



Special points of interest:

- BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 18th, 7pm
- General MEETING
Monday, March 18th, 8pm

Paw Prints

Upcoming events:

Agility Trial @ the FM Kennel Club

March 22nd - 24th 2013

Dog Demo / Meet and Greet @ Bethany on University

Wednesday, April 3, 2013 Time: 3-4 PM (Set-up: 2:30)

Obedience and Rally Trials @ the FM Kennel Club

April 13 & 14 2013, Closes March 27

RRN and FMKC 4 Day Agility Cluster @ WF Fairgrounds

Thursday, May 16th - Friday, May 17th

FMKC: Saturday, May 18th - Sunday May 19th

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Happy Birthday!

FEBRUARY

Sharon Buethner	Feb. 9
Emily Ehalt	Feb. 9
Connie Elledge	Feb. 9
Ian Mcdonald	Feb. 20

MARCH

Brenda Mcbain	March 9
Nancy Lindblom	March 16
Joyce Von Rueden	March 20
Lavonne Marubbio	March 28
Lisa Riffel	March 30



PRESIDENT'S REPORT MARCH 2013

Upcoming events in March:

The FM Kennel Club is holding an Agility match on March 22-24. Good luck to all our participating members!

Congratulations also to our fundraising volunteers who worked at the Herbergers' Community Days last weekend! So far the income for the sales of the coupon books is \$725.00. A **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who sold and bought books.

For our March meeting, I have included below the information from The Club's By Laws regarding any additional Board Member nominations that can take place:

c.) Additional nominations may be made at the March meeting by any member in attendance, provided that the person so nominated does not decline when their name is proposed, and provided further that if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at the meeting, the proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate. (No person may be a candidate for more than one position.)

(d.) Nominations cannot be made at the annual meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this Section.

Best Regards,
Vicki Vail, President



Application for Membership Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Breed of Dog _____

Annual dues accompanying this application, (Please circle one).

Individual \$15 Family \$20

Associate \$10 Junior (10-17) \$10:

Please check one :

_____ I agree to accept electronic notifications delivered to my email listed above.

_____ I prefer to have all notifications delivered by US Mail to the address listed above.

I (we) hereby apply to renew membership in the Red River North Dog Obedience Club Inc., and agree to abide by the constitution and by-laws of the Club and the rules of the American Kennel Club.

Signature _____ Date _____

Birthday: (Month and day only) _____ (published in Paw Prints)

Please mail renewal and fees to:

RRNDOC
Attention: Secretary
PO Box 863
Fargo, ND 58107-0863

Dog Demonstration & Meet and Greet

Bethany on University

201 University Drive South, Fargo, ND 58103

Wednesday, April 3, 2013 Time: 3-4 PM (Set-up: 2:30)

This is a great opportunity to share your pet with the residents at Bethany on University Drive. Many of them are former pet owners, who enjoy the chance to see the dogs work and to be able to meet them.

Please bring your dogs on the leash. There may be limited space for crates. We will give a short demonstration of agility and obedience skills and tricks. Plan to spend time introducing your dogs to the individual residents.

Provide a brief description of your dog, his breed, and what he can do. (5 to 10 lines)

Since space and time are limited the Bethany staff requests that we bring only 10-12 dogs.

For more information contact Roger Fremo at (218) 233-8122;
or Hollie Halvorson at babyblue4twenty@hotmail.com or (218) 329-6901.

Training Director's Report--March 2013

Harsh winter weather always seems to hit us on the weekends this year! So far we have had to cancel classes on three occasions during Session I: once on a Saturday, and twice on Mondays. Every weekend we hold our collective breath as the forecasts call for snowstorms or icy roads. Fortunately, it should not be long before we can relax and enjoy the coming of Spring.

We have completed the first week of **Session II** with good enrollments in all our classes. The Puppy Kindergarten classes, Jump Start Obedience and Beginning Obedience classes are all large again this session; and the Rally class has a group of new students joining the regulars. The Agility classes continue to attract new students as well. We are looking forward to Agility and Obedience & Rally trials in months ahead; and we are encouraging more of our advanced students to “take the plunge” and enter a trial with their dogs. We hope that many of you will take advantage of the shows and trials that are available to us in this area.

The **Therapy Dog Training** class resumed this session with an enrollment of 8 dog/handler teams. The students who completed the course in the Fall are now preparing to take the evaluation, so that they can become certified Therapy Pet Partners.

Mary Higdem's workshop on “**How to Recognize and Deal with Dog Behavioral Problems**” in February was a great success. Mary focused on the need to learn to “read” the dogs' body language. Dogs with various types of aggressive or problem behavior provided us with the opportunity of testing our ability to “read” dog body language. Mary then worked with several dogs to show us some methods of handling specific problems--such as fearfulness, aggression to other dogs, or to people. She also emphasized things that we as dog owners or handlers should not do when faced with a problem dog in our homes or classes. We were pleased that so many of our members and teaching staff were able to participate in this informative and challenging workshop. We all hope to be better able to recognize problems before they arise, and deal with them in a professional manner. Thank you, Mary, for sharing your knowledge and expertise with us—and for making us all laugh. We had a great time!

