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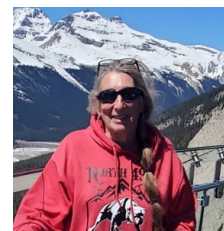
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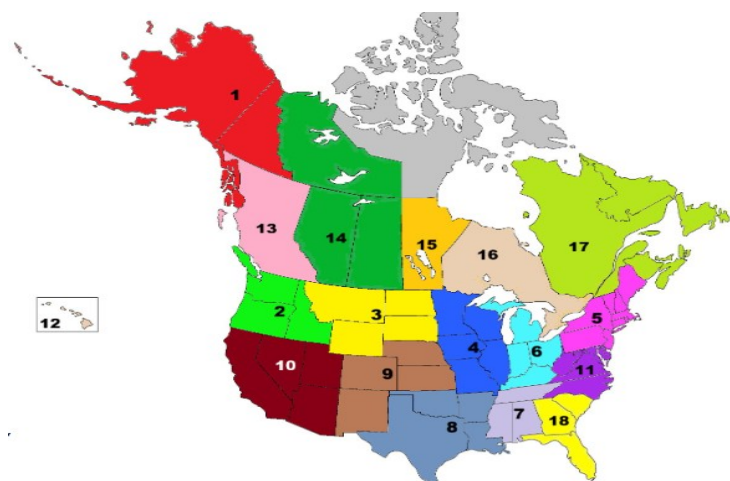


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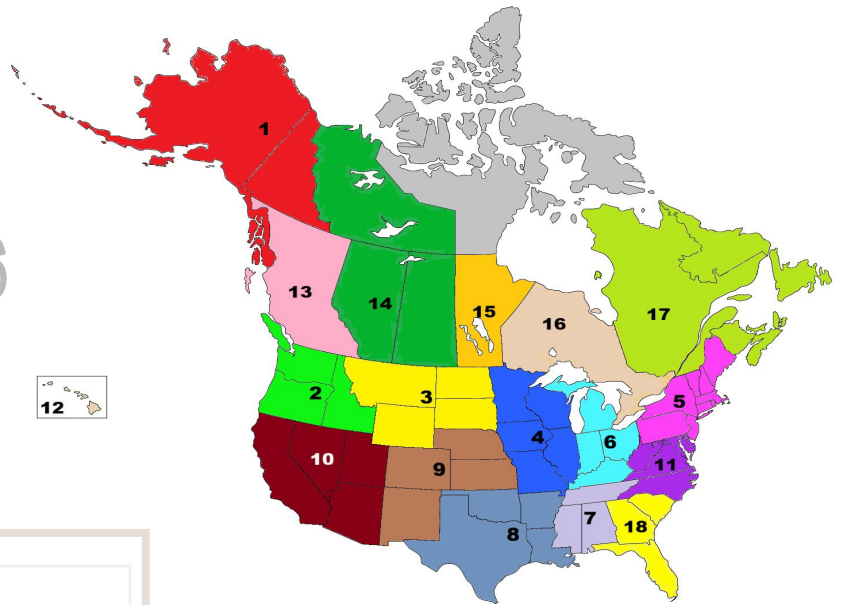
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Region 14 – Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Northwest Territories

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Region 15 - Manitoba. Whitney Weston

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Region 17 – Quebec, Prince Edward Island. Nova Scotia, Newfoundland,

And New Brunswick

Rep – Sean Hamell

Region 18 – South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida

Rep – Sheryl Franklin

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jean Wilson

Hello IWPA membership.

I am honored to have the privilege of serving as your president for this season. Thank you to the membership and board members for putting their trust in me. I will do my best for you as that's what I'm here for. Your Board of Directors is also committed to working for you, to make this as great a season as we can possibly have. It's all about the dog, your teamwork with your dog, and everyone enjoying themselves while promoting good sportsmanship during family friendly events.

We've made some changes this season as a result of recommendations from the membership. We think these changes will serve the IWPA well.

1) We will continue to allow the hosting of "Line" and "No Line" events as this trial during last season was a success. The organizer will need to specify the type of event on the Sanctioning Application, and this will be added to the end of the event name for ease of identifying the type of event being hosted.

2) We have increased the recommended starting weights for the weight classes as noted below:

10 lb. Class - 150 lbs. 60 lb. Class - 600 lbs. 125 lb. Class - 900 lbs.

20 lb. Class - 250 lbs. 80 lb. Class - 700 lbs. 150 lb. Class - 900 lbs.

40 lb. Class - 500 lbs. 100 lb. Class - 800 lbs. Unltd. Class - 900 lbs.

