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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY:

What: Monthly Meeting of RRNDOC, Inc.

When: April 14, 2008

7:00 PM Board Meeting

7:45PM Trial Committee Meeting

8 PM General Membership Meeting

Where: Red River North Dog Obedience Club

Refreshments: Diane Morrill

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Happy Birthday!

April Birthdays:

7 Cyndy Raeshke

15 Ann Hopp

20 Sara Johnsrud

24 Bruce Wakefield

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Braggs from our Members!

At the 2008 Collie Nationals Country K Collies had a very nice showing. Sabrehills Shiloh, a daughter of our Lexi got her HT in herding with 2 qualifying runs and also she got 1 leg in Obedience. Country K Dakota Blizzard (Hercules), qualified 2 times in Rally A obedience, and Refund, Son of Country K Bocephus and Ivory won 3rd place in the 12-18 Month dogs. Our own Country K Onyx Lady (Onny), made the first cut in the 12-18 month bitches and Our American-Canadian Champion Country K Bocephus was shown in the Best of Variety along with 85 other champions and just missed making the cut. All in all a very enjoyable time. Shiloh and Hercules are owned by Lee Anderson of Grand Forks and Refund is owned by Roger and Kelly Barry of Iowa. On March 29 and 30 Onny won 3 points on her way to her Canadian title.

Gerry and Nancy Hvinden.

Vicki & Missy passed the Delta Society Pet Partners evaluation with a Complex rating.

Congratulations!

Local Event Calendar:

Red River North Dog Obedience Club:

Trainer's Meeting	April 7, 2008
Canine Good Citizen Test	April 20, 2008
Session III Classes	April 28—June 21
Obedience & Rally Trials	July 19-20, 2008

Fargo Moorhead Kennel Club:

All Breed Show	May 30— June 1, 2008
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Area Event Calendar:

Paul Bunyan Dog Training Association & Pheasants Forever	June 21-22, 2008
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Game Fair & Pet Expo
Beltrami County Fairgrounds

Go to www.paulbunyangdogtraining.com/Game_Fair_Pet_Expo_08 for more information

Reminder! Deadline for submissions into Paw Prints is April 30.

Regional Events List April —June

Conformation:

Fargo Moorhead KC	May 30, June 1-2	Closes May 14
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Agility:

Twin City OTC (Minneapolis))	May 10-11	Opened Mar.19
Fargo Moorhead Kennel Club	May 17-18	Opens April 1

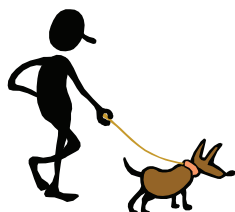
Obedience:

St. Paul Dog Training Club	Apr. 25-27	Closes Apr. 9
Key City Kennel Club (St. Peter)	May 24-25	Closes May 7
Lake Minnetonka KC (Jordan)	June 7-8	Closes May 21
Sioux Empire KC (Vermillion)	June 28-29	Closes June 11

Rally O:

St. Paul Dog Training Club	Apr. 25	Closes Apr. 9
Key City Kennel Club (St. Peter)	May 24-25	Closes May 7
Lake Minnetonka KC (Jordan)	June 7-8	Closes May 21
Sioux Empire KC (Vermillion)	June 28-29	Closes June 11

All of the above information is available in the “AKC Events Calendar” or on the AKC website (<http://www.akc.org/events>)



President's Report

March was a busy time for us, where we held a well attended Rally Refresher seminar, led by Mary Higdem. A big thank you to Mary for donating her time to a fun and informative session!

Our club was also well represented, as always, at the recent Agility trial, and April is starting off with an Obedience/Rally trial, so good luck to all entrants!

We have been very fortunate to have such high-quality activities at our club, and I urge you to provide your input for any additional functions that we could hold.

The annual election of officers will be held at the upcoming April general meeting, so please be sure to attend for this important piece of business.

Regards,
Brian Vail, President

March Treasurer's Report

The beginning balance was \$11,958.50 plus \$600.00 in escrow.

Income:		Expenses:	
Classes:	\$3737.50	Rent:	\$875.00
Pop/Chips:	64.25	Utilities:	378.53
Healing Paws rent:	50.00	Advertising:	248.80
		Office supplies:	31.95
		Special Event:	50.75
		Misc:	194.45
Totals:	\$3851.75		\$1779.48

March income of \$3851.75, less expenses of \$1779.48 gave a cash flow of +2072.27. The ending March balance is \$14,030.77 plus \$600 in escrow.

Board Meeting

March 17, 2008

Attendees: Brian Vail, Mary Higdem, Nancy Lindblom, Ian McDonald, Kris McDonald, Sandy Sutter, Sheila Sears, Lavonne Marubbio

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Brian Vail. Brian passed out a financial projections sheet to refer to during the meeting.

Ian made a motion to order 21 rolls of mats. 2nd by Mary. Sandy will place the order with delivery in late June. Brian has investigated the cost of storage for excess equipment. A 10X18 unit is ~\$75/month.

Ian reported that the Dog Directory should be printed by March 25. To receive a price break a total of 351 copies were ordered. The Club needs to sell 150-160 copies at \$8.25 each to break even. If all are sold the club could have \$1200 profit.

The Tax Committee reported that financial information needs to be updated through February of this year. Will submit this tax season.

Mary has spoken with the Red River Valley Fair Board. We have use of Schollander Pavilion June 19-20. Participants may have to pay gate admission this year. Planned events include a demos by a police canine unit, fly ball, fast recall contest, jumpers agility course, etc.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mary and 2nd by Kris. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris McDonald

Obedience & Rally Trial Update

The trial committee is currently working on the premium list to be submitted to Dogs Shows By Design. In the coming months we will need to assemble a variety of volunteers. I am sure that Lavonne and Vicki, chief obedience & rally stewards, would like to hear from volunteers for ring stewards. There are a wide variety of jobs available ranging from ring set-up and stewarding to poop patrol and tear-down. We hope to have a Boy Scout troop to help with some of the "grunt work" (transport of mats and ring set up) this year. If you are willing to help please contact Kris, Brian, or Sandy.