Red River North will be hosting a **Canine Good Citizen Test** on Sunday, March 10th. Beginning in January of this year the AKC offers the CGC as a title. Those passing the test now have the option to receive the CGC as an “award” (\$8), as it has been in the past, or to request the CGC as a “title” (\$20) which would appear after the dog's name on official papers. Owners whose dogs received the CGC award in the past may apply to the AKC for the CGC title under a special “grandfather” clause.

Bethany on University has invited RRNDOC to hold a “**Dog Demonstration and Meet & Greet**” on Wednesday, April 3rd at 3:00 PM. The residents always enjoy watching the dogs show off their special talents, but most of all they enjoy the chance to meet the dogs. For many, it brings back memories of their own dogs, and the good times they shared with them. If you are interested in bringing your dog to visit with the residents and staff at Bethany, please contact Roger Fremo at (218 233-8122); or Hollie Halvorson at babyblue4twenty@hotmail.com or (218 329-6901).

Board Meeting January 21, 2013

Attendance: Vicki V, Emily E, Patti S, Roger F, Mary Brinkman, Janine B, Lavonne M, Cyndy R

Unfinished Business

Donation Acknowledgement for and retention of ownership for: forms to be discussed at the general meeting. Will be put in a binder in the office on the desk.

Expense reimbursement: discuss at the general meeting

Directory Boards: SueAnn did a great job setting up the display boards. There are still some photos needed and some members' info not completed yet but it's a very nice start.

Trainers and assistants get \$25 towards Club apparel. This was approved at the July 16th board meeting. Cyndy to place another order next week.

Marketing brochure: Patti typed up example. Need to decide if we want pictures on it. If so, how to decide which ones? Do we do it ourselves or do we have printed at extra cost? Lavonne to help Patti.

Class enrollment form changes. Any updates? Tracking discounts on enrollment form? Possible coding on the enrollment forms. Also, we need to encourage the students to mark the "where did you learn about RRNDOC?". Instructors to ask in entry level classes. Patti tracked the first week of classes and 37 did not specify where they heard about the club. Ones that did mark it were mostly friend, internet, phone book and other misc. Possible form to be passed around anonymously during classes.

Welcome gift bag for new members/puppy class/beginner classes (Emily). There is a "Become a member" flyer made up. There's also an assortment of handouts we have from AKC. Include a RRNDOC magnet and the new marketing brochure after completed. Pricing for paw print plastic bags: 11.5 x 6.5 x 22- 2-sided: \$74.90 for 1000 or recycled 8 x 4.75 x 10.25: \$90 for 250. Motion by Mary, 2nd by Emily. Motion carries.

Bandanas with RRNDOC logo for dogs when attending outside events. Doggroomingbandanas.com has bulk amounts for example: 100 large bandanas for \$79.95. We'll have to somehow get the logo on them. Any other prices? Janine will bring a bib she has used.

Christmas potluck: 12/16 went very well.

Dex advertising for March 2013. Which ad should we do? No internet listing. \$888 for Dex 1 1/2" ad under dog training and complimentary listing under pet services. Janine motioned, Mary 2nd. Motion carries.

Class discount draft policy: Patti's proposal to post at club and in the members only section of the website. Patti supplied.

Board Meeting January 21, 2013 - Continued

Herbergers sent a check for \$186.78 for November Community Days. Next one is March 1 & 2. Mary had the idea of only keeping one example book on the table to show people and rest would be in the drawer with the cash box. A sign out sheet will be in the cash box.

Brian sent out a big thank you for help cleaning the mats and the club on Jan 5th. Thanks to Denise L, Kathy L, Jamie, Janine, Patti, Annie, Rhonda & Brian. You did a great job!

Agility trial May 2013: Denise L & Brian: Denise to order ribbons (\$1000 budget), will not have dates so they can be reused at other events. Janine motioned, Roger 2nd. Motion carries.

New Business

Private training sessions with aggressive dogs: Should we be doing? Board decided due an incident recently by a member being bitten, that people requesting private sessions will be referred to Mary Higdem. No other individual sessions at the club. Any out of pocket medical expenses the club member incurs will be paid by RRNDOC. Club to hang the 1st aid kit and update the accident form. Mary Higdem will hold training for instructors in February.

ND Smoke Free Law: Patti put up the smoke free sign on the bulletin board. No other signs need to be posted.

Tax filing: who does? Patti with do with Kathy's assistance.

Since April is approaching fast, we need a nominating committee for new board members. Need treasurer, vice president, board member. Roger and Janine will work together.

