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"A Well-Trained Dog is a Happy Dog"

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From the AKC

Halloween Safety Tips

This article is excerpted from the web site of the American Kennel Club (<http://www.akc.org/>)



Halloween is filled with goblin masks, chocolates and excited children. All three can pose a risk to your canine. The American Kennel Club offers the following safety tips to keep in mind on Halloween.

Walk your dog early on Halloween night - before the most active part of the evening, and grip the leash firmly. Your dog may be distracted or scared by children walking by in costume. If your dog is usually outside and is a "greeter," meaning he barks his welcome, you may want to consider bringing him inside. His potential barking at trick-or-treaters may scare them or bother the neighbors. Make sure your dog is secure either in the house or in the yard.

Caution adolescents in your neighborhood not to tease or "trick" your canine. Scared dogs may bite to protect their property.

Sweets are not healthy for your dog. Chocolate can act as a toxin in canines and can cause severe sickness or even fatality. Remind children never to feed a dog sweets, especially chocolate. If you'd like for your dog to have a treat, keep dog biscuits close by.

Be careful if you dress up your dog for Halloween. Make sure he can see, hear and breathe properly through the costume. Make sure the costume is flame retardant as well. Keep a close eye on the dog to ensure its safety. If at any time the dog looks uncomfortable or anxious, remove the costume.

From Suzan Scott

FVDTC Correction Clinics

Reminder: The final 1999 Fox Valley Dog Training Club Correction Clinic will be held on Thursday, October 21. Pre-entry is recommended for this one since it usually fills with folks practicing for the Car-Dun-Al/Fox Valley Obedience trials in November. If you're interested in long-range planning, the first FVDTC Y2K correction clinic will be the third Thursday in January.



If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went

-- Unknown

From Helen Castellano

Braggs and Other Good Stuff

Heike (Ingrid Hamburger)
Canadian UD (Canadian OTCH)

We had a wonderful weekend in Hamilton, Can. and came home with a new title. This young, 2 1/2 year old girl has been a constant joy to work with and now we are off to see if we can also accomplish the AKC UD this fall. I'm so proud of her.

April (Meg Graham)
High in Trial National Samoyed Specialty

Checkers (Drew Graham)
UD

I just had to brag a little Checkers and I Sunday got our third leg, it was a long time coming but it was well worth the time spent in the ring because I sure learned a lot!

Forever Til The End of Time [Timber] (Nancy Pederson)
WD Freeport Kennel Club, October 02, 1999
WD, BOW, BOB Freeport Kennel Club, October 03, 1999
Thanks to Timber's new buddy and handler, Jerry Parisek

Debbie (Bill Clarke)
WD, BOS Freeport Kennel Club, October 02, 1999

If You can help ...

Our dogs, just like people, sometimes need the help of a surgeon. When that happens our dogs need blood transfusions, just like people. If your dog can donate blood, call the canine blood bank at (800) 949-3822

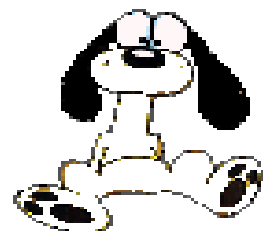
From Judy Anderson

Membership Report

Welcome to our new members:

Scott & Laura Swarts
596 S. Haverhill Ln.
So. Elgin, IL. 60177
(847) 488-0575
Labradors

Paulette Zecca
5143 Washington St.
Hillside, IL. 60162
(708) 449-2348
Pomeranians



From Carolyn Pearson

Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership Meeting Highlights October 6, 1999

Meeting brought to order at 7:30 p.m.

(Secretary) Carolyn Pearson, the September Meeting minutes were approved as published. Several items of correspondence were read.

Cindy Pakenas (Second Vice-President) stated that help is still needed for the St. Charles Scarecrow Festival. She has not received any volunteers to bring the equipment back and forth to the Municipal Building from the fairgrounds. The equipment necessary will be 14 mats and jumps (high, bar and broad). Carolyn Pearson has received enough volunteers for the 11:00 a.m. obedience demonstrations on Saturday and Sunday. Cindy Pakenas reported that Penny Breich will demonstrate agility toward the end of the 1:00 p.m. demonstration and will start the 3:00 p.m. Saturday demonstration. Additional help is still needed for the 3:00 p.m. demonstration on Saturday AND Sunday.

