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**From the Office
of the
Secretary:**

No Board, Trial, or General
meetings in December

Have a safe, warm and
Merry Christmas!

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Happy Birthday!

December Birthdays:

Dianne Morrill	Dec. 1st
LeAnn Zogg	Dec. 12th
Noel Snyder	Dec. 13th
Sueann Horner	Dec. 17th
Cody Higdem	Dec. 19th
Nancy Hvinden	Dec. 28th

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Braggs from our Members!

Rally:

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Congratulations to all !

Regional Events List December - January

Conformation:

	Event Date	Closing Date
Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.	Jan 9-10	Dec. 23rd

Obedience:

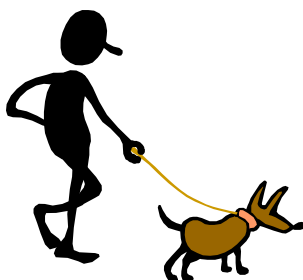
St. Paul Dog Training Club	Jan 8	Dec. 23rd
Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.	Jan 9-10	Dec. 23rd
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Agility:

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

A big Thank You to all of our members who sold coupons and worked at Herberger's Community Days in November. Our members sold \$300 of Booklet sales, plus the club will also receive a share of the sales from the Saturday sale. A very special Thank you goes to Kathy Lehman for working with Herberger's and organizing our sales, this was one of our best years ever for this event!

It's the season for giving again, so please look around for any Dog food, toys, etc that you would like to donate to the Food Pantry. We have a large box underneath the information table at the club. Any kind of pet food, wet or dry, canned or bagged will be accepted, even open bags.

Winter is here with a vengeance, so it is a good time to pack your winter survival kit.

Please check the table at the Training Center for information on keeping our dogs warm and healthy in the cold weather.

Regards,

Brian Vail, President

Training Director's Report December 2009

Happy Holidays!!

There is no doubt that Winter is finally here!! We welcome the beautiful fresh snow that has fallen, but we need to be aware of the treacherous roads that are also part of Winter in the Northland. In the event of storm conditions we encourage all of you to check with your instructors before coming to classes. If we cancel classes we attempt to reach our students by phone, and we publish cancellations on the local TV and radio stations.

You will all need to take precautions to keep your dogs safe and warm during the cold months ahead. Outdoor dogs must be provided with warm shelter as well as fresh water. When the temperatures drop below zero it is wise to provide indoor shelter for them whenever possible. Indoor dogs also need to receive special care to prevent frostbite or hypothermia when they go outdoors for "potty breaks" or exercise. Boots and coats are essential for many of the short-haired breeds, and for elderly or infirm pets. Even the crazy pups who love the snow and don't want to come back in the house need to be carefully checked for snow clumps on the paws, or frostbitten ears.

Our Christmas/ New Year vacation will begin on December 21st. We are looking forward to enjoying time with family and friends over the holidays. Be careful to protect your dogs from the hazard of Christmas decorations, toys, or too much rich food. If you have a houseful of guests be sure to give your dog the quiet time he needs in his kennel, away from noisy children and hectic activity.

Our new session of classes will begin on January 4th. We have a full range of Obedience, Rally and Agility, as well as the Puppy Kindergarten classes to choose from. We urge you to enroll your dog in some stimulating activity during the winter months. Our warm training center is a perfect place to work with your dogs!!

Please check the attached Schedule of Classes.

Thanks to all of you for making 2009 a banner year for our club!

Have a wonderful holiday season!!

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RRNDOC Board meeting 11/16/2009, 7pm

Present: Brian, Lavonne, Cyndi, Jason, Kathy, Vicki

Unfinished business:

Cyndy has completed a review of the membership to determine who is no longer active and should be removed from the list.

New Business:

Conformation classes - We have verified with the AKC that RRNDOC is able to hold Confirmation classes even though we are an Obedience Club, not a Kennel Club. We will discuss adding a Confirmation class in the spring prior to the next local All-Breed Show.

Lavonne reviewed the new 7-week class schedule for 2010.

Herberger's Community Days - Kathy reported that the club earned \$300 in Booklet sales this year, plus will get a cut of the Saturday sales.