3) Dogs may now be rewarded once they have left the pull chute area and have returned to the holding area. However, if a handler is found to have food or bait on their person while in the chute, the dog will be disqualified from the event with no pulls counting as qualified pulls. So be sure you don't have anything on you when you go into the chute. For your benefit, be sure to familiarize yourself with the chairs and regional representatives so if you have questions, you know who to contact. I have an open-door policy. Feel free to contact me at any time. If I'm not available, I will get back with you as soon as I can.

I hope you all had a great summer and look forward to seeing your successes with your dogs this upcoming season. We are currently updating forms. As soon as they are finalized, the membership confirmations, along with the rules and Constitution will be sent out for those members that have sent them in. The Judge's renewal forms have been sent out so be sure to get them in early to take advantage of the early renewal rate.

Now let's all go out and have some fun with our dogs this season!

Board Meeting via Zoom

June 27, 2026

Board Meeting via Zoom June 27th, 2026. Meeting called to order by President Connie Meech at 10:19 am CT. This was the first time that the new board used zoom so there were some issues with getting started. Roll Call – Those present via ZOOM video meeting President Connie Meech, (1st term, 2nd year), Treasurer Sean Hammell (1 year appointment), David Gallagher (1 year appointment), Debbie Lee (1 year appointment), John Podolak (1 year appointment), Jean Wilson (1 year appointment). A quorum was met. Absent were Whitney Weston (1 year appointment), Vice President Clay Fonvielle (1 year appointment), Secretary Amanda Poluck (1 year appointment - resigned). Guests were Eli Carver, Jenn Cook, Emmanuel Faxio, Susan Gallagher, Allison Kurth, Brenda Lemon, Cheryl Martin, Michelle Podolak, Valarie Thawley, Marlo Wacker, Barry Wilson, and Parliamentarian Miriam Simmons. The meeting minutes from the 2025 board meeting were reviewed. Minutes not read. Secretary Report Amanda Poluck – Written report submitted. It was noted that an emailed resignation had been sent at 8:01 am on the date of the meeting by Secretary Amanda Poluck.

Disussion was held regarding a special board meeting that had been held in late 2025 as a result of the majority of the board resigning on Sept 1, 2025. From the 2025 board meeting, the following had been approved and the special meeting brought these into fruition. An additional judge test for exceptions to the apprenticing requirement, and a new Platinum Hall of Fame Level. Discussed and approved also was the allowance for late bids for the 2025-2026 Championships, responsibility of forms modifications, establishing the purpose for the IWPA Articles of Incorporation, sending a vote to the membership for electronic voting (which subsequently passed), and the option for organizers to host line or no line events. These minutes were reviewed with no questions, and a motion was made by Debbie Lee to accept the minutes, David Gallagher seconded the motion, MSCU.

The chair reports that were received were reviewed and accepted as written. Reports missing were the Historian Report, Elections Report and Newsletter Report. No questions were asked by the board. John Podolak made a motion to accept the received reports as written, Jean Wilson seconded the motion, MSCU.

Guest Angel Godoy joined.

Discussion was held regarding the medal counts and the need for an embosser for the foil seals used on award certificates.

A recent member suspension was discussed and rescinded. The parliamentarian advised a hearing would be required.

Vice President Clay Fonvielle joined the meeting, and the pros and cons of the 2026 Championships were discussed and that although the event went well, better mentorship is recommended due to the complexities of hosting such an event. Clay Fonvielle asked about the possibility of sanctioning last minute snow pulls and this was tabled as new business. He also recommended increasing the suggested maximum start weights for some classes to prevent the dogs from potentially being injured by the cart or sled. This was tabled as new business.

Discussion was held regarding the importance of member's information being kept confidential and that specific information may be available only to a chair or board member and only for a specific purpose. Jean Wilson, the membership chair advised she has already taken on the responsibility of notifying the membership by bcc email if an event was to be canceled or moved so that members' email addresses were not readily available to other members. This previously was the responsibility of the organizer.

The IWPA Tax Exempt status was discussed. It is closer but still in process. Connie Meech will continue with it and states it will be completed before September 1, 2026.

--A break was called

Guest Darwin Lumbattis and Donna Libbey joined the meeting. Parliamentarian Miriam Simmons left the meeting.

The line and no line options were discussed and determined to be a success for the past season. Discussion was held on whether Championships should be line or no line. Motion was made by Jean Wilson to keep both options available for season events, David Gallagher seconded the motion. MSCU.

