

Waggin Tales



From the D.O.T.

Thanks to all who have served on the instructional staff for another session of classes. Our new session of classes has begun with every spot filled, & the classes for the 2005 session are already filling. It has been wonderful to have Kathy Hubbard staffing the front table. Thanks, Kathy, all of your efforts on the first night of session 5 were invaluable.

Please welcome Rick Cox back to the 8 p.m. open class. Even if your dog has not yet attained a CD, members are invited to stimulate their dog's brain cells & join the class to learn some new behaviors. It is great to have you back on the instructional staff, Rick. Any members interested in becoming part of the instructional staff are invited to assist with the classes as an apprentice instructor; no experience is required.



Rick Cox with
Michaela Simone &
Chester during May's
CGC test.

2005 brings some excellent training seminars to our area. Glenbard will be hosting Dianne Bauman at the DuPage County Fairgrounds on 1/29 and 1/30/2005. Adele Yunck will be presenting at Stone City Kennel Club in New Lenox on 5/14 and 5/15/05. Information is located in the red box for both of these seminars presented by trainers who over the years have trained multiple breeds of dogs & achieved the highest honors in the world of dog sports. Stipends are provided for members on the instructional staff. Both seminars represent outstanding opportunities to learn from the best. How encouraging it would be to observe instructors & members trying out some new ways to better communicate and interact with their Canine companions. Even if you can't attend one of these seminars, may 2005 bring an increased toleration for training methods different from your own and an openness and flexibility to learn and better meet the individual needs of each dog.

Another outstanding seminar is coming to the western suburban area. Rand Park Dog Training is presenting a seminar March 12 & March 13, 2005 with Patti Ruzzo. Patti has 35 years training dogs & is famous for her problem solving techniques which eliminate power struggles & teach you to work with your dog. I have attended a seminar a number of years ago with Patti & found it informative, soundly based in canine behavior, & entertaining. The seminar will be held at Paw Law, 25W775 Lake St., Roselle, IL. Contact Jean Eremo at 708-453-5128 or jeaneremo@aol.com. Remember that the club will reimburse instructors fifty per cent up to \$100 annually for seminars attended.

Any current instructors, past instructors, & members interested in joining the instructional staff are invited to an instructors' planning meeting on 12/14/04, Tues., at the University of IL Extension Office (where membership meetings are held) at 7:30 p.m. Please RSVP with Cindy Pakenas by 12/10/04.



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Upcoming Highlights!

- © Correction Clinic December 2nd
- © Christmas Party Thursday December 30th

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Membership Meeting Highlights—November 3, 2004

Meeting brought to order at 7:35 p.m. Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The October Meeting minutes were approved as published.

Cheryl Hettinger (First Vice-President) reported that the new jumps would be re-evaluated after the trial. She asked the stewards to report to Will Short, Ed Herdes, Carolyn Pearson or herself regarding any problems with the jumps. She also reported that one of the bar jump's base was cracked. She had not yet contacted J&J regarding its replacement.

Cindy Pakenas (Director of Training) thanked all instructors for the last session. She stated that Rick Cox is returning as the instructor for the 8:00 p.m. Open class. She reported that this session is all set and going well. Cindy reported the following two seminars: Glenbard is hosting a Diane Baumann seminar on January 29 and 30, 2005, at DuPage County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$150.00, before December 1st or \$175.00 after December 1st.

Stone City Kennel Club is hosting an Adele Yunck seminar on May 14 and 15, 2005 at Stone City Kennel building. The cost is \$125.00 for working teams and \$85.00 to audit. Cindy stated that both women are well respected in the dog world, not just in obedience. Taffy Wille asked what the policy was for seminar reimbursements for instructors. Carolyn stated that she would look up the policy in the past meeting minutes and report on it.

Note from Secretary: During the February 4, 2004 Board Meeting, the following policy for instructor seminar reimbursement was approved. Instructors will receive a reimbursement of 50% of the cost for one seminar annually up to a limit of \$100.00.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) reported that Helen asked him to remind club members who were donating a specific prize to the obedience trial to please bring them to her at training. Additionally, Will also reported for Helen that any club member who was providing cash for a trophy should pay her immediately. Ed reported that a complete breakdown is necessary for Sunday, not just a clean up of the building. Will reported that volunteers are welcome for the set-up for awards beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Nadine reported that she is setting-up the kitchen from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, although she does have enough help for set-up and during the trial. However, she needs uncut baked goods. Ed Herdes reported that since Car-Dun-Al is paying for the use of the fairgrounds on Friday night for their set-up, they

have asked us not to allow any of our club members to set up crates on Friday.

Will also stated that anyone who worked all day at the trial would receive free food without limits. Bill Clarke reported that there are nine of the ten booth spaces filled. However, one vendor from the Car-Dun-Al trial might remain on Sunday. Bill reminded everyone to stop by the vendors on the day of the trial, as the vendors have not been selling a lot of products recently. It was also reported that this year was the best year for catalog ad sales.

