Canadian Association of Rally Obedience

Board Meeting Minutes for the Month of May 2026

In Attendance:

Chair – Patricia Hunt
Vice Chair – Kate Zinggl
Secretary – Maria Adams
Treasurer – Debby DaCosta
Western Director – Julia Schwark
Ontario Director – Lilian Cook
Quebec and Atlantic Provinces – Saundra Clow

Absent:

Prairies Director – Vacant
Exec at Large – Jessica Cohen

Key Dates:

May 2 – Board meeting via Zoom
May 8-21 – CARO Spring Virtual Trial
May 24 – Course Design Clinic

Discussion Points:

- Discussed the running Summer Virtual Trials starting 2027, that are only Working and C Stream.
- Discussed course approval process and when to escalate to the board or recommend additional coaching.
- Discussed building a course design app at some point in the future.
- Discussed updating the Virtual Trial Guide renewal for 2027

Motions:

2026 037 That the April 2026 minutes be approved and published.

2026 038 Move $30,000 from PayPal to investments.

2026 039 That CARO will host a summer Virtual Trial in July 9-22, 2027, Working and C-Stream only.

2026 040 Virtual Trials in 2027 to be Spring May 7-20 and Fall Oct 1-14.

2026 041 That course maps for in person trials will use either a 1 or an S to represent the Start sign icon and either a number or F to represent the Finish sign icon. Virtual Trials will use numbers only for all station signs.