Parliamentarian Miriam Simmons rejoined the meeting. The 5 Board vacancies were discussed at length. It was determined that Clay Fonvielle would move into the open elected position (Amanda Pollock's resignation) as he was next in line per the voting. The remaining 4 positions would be by 1 year appointments. The following people were nominated for a 1 year appointment position: Jean Wilson nominated Valarie Thawley and Brenda Lemon, who both accepted the nominations. David Gallagher nominated Cheryl Martin who accepted the nomination. Sean Hammell nominated Angel Godoy, Eli Carver and Jenn Cook who all accepted the nominations. Debbie Lee nominated David Gallagher and Susan Gallagher who both accepted their nominations. A lengthy discussion was held regarding filling the 4 open board positions with members from the elections vs. appointees.

Sean Hammell suggested in order to suffice the two-year term, one more person was needed, of which we could take the next highest voted person, with all 5 of those people being on 2-year terms. Then appoint 4 officers from the remaining applicants to fill out the board at 9. This compromise was agreed upon by the board and the Parliamentarian stated if we could agree to a compromise it would be a great thing. The votes were emailed to Parliamentarian Miriam Simmons to count. The results were:

David Gallagher – 6 votes	Brenda Lemon – 5 votes
Valarie Thawley – 5 votes,	Susan Gallagher – 3 votes
Cheryl Martin – 3 votes	Eli Carver – 2 votes
Jenn Cook – 2 votes	Emmanuel Faxio – 2 votes
Angel Godoy – 1 vote.	

A motion was made by Sean Hammell to accept the resignation of Amanda Poluck, Jean Wilson seconded the motion. MSCU. A motion was made by David Gallagher to accept Clay Fonvielle into Amanda Poluck's 2 year term position and David Gallagher, Brenda Lemon, Valarie Thawley and Cheryl Martin into the 1 year appointed positions on the board. Susan Gallagher deferred the 4th place tie to Cheryl Martin. Jean Wilson seconded the motion, MSCU.

Jean Wilson made a motion to close old business and David Gallagher seconded the motion. MSCU.

New Business: June 27,2026 – Part 2:

Roll call – David Gallagher, Cheryl Martin, Clay Fonvielle, Brenda Lemon, Valarie Thawley, Debbie Lee, Sean Hammell, Jean Wilson, Whitney Weston(absent), Sheryl Franklin (absent), Connie Meech, John Podolak, Jenn Cook, Angel Godoy.

Connie, outgoing President: Last business is discussion of membership dues, remain the same or up the price. The motion by Jean Wilson to keep membership dues the same. Cheryl to second motion, carried and passed unanimously. Dues to keep the same for the upcoming year 2026-2027 season.

Voting on new officers for position for new and upcoming board and officers.

Nomination for President:

Clay nominated Sean Hammell – No accept

David nominated Cheryl Martin – Yes accept

Connie nominated Jean Wilson - Yes accept

New President of IWPA is **Jean Wilson**

Nomination for Vice President:

David nominated Cheryl Martin – Yes accept

Sean nominated Debbie Lee – No accept

New Vice President of IWPA is **Cheryl Martin**

Nomination for Secretary:

John Podolak nominated Brenda Lemon – No accept

Brenda Lemon nominated Valarie Thawley – Yes accept

New Secretary of IWPA is **Valarie Thawley**

Nomination for Treasurer:

David nominated Sean Hammell – Yes accept

New Treasurer of IWPA is **Sean Hammell**

Motion made by John Podolak to approve new and upcoming board of directors for 2026-2027 IWPA season – Second by Dave Gallagher. Passed unanimously.

Connie Meech to retire from her post as President of IWPA, to new acting President Jean Wilson. Connie thanked everyone who has helped this past year. It's been a difficult and challenging year. Thank you for your patience and input. And even though we've had our struggles, it's been a learning experience. We've thrown a lot of ideas around. We've changed some things and I hope that we can continue to improve the organization and get back on our feet and make things better.

David commented in thanking Connie for her service.

Turning things over to Jean as new President to set up committees.

Drug testing – Clay Fonvielle

Membership, Sanctioning and Stats – Jean Wilson

Judges Chair – Cheryl Martin

Elections – Brenda Lemon

Animal Welfare and education – Debbie Lee

Standing Rules and forms – Jean Wilson

Awards – Connie Meech

Grievance – David Gallagher

Personnel – remove

Championship – Clay Fonvielle

Newsletter/ Social Media – Debbie Lee (Jean and Connie if needed)

Webmaster – Sheryl Franklin

Website inquiry – Sean Hammell

Hall of Fame/ Working Dog/ Regional, Championship medals (combine) – Connie Meech

Promotions – back burner

Historian – Clay Fonvielle (has put together a lot of data for over the past years. Found that there were dogs that qualified for Hall of Fame awards that they didn't apply for and have found dogs that would qualify for Platinum Hall of Fame.)

