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## February 2004

Our next meeting will be Monday, February 9, at 7:30 p.m. Board meeting starts at 7:15 p.m. Mary Ann will provide hospitality. March is the awards banquet. Check out our updated web site at <http://www.trdogtraining.com>.

Annie Wood, Jenny Zawacki, Dawn Witter. Guests present were Bonnie Leonard and Mary O'Malley.

### Minutes of General Membership Meeting 1/12/04

President Laurie Bandy called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. Others in attendance were Cherilyn Antin, Cheryl and Kerry Brimmer, Barb Cattnach, Phyllis Christensen, Sue Fecht, karlene Ferrante, Chris Gilbreath, Beth Knotts, Kris Punke, Mary An Ralston, Arleen Ravanelli, Bob Roeske, Kathy Schuh, VerJean Smith, Heidi Spiegel, Lori Whitney, Kathy Puerner,

VerJean made a correction to the December minutes. She does not yet have enough stewards for the AKC obedience trial Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. (Almost immediately, several members volunteered.)

Cheryl asked for a clarification of when our awards banquet will take place—February or March. The banquet will be combined with the membership appreciation party in March probably at Saloon du Bay.

Laurie pointed out that we will not have our training time at Camp Bandy on Feb. 1, because of our AKC obedience trial.

Arleen moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Lori Whitney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## Treasurer's Report

**If you have not yet paid your dues, it is not too late to renew your membership for 2004. Pay your dues! You can give your check (\$15 single or \$20 family) to VerJean or you can mail it to:**

**VerJean Smith  
1715 W. Porter St.  
Wausau, WI 54401**

## Committee Reports

Training Classes. Kris reported that she has dogs signed up for basic obedience and 2 for puppy class. Obedience classes start Jan. 15. Agility classes start at the end of January, with classes in intermediate agility and preparation for competition.

AKC Obedience Trial, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. Chris reported that entries are about the same as last year. Since we have three judges, the trial will go faster than last year. We need two parking spaces for the judges to park. Kathe Carter is taking care of food, and VerJean is in charge of volunteers. (Thanks to today's volunteers, we are in good shape.

Obedience/Agility Fun Match Jan. 17. Cherilyn Antin still needs a few volunteers for the fun match. Entries are coming in. She has judges lined up for the pre-trial run throughs on Jan. 30, but still needs some helpers then, too.

UKC Trials, March 27(agility) and 28 (obedience). Terese was not present to report, but she has emailed the premium, which is attached to this newsletter. If you need to register with UKC, go to the UKC web site

## Old Business

The "Taping Committee." Kerry Brimmer reported that we have plenty of duct tape for the "taping party" to be held after the meeting. This is our chance to work as a team to clean and tape down our mats.

Awards Applications. Cheryl reminded members that applications for awards are due this Friday. (Almost immediately, a flood of applications appeared.)

Name Change for our Club. Laurie reported that she has pursued the possibility of the club putting on a herding trial. Unfortunately, AKC rules forbid an AKC agility club from holding a herding trial. However, the rules do allow an AKC obedience club to hold both agility and herding trials. If we change the name of our AKC club to Timber Ridge Obedience

Club of Central Wisconsin, we will eventually get approval to hold a match, and then a trial. To do so, we need to publish our intent in two newsletters (January and February), and then we can vote on the change at the February meeting. Then we can hold a sanctioned match some time in 2004 and a trial in 2005. Arleen asked if this means we will offer classes in herding. The answer is that we probably won't offer classes through the club, but we do have a guest/prospective member here tonight (Bonnie Leonard) who teaches herding.

Expanded Building Times. Chris Gilbreath talked to Chuck about adding Wednesday evenings to our building times. It's not possible now, since someone else is using the building on Wednesdays, but Chuck will try to work something out for us after March. Chris will follow up on this for us.

## New Business

Junior Handler Awards. The board is recommending that we offer special awards to junior handlers who qualify at any of our sanctioned events. Karlene moved that we give a \$10.00 Portage County gift certificate for each day in which a junior handler qualifies at any of our sanctioned events. Beth seconded the motion. We would have to mention this award in our premium lists. Motion carried.

Opportunity to learn Flyball. Lori Whitney announced that several members of the Wisconsin Rapids Kennel Club have established a Flyball team, and they are going to their first mock tournament this weekend. Others who are interested in learning to play flyball are welcome to come to practice with the team on most Sundays. The cost is \$10.00 for people who are not members of the Wisconsin Rapids Kennel Club. To find out what time the next practice will take place, call Lori Whitney at 715-423-0756

New Member. Kathy Puerner was here for her second meeting. Kathy trains two Bichons, and she is already volunteering at our shows. Kathy's contact information: 510 W. Park St., Marshfield, WI 54449; 715-387-8198; Puernerk@msn.com Phyllis voted to dispense with the secret ballot. Mary Ann seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Members voted to accept Kathy as a member. Welcome Kathy!

Visitors. Bonnie Leonard has been very active in conformation and herding with her Belgian Sheep Dogs. One of her dogs was the first dual champion ever.