Will stated that the trial will open at 7:55 a.m. with the pledge of allegiance, followed by Diane Probst speaking about the four club members that the trial is dedicated to. Anne and Tim White will be greeting visitors at the front door. The admission is \$1.00 for spectators over the age of 7 years old. The question of bringing food and drink in the trial building ended with the decision that until it becomes a widespread problem, each incident would be handled individually by Will Short. Will also asked all committee chairs to provide a list of workers to him prior to the end of the trial. Carolyn reported that the Judges dinner was scheduled for Saturday night, location to be determined.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that the closing date has passed and the catalog is at the printers. Taffy stated that there were 259 entries for 201 dogs with the following breakdown.

Novice A	20
Novice B	39
Open A	39
Open B	64
Utility A	41
Utility B	56

She stated that she only needed to return five entries due to limits being reached. Taffy also reviewed an AKC rule that took effect on October 1, 2004. A handler can choose to move up to the next class, if limits are not met with a written request that is presented to the Trial Secretary no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the trial. For our trial it must be no later than 7:30 a.m. The club can choose not allow this as long as it is stated in our premium list as such.

Sandy Davis (Waggin' Tales Editor) was not in attendance due to her job-required class. However she sent her

TRAINING NEWS

DECEMBER CORRECTION CLINIC

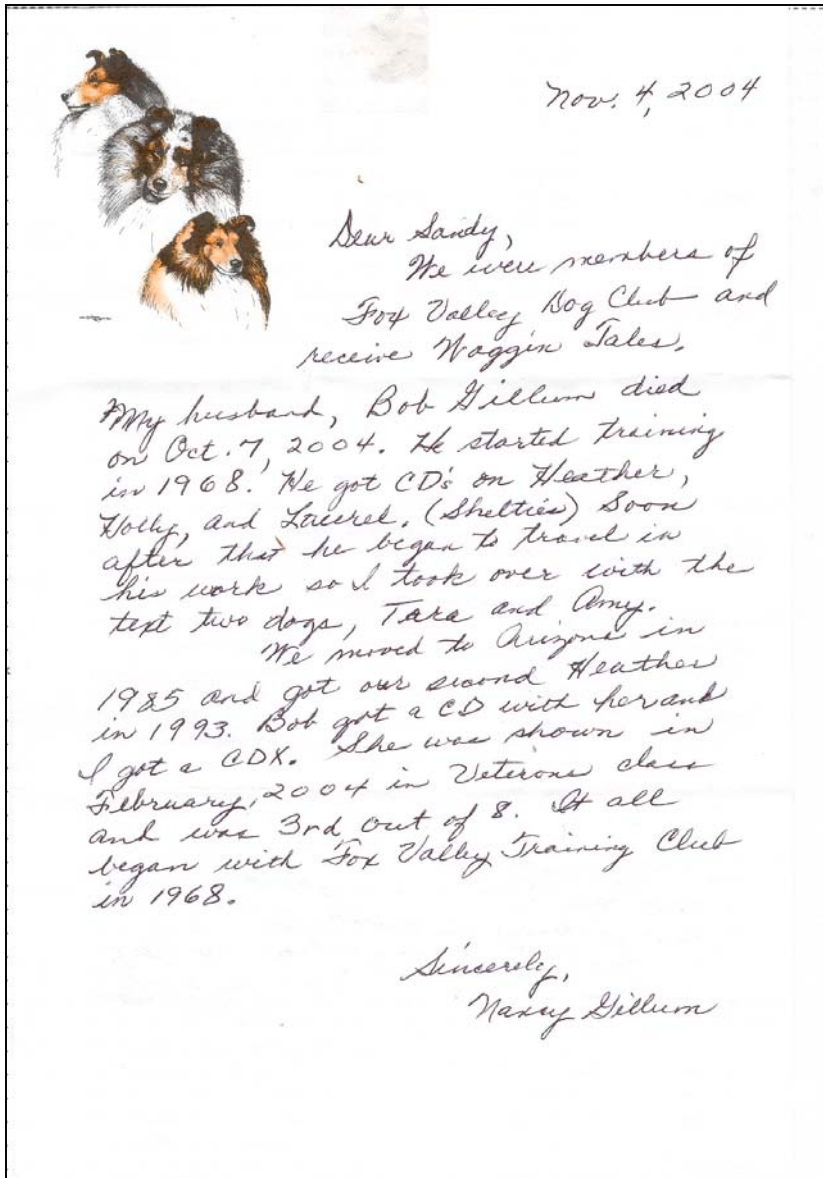
The final 2004 Fox Valley Dog Training Club Correction Clinic will be held on Thursday, December 2. There is still room in all classes.

FYI: The December 2 match is the last FVDTC match for which I'll be doing entries. It's been a fun seven years but it's now time for someone else to enjoy the experience. As soon as I find out who and where you should send your 2005 entries, I'll let you know. The first match in 2005 should be on Thursday, January 20.

Suzan (and the Retrievers)
Rico (Golden) - HR UCDX UACHX Hill-N-Dale Jericho Road CDX JH AX AXJ EAC OGC OJC
Tahoe (Chocolate Lab) - SHR Black Forest Trouble'n Tahoe TD JH

CAR-DUN-AL CORRECTION CLINIC

The last Car-Dun-Al Correction clinic for 2004 was held on November 16th. They will not be holding their next clinic until February, 2005. Should you have any questions, call Barb at 630-497-0185 or e-mail her at dale@dblassociates.com or check Car-Dun-Al's web site, cardunaldogtraining.com, for up to date