Regional Coordinator – David Gallagher

Regional Representatives –

Region 1,13, 16 - Whitney Weston

Region 2, 12, 14, 15, 17 – Sean Hammell

Region 3 – Darwin Lumbattis Region 4 – Connie Meech

Region 5 – Todd Sheehan

Region 6 – Jean Wilson

Region 7, 18 - Sheryl Franklin

Region 8 – Clay Fonvielle

Region 9 – Cheryl Martin

Region 10, 11 – Debbie Lee

Constitution, revise the rule book. Leave the rule book the way it is as far as the line and no line rule. Any changes?

Sean – discussion on allowing the handlers to treat in the handler's area only.

David to make motion: that we change the rule to allow dogs to get a treat once they completed a pull, back in the holding area. John seconded the motion.

Motion made by John to change the beginning of 5C15 to read – dogs may be rewarded once they have left the pull chute area and have returned to their crate, vehicle, or holding area. Handlers shall not have food/ bait on their person in the chute area during the competition, if found that dog will be DQ'd from the event." No points will be awarded and no pulls during that event will count.

Second by David. Passed by unanimous decision.

Jean – Procedure of the weight pull event; we had been talking about starting weights. Was that for Championships only or was that for overall any type of pulls? The max starting weights for each class?

Clay – Correct. It should be down for any event. I would say it's your middle class that you worry about more. Your 40 – 80 lb dogs that are fast taking off as opposed to the larger dogs. The larger dogs aren't trying to get anywhere too fast. So, the 40 – 80 lb classes are where it really counts. And even saying the maximum of an additional 200 lbs. People should know their dog and if they do a no pull that's on them. But at least giving a dog that do know their jobs and giving them a chance, and not injuring themselves, makes a lot of sense.

Clay – Motion to "to add 50lb for 10 and 20lb class, and the remaining classes add an additional 100lb only the max starting wts, 2nd by Brenda, Motion passed

10lb class – 150lb max starting wt.

20lb class - 250lb max starting wt.

40lb class - 500lb max starting wt.

60lb class - 600lb max starting wt.

80lb class - 700lb max starting wt.

100lb class -800lb max starting wt.

125,150 and unlimited class - 900lb max starting wt.

Angel – specifics on Holding area. Some holding areas are relatively spaced out better than other organizers. Shouldn't there be a rule that states that it needs to be as big as it needs to be safe and not crammed up? Don't need a rule change just to be clearer what a holding area is.

Jean – rule says something that the holding area has to be sufficient size to adequately hold the dogs.

Sean – Recommendation would be something that the judge's chair can send out an email at the start of the season, making a point to emphasize to organizers or to judges to say please ensure that the holding area is big enough to safely hold the number of dogs in competition.

Sean – There's rules in here around clock starts when the dog moves or when the handler calls the dog, allowing the dog to stand there and bark or do something. It could be a ridiculous amount of time in some situations. Those types of things don't look good when the dog is essentially sitting there refusing to pull or make any gestures to move.

Jean –I can address it. By saying to be courteous to other pullers, work and teach your dog to go ahead, that when you get into the chute that they need to start in a reasonable period of time, so we're not standing for 5 minutes plus for a dog to decide to either try or do something.

Cheryl – If we kind of keep an eye on it this year, take notes, and if see that there is a problem we can visit it next year.

Connie – I think we probably out to have something in the rulebook about dog ownership. That way if they don't read the Constitution, they'll see it in the rulebook.

Sean – Dogs participating in IWPA sanction events for points need to be owned by a member. It's not necessarily the same member. The general thought is that because that's only one word in the rules that people may not understand the importance of it.

Jean –We need to have something in the rules here specifically stating, Dog assumes the address of its current owner. We could add it in the document, keeping in mind the size of the file and how it's going to print, we might have to change the font. Dogs participating in this need to be owned and pulled by members of the IWPA.

Jean – On the entry form, when you enter a dog, we're looking to change so it will not only say handler, it will also say owner of the dog. Typically, when you're brand-new puller, and you come into the IWPA, you fill out your membership out that form gets loaded in the database. When you fill out the entry form, and you put a dog's name down, we presume you're the owner and/or handler.

Jean – This will be documented on the score sheets and finished reports that are sent in.