General Membership Meeting

March 17, 2008



Attendees: Brian Vail, Mary Higdem, Dick Lingle, Denise Luther, Shirley Fremo, Roger Fremo, Kathy Lehman, Mary Brinkman, Sarah Scherr, Jason Scheer, Janine Barnstuble, Sheila Sears, Nancy Lindblom, Natalie Helm, Cyndy Raeshke, Ian McDonald, Sandy Sutter, Kris McDonald, Lavonne Marubbio.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 PM by President Brian Vail.

President's Report: In "Paw Prints".

Secretary's Report: A motion to approve minutes of the last meeting as published in "Paw Prints" was made by Cyndy and 2nd by Janine. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: In "Paw Prints". A motion to approve the report was made by Lavonne and 2nd by Sandy. Motion carried.

Brian gave an overview of the club's financial profile. We are ~\$900 in the black in class fees over last year. Fixed expenses include: 1) filing fee for nonprofit status, 2) 2 full rings of mats (the Board voted to purchase 21 rolls of 1/4 inch matting at a cost of ~\$4500) and 3) storage unit (10X18) rental for excess equipment at a cost of \$75/month. The Club currently has ~\$12,000 in the bank with a projected balance of \$19,000—~\$9,000 in 2008 expenses

Training Director's Report: Lavonne reported nice enrollment (22 beginners; 15 advanced; 12 novice; 14 rally; 21 agility). She thanked Mary for presenting the Rally Refresher. Of the 28 attendees 10 were rally class members. Collected \$180 (cleared \$105). There will be a Trainer's Meeting on April 7. CGC Testing will be April 20. The cleaning schedule appears to be working with sweeping & vacuuming done weekly. Perhaps the mopping of entry and mats could be added.

Old Business: There was a 1st reading for Becky & Mark Weninger (Newfoundland) and a 2nd reading for James and Kathy Braseth (Maltizu). The vote was unanimous for the Braseths. Welcome!

The Dog Directory will be ready by the end of the month. Books will be sold at \$8.50/copy (includes ND sales tax). If all are sold there could be ~\$1,200 profit. Need to sell 160 to break even.

Nomination Committee: Report of the committee will be in the March "Paw Prints".

The tax committee will have the information to file for a 501D status ready by April 15.

New Business: Nancy presented the slate of officers for the April elections. There were no nominations from the floor.

A motion to purchase mats was made by Ian & 2nd by Janine. Motion carried.

There is a sign up sheet for help at the FMKC obedience trials.

Mary reported on the 2008 Red River Valley Fair events. There will be run throughs for obedience & agility, police canine unit, & many other fun events such as a fast recall contest, flyball, etc. Contact Mary with your ideas.

Announcements: The bin is out for the March Food Share for the food bank.

A motion to adjourn was made by Janine and 2nd by Sandy. Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris McDonald

Training Director's Report



Once again we are looking at an early April snowstorm just when we thought winter was over! All of us are very ready for Spring--especially the dogs who are eager to be out and active!

We have had good enrollment in our **classes this session**. Members of the Novice Obedience, Open, Utility and Rally classes have competed in the FMKC trials on April 5-6. It is great to see enthusiastic participation in the locally held events.

The Rally Refresher course on March 15th was excellent preparation for those who were competing in the Rally trials. Mary Hidge took us through the new AKC rules and regulations for the sport, went over the Rally signs, and helped us understand the things the Judges look for when evaluating the dog/handler teams. **Thank you, Mary, for sharing your expertise with us!**

A Canine Good Citizen test is scheduled for Sunday, April 20th. If you have a dog who is ready to take the test please join us that afternoon. Registration begins at 12:30, and the testing at 1:00 PM. The cost is \$10 per dog. You may be surprised at how well your dog will do! **Vicki Vail is now a certified CGC Evaluator! Congratulations Vicki!**

Thanks to all of you who donated pet food for the **Food Pantry**. We delivered about 60 pounds during the March Food Share drive. This amount was matched during March--doubling our contribution. The staff at the Food Pantry were delighted to receive pet food to share with those whose pets need it. Please continue to bring in your donations.

Session III April 28 - June 21. Our new session of classes begin on April 28th and continues until mid-June, after which we will have a two week vacation. The schedule of classes for Session III will be set at the **Trainers' Meeting on Monday, April 7th**. We will send it out to all members by email.

Mark your calendars for the **Fun Days at the Red River Valley Fair on June 20 & 21**, and the **Obedience and Rally Trials on July 19 & 20th**. **Run Thrus are scheduled for Friday, July 18th**.

We will need lots of volunteers for both events. Let us know if you are able to help.

Lavonne Marubbio

The Dog Directory

The first edition "The Dog Directory" has arrived from the publisher, we have received our sales tax O.K., and we are ready to start selling! Copies can now be purchased at the F-M Humane Society, Moxie Java-Piece of Cake Gift Shop downtown, and Shaggy's Self-service Pet Wash in south Fargo. Also, plans call for selling the Directory during class hours at Red River and copies can be ordered via mail by downloading an order form from the club website (<http://redrn.vitualacve.net>). We will be asking all club members to market at least three copies each to help us meet our fund raising goals. The cost is only \$8.50 (\$8.02 + 48cents tax) and it should be an easy sell for dog enthusiasts in general, as it contains both local and regional informational listings covering many topics. Should be in every dog lovers library!



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