

RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
September 1, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at the club building on Tomlynn Street. President Peter Lenk called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m. 23 members were present. Zoom members = 14

Ron Smith introduced our 5 guests: Jeanette Makowskyj, Susan Kolster, Beth Harris and Claudia and Dave Frazier (attended via ZOOM).

Minutes of the last meeting: A motion was made by Valerie Pascal to approve the August 2020 meeting minutes as printed in the Pawprint. Motion was 2nd by Therese Myers – motion passed on verbal vote.

Report of the Secretaries:

Recording: none

Corresponding: Cathy Foldesi – reported she sent cards to Gail Peters for her loss of Abilene, and Janie and Al Robertson for their loss of Petey. She encouraged members to also send cards.

Treasurer's Report: Rocky Altimore reported for August 2020:

Income	\$3,164.52
Expenses	\$5,132.51
Net income (Loss)	(\$1,967.99)

Rocky reported our training income for the month was good and thanked the training directors for their hard work to get classes up and running.

Rocky reported that 'Thank You' donations to Aubrey Lenk Aaron for the painting in club building entrance area are \$315.00.

Report of Committees

Membership and Orientation:

- Ron Smith reported the new member Orientation meeting in August had 4 guests.

Nominating:

- The Committee is working to get a slate of club officers and board members ready for our upcoming election.

Obedience and Rally Trials:

- Theresa Myers reported our Rally and Obedience trials are February 13 & 14, 2021. MaryAnn Mullen will judge our 2 Rally Trials on Saturday and Lynn Curry will judge Obedience on Sunday. Volunteers are needed please email Theresa Meyers.

Tracking Trial:

- Betty Swenson reported the Tracking Trial will be – 3/7/2021 with 3/6/2021 as a plotting day. There will not be a pot luck lunch, and trial participants and volunteers will not be ‘invading’ the Overton’s home. There will be 2 tracks instead of 3. Headquarters will be at the Ruritan Club in Beaverdam. Spectators are not allowed. Masks are required unless you are actively running the track. There will be flag toters. Kara Kolster is the Trial Secretary, Judy Edwards is the judge. See Betty Swenson to volunteer.

Training:

- Valerie Pascal thanked instructors and assistants for their hard work.
- We have a Puppy class starting up on Wednesday night and an upcoming daytime puppy is filled. Several other classes are starting up.
- Valerie thanked Laura Hermann for her immense help for creating a new graduation certificates.
- There is a new class to help Rally Novice and Intermediate level teams get their virtual rally titles by using our training floor space time on Saturday afternoons. This class will progress thru all the virtual courses – novice and intermediate one week at a time. See our website for details (<https://www.rdoctest.org>).
- A Rally Novice daytime class will be starting on Wednesday, 9/23/2020 @ 12:30 pm with Reade Johnson.
- A Loopy training class is starting on Wednesday, 9/30/2020 @ 6:00pm with Judy Edwards – class filled already.

Unfinished Business:

- Cathy Foldesi – apologized to the membership for the incorrect meeting date in the Pawprint.

Election of New Members:

- none

New Business:

- Cathy Foldesi made a motion for RDOC to host a 2 trial Farm Dog test on 11/14/2020 on a farm in New Kent. Cathy Foldesi will be the trial chairperson, Les Foldesi will be the trial secretary, Cathy Foldesi and Betty Swenson will be the judges. Volunteers are needed and will get a discount on the fee for the test. The club will not provide any food at the event. Motion was 2nd by Les Foldesi. Discussion followed. Motion passed on verbal vote – no opposed.
- Les Foldesi made a motion to amend the standing rules as printed in the PawPrint. Valerie Pascal 2nd the motion. Discussion followed where Les Foldesi explained that due to our new on line registration, the rules need to be updated. The rule to amend the

standing rules is also moved to the end of the section. Motion passed on verbal vote – no opposed.

- Diane Lenk reported there will be a Heart and Eyes Health Clinic on Sunday, 10/11 at her home and kennel. Please contact Terry Peace to set up an appointment for the heart clinic. A notice will be placed in the Pawprint with details. Social distancing rules will be followed.
- Theresa Myers is coordinating a FCAT on Thursday 11/19/2020, in Williamsburg.

Brags were offered in abundance by many members.

Adjournment:

- Valerie Pascal made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Kitty Wells. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Altimore, Recording Secretary