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# Paw Prints

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## From the Office of the Secretary

### Meeting Notice:

What: Monthly Meeting of RRNDOC, Inc.

When: Monday, February 19, 8 pm

Where: Training Center, 2002 3rd Ave N, Fargo

Refreshments: Sheila Sears

### Announcement:

**AKC approves RRNROC Obedience & Rally trials!!  
Watch future Paw Prints for details.**

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### Happy Birthday!

February 9	Sharon Buethner
February 20	Ian McDonald Sejfudin Rahimic
February 21	Barb Netland
February 26	Denise Luther Tim Joachim

\*\*\* Please save your IAMS UPCs to help purchase new Equipment! \*\*\*

## 2007 Local Event Calendar:



### Red River North Dog Obedience Club

Pet Therapy Evaluation Training Feb. 28 - April 17 See details on page 7 of this newsletter  
Canine Good Citizen Test March 4 (Sunday) Registration: 12:30 –1:30 PM  
Testing: 1:00 PM until finished  
Cost: \$10.00 per dog  
Where: RRNDOC Training Center  
Contact: Lavonne Marubbio  
(701) 280-0436 or [mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com](mailto:mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com)

Obedience Workshop April 1 (Sunday) Handler Tips for Obedience Competition  
Instructor: Mary Higdem  
Time: 1-5 PM  
Cost: \$10 for members  
\$12 for non-members  
Where: RRNDOC Training Center  
Contact::  
Mary Higdem or Lavonne Marubbio  
(218) 937-5759 (701) 280-0436  
[freedom1@rrt.net](mailto:freedom1@rrt.net)[mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com](mailto:mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com)

Obedience Run & Done April 6 (Friday) Time: 4-9 PM  
Cost: \$5 per dog/ per run  
Where: RRNDOC Training Center  
Contact::  
Mary Higdem or Lavonne Marubbio  
(218) 937-5759 (701) 280-0436  
[freedom1@rrt.net](mailto:freedom1@rrt.net)[mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com](mailto:mlavonnemarubbio@msn.com)

Obedience & rally trials July 21-22 ***Approved! Watch for details in future  
“Paw Prints”.***

### Fargo Moorhead Kennel Club:

Agility trials March 23-25 Closes Feb. 28  
October 19-21 Closes Oct. 5  
Obedience & Rally trials April 7-8 Closes Mar. 21  
September 8-9 Closes Aug. 22  
All Breed Show June 1-3 Closes May 16

### February President's Report

2007 is off to a busy start at Red River! New classes have been in session since January 2nd and classes are well attended. Many of our members are busy preparing for upcoming Agility and Obedience trials this spring.

The spring Herberger's Community Day event is coming up in March and our club is selling coupon books again, so please check at the club or ask an instructor if you would like to purchase a booklet.

The annual election of Board positions is rapidly approaching and the Nominating Committee is currently working to fill the open positions. Please contact Kathy Johnson, nomination chair, with any questions, and please consider volunteering your time to serve on the Board. We are excited to announce that Red River has submitted a Trial application to the AKC requesting that we hold an Obedience/Rally trial on July 21st & 22nd. This will give local handlers another opportunity to work with their dogs locally, stay tuned for more details.

Please remember with the dangerously low temperatures that we need to be diligent with cold weather precautions for our dogs. For tips on winter dog care check out the information table at the Training Center.

Brian Vail, President

### Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance: \$2775.20 (plus \$500 in escrow)

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Classes	\$1824.00	Rent	\$850.00
Pop/chips	39.60	Utilities	280.15
Donation	10.00	Advertising	180.40
Tracking	25.00	Administration	10.00
SS refund	5.00	Office	50.00
		Bad check	50.00
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Total:	\$1903.60		\$1420.55

Monthly income of \$1903.60 less expenses of \$1420.55 leaves a monthly cash flow of +\$483.05.

Ending balance is \$3258.25 (plus \$500 in escrow)

## **Minutes of the Board Meeting January 15, 2007**

The meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by President Brian Vail.

Attendees: Brian Vail, Kathy Johnson, Kris McDonald, Sheila Sears, Mary Higdem, Nancy Lindblom, Jeanine Roembach-Clark, Lavonne Marubbio, Sharon Buethner.

A motion to approve the report of the secretary was made by Nancy Lindblom, 2nd by Kathy Johnson. A motion to approve the report of the treasurer was made by Nancy and 2nd by Jeanine.

Unfinished business: Two changes to the bylaws deemed necessary by AKC will be voted upon at the General Membership meeting. They include Article I Section I and Article II Section V. The changes are necessary to hold our first licensed obedience/rally trials. The weekend of July 21-22 is available at the SW Arena. Sharon Buethner volunteered to FAX the approved bylaws to AKC along with the trial applications ASAP to meet the 24 week deadline.

