



May 2007



# RMKC Newsletter

## Let's Get Tracking!

RMKC members Renee McGovern & Marie Christianson will present our May program, "**An Introduction to Tracking.**" If members would like, they can bring a dog they would like to track with & get some "nose to ground" experience. Along with a dog, things to also bring are a harness (they have them at places like Fleet Farm & Petco) & a long line or leash that is 6' or longer (NO Flexie leads). They will provide the hot dogs for the tracks.

Renee & Marie will begin at **6:30 pm** with a 10-15 minute session in the classroom, then the rest will be outside. The General Membership meeting will begin approximately 7:30 pm.



### 2007-2008 Officer & Board Member Slate

No nominations were presented at the April meeting; therefore, the following slate of officers & board members will be voted upon at the May meeting.

Only members who have paid dues for the upcoming year may vote

#### Slate of Officers as Provided by the Nominating Committee

President: Diana Mann

Vice President: Beth Haas

Treasurer: Caroline Baihly

Recording Secretary: Pat Campbell

Corresponding Secretary: Marie Christiansen

Board Members: Carole Sorenson (1 yr term)

Julie Prentice (2 yr term)

Board members whose terms end May 2007 are Steph Meyer & Diane Whipple - Thank you Steph & Diane for your hard work as members of the RMKC Board. Thank you, also, to those of you who have agreed to take on the responsibilities as members of the 2007-2008 Board.

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**We will be hosting a CGC test on May 15th at the 4-H Building. Volunteers will be needed to help check people in & to man the various stations. If you can help, please contact Caroline Baihly ([cdbaihly@rapidwebllp.com](mailto:cdbaihly@rapidwebllp.com))**

## **RMKC General Membership Meeting – Monday, April 9, 2007**

**Members Present:** Caroline Baihly, Carole Sorensen, Diana Mann, Renee McGovern, Sandy Woodruff, Vicki O'Neill, Linda Limpert, John Limpert, Kris Henning, Paul Henning, Jerry Simon, Betsy Hadac, Julie Prentice, Lynn Grovdahl, Patti Wiebe.

**Program:** A presentation on-site at Family Tree Nursery on Gardening & Landscaping for Dog Owners.

President Diana Mann called the meeting to order @ 7:40 p.m.

**Approval of the March Meeting Minutes:** A motion was made by Carolyn Baihly and seconded by John Limpert to approve the March minutes as published in the newsletter.

**President's Report:** None

**Corresponding Secretary:** Correspondence reviewed and circulated among members present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer, Caroline Baihly, reported on income and expenses for March and ending account balances. We have been contacted by the IRS who now claims that RMKC owes penalties in connection with the resubmission of tax returns due to non-profit status. A letter has been sent to the IRS, but no response has been received at this time.

### **Committee Reports:**

2007 All-Breed Show Committee: Kris reported that everything is going good – we are pretty well set for judges for 2007 & 2008. Julie needs trophy donations forms by April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Agility: The premium list is being worked on.

Seminars: No Report

Budget: No Report

PR/Public Ed - brochures: No Report

Membership: Letters concerning payment of dues for 2007-2008 have been sent.

Judges Selection: No Report

Sunshine: No Report

### **Old Business:**

- House & Senate Bills – Diana went online to the MN House & Senate sites to find if any more progress has been made on the Dog & Cat Breeder's bill. Authors have been added, but as of yet no other activity. She received replies from both Andy Welti & Ann Lynch.
- CGC Test - Scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup>, the last night of obedience classes, from 6:30-8 PM at the 4-H building. Volunteers are needed. We will also offer microchipping.
- Thank You Baskets - Diana passed around pictures of the "basket" delivered to Dr Emrich as thanks for being a program speaker – basket for Family Tree Nursery staff was presented.
- Bone Flashlights - Diana suggested that perhaps we could have pens made instead of the bone flashlights. These could be passed out at the show to all who buy catalogs, as well as put at steward's tables. She will contact Image Trak, & possibly others, to get pricing, etc. She also brought up the idea of "visitor bags" for those who are at the show from out of town, with copies of the Rochester Visitor, etc.
- Other Unfinished Business – None

### **New Business:**

- 2007-2008 Officers/Board Slate: Diana called for any nominations from the floor to add to the slate proposed by the nominating committee – no nominations were made.
- Flat Coated Retriever National: The Flat-Coated Retriever National Specialty will be in Rochester this year from June 11<sup>th</sup> thru the 15<sup>th</sup>. They would like & appreciate any volunteers from the club to help with Agility (Monday) & Obedience. Those interested can contact Caroline Baihly or Diana Mann.
- Canine Carnival: Diana suggested that it is time that the RMKC put on a Canine Carnival, for the purpose of promoting the club & as a community service. Options of activities were discussed, including demonstrations (search & rescue, obedience, agility), costume contest, & vendors. Diana will look into possible dates & more discussion can take place at the May meeting.
- Other New Business: Some possible updates to the website were discussed, including possibly linking to another site that has articles on recognizing puppy mills & what to expect at a dog show. John also stated that he needs & would like pictures of members & their dogs engaged in various activities to add to the site.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Kris Henning and seconded by John Limpert, Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

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**Monthly Meeting Information - OUR APRIL MEETING WILL BE AT FAMILY TREE NURSERY - PLEASE SEE ARTICLE ON PAGE 1**

**Date:** 2nd Monday      **Time:** 7:00 pm      **Location:** Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ~ 559 20th St SW  
Directions from downtown Rochester: South on Broadway to 20th St SW (Kwik Trip) - turn right (W) - go approx 5 blocks to top of hill - Church is on the right, set back from the street