Red River North Dog Obedience Club, INC.

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Special points of interest:

- No Board of Directors meeting in December
- No General Meeting in December

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Paw Prints Upcoming Events:

FMKC Agility Trials

Friday, Jan 29th – Sunday, Jan 31st

RRNDOC Agility Trials

Friday, Feb 26th – Sunday, Feb 28st

Happy Birthday!!

December Lila Hlebichuk 12/18 James Walsh 12/18

January			
Janine Barnstable	1/6		
Linda Perry	1/6 1/26		
Dave ARnholt	1/26		

PRESIDENT'S REPORT-LAVONNE MARUBBIO

Hello Everyone,

As we look back over the past twelve months we marvel that Red River North is still up and running. We are experiencing the most severe worldwide pandemic in recent history, with countless lives lost, and our economies in distress. Everything seemed to grind to a halt as we tried to adjust to a climate of disease and uncertainty. Our training program was closed for over four months, and trials and events were cancelled. We recognized when we resumed classes in July that we might be forced to suspend classes and activities once again. By keeping class sizes small, and practicing necessary precautions we have been able remain open as a club and a training center. But we are still not out of the woods!

We are planning to hold classes in 2021, beginning on January 10th. We will continue to practice social distancing and will require our students and staff to wear masks. We look forward to the day when vaccines will be readily available, and the pandemic will gradually subside.

We are actively pursuing plans for Agility trials in February and May. If you are interested in entering or helping out with those trials, please contact Denise Luther. Obedience and Rally trials are tentatively scheduled for June.

During this pandemic the AKC has begun to offer virtual testing for Rally titles. Obedience titles will be added in March. Check the AKC websites for information about these opportunities.

This is the final week of classes for 2020. I hope that all of you will be able to rest and relax during the three-week break. Our celebration of the Holidays may be very different this year, but we can accept each day a precious gift. We look forward to seeing you again in January!

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lavonne Marubbio

SECRETARY'S REPORT-SARA WIEDERHOLT

Board Meeting November 16th 2020

Attendance: Denise, LaVonne, Janine, Jamie, Rhonda, Sara Start time: 7:32pm Motion to approve the minutes from the October meeting by Denise, seconded by Rhonda, Motion passed.

Reports:

President: possibility of a shut down if the issues with Covid continue to rise. We are going to continue on with classes as long as we can. Continue to follow the protocols set in place and stay in communication with the board as far as being exposed or needing to cancel classes. If a student gets exposed or needs to cancel classes due to this we can offer a refund/credit. Please stay safe and be smart.

Treasurer: Please watch for the secretary of state letter, should be coming soon We have about \$54,000 in savings and checking right now

The club currently needs more qualifying ribbons and some placement ribbons that need to be ordered for upcoming trials. Motion by Sara to allow Denise to order the needed ribbons for our 2021 upcoming trials. Second by Jamie, Motion passed.

Nominations are coming up, and the committee needs to meet before the end of January. Jamie volunteered to be the board member on this year's committee. This year Jamie, Janine, Denise, and Sharon are all coming off.

Building maintenance has been taken care of a lot by Kathy L. We thank her for that. We have got new emergency lights up and outside lights. Have a doorbell put in, needs to be pushed and held in order to work. Going to look into possibly having one wired in better. We have had Stevie as our training director for a year now, Thank you! Motion was made that Stevie has been meeting the board's expectations as our training director and to keep her in such position permanently until decided upon her or the board otherwise. Motion by Denise, second by Janine, motion passed.

Board has been looking into Zoom, how does the confidentiality work, all are recorded, what is the safety that nothing will be leaked as our meetings are held as confidential. Going to look into more. Meetings could only be 40 minutes long, should be all we need, but need to stay on track and respectful of time.

May need to look into making a "progression board" for students so they can more easily see what the next classes they would need to take for the next level would be. Having issues with having 2 puppy classes and then only 1 advanced puppy session. Brought up to vary the classes based on session, 1 session have 2 puppy and 1 advanced then the next, 1 puppy class and 2 advanced. Help properly move them up. Daytime classes have been going well, possibility of any online classes? Look into this. May need a trainer's meeting before the end of the year to see everyone's ideas, and what classes all are willing to teach/help with.

