



ORANGE DOG PARK ASSOCIATION  
**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
MINUTES**

October 18, 2008

**Board Members**

Margaret Prima-Verbeck  
President

Cindy Reed  
Past President  
Member

Nancee Randall  
Vice President

Rosie Cash  
Treasurer

Jeannine Lawrie  
Member

**Mission Statement**

To support the City of Orange Department of Parks & Recreation by raising funds and providing volunteer support to improve and better maintain the Orange Dog Park, in which pet dogs can be exercised without leash restraint in a clean, healthy and safe environment.

**Call to Order.....**

**No members in attendance.**

**Secretary's Report.....**

**Minutes are emailed to the membership & posted on the website.**

**Treasurer's Report.....**

**Approximately \$10,000 in checking/savings account. \$5,000 in CD.**

**Old Business.....**

**Ralph's Community Rewards Program: The ODPA is no longer able to register rewards cards for patrons. The registration process is now on a secured website. Participants will need to register their cards on their own. Go to [Ralphs.com](http://Ralphs.com) to register. The online process may take 5-15 minutes as participants need to create an account in order to register the rewards card and link it to the ODPA. The ODPA's organization number is 82862. If you have difficulty registering online or do not have internet access, call Ralphs at 1 (800) 660-9003. We ask that you PLEASE take the time to register as Ralphs has been a very successful fundraiser for us.**

**Food 4 Less Community Rewards Program: The ODPA is no longer able to register rewards cards for patrons. The registration process is now on a secured website. Obtain a card from ODPA at the Information Table. Once you receive a card, register yourself at <http://www.food4less1.com/homepage/index.htm>. The online process may take 5-15 minutes as participants need to create an account in order to register the rewards card and link it to the ODPA. The ODPA's organization number is 82862. If you have difficulty registering online or do not have internet access, call Food4Less at 1 (800) 443-4438.**

**Board Members Needed: we are in desperate need of more board members. With our small board, it is difficult to meet the demands of the park and wishes of the membership. Minimum time commitment is approximately 4 hours/month. Contact Margaret at [president@orangedogpark.com](mailto:president@orangedogpark.com) if you're interested. I'd be happy to call you and talk about it further.**

**Postings at the park: Only signs approved by the ODPA or the City are allowed to be posted on the park fences, kiosk, or anywhere inside the park. This includes signs about lost or found dogs, dog related services, complaints of service providers, etc. Unapproved postings will be removed.**



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**New Business.....**

**City Update:** The City received a notice from the Legal Enforcement Agency (LEA) requiring them to reduce the amount standing water at the park. Remember, the park sits on a landfill; pooling water leads to problems. In order to meet this mandate from the LEA, the City will cut back on the water to the turf. As a result, the turf may see some stress. As we move into the cooler months, it may not be an immediate problem but the City will continue to monitor it and try to deliver the most water they can without creating standing water.

**Treats in the Streets Autumn Festival:** The ODPa is not hosting a Halloween event at the park this year due to limited personnel resources (limited board and volunteer availability). However, we will host a booth at the Treats in the Streets Autumn Festival held on 10/30/08 in Old Town Orange. This event is sponsored by the City for family entertainment. PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED at this event. The ODPa is hoping to obtain exposure and receive donations and/or memberships.

**General Membership Meeting schedule 2009:** Attendance to the quarterly General Meetings is very poor. For the year 2009, we will hold (2) General Meetings, one in April and one in October. Newsletters will still be published quarterly thus patrons can still receive dog park news. Members will continue to receive email notices about dog park events, updates and news.

Next General Membership Meeting  
April 18, 2009 @ 10:30 a.m.

Location  
Orange Dog Park, Orange  
(corner of Chapman & Yorba)