New business: Lavonne received communication from the FM Kennel Club stating that a list of officers and board members of our Club should be available. Mary will place a list on the website. Also "C" matches were discussed. Lavonne will work with members of other clubs to set up a schedule of "run throughs".

Our upcoming obedience & rally trials were discussed. In order to file the paper work several positions need to be filled. Sharon Buethner volunteered to serve as trial chairman with the help of Kris McDonald. It was decided to hire James Parrish Dog Shows as show superintendent. Brian Vail will serve as show secretary. He will also register the club with the AKC online. An emergency plan is needed and will be sent with the trial applications.

Kathy Johnson brought the need for a nominating committee. She will serve as the Board representative on the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kris McDonald, Secretary



## General Membership Meeting - January 15, 2007

Meeting called to order by President Brian Vail at 8:10 pm. Fifteen voting members were present.

A motion to approve the November minutes as published in "Paw Prints" was made by Kathy Johnson, 2nd Janine Barnstuble. The December President's report appeared in "Paw Prints". A motion to approve the treasurer's report as printed in "Paw Prints" was made by Nancy Lindblom.

### Reports:

**Trial Committee:** Availability of the SW Arena has been confirmed for the weekend of July 20-22. Sharon Buethner will serve as trial chairman with the assistance of Kris McDonald. Brian Vail will serve as show secretary. We will spend ~ \$1500 to hire Parrish Dog Shows as show superintendent. The arena will take care of concessions.

**Membership:** There was a second reading for Patti Struchynski and Kelly Bosak. Both were voted into membership.

**Bylaws:** Bylaws changes to Article 1 Section 2d. (associate membership) and Article II Section 3 (board meetings) as requested by AKC were voted on by paper ballot. The vote for approval of both changes was unanimous. Kris McDonald will notify AKC of the election results.

**Labels/Eucanuba labels:** Labels were sent in and \$780 in coupons were received. These will be redeemed to obtain ring gating for the club and for use at upcoming trials.

### New business:

Lavonne Marubbio announced that "C" matches will be held in conjunction with other dog training facilities. Contacts from other groups include Wally Steinhoff, Donna Johnson, & Doug Speiker. It was felt that Red River should still have "run thoughts" to accommodate mixed breeds as well as purebreds. Lavonne will coordinate times. Ian McDonald will help. A "run and done" will be held in conjunction with spring obedience trials at the FM Kennel Club. Sharon Buethner suggested the need for fundraisers. Kathy Johnson will see if the club can get in on brat sales at Hornbachers. Kathy Johnson will pick up booklets for the March Herberger's Community Days promotion. A spring rummage sale will be held. A club cookbook was mentioned. Kathy will check to see how much it would cost to print locally.

There was no further business. A motion to adjourn was made by Janine Barnstuble, 2nd Jeanine Roembach-Clark.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

**Braggs - Evensong** It Had To Be You CDX NAJ OA CGC WC (Simon) received his Versatility title (VFCR1) for earning advanced titles in obedience, agility and field from the Flat Coated Retriever Society of America. Proud owners are Ian & Kris McDonald.

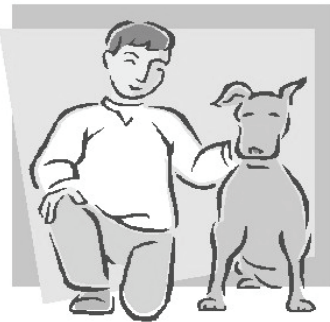
Respectfully submitted,  
Kris McDonald, Secretary

# Healing Paws Therapy Pets



## Pet Therapy Evaluation Training

Red River North Dog Obedience Site  
2202-A 3rd Ave. N., Fargo, ND



Wednesdays starting  
February 28th - April 17th

Time: 6-7pm

Cost: \$40



Pets must be at least  
a year old with some obedience  
training.



**Sign up required**  
**Space is limited.**

Contact: Toni Bach  
236-7271 (evenings)  
[roscoe25@gomoorhead.com](mailto:roscoe25@gomoorhead.com)



Healing Paws Therapy Pets Group is an  
affiliate club of Delta Society, Seattle, WA



