Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)
ANNUAL IN PERSON BOD MEETING
IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM -Yellowstone Dog Sports, Roberts, MT
September 9 – 16, 2026
MINUTES

ROLL CALL
Roll Call was taken. Board Members attending: President Annie Garwood, Vice President Deb Gibbs, Treasurer Judy Webb, Secretary Terri Krause, Region 2 Director Jane Billman, Region 3 Director Cynthia Richardson, Region 4 Director Patricia Romeiro, Region 5 Director Amanda Kaiser, and Region 6 Director Hillare LaFond. Members absent: Region 1 Director Susan Denault and Region 7 Director Travis Massie.

Meeting was called to order by President Annie Garwood at 5:14pm MST on September 9, 2026.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
September 2, 2026, Video/Teleconference Board Meeting Minutes
MOTION: A. Kaiser made a motion to approve as written. P. Romeiro seconded the motion.

APPROVE [9] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion approved by the Board of Directors

Region 7 Director Travis Massie joined at 5:23pm MST on September 9, 2026
Reviewed the Regional Directors Annual reports and Committee Chairs Annual reports.

RECESSED at 8:00pm MST

RECONVENED
Tuesday September 15, 2026

President Annie Garwood called the meeting to order at 10:33am MST

Roll Call was taken. Board Members attending in person: Secretary Terri Krause, Treasurer Judy Webb, Region 1 Director Susan Denault, Region 3 Director Cynthia Richardson, and Region 5 Director Amanda Kaiser. Attending via Zoom: President Annie Garwood, Vice President Deb Gibbs, Region 2 Director Jane Billman, Region 4 Director Patricia Romeiro and Region 6 Director Hillare LaFond. Director Travis Massie was absent.

Reviewed the Treasurer's report.

RECESSED at 12:00pm MST

RECONVENED at 3:00pm MST

Region 6 Director reconvened at 3:35pm MST

AGENDA ITEMS:
OLD BUSINESS

Proposal #1: Application to host the 2027 National Specialty Held in Virginia
MOTION: A.Garwood made a motion to approve the application for a National Specialty in Virginia 2027. C. Richardson seconded the motion.

APPROVE [0]:
OPPOSE [9]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser,
ABSTAIN [0]:
Motion was NOT passed by the Board of Directors

RECESSED at 5:41pm MST.
RECONVENED at 6:40pm MST

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal #1: Create A Formalized Internal Audit/Financial Review Process for the NSDTRC (USA) Fiscal Year End Finances
MOTION: A. Garwood motion to approve as written. H. LaFond seconded the motion.

APPROVE [9]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser
OPPOSE [0]:
ABSTAIN [0]:
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #2: Modifications/Expansions to the Event Chair Duties
MOTION: A.Garwood made a motion to approve as written. J. Billman seconded the motion.

APPROVE [10]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #3: Formation of an Events Committee
Motion: A. Kaiser made a motion to approve as written, C. Richardson seconded the motion

APPROVE [10]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #4: Health & Genetics Committee – Breed CHIC and AKC testing recommendations
MOTION: A. Kaiser made a motion to approve the recommendation. P. Romeiro seconded the motion.

APPROVE [10]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #5: Region 7 Scent Work Trial
MOTION: A. Kaiser made a motion to approve with the condition of preferential entry to Tollers. C. Richardson seconded the motion.

APPROVE [10]: A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #6: Online Application for Versatility
MOTION: A. Garwood made a motion to approve online application. C Richardson seconded the motion.

APPROVE [10] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #7: Sunflower Concurrent Specialties
MOTION: A. Garwood made a motion to approve as submitted by Taylor Vanderloo. A. Kaiser seconded the motion.

APPROVE [9] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser
OPPOSE [0]

ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #8: Application to Host the National Specialty 2028
MOTION: A. Kaiser made a motion to approve the application for National Specialty 2028 September 25 – October 1, 2028. A.Garwood seconded the motion.
APPROVE [9] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #9: Application to Host the National Specialty 2028 at Purina Farms
MOTION: A. Kaiser made a motion to modify proposal #9 to accept their alternate dates of 11 – 6 thru 11-14 of 2027. Seconded by J. Billman.
APPROVE [10] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

Proposal #10: Liberty Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (Liberty NSDTRC) – 2027 Club Year Specialty Date Approvals
MOTION: J. Webb made a motion to approve the Liberty 2027 dates. A. Kaiser seconded the motion.
APPROVE [10] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A. Garwood Motion to adjourn, A. Kaiser seconded the motion at 4:45pm MST

APPROVE [10] A. Garwood, D. Gibbs, J. Webb, T. Krause, S. Denault, J. Billman, C. Richardson, P. Romeiro, A. Kaiser, H. LaFond
OPPOSE [0]
ABSTAIN [0]
Motion was passed by the Board of Directors

NOTE: President's vote was cast for all motions, but only counted in the case of a tie

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Krause, Secretary