Jean – But regarding eligibility, do we need to make changes in here regarding the owners of the dogs? Or do we need to leave it to the forms that are going to be completed and filled out? They will see the forms before they get the rules.

Connie – I'd like to see something in the rule book. Like I said, people don't always read the Constitution and could slide past them on the forms. Just need to cover everything.

Jean – We need to put down, perhaps after dogs' participation in IWPA sanctioned events for points. The owner and handler must be a member of the IWPA for the dog to be eligible to compete for points, and the dog assumes the address (region) of its current owner.

Clay – Do you address transfer of ownership here, or is that going to be somewhere else?

Jean – would have to be in the Constitution.

Jenn – Maybe there should be a note in the rule book that says, "if the dog is transferred to another owner, please refer to".

Jean – Transfer of ownership of a dog needs to be reported to the Sanctioning chair, ASAP. Whoever is entering the information would have to know that there's been a transfer of ownership, and must get a hold of the Sanctioning chair to make changes in the database. The Constitution will need to be updated to reflect this specific information.

Jean – Do I hear a motion?

Debbie – Made motion, 2nd by Brenda, Motion passed unanimously

Jean – Judges Apprentice Approval form – No changes?

Cheryl – Is there an address and a name of the person who is the judge's chair on there?

Jean – the form must be completed in full and submitted along with the judge's application test form to the judge's chairperson. So, all the information is on the judge's application and test.

Jean – No changes to form accept change of address of new Judge's Chair.

Cheryl – made motion to accept as is, 2nd by David, Motion carried

Jean – Championship Entry Form. Dog name, handler name, breed of dog. We need to add a dog's name and owner's name and address and handler's name if different. Not seeing anything else that needs changing. Any other recommendations?

David – made motion to add the dog's owner name and address, 2nd by Cheryl, Motion passed unanimously.

Jean – The only other thing that we might want to change is the handler's agreement that states: "I acknowledge and agree to be responsible for my conduct and the conduct of my dog(s)." Would like to add: "Dogs I've entered".

Cheryl – made motion to add "Dogs I've entered", 2nd by David, Motion passed unanimously

Jean – Championship Host application. Clay, you used it this past year, does anything need to be changed or revised?
Jean – If no objections we could approve this form as is other than changing who the New Championship Chairperson is.

Debbie – made motion to approve form as is with new Chairperson, 2nd by Cheryl, Motion passed unanimously.

Jean – I want to jump back to new business. Reimbursement request from Clay, while we're talking about Championships. There was a total of 18 dogs. It came to ~ \$360, which \$300 was spent on the venue".

Clay - \$30 on equipment and transport, \$50 on refreshments, \$80 on brick delivery for a total of \$760, I lost \$400 on the event.

David – I motion that Clay gets reimbursed for \$400 he lost, 2nd by Sean, motion passed unanimously.

Jean – Certificate of Achievement form, all Championship documents, bronze, silver and gold medalist.

Cheryl – Make motion that we accept the championship documents and certificates for championship as written, 2nd by David

Connie – There's 2 lines that are needing to be signed on the certificates. Can we have a pre-made electronic signature that can be printed on the certificates, or eliminate one of the signatures and only have the Awards Chair person?

Cheryl – make motion to add electronic signature for The Championship Chair, 2nd by David, Motion passed Unanimously.

Jean – Championship Weight pull Finish Report. Everything is here. Do we need to add Line or no-line?

John – Announce it one way or other whether the championship will be Line or No-Line.

Jean – Add it to the end of the name of the pull or perhaps on the sanctioning form.

Brenda – Motion no changes to the form, 2nd by Val, Motion passed unanimously

Jean –IWPA entry form. I suggest we remove weight pulled and years pulled; it doesn't get recorded anywhere in the database. Maybe a line across from the dog's name that we have owner's name.

Brenda – make motion to remove wt pulled and years pulled and add Owner's name, 2nd by Debbie, Motion passed unanimously

Jean – Next looking at Judge's renewal form, judge's report and judge's test, and Apprentice forms. Any questions or discussions?

Sean – Judge's renewal form, the question would change every year at the bottom. We can keep it the same just to change to some kind of point of emphasis or something from the judge's Chair.

Cheryl – What they're highlighting is changes that have been made to the rules and not questions. So, I will need those changes to make sure that we get that on the form.

Jean – looks like they changed it last year at the board meeting. So, do we want to go back to question or just put any rule changes that were made?

Sean – Just list the rule changes.