Mary O'Malley has two Belgian Malinois, and she is also involved in conformation and herding.

Interest in UKC Conformation? Arleen asked if Timber Ridge members are interested in helping to put on a UKC conformation show, working with a UKC breed club. It's not clear how many members or how many others in the area would be interested, but Arleen will look into it for us.

**Election of New Officers.** The slate of candidates included:

President: Kris Punke  
Vice President: Annie Wood  
Secretary: Phyllis Christensen  
Treasurer: VerJean Smith  
Board Member: Cheryl Brimmer  
Board Member: Beth Knotts

Mary Ann moved to dispense with the secret ballot. Lori seconded the motion. Motion carried.  
Kerry moved to accept this slate of candidates by acclamation. Mary Ann seconded the motion. Motion passed

When she was elected President, Kris left her seat on the board, so we need a replacement for her. Karlene expressed an interest in filling that vacancy. Chris moved to dispense with the secret ballot. Mary Ann seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chris moved to elect Karlene to the vacant seat on the board. Arleen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW OFFICERS!**

Report on Mall Demo. Kris Punke reported that the mall demo was again a great success. Lots of people came to watch, standing four to five deep in the center area. There was room for ten to fifteen spectators in the store, which is long and narrow. Participants reported that it was a lot of fun, and Laurie's photos will turn up on our web site.

New Newsletter Editor. Our new secretary Phyllis will be getting a lot of help this year from Lorah Marquardt, who will be editing the newsletter. If you need the club secretary or if you have something to post on the web site, contact Phyllis. If you have an item for the newsletter, send it to Lorah.

VerJean (and others) thanked Laurie and Karlene (outgoing officers) for doing such a good job. Thank you!

Kathy moved to adjourn. Mary Ann seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m..

Unfortunately Lynn Ott, who had planned to provide hospitality, was sick, so Laurie provided hospitality. In the "taping party" that followed, members teamed up to clean and tape the floor mats.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karlene Ferrante  
Outgoing Secretary

### **Minutes of the Board Meeting. 1/12/04**

President Laurie Bandy called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. Also present were VerJean Smith, Karlene Ferrante, Cheryl Brimmer, Beth Knotts, and Kris Punke.

VerJean said the minutes were not correct in stating she has enough volunteers for the AKC obedience trial. She actually still needs two table stewards and two ring stewards for Saturday and two table stewards for Sunday.

Junior Handler Awards. Karlene brought in a request from the Budget Kennel Club for a donation for prizes for junior handlers. Board members decided not to donate to the other club, but rather to set up our own prizes for junior handlers who qualify. Karlene moved that we give a \$10.00 Portage County gift certificate for each day in which a junior handler qualifies at any of our sanctioned events. Beth seconded the motion. Motion carried. We will bring this up to the general membership for discussion and a vote.

Mall Demo. Kris reported that the mall demo was a big success.

Cheryl moved to adjourn. VerJean seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:36.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karlene Ferrante  
Outgoing Secretary

### **Timber Ridge Building dates for February**

Second Monday after 12:00: February 9  
Tuesdays after 12:00 noon: February 3, 10, 17, 24  
Thursdays after 12:00: February 5, 12, 19, 26  
Saturdays all day: February 7, 14, 21, 28

### **Timber Ridge Building dates for March**

Second Monday after 12:00: March 8  
Tuesdays after 12:00 noon: March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
Thursdays after 12:00: March 4, 11, 18, 25  
Saturdays all day: March 6, 13, 20, 27

### **Our Time at Camp Bandy**

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| February 8  | 9:30-11:30 a.m. |
| February 22 | 9:30-11:30 a.m. |
| February 29 | 9:30-11:30 a.m. |
| March 14    | 9:30-11:30 a.m. |

### **\*\*\*Announcements\*\*\***

*If you have training stories, announcements, cartoons, items for sale or swap, a training story, or brags for the newsletter, please send them to Lorah Marquardt, [bluestem@g2a.net](mailto:bluestem@g2a.net)*

### **Obedience Seminar at Camp Bandy**

On March 6 and 7, Patty Ruzzo, a top obedience competitor, will offer an obedience seminar at Camp Bandy. The cost is \$140 to participate or \$75 to audit. For more information, email [laurie@campbandy.com](mailto:laurie@campbandy.com) or [heather@campbandy.com](mailto:heather@campbandy.com).

Caroline Weil will be holding a TDI and CGC test at her training building in Greenwood on Sat. March 6 starting at 12:30 PM. Cost is \$15 for TDI & CGC and \$5 for CGC only. Entries are limited and dogs must be pre-registered. Call Caroline at (715) 743-7615.

Also from Caroline:

Once again this year, starting in Feb. (weather permitting of course), I will be offering herding lessons weekends at my farm northeast of Neillsville. Once daylight permits, we will switch to Monday evenings starting at 5:30PM. Cost of lessons is \$15; time limit will vary depending on type of dog and experience. I have 16 dog-broke sheep and several different sized pens to work in. The ground is level and footing is good with no holes.