Cindy warned any participants that they should allow for a little extra time to find a parking space. There is supposed to be a place to "drop off" equipment and dogs. Cindy suggested that instructors should encourage their students to attend and join in the fun.

Taffy Wille and Carolyn Pearson (Acting Directors of Training) reported that the next Beginner's class will begin on October 21st and the next Puppy class will begin on October 28th. Anyone interested in being an Assistant Instructor for this last session for 1999 or Primary or Assistant Instructors for any of the sessions next year should see Carolyn Pearson.

Not sure if you want to teach? Volunteer to assist for a session - it is a good gauge for yourself. Peggy Sue extended a huge thanks for the great job that Jerry Erskine does as class coordinator.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) reported that all stewards positions have been filled. The new Publicity Chairperson is Kent Hildebrand. The following individuals have pledged money to the trophy fund and still need to send it to Helen Castellano. They are:

Judy Anderson	Smitty Kalbach
Bridgette Carlsen	Ed Herdes
Michelle Cufu	Will and Shirley Short
Mike and Deb Kovacevich	Brian and Deb Simmons

Bonnie Sherwood (Ekko's mom) is collecting any type of "doggie related" items for the raffle at the trial. Those items that have been donated in the past are: Beanie babies, frames, dog toys, jigsaw puzzles (for kids), etc. Donations can be given to Bonnie or Taffy Wille at training.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that she has received 260 entries out of the 272 available slots. The closing date is Wednesday, October 27th. Volunteers are needed to proofread the catalog on the 27th. Anyone who is available during that evening should contact Taffy (630-365-0423) regarding time of their availability, even an hour of help would be greatly appreciated.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) stated that the next deadline is Sunday, October 10th. He reported that he has received and incorporated several suggestions for changes to the website. The website is still receiving many "hits" and generating requests for information.

From Carolyn Pearson

Membership Meeting Minutes

Sandy Walsh (Graduation Chairperson) sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson: The next Graduation is Tuesday, October 12th. She needs one judge for the 7:00 p.m. class. She has a judge for the 8:00 p.m. class. Anyone interested should call Sandy at (847) 695-0826.

Judy Anderson (Membership Chairperson) sent the list of applicants with Will Short. He read a list of two applications. Neither were present at the meeting. A motion to accept the list as read was made by Brenda Rivera, seconded by Linda Benson. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by all, without any opposition or abstentions. WELCOME to our newest members.

The roster will be available for pick-up at training on Tuesday, October 12th. Will Short will check with Judy to ask if she would have them also available on Thursday, October 21st. That would help save on postage by allowing club members two opportunities to pick them up.

Tracey Mohr (Public Education Liaison) sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson: Volunteers are needed to "man or woman" the club's booth at the Scarecrow Festival on October 9th and 10th in St. Charles.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson: Stewards are DESPERATELY needed for the October 21st correction clinic. This is the last match for the year to get work credits. Please sign up on the orange poster board at training.

Suzan Scott (Statistician Chairperson) was not in attendance. Beat the year-end rush - send information to her. For example, if you've earned all your work credits at this time - let her know how and when.

Joan Payne (Annual Dinner Chairperson) was not in attendance. Peggy Sue reported that Joan is seeking another person to take over the

From Joan Payne

Thanks FVDTC

I often wondered when signing get-well cards for those I barely knew, would my good wishes be received?

A view from the other side!

Anyone who took the time to sign their (and their dog's) name, the little messages, and "high energy" cards HELPED me. I took the positive thoughts into my body for healing energy. My surgeon was surprised at how fast I recovered.

Every time I look at the beautiful "Fox Valley" plant and reread the cards and messages I am filled with a glowing light that will carry me through my treatment phase. The doctors say success depends on attitude. (I've got attitude!) and a positive support system. They don't realize what a powerful group dog people and their animal friends can be. We are unique and beautiful people helping each other.

I treasure all of your thoughts and prayers and I am utilizing your strength to heal myself.

As my body heals
A blanket of love
is draped across
my shoulders
and I snuggle into
it's toasty embrace

Thanks for the cards and plant.

Joan

PS. Always sign those cards on the table -- your good wishes ARE RECEIVED!

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Membership Meeting Minutes

chairperson position. A good portion of the work has already been done for the March 11, 2000 Annual Banquet. Joan can offer direction, but needs someone to do the leg-work.

