Onofrio [I know], but club has AKC judge Cindy Vogels and a nice show chair that are aware and our show committee members are right on top of things.

- Christina

2025 Morris & Essex Specialty - Brandon Allen, Michael Lamp

Application has been filled out for their show chair designating our entry as a Specialty instead of a National Specialty. They are working on trophy ideas and will get the AKC application done. Deadline for trophies is February.

National Trophy

I'm talking to two US artists and one in Ireland. Will have more to report next month.

Respectfully,

Michael Lamp

2026 Regional Specialty - TBD

2027 National Specialty - OVIRWSC - May 2027 - Michael Lamp

Fundraising ideas being worked on. It will be the 30th Anniversary so we hope to make it extra special! Judges are being worked on for the all breed clubs. We will submit judges for membership when we can.

Respectfully,

Michael Lamp

Trophy Fund Fundraising Committee - Wendy Bockman

Wendy Bockman reports that her committee members are Michele Lang, Ellen Pfab Halloran and Margie Hohman.

ROM [Registry of Merit] - Rachel Bockman

Nothing to report

Rescue Report - Tammy Ciesla

Hello Board Members :

Good news from the rescue side! I heard from a volunteer at Above and Beyond rescue; and the IRWS that was considered potentially "aggressive" from CO., has been successfully re-homed and is doing fantastic. No issues and is living "his best life".

I couldn't be happier!

Tammy Ciesla

IRWS Rescue Chair

Standing Rules - Augie Lonardi, Mary O'Leary

Nothing to report

Sunshine Fund - Kathleen Hickey

The Sunshine Fund Committee sent a condolences card to Christina Phillips for the loss of her mother on behalf of the IRWSAA membership.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hickey
Sunshine Fund Committee Chair

Ways & Means - OPEN

Website - Sean Rudden

Nothing to report

Eastern Area Coordinator - Lindsey Bockman

Nothing to report

Central Area Coordinator - Michael Lamp

Nothing to report

Western Area Coordinator - Arleen Wilson

Nothing to report

Motion to approve all Committee reports, made by Kathleen Hickey, second by Tammy Ciesla. Approved.

Old Business -

Nothing discussed at this meeting.

New Business -

2025 Calendars. I attached estimate for 100, this is what we have ordered the past 3 years. We have charged \$20, which included shipping. Average shipping runs about \$3.00, \$2.00 for envelope, this would make it \$15 per calendar.

We take 100 it makes it about \$7 for printing each.

A motion to approve the above proposal for the 2025 calendars was made by Chris Orcutt, second Vee Weathers. Approved.

Board discussed the need to post IRWSAA meeting minutes to the website. Kathleen Hickey will send a PDF to Sean Rudden monthly once the minutes are approved by the board. Sean will upload the minutes to the Club Documents section of the IRWSAA website.

Next Meeting Date - Monday, October 28, 2024 at 8:30 pm EST

Motion to adjourn by Kathleen Hickey, second Vee Weathers. Adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm EST

Respectfully Submitted by: Kathleen Hickey, Recording Secretary