I have been doing herding for 4 years now and am competing at the advanced levels in AKC, ASCA and AHBA. My dogs have earned multiple high in trials on sheep and ducks, and I started trailing them on cattle last year. I attend herding clinics 3-4 times a year and take private lessons from some of the well-known trainers whenever they are in the Wisconsin or Minnesota area. I would also like to invite any club members or their friends who would be interested in learning more about herding to come out to my place and observe the dogs working. Herding is extremely fascinating and has become a passion of mine and I would be happy to answer any questions that anyone would have.

For more information you can contact me at 715 743-7615 at home, 715 221-8012 at work, or email

[dogworks@tds.net](mailto:dogworks@tds.net)

Also check out my web site <http://www.thedogworks.net>

Thanks, Caroline Weil

*Ellen Hardin wanted to share this with the club in the hope that others can use the information if needed:*

Last Friday evening, Snickers, one of my cats, vomited. This was not an unusual event; it happens 2 or 3 times per week. I cleaned it up using Clorox wipes and put the wipes in a plastic bag and tossed the bag out the door into the garage. We do this with cat goodies and the next person out the door takes the prize to the dog poop bucket.

Then, I took Jake, my 4 month-old puppy, out to the building to train. On the way back in, he spied the plastic bag and with lightning alacrity ripped it open and swallowed the Clorox wipes containing cat vomit. I stuck my hand down his throat only to get some cat vomit and a corner of one wipe. The rest was swallowed.

I didn't know how toxic the chemicals on the wipes were, whether I should make him vomit or if the wipes would pass. Since I had a refrigerator magnet with the animal poison hotline number on it, I called. The recording that answered said to have your credit card ready for the \$35.00 consultation charge, which was cheaper than a trip to the emergency clinic in Appleton. When the young man came on the phone he asked what happened. After I told him, he asked if I still had the container of wipes. I did, and he suggested I call the "800" number on the container. I told him that there wouldn't be

anyone there at 9:30 p.m. on a Friday night. He said to try calling anyway.

I called the number on the wipe container and listened to a menu at the Clorox company; and pushed "3" for a medical emergency. A nurse came on the line and asked what happened. After I told her, she said I needed to talk with a veterinarian and that she would connect me with the animal poison hotline and that Clorox would pay the consultation fee.

So, I was connected again to the poison hotline, spoke with a technician and then with a veterinarian. The vet gave me a case number and another "800" number. I could call the new 800 number if I had a follow-up question and the vet on call could pull up my case on their computer.

I took her advice, gave Jake 1/4 cup of milk, waited 15 minutes, fed him one-half of his dinner with canned pumpkin, waited 15 minutes then fed him the second half of his dinner with canned pumpkin. So far, so good.

Apparently, with ingested cleaning products you do not want to induce vomiting. If the chemicals do not burn the esophagus on the way down, there is a chance of burning on the way up. Also, I was concerned about giving hydrogen peroxide to a puppy that had just eaten Clorox wipes. The vet thought the wipes would pass through with the additional bulk from the pumpkin. Much of the concentration of the chemicals on the wipes is dissipated when they are removed from the container and used.

So, the lessons I learned are: (1) call the manufacturer when Jake eats cleaning products containing cat vomit and they will pay for the call to the hotline consultation and (2) canned pumpkin is good for many uses.

The animal poison hotline is staffed by veterinarians 24 hours day and is funded partially by the SPCA. They are located at the vet school in Urbana, Illinois. They couldn't have been any more helpful on a Friday night.

**THE ANIMAL POISON  
HOTLINE  
(1.888.232.8870)**

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**Kicsi Bonasa Umbra JH**

February 20, 1991-January 14, 2004

Kicsi collapsed on Friday afternoon while hunting. She seemed to have recovered by Saturday morning and participated in walks and eating with her usual winter enthusiasm. She collapsed again while walking on Tuesday and was no better by Wednesday morning. Kerry took her to the vet and made the difficult decision we knew was necessary.

Kicsi was a good companion and through her Kerry renewed his interest in hunting. They spent many happy and productive hours in the field. Also through her we met many people that became good friends. She will be sadly missed by all three of us.

Kerry, Cheryl and Smoke

***Our sympathy goes out to the Brimmers on the loss of their Vizsla, Kicsi.***

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## ***BRAGS!***

PLEASE NOTE: Brags should now be emailed directly to Lorah at [bluestem@g2a.net](mailto:bluestem@g2a.net). If you don't have computer access they can be sent to 1124 W. River Dr, Stevens Point, WI 54481

Arleen Ravanelli reports that Shira finished 2003 as the #6 White Shepherd in UKC Confirmation.  
*Congratulations Arleen!*

Again from Arleen: Her Shylo Star Kennels was honored with a national Community Service award for 2003 from Clever Canine Companions.

Annie Wood sent her first brag ever:  
Her Gordon Setter, Maddux (Annalu's Mad About Maddux) recieved his first title ever, in Novice Standard Preferred, on Dec. 7, at Camp Bandy. It was also Annie's very first title ever!  
*Way to go Annie and Maddux!*