Adjournment: Janine motioned, Mary 2nd. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Ehalt, Secretary

General Meeting: January 21st, 2013

Attendance: Emily E, Roger F, Mary Brinkman, Dave A, Cyndy R, Jeff & Rhonda Himle, Patti S, Kathy L, Brian, Vicki V, Lavonne M, Janine, SueAnn

Minutes of the last meeting: in Paw Prints. **Motioned to approve by: Dave , 2nd by Lavonne. Motion carried.**

Report of the President: in Paw Prints: recap of last year's club activities

Report of the Treasurer: in Paw Prints. **Motioned to approve by: Mary B. , 2nd by Dave. Motion carried.**

Report of Committees:

Agility trial committee report: Denise & Brian: Brian ordered \$30 update for the software. \$1000 worth of ribbons to be ordered.

Fundraising: Kathy L: Herbergers sent a check for \$186.78 for November Community Days. Next date will be March 1 & 2. Kathy to pick up books. Procedures for handling books: Mary had the idea of only keeping one example book on the table to show people and rest would be in the drawer with the cash box. A sign out sheet will be in the cash box.

New Members 1st reading: Jeff & Rhonda Himle; Ross Collins.

New Members 2nd reading: Lila Hlebichuk, Rhonda Wensel. Both unanimously voted in.

Unfinished business:

Trainers and assistants get \$25 towards club apparel approved at the July 16th board meeting. Cyndy to put in another order from the 2013 book.

Directory boards: SueAnn did a great job setting up the display boards. There are still some photos needed and some members' info not completed yet but it's a very nice start. There are also some left over RRNDOC apparel on the table for sale at a discount.

RRNDOC policy for reimbursement of expenses: form to be in office

RRNDOC Donation Acknowledgment Form & Retention of Ownership forms: **Those who have items at the club, please document what is yours and what is donated.**

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No brags this month.

Vet techs from Globe School of Business will be presenting at the school regarding dental hygiene. Lavonne was contacted and expects up to 8 students.

Adjournment: Janine motions, Brian 2nd. Motion carries.

* Addendum: The nominating committee was changed to the following: Mary Brinkman- chair, Dave and Lavonne other committee members. Janine and Patti alternates.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Ehalt, Secretary

RRNDOC Treasurer's Report - January, 2013

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Accrual Basis

RRNDOC Balance Sheet As of January 31, 2013

	Jan 31, 13
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking-State Bank	4,931.29
Savings-ING	33,022.96
Petty Cash	205.00
Total Checking/Savings	38,159.25
Total Current Assets	38,159.25
Fixed Assets	
Equipment	16,669.09
Accumulated Depreciation	-11,372.58
Total Fixed Assets	5,296.51
TOTAL ASSETS	43,455.76
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	41,514.48
Net Income	1,941.28
Total Equity	43,455.76
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	43,455.76

RRNDOC Treasurer's Report - January, 2013 - Continued

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Accrual Basis

RRNDOC Profit & Loss January 2013

	Jan 13
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Class Income	3,700.00
Leashes & Collars Income	169.50
Pop and Chips Income	7.84
Clothing Income	15.00
Membership Income	45.00
Interest Income	11.20
Total Income	3,948.54
Expense	
Advertising Expense	
Yellow Pages	131.15
Total Advertising Expense	131.15
Building Rent	925.00
Dues and Subscriptions	10.00
Depreciation Expense	178.58
Miscellaneous Expenses	60.00
Storage Rent	75.00
Supplies	
Collars and Leashes	322.29
Total Supplies	322.29
Telephone	34.20
Utilities	
Electric	98.88
Heat	115.83
Water, Sewer & Garbage	56.33
Total Utilities	271.04
Total Expense	2,007.26
Net Ordinary Income x	1,941.28

Message Board

Lost - Agility Equipment

1 white PVC Agility jump & bar.

1 section of the White PVC Weaves & a bundle of 4 posts.

Please contact Cyndy Raeshke or Janine Barnstuble if you know of their whereabouts.

Thank you!

RRNDOC Windshirt for Sale

I have a windshirt I ordered with the RRNDOC logo on it. It is way too long & big for me.

It is a large & is tan with Black & red logo on it. If someone is interested in buying, please contact Cyndy Raseshke @

luvgermanshepherds@hotmail.com

Thanks!

February



FIRST CLASS

Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc.
P. O. Box 863
2202 3rd Avenue N.
Fargo, ND 58102

Red River North Dog Obedience Club, Inc.

Board of Directors

President	Vicki Vail
Vice President	Emily Ehalt
Secretary	Emily Ehalt
Treasurer	Patti Struchynski
Board	Mary Brinkman
Board	Janine Barnstuble
Board	Roger Fremo

Training Director

Lavonne Marubbio

Instructors:

Janine Barnstuble/Jamie Neary
Mary Brinkman / Monica Duhigg
Sharon Buethner
Ilene Cohen-Pearson
Roger Fremo
Mary Higdem
Ann Hopp
Sueann Horner/Emily Ehalt
Lavonne Marubbio/Brittney Bruns
Brenda McBain / Brian Vail
Cyndy Raeshke
Vicki Vail / Annie Vail