Jean – Cheryl, we can go through the rules and figure out what we've changed between last year and this up-coming year, and you can just up-date it with those changes. This might be a good place to also to remind to make sure the holding area is of adequate size for the number of dogs. Do I hear that the forms will stay the same other than the judge's Renewal form with up-to-dated names and addresses.

Debbie – motion that we make the changes and proceed, 2nd by Cheryl, Motion passed

Jean – We've got new business.

1) We took care of one from Clay, so we approved that we're going to reimburse him upon receipt and bills.

There are 7 attachments for new business including reimbursement, so down to 6.

2) Discussion with Jenn on membership owners / handlers and transfer of dogs already discussed.

3) Time limit for Grievance to be extended

Clay – I wrote this because of what we earlier in the year, where we had a sizable body of work, where once the membership looked at it they said there definitely should have be punishments, repercussions, but it ended up being outside the 7-day window

Sean – When somebody does something once, it may not be a huge deal, but when it comes up repeatedly, and you're waiting for the right time to put in the grievance in. It could be a single event, or a bunch of events that are added together into one kind of issue. Maybe a year?

Cheryl – A year would be too long. Especially If it has anything to do with points or Championship stuff.

Sean – I can agree with that, especially with it dealing with Championships, rule violation and points. In this case I think Clay is talking about conduct stuff.

Sean – maybe put together a dual Grievance subcommittee, to discuss the grievances, come up with timelines. Further discussion is warranted.

4) Voting rights – Discussion - If a lifetime member has not pulled in 2+ years, they have no voting rights, only those active members and active lifetime members can vote? 5 years was agreed on. Article 12 of Stand rules – add (G) "Not actively involved in the organization for 5+ years will not have voting privileges, even if they still get the newsletter and fill out a membership form."

Motion by Cheryl, seconded by Debbie, motion carried.

5) Continue without salary – continue not paying all board members (President, VP, Sec, Tres, and Stats) Continue to pay Webmaster. Motion passed.

Dual Sanction with other organizations – Would need to work with both organizations, 2 judges, Rules. Table until we get more information.

Up-date Hall of Fame Award – Keep Platinum Hall of Fame name

Hall of Fame Voting – need to table

IWPA requirement? – if banned from other organizations on the use of drugs, then should be banned from the IWPA. On membership form maybe add: “I affirm I have not been banned from any other organization such as AKC, UKC,CKC, etc.” Further discussion is deemed necessary.

2026 – 2027 budget approval. Sean put together the budget for the new season, to be the same as last year’s budget. \$6300. Motion by Cheryl, 2nd by Brenda, Motion carried.

Create a page on website of Past Record holders. Clay was asked to send the spreadsheet to Jean, to figure out how to set it up. Motion by Sean, 2nd Cheryl, Motion carried.

2027 Board meeting to be via zoom on 6/19/2027 @ 9am CT

Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm ET

July 27, 2026—Board of Director Resignation received from Clay Fonvielle. Resignation was accepted on July 28, 2026.

August 5, 2026—Emmanuel Faxio joined the Board of Directors and assumed the responsibilities of Drug Testing Chair and Championship Chair.

FROM ELECTION CHAIR Brenda Lemon:

IWPA Members: I hope this summer has found you well. I will be your election chairperson this year and I'm excited to get the new '26 - '27 weight pull season started. The ballot process will be electronic rather than through the US mail this year. The hope is to have a higher rate of collected ballots at a quicker pace. Good luck everyone! Go have some fun with your dogs and friends. Let's make this a great year in IWPA.