Heather King (Tracking Secretary) was not in attendance. Ed Herdes reported that the September 19th Tracking test was fairly successful. There were three teams that passed the "TD" track, including club member Alice Larson, who passed on the track that Heidy Terlizzi created. Congratulations to Alice!!!!!! And one team passed on the "TDX" track that was created by Ed Herdes.

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$5.50 is Ed Herdes as drawn by club member, Nancy Pederson.

Old Business - none

New Business

Trudi Kimm reported that now would be a good time to initiate contact with the 4-H coordinators regarding the schedule for the year 2000 participants. Trudi will recommend that the 4-H training begin some time in February and have their "dog show" (graduation) on the Tuesday before the fair, tentatively July 11th. By starting in February, the nights of the club's matches could be skipped without negatively impacting the amount of training that they receive. Trudi and Carolyn Pearson will work together to make these recommendations to the 4-H organizers.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

From Debbie Kovacevich

November Trial Stewards

Class	Steward	Class	Steward
Novice A & B	Cindy Erhart-Malnar Kathy Lohmier Vera Nyberg Bill Clarke	Utility A	Carol Cook Ruth Rothgery Cindy Connolly Dean Connolly
Open A	Doris Kneip Patricia Nessler Mike Kovacevich Tom Hamer	Utility B	Vicky Hagens Paul Grosso Penny Breich Jerry D'April
Open B	Kent Hildebrand Rick Cox Kathy Hubbard Virginia Sensenbrenner	Floater	Trudi Kimm Ingrid Hamberger

Chief Ring Steward: Debbie Kovacevich (630) 365-2616
Please call if you are unable to fulfill your position

From Bill Clarke

Pssst ... What's That One??

From Trudi Kimm

Show Placements

RWD/RWB	Reserve Winners Dog/Bitch
WD/WB	Winners Dog/Bitch
BW	Best of Winners
BOS	Best of Opposite Sex
BOB	Best of Breed
BIS	Best in Show
BISS	Best in Sweepstakes
HIT	High in Trial (in Regular Classes)
High Combined	(in Open and Utility)

Titles

Ch	Conformation Champion
OTCH	Obedience Trial Champion
FC	Field Champion (Field Trial)
NFC	National Field Champion
AFC	Amateur Field Champion (Field Trials)
NAFC	National Amateur Field Champion
DC	Dual Champion Ch and FC)
TC	Triple Champion (Ch, FC and OTCH)
CD	Companion Dog
CDX	Companion Dog Excellent
UD	Utility Dog
UDX	Utility Dog Excellent
CT	Champion Tracker
TD	Tracking Dog
TDX	Tracking Dog Excellent
VST	Variable Surface Tracking Dog
NA	Novice Agility
OA	Open Agility
OAJ	Open Agility Jumper
AX	Agility Excellent
AX J	Agility Excellent Jumper
MX	Master Agility
JH	Junior Hunter
SH	Senior Hunter
MH	Master Hunter
FM	Flyball Master
CGC	Canine Good Citizen
WD	Working Dog
WDR	Working Dog Retriever

New AKC Breeds

The following breeds are now recognized by the AKC:

Collie + Lhasa Apso

Collapso, a dog that folds up for easy transport

Spitz + Chow Chow

Spitz-Chow, a dog that throws up a lot

Pointer + Setter

Poinsetter, a traditional Christmas pet

Great Pyrenees + Dachshund

Pyradachs, a puzzling breed

Pekingese + Lhasa Apso

Peekasso, an abstract dog

Irish Water Spaniel + English Springer Spaniel

Irish Springer, a dog fresh and clean as a whistle

Labrador Retriever + Curly Coated Retriever

Lab Coat Retriever, the choice of research scientists

Newfoundland + Basset Hound

Newfound Asset Hound, a dog for financial advisors

Terrier + Bulldog

Terribull, a dog that makes awful mistakes

Bloodhound + Labrador

Blabador, a dog that barks incessantly

Malamute + Pointer

Moot Point, owned by....oh, well, it doesn't matter anyway

Collie + Malamute

Commute, a dog that travels to work

Deerhound + Terrier

Derriere, a dog that's true to the end

Bull Terrier + Shitzu

Oh, never mind....