Motion to adjourn by Janine, second by Denise. Motion passed End time: : 8:45pm.

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Savings - Bell State Bank	48,283.84
Checking-Bell State Bank	5,719.76
Petty Cash & Gift Cards	100.00
Total Checking/Savings	54,103.60
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expenses	
Prepaid Ribbons	2,768.19
Prepaid Application Fees	525.00
Total Prepaid Expenses	3,293.19
Undeposited Funds	50.00
Total Other Current Assets	3,343.19
Total Current Assets	57,446.79
Fixed Assets	
Building	210,000.00
Equipment	42,210.15
Accumulated Depreciation	-44,061.96
Total Fixed Assets	208,148.19
Other Assets	
Accumulated Amortization	-282.00
Loan Costs	1,409.62
Total Other Assets	1,127.62
TOTAL ASSETS	266,722.60
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Building Loan (Bell Bank)	163,450.78
Total Other Current Liabilities	163,450.78
Total Current Liabilities	163,450.78
Total Liabilities	163,450.78
Equity	
Retained Earnings	111,182.95
Net Income	-7,911.13
Total Equity	103,271.82
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	266,722.60

Ordinary Income/Expense Income Class Income 2,740.00 Leashes & Collars 30.00 Pop and Chips In-13.00 Membership In-95.00 Misc Income 30.00 **Donations** 40.00 4.09 Interest Income **Total Income** 2,952.09 **Gross Profit** 2,952.09 Expense Amortization Ex-23.50 Advertising Ex-Yellow 20.00 **Total Advertising** 20.00 Cleaning 190.00 Depreciation Ex-575.00 1,069.00 Insurance Training & Class-47.00 Utilities Electric 40.59 Heat 33.18 Water 64.30 Telephone/Int 148.11 ernet

Total Utilities

Total Expense

Interest Expense

Net Ordinary Income

Net Other Income

Net Income

Other Income/Expense

Other Expense

Total Other Expense

286.18

741.41

682.85

682.85

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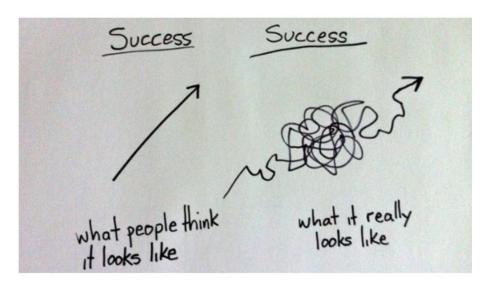
2020 is finally coming to an end. Unfortunately, it's not the end. We are still dealing with a global health crisis that's centered right here. As of yet, we haven't seen a surge from Thanksgiving cases, and it may be significantly lower than expected, but we are still facing Christmas and a flu season. Yesterday, Dec 10, 22 North Dakotans and 89 Minnesotans lost their lives to this disease, numbers that never should have been that high.

Training is about learning new patterns of behavior. We see what the dog in front of us does, or doesn't know yet, and teach them how to react in the presence of a cue or a situation. Sometimes we need the dog to unlearn old habits to form new ones. It's all about the change in behavior.

We're a club dedicated to training... to changing behavior. This year it's been our own behavior that's had to change. No one said it's been easy. There's been phenomenal cost. And just as our dogs need continued practice to maintain that nice tight heel position or a straight front, we also need to work, to practice, our new habits.

Of course, training isn't a straight line from the beginning to the finished behavior. A good trainer sees challenges emerge and adjusts their expectations. Sometimes it takes creativity to get past a training obstacle.

That's where we are. It's going to take creativity and innovation to survive as an organization. There are more challenges coming, but there are also many more solutions.



SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR 2021

SESSION I: January 10 (Sun) - February 27 (Sat) (7 Weeks)

SESSION II: March 7 (Sun) - April 24 (Sat) (7 Weeks)

SESSION III: May 2 (Sun) - Jun 19 (Sat) (7 Weeks)

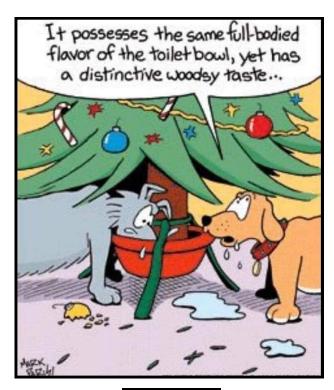
*****Cushion Week—Weather Makeup*****

Session I: Feb 28 (Sun) - Mar 6 (Sat)

Session II: April 25 (Sun) - May 1 (Sun)

BOOK REVIEWS BY LILA HLEBICHUK lilahl@yahoo.com

Book reviews will resume in January 2021.









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Session 1 - January 10 - February 27, 2021

(NO refunds after the 2^{nd} week of class)

Severe Weather – if a class is cancelled due to severe weather, there will be no makeup class for that missed class nor will there be an adjustment in class fee

Star PuppyTM Program—Puppy Kindergarten Beginning Obedience

Thursday 6 PM Jan 14 - Feb 25 \$70

Monday 6 PM Jan 11—Feb 22 \$70

Saturday 10 AM Jan 16—Feb 27 \$70

Advanced Beginners

Novice Obedience

Wednesday 6 PM Jan 13 - Feb 24 \$70

Wednesday 7:15 pm Jan 13 - Feb 24 \$70

Open Obedience

Rally Obedience

Tuesday 2 PM Jan 12 - Feb 23 \$70

Friday 6:30 PM Jan 15 - Feb 26 \$70

(Instructor's permission only)

Retrieve/Recall for Hunting*

Saturday 11:15 AM Jan 16 - Feb 6 \$40

*New class! Description for Basics for retrieving and recall for hunting: Beginner class to get puppies/dogs ready to listen and work as a team. 4 weeks long. Participants should bring a 6 foot leash, a 30ft lead, and a retrieving dummy.

Beginner Agility

Advanced/Competitive Agility

Tuesday 6 PM Jan 12 - Feb 23 \$70

Tuesday 7:15 PM Jan 12 – Feb 23 \$70

(combined classes)

Instructor's permission required for all agility classes*

<u>Pre-registration & payment is required</u> to reserve a spot in any class.

Please email rrndoc@gmail.com or call 701-232-3597 for a form



We invite you to join us on <u>Thursday afternoons from 1:00 to</u> 3:00 PM or <u>Saturdays from 12:15 PM to 2:15 PM</u> for a chance to work with your dog on Obedience or Rally skills.

You may reserve a spot for 30 minutes for \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members.

This is not a formal class, but an instructor will be available to answer questions.

You MUST reserve a spot. No Drop-ins. Please contact:

Thursdays:

Sharon Buethner (701) 232-0474

Saturdays:

Lila Hlebichuk (701) 388-7310 (text or call and leave a message) or lilahl@yahoo.com





Remi—Susan Hunter Havery



Racer—Pam Jahnke



Lil Bit—Sharon Buethner



Suchi—Lila Hlebichuk

December



FIRST CLASS

P.O. Box 863 2202 3rd Avenue M. Fargo, ND 58102

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Board of Directors		<u>Instructors</u>
President	Lavonne Marubbio	Janine Barnstuble –Tuesday, Agility
Vice President	Sharon Buethner	Sharon Buethner—Tuesday, Open Obedience
Secretary	Sara Wiederholt	Mary Higdem—Wednesday, Obedience , Nov, Adv
Treasurer	Denise Luther	Klylie Lagenwalter—Monday, Beginner's Obedience
Board	Janine Barnstable	Lavonne Marubbio—Saturday, KPT
Board	Jamie Neary	Sara Weiderholt—Tuesday, Agility , Friday, Rally
Board	Rhonda Wensel	Rhonda Wensel—Thursday—KPT

Training Director

Stevie Mathre

Ring Time Facilitators:

Sharon Buethner & Lila Hlebichuk