New Vacuum and floor cleaning: It was discussed that the club needs a new Vacuum cleaner and possibly some kind of floor scrubber as it is very difficult to scrub the floor and mats by hand. A Motion was made by Jason and seconded by Vicki to approve up to \$500 towards the purchase of a new Vacuum cleaner and scrubber if possible. Kathy to contact local Oreck dealer for prices and a demo.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Vail, for Nancy Lindblom, Secretary

RRNDOC General Membership meeting 11-16-2009, 8pm

Present: Vicki Vail, Annie Vail, Brian Vail, Shirley Fremo, Roger Fremo, Luanne Thorsvig, Dave Arnholt, Mary Arnholt, Kris McDonald, Mary Higdem, Kathy Lehman, Tara Pearson, Lavonne Marubbio, Janine Barnstuble, Emily Ehalt, Patti Struchynski.

Minutes of last meeting in Paw Prints. Motion was made to accept the minutes by Mary Higdem, with a second from Dave Arnholt. Motion carried.
President's report also in Paw Prints.

Treasurer's Report:

To be reviewed in January. Kathy mentioned that the club taxes for 2008 were filed on time prior to the extension date.

2010 Obedience and Rally Trial Committee:

A 3 day set of Obedience and Rally trials is being planned again for 2010. Trial dates will be Friday, July 23rd through Sunday, July 25th. The building has been reserved for that Thursday—Sunday. First 2 judges are under contract now, letter has been sent out to 3rd Judge. The Wild Card class will be offered on Saturday only.

Beginner Novice and Graduate Novice classes will be offered all 3 days. (These are both Titling classes now).

The Beginner Novice class is all on lead.

Mixed Breed trials/classes are not being planned at this time as it doesn't look like there is a lot of interest from mixed breed owners at this time, may take another year or two for interest to grow.

Training Directors report:

There is a large Beginner's class this session. Only 1 Puppy class now on Thursday, will not hold on Saturday. The Advanced Beginner's class will start training to prepare students for the Beginner Novice class, and Novice Obedience will do the same to prepare students for Graduate Novice.

New member readings:

None

Unfinished business:

Club members raised \$300 in Booklet sales for Herberger's Community Days in November.

The training seminar with Audrey Peterson was very well attended. Audrey is considering coming to the area for mini-training classes once a month in the future.

New business:

Brian announced that he would be setting up a Nominating Committee in January to fill the President and Secretary positions on the board. Please contact Brian if you are interested in serving on the committee, and please notify the committee if you are interested in being nominated for an open position.

The board approved an expenditure of up to \$500 to purchase a new vacuum cleaner and also a floor scrubbing machine. Kathy Lehman will be getting quotes and demos.

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Motion to adjourn made by Janine, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Vail for Nancy Lindblom, Secretary

Dog Training Classes

Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc.
2202-A Third Avenue North
Fargo, ND 58102



An AKC Licensed Dog Obedience Club

Session I (Winter) January 4 thru February 20, 2010

Monday	January 4 thru February 15		
5:00 PM	Competitive Open *	Mary Higdem	\$60
6:00 PM	Utility *	Mary Higdem	\$50
	*Instructor permission required		
7:00 PM	Beginning Obedience	Patti Struchynski / S. Horner	\$50
Tuesday	January 5 thru February 16		
6:00 PM	Foundation Class *	Ann Hopp / J. Van Rueden	\$50
	*Instructor permission required		
7:00 PM	Advanced Agility	Janine Barnstuble	\$45
8:00 PM	Competitive Agility	Janine Barnstuble	\$45
Wednesday	January 6 thru February 17		
6:00 PM	Beginning Agility	Janine Barnstuble	\$50
7:00 PM	Novice/ Grad Novice Obedience	Roger Fremo	\$45
8:00 PM	Adv. Beginners Obedience/CGC	Lavonne Marubbio	\$45
Thursday	January 7 thru February 18		
6:30 PM	Puppy Kindergarten	Tara Pearson / M. Brinkman	\$50
7:30 PM	Jump Start Obedience	Cyndy Raeshke / S. Horner	\$50
Friday	No Classes		
Saturday	January 9 thru February 20		
10:00 AM	Puppy Kindergarten	Lavonne Marubbio	\$50
11:00 AM	Beginning Obedience	Denise Luther / E. Ehalt	\$50
12:00 PM	Rally - Novice *	Brenda McBain	\$45
1:00 PM	Rally - Adv. & Excellent *	Brenda McBain	\$45
	No Drop-Ins without Instructor approval please!		
2:00 PM	Open Obedience	Sharon Buethner	\$40

For class information call (701) 232-3597

Visit our website: www.rrndoc.org

Next Session of classes: February 22 thru April 10, 2010

December



FIRST CLASS

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Fargo, ND 58102

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Board	Patti Struchynski
Board	Vicki Vail
Board	Jason Scherr

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