Thanks,

Brenda Lemon, Election Chair, Blemon007@yahoo.com

Treasurers Report for 2026

Sean Hammell

2025-2026 IWPA Income Statement as of June 30th, 2026

	Yearly Budget	Actuals												Total
	2025-2026	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	
Opening Balance:	17,795.95	17,795.95	17,555.37	15,888.21	16,689.49	16,906.87	18,057.26	17,918.41	18,274.42	18,567.71	19,509.15	19,281.77	18,373.68	17,795.95
Revenue:														
Memberships	2,200.00	354.49	95.00	984.96	118.88	635.16	170.15	125.19		378.81	49.74		125.19	3,037.35
Sanctioning	1,750.00		71.12	176.12	350.67	282.24	171.32	158.57	356.24					1,566.28
Organization Entry Fees	1,200.00			54.00		168.07	84.05	72.09		462.81	35.83	(15.00)		861.85
Championships Drug Testing Entry Fees	400.00			18.00		56.02	28.02	24.03		154.27	11.94	(5.00)		287.28
Championships Travel Entry Fees	400.00			18.00		56.02	28.02	24.03		154.27	11.94	(5.00)		287.28
Judge Certification	375.00	29.93	39.72	79.67	30.10	29.86	15.05	30.10	15.05			15.05		284.93
Working Dog Certification	150.00									19.48	9.74			29.22
Total Revenue:	6,475.00	384.42	205.84	1,330.75	499.63	1,227.37	496.61	434.01	371.29	1,169.44	119.19	(9.95)	125.19	6,353.79
Expenses:														
Contractor Fees	2,625.00		375.00		75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	1,050.00
Championships Judges Fees	1,200.00											400.00		400.00
Awards	1,400.00										95.58	49.14		144.72
Championships Member Travel	320.00											371.00		371.00
Championships Drug Testing	400.00													
Insurance	925.00	625.00		300.00										925.00
Postage	550.00					61.98	67.26							129.24
Website	250.00			167.47							47.99		232.45	447.91
Misc Board Expense	1,700.00		1,500.00	70.00	147.25		893.20			150.00	125.00		431.70	3,317.15
Bank Fees	75.00			(10.00)			(400.00)	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	(15.00)	(410.00)
Total Expenses:	9,445.00	625.00	1,875.00	527.47	222.25	136.98	635.46	78.00	78.00	228.00	346.57	898.14	724.15	6,375.02
Profit (Loss)	(2,970.00)	(240.58)	(1,669.16)	803.28	277.38	1,090.39	(138.85)	356.01	293.29	941.44	(227.38)	(908.09)	(598.96)	(21.23)
Ending Balance:	14,825.95	17,555.37	15,888.21	16,689.49	16,906.87	18,057.26	17,918.41	18,274.42	18,567.71	19,509.15	19,281.77	18,373.68	17,774.72	17,774.72

* Prepared on a cash accounting basis

* Please forward any questions on the financials to the Treasurer, Sean Hammell - internationalweightpullassoc@gmail.com

CHAMPIONSHIP BIDS BEING ACCEPTED NOW

It's that time of season for interested organizers to start thinking about applying to be a Championship Host. This past season the rotation for first bid was with the Mid-East District of Regions 4, 6, 8 & 15. This season the first bid goes to the East District of Regions 5, 7, 11, 16, 17 & 18. If no bid for Championships is received by anyone in these regions by September 15, 2026, bidding will be open for any District. If you are interested, now is the time to start planning.

Be sure to contact Emmanuel Faxio at efaxio@yahoo.com for an application.



Animal Welfare/ Education

Debbie Lee

This is an alert to all travelers about the infectious screwworm and pertinent information and diligence on us as owners to be aware. This is shared from AKC but affects all dogs in all events that require travel outside of their states.

Please do your homework and investigate the current list. It is too long an article including all the states to implement into this newsletter.

**<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/emerging-issue-new-world-screwworm-imp> New World Screwworm—
Updates on Interstate Travel Requirements with
Dogs**

By AKC Government Relations

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Updated: Monday, July 20, 2026

Since first detected on June 3, 2026, 41 cases of New World Screwworm (NWS, hereinafter *screwworm*) have been detected in southwest Texas and New Mexico. NWS is a parasitic fly whose larvae burrow into the living tissue of warm-blooded animals, typically through an open wound, causing painful wounds, serious infection, and sometimes death. It can affect livestock, wildlife, pets, and occasionally dogs, which may be at risk if they have open wounds or if they come into contact with infested animals or contaminated areas. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and state departments of agriculture and health officials continue to work together to address the issue.

The American Kennel Club (AKC) recommends that all dog owners, or anyone who works with dogs, to learn about screwworm and to stay updated on developments and animal movement requirements imposed to prevent its spread, especially:

- Anyone potentially engaging in interstate transportation with dogs, including owners, AKC event competitors, professional handlers, event superintendents, and interstate transporters, including those that are part of shelter and rescue operations should pay attention to NWS-related animal movement rules imposed by (1) their home state; (2) all states they will travel through, both outbound and return; and (3) their destination state. Show and trial secretaries, who are encouraged to determine the impact of NWS-related animal movement restrictions, particularly for events to be held in any state with an Infested Zone.

2026 NWS Confirmed Cases

[Click here to view Confirmed Detections of New World Screwworm \(by USDA, updated in real time\).](#)

Federal and State Responses to NWS

Federal and state officials are responding to NWS by creating or maintaining 20-km *Infested Zones* around confirmed detections and imposing quarantines, movement controls, and heightened surveillance in those zones. Additionally, sterilized flies are being released in Infested Zones and Adjacent Surveillance Zones to prevent future generations of the screwworm fly. Go to www.screwworm.gov for additional details on the federal government's response to NWS.

