

NOMAD NEWS

Northern Magic Agility Dogs

APRIL

2016

SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date - Monday April 18th, Time - 6:30 P.M.

Where - Richmond Free Library 201 Bridge Street Richmond VT In the Community Room.

Directions: from 89, take exit 11 and then Rt. 2 to the village of Richmond. Turn right at the light onto Bridge St. and cross RR tracks. Library is on the left, just past the cemetery.

Hi Everyone It is that time of the year for our Spring Membership Meeting. The Steering Committee met and decided on a date and location for the meeting.

On the Agenda

1. NOMAD audit committee report
2. Discuss how we designate working/supporting members for Camp and Seminars. Do we need to change how we view these members at the time of the seminar or Camp?
3. Discuss and potentially vote on how we are paying for Saturday barn rentals. Currently if we or Stephanie cancel due to weather we do not pay. Members attending Saturday practice would like to change this so we will pay even if the club cancels due to weather.
4. Treasurer's Report -Jen

Proxy Voting Form

The Steering Committee encourages everyone to attend the 2016 Spring Meeting on Monday April 18th at 6:30 p.m., at the Richmond Library. Directions on page at bottom left. We will be voting on Items at left.

If you are unable to be present and want your vote counted, please complete the proxy form below. If you attend the Spring Meeting, we will simply discard your proxy and you may vote at the meeting.

Although there are generally two ways to designate a proxy vote (by voting on a proxy form or by designating someone to act as your proxy), we are asking everyone to vote by using the proxy form below. You may vote by sending to the Secretary, Judy Kessler, s.judith.kessler@uvm.edu, indicating your vote on the items listed on the Proxy. If you don't have email, you can fill in the proxy form and mail it to her at: Judy Kessler, 320 Shaker Hill Rd, Starksboro, VT 05487.

I _____ (insert your name) am unable to attend the NOMAD 2016 Spring Meeting and wish to submit my proxy vote for those items on the published agenda that require a vote. Please check one.

Do you accept or reject the following statements:

Pay Stephanie barn rental even if we cancel due to weather

Accept Reject

Membership status for the current year, not the prior year, should be what determines the status of a member when they apply for a seminar/workshop

Accept Reject

Should the the club buy a laptop and a printer to be used by the CPE trial secretary (\$695 to \$995).

Accept Reject

Signature and date

Please print your name

MINUTES, NOMAD STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 2/17/16

Members present: Jen Hammond, Linda Ladd, Judy Kessler, John Marcus, Marty Abair and Tatjana Salcedo

Called to order: 5:20 p.m.

SPRING MEETING: It was decided to hold the Spring Meeting on Monday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the Richmond Library or Church. Arrangements have since been made to have it in the Library.

CHECK SIGNING: Paper work was completed to change those able to sign on the checking and money market accounts. They are now Linda Ladd, Jen Hammond, Judy Kessler and John Marcus.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Marty Abair will ask Judy Frey and Betsey Nye to serve with her on an audit committee to meet before the spring meeting to audit our books.

TREASURERS REPORT: The books for 2015 are closed. Our gross income was \$46,306 and our net income was \$548. All of the necessary tax documents have been filed and the electronic 990-N will be filed before the May 15, 2016 deadline.

Linda would like to request that the club buy a laptop and a printer to be used by the CPE trial secretary. This would also open up the possibility of a club member being the trial secretary for the USDAA trial. The request includes details of the products that would suit us best. The price would be approximately \$695 to \$995.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS FOR SEMINAR APPLICATIONS: After a long discussion of what the fairest way to decide what should be considered to determine a person's membership status when they apply for a seminar, we felt that this should be brought to the members at the spring meeting for their input.

SEMINAR COMMITTEE: It was brought up that the Seminar Committee doesn't discuss financials with the Treasurer prior to the seminar date. This is seen as a communication problem. The Seminar Committee is acting properly. It would just be easier to manage payment, if they provided the Treasurer with a list of expenses for a seminar sometime before the event. It will be recommended that this will be done for future seminars and workshops.

INSURANCE LIABILITY: NOMAD has been paying for alcohol at camps, trials and seminars. This is seen as a liability issue and must be stopped. People can provide alcohol at NOMAD functions, but NOMAD cannot pay for it. Some think it should not even be stored in NOMAD coolers.

BARN USE: There has been discussion among club members suggesting that Wildwood should be paid for time scheduled for NOMAD use, even if practice is cancelled because of weather. Our current arrangement with Wildwood for Saturday practice is that we do not pay for the barn, if we do not use it. The practice group on Wednesday can do whatever they wish, but it is not a NOMAD expense, so we cannot decide what they do. It should be discussed at the spring meeting, if members want to change our this for next year.

Adjourned: 7:15 p.m.

NOMAD's Steering Committee

Contact them if you have questions or suggestions.

President: Jen Hammond, hammondjal@gmavt.net

Vice President: John Marcus, John.Marcus@uvm.edu

Secretary: Judy Kessler, judith.kessler@uvm.edu

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Members at Large:

Marty Abair, corgitown@yahoo.com

Tatjana Salcedo, gutetatjana@gmail.com

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BRAGS

Feb. 19-21 All Dogs USDAA Trial Manchester, NH

Judy and Monte 20"

PII Standard _____ 1st and Q

PII Jumpers _____ 1st and Q.

Lynne von Trapp and Brill

Grand Prix _____ 2nd and Q

MC Biathlon Jumpers _____ 2nd and Q

Masters Snooker _____ 2nd and Q

Masters Gamblers _____ 4th and Q and

MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP BRONZE TITLE!

15 masters gamblers Q's for this dog with only 1 masters standard Q :~)

March 12-13, BARK-NH USDAA

Max and Tatjana 20"

P3 Snooker _____ (Q)

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P2 Standard _____ (Q) 2nd place

P2 Gamblers _____ (Q) 1st place

P2 Pairs with Sankaty _____ (Q) 1st place

March 19-20, Schenectady Dog Training Club AKC

Portia and Tatjana 20"

Standard Novice A _____ (Q) 2nd place

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March 27, LEAP Trial, Tolland CT

Elliot Kaplan and Ebbets

Masters STD _____ Q

Master JWW _____ Q

MACH

No newsletter brags :) But Milo and Six went to their first trial of the season. No Q's for Milo but we've been working on a few things and there were some moments of brilliance with sends, rear crosses, and directionals. Six was a very good boy. Made lots of friends. Met lots of people. Was a bit off the wall in the hotel. Pictures. :)



Six

New Member!

Please welcome our new working member **Darlene Ahrens** and her Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier **Fionnoula**. Darlene and Fionnoula have been training for 5 years and started to compete in 2015. Darlene has expressed an interest in working on the NADAC Trial Committee, the Practice Committee or the Membership Committee. Welcome to NOMAD Darlene and Fionnoula!



Could our vendor at trials do this?