From Nancy Einwich

Goodbye to a Good Friend

Hi Members:

My name is Nancy Einwich. I have been a member of Fox Valley Dog Training Club for 22 years. I am not sure if many of you know Jessie and I. Well anyway, she passed away last week and she wanted to say good-bye to all her friends at Fox Valley.

Nancy Einwich

Jessie Einwich
 AM/Can UD - TD - WC
 Fox Valley Dog of the Year
 11/10/84 to 9/21/99



Request from Rainbow Bridge

Weep not for me though I am gone
 Into that gentle night
 Grieve if you will, but not for long
 Upon my soul's sweet flight.
 I am at peace, my soul's at rest
 There is no need for tears.
 For with your love I was so blessed
 For all those many years.
 There is no pain, I suffer not,
 The fear now all is gone.
 Put now these things out of your thoughts
 In your memory I live on
 Remember not my fight for breath
 Remember not the strife
 Please do not dwell upon my death,
 But celebrate my life.

From Helen Castellano

Trophy Reminder

Any member who is donating a trophy for the 1999 Obedience Trial, please give the trophy to Helen Castellano, Mary Bradley, Cindy Pakenas, or Deb Simmons as soon as possible.

Thank you,
 Helen C. Castellano
 Trophy Chairperson

I'm Proud of My Dog Because...

Shadow - when we go to nursing homes he is so patient with the residents. Also, he hasn't killed "bunny" yet.

Mary Russell

From Dave Lewis

Tell the World!

If you have something you'd like the world to know, or at least the dog club part of the world, let me know. Send your articles for the Waggin' Tales to:

David Lewis
 232 Mistwood Lane
 North Aurora, IL 60542
 waggintales@fvdtc.org
 (630) 897-4267

I'm Proud of My Dog Because...

After 8 years of obedience work, Kelsey learned to work independently of her handler and make her own decisions. I'm also proud that in tracking, as in all of our endeavors, the choice to "do" was always hers. Her responses were always so positive and joyful! Her love of life and activity continually inspires me and brings so much pleasure.

Cindy Pakenas

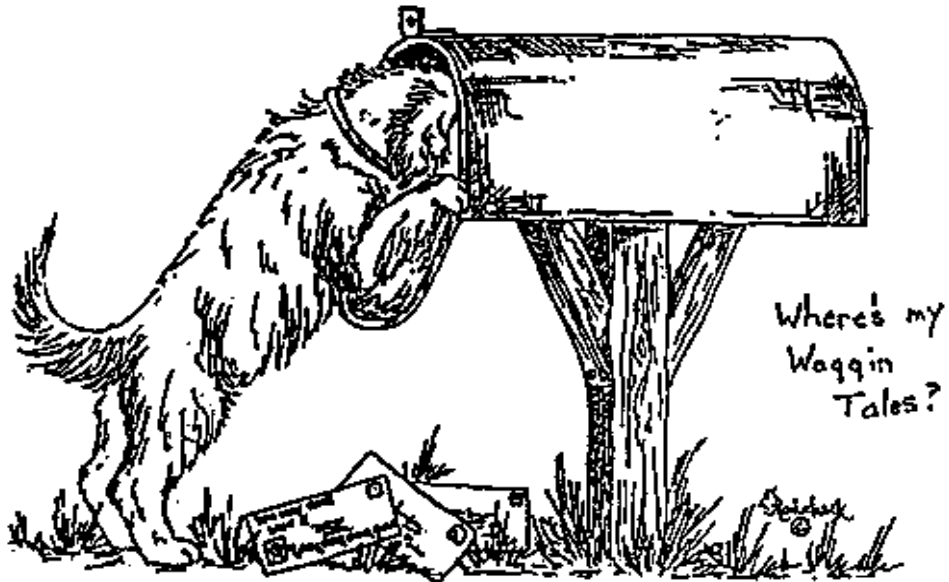
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October/November Calendar

October	6	Wednesday	Membership Meeting	November	3	Wednesday	Membership Meeting
	7	Thursday	Regular Training		4	Thursday	Regular Training
	10	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline		7	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	12	Tuesday	Regular Training		9	Tuesday	Regular Training
	21	Thursday	Correction Clinic		14	Sunday	Obedience Trial
			Beginner Class		18	Thursday	Regular Training
	28	Thursday	Regular Training		23	Tuesday	Regular Training
							NO Correction Clinic
							Dr. Sig Hansen visits