To date, 45 states have created their own NWS-related rules, requirements, and movement restrictions for animals, which are in addition to their regular animal interstate importation requirements. While Alaska, Hawai'i, Nevada, Ohio, and Wyoming have not created screwworm-related requirements, their regular animal interstate importation requirements still apply. All current requirements are listed below.

Please note that while every effort has been made to provide current information, laws, regulations, and emergency orders often change. AKC makes no warranties or guarantees about the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information below. Anyone planning for interstate travel with dogs should check official sources or contact the appropriate state agency for the most up-to-date information and requirements.

[acts-on-health-interstate-travel-with-dogs-2/#:~:text=Dog%20Info,akc.org.](#)

Championship Results for 2025/2026!

2026 IWPA International Championship - Walk the Line PM Bon Aqua, Tennessee (10950 Missionary Ridge Rd)

Pull: 45 -- Organizer(s): Cook, Jenn
Track: Carpet
Weather: Event was indoors

Wheels on Artificial Region 7
Date: 10-May-
Day 1 of 1

Chief Judge: Clay Fonvielle

40 # Class (21 thru 40 pounds)

250# Start weight, 70# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Connie Meech also Judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Jingle	4	460	48.78	40	11.50	0.0	Constance Meech	Siberian Husky
Rogue	7	250	19.00	37	6.76	0.0	Reagan Hart	Collie

60 # Class (41 thru 60 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 175# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Connie Meech & Clay Fonvielle also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
A.I.D.E.W.	8	3400	14.28	58	58.62	0.0	Clay Fonvielle	Am. PitBull Terrier
Baby	3	2525	16.23	57	44.30	0.0	Darwin Lumbattis	American Bully
Hudson	7	1825	15.35	53	34.43	0.0	Reagan Hart	Mixed
Leyrah	7	1125	46.69	55	20.45	0.0	Rebecca Pierce	American Bully

80 # Class (61 thru 80 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 175# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Connie Meech & Clay Fonvielle also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Axayah	18	2000	8.75	70	28.57	0.0	Angel Godoy	American Bully
Soda Pop	7	1475	9.50	72	20.49	0.0	Jenna Murphy	Bluetick

100 # Class (81 thru 100 pounds)

250# Start weight, 210# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Connie Meech also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Helmut	18	1300	4.84	99	13.13	0.0	Angel Godoy	American Bully
Tacchanka	7	250	5.03	91	2.75	0.0	Katherine Coulter	Alaskan Malamute

125 # Class (101 thru 125 pounds)

810# Start weight, 280# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Connie Meech also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Hercules	7	3610	14.89	112	32.23	0.0	Jonathan Aguirre	Doberman Pinscher

150 # Class (126 thru 150 pounds)

1370# Start weight, 280# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Reagan Hart also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Queen Boudicca	3	4450	17.17	146	30.48	0.0	Darwin Lumbattis	Mastiff

"d/D" Re implies a disqualification -- gets no points/contributes no points and gets

We Unlimited Class (over 150 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 250# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Clay Fonvielle also judged

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score	Handler	Breed
Saint Nick	4	250	5.03	151	1.66	0.0	Constance Meech	Newfoundland

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Chief Judge: Clay Fonvielle

40 # Class (21 thru 40 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 105# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score
Amara	8	565	7.85	38	14.87	5.0

Handler	Breed
Jenn Cook	Am. PitBull Terrier

60 # Class (41 thru 60 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 105# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score
A.I.D.E.W.	8	775	4.78	58	13.36	6.0
Baby	3	670	5.47	57	11.75	3.0

Handler	Breed
Clay Fonvielle	Am. PitBull Terrier
Darwin Lumbattis	American Bully

150 # Class (126 thru 150 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 105# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score
Queen Boudicca	3	880	4.74	146	6.03	5.0

Handler	Breed
Darwin Lumbattis	Mastiff

Unlimited Class (over 150 pounds)

Judged by Reagan Hart

250# Start weight, 105# Increment, Cart weighs 250#

Dog	Reg	Pulled	Time	Wt	%	Score
Saint Nick	4	250	4.19	151	1.66	5.0

Handler	Breed
Constance Meech	Newfoundland

FROM NEWSLETTER EDITOR Just a reminder everyone, this will be the only newsletter you will receive until you renew your membership. Don't delay submitting your membership applications, so you won't miss any newsletter issues. Also, as you are at pull events and taking photos, if you have something interesting I'd love to have filler pictures!!! You can send them to me via email at:

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Thanks in advance!