**TRAINING CENTER**  
**2202 - 3<sup>RD</sup> Ave North**  
**Fargo, ND 58102**

AKC Sanctioned Dog Obedience Club

<b>Monday</b> February 26 thru April 16	Utility Beginning Obedience Advanced Obedience*	6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Mary Higden Tim Joachim Mike Olson
*(No classes on Mar 19 and April 16 - Make up to be announced )			
<b>Tuesday</b> February 27 thru April 17	Advanced Obedience Advanced Agility Competitive Agility	6:00 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Kathy Johnson Sandy Suttler Brian Vail
<b>Wednesday</b> February 28 thru April 18	Beginning Agility Therapy Dogs Novice Obedience	12:30 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Janine Barnstuble Toni Bach Roger Fremo
<b>Thursday</b> March 1 thru April 19	Puppy Kindergarten I Puppy Kindergarten II	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Lavonne Marubbio Cyndy Raeshke
<b>Friday</b>	No Classes		
<b>Saturday</b> March 3 thru April 21	Beginning Obedience Puppy Kindergarten I Rally Beginning Agility Open	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 1:15 PM 2:15 PM	MaryLee Warnock Vicki Vail Brian Vail Janine Barnestuble Sharon Buehner

Tracking – Call for information—232-8567

Ian McDonald

**(Saturday Classes will be held only if registration warrants it)**

**For Class information call 280-0436 or 232-0474**

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**Definition of Classes w/ Prices**

**Puppy Kindergarten, Level I - \$45.00** - This is a 'Head Start' program designed to teach puppies through motivation. Puppies learn to socialize with other puppies and people. He/She will learn to sit, wait, down, stay and come. Each week we will have a rap session where we will address any problems you encounter. Recommended ages 8 weeks to 4 months.

**Puppy Kindergarten, Level II - \$45.00** - This is a follow-up Class from Level I. A fun class designed to continue socialization and further learning of basic commands with the addition of some basic puppy agility and trick work for the added enjoyment. (4-6 Months)

**Beginning Obedience - \$45.00** - This course is aimed at making your dog a good home companion. We teach you how to train your dog and to read his body language. Class includes sit, down, stay, heel and stand. Ages 6 months and up.

**Advanced Beginners - \$40.00** - This class will expound on that which you have learned in beginners. You will get an introduction to off leash work and to the 'Canine Good Citizen' program.

**Novice Class - \$35.00** - This class is designed for people wanting to obtain an AKC Companion Dog title. You will start to perfect what you have learned.

**Open Class - \$35.00** - For those who enjoy working with their dogs and want new challenges. You will learn to teach retrieving, jumping, and drop on the recall. If you desire the AKC Degree CDX this is for you.

**Beginning Agility - \$45.00** - This course will be an introduction to an agility course. You will be taught the correct and safe way to navigate the obstacles.

**Advanced Agility - \$40.00** - After mastering the obstacles you will learn to sequence a course and how to control your dog on the course to insure proper entrance and exits of the contact obstacles.

**Competitive Agility - \$35.00** - Here you will be taught how to plan a strategy to run a successful course and learn the rules and regulations for agility.

**Rally Obedience - \$45.00** - A newly created AKC titling event. Designed to promote a positive relationship between dog and handler. Animation and enthusiasm throughout the performance is encouraged.

**Utility - \$30.00** - Training scent discrimination and directional jumping.

**Tracking - TBA** Teach your dog to follow a track. Classes outdoors, rain or shine.



## CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Return to:  
Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc  
P.O. Box 863  
Fargo, N.D. 58107-0863

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

BREED OF DOG \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE OF DOG \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ AGE OF HANDLER IF UNDER 18 \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL IF ANY \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS NAME AND DAY \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS FEE \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: RED RIVER NORTH DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.

LIABILITY WAIVER

In consideration of your acceptance of my entry into your training program, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assignees, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages which I may have against the RED RIVER NORTH DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC., its Board of Directors, Training Director and Training Staff, as well as any others connected with this class or event their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assignees for any and all injuries which I and/or any member of my family and/or friends or my dog may suffer or cause while taking part in this class or event or as a result thereof.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you learn about RRNDOC?

Breeder    Veterinarian    Friend    Midweek    The Forum    Phone Book    Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Please circle one.

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# AKC Code of Sportsmanship

*PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.*

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.



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**February**



**FIRST CLASS**

**Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc.**  
2202 3rd Avenue North  
P.O. Box 863  
Fargo, ND 58107-0863

## **Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc.**

### **Board of Directors**

<b>President</b>	Brian Vail
<b>Vice President</b>	Kathy Johnson
<b>Secretary</b>	Kris McDonald
<b>Treasurer</b>	Sheila Sears
<b>Board</b>	Mary Higdem
<b>Board</b>	Nancy Lindblom
<b>Board</b>	Jeanine Roembach-Clark

### **Instructors:**

Toni Bach	Ian McDonald
Janine Barnstuble	Mike Olson
Sharon Buethner	Cyndy Raeshke
Mary Higdem	Sandy Sutter
Roger Fremo	Brian Vail
Tim Joachim	Vicki Vail
Kathy Johnson	Mary Lee Warnock
Lavonne Marubbio	

### **Training Director**

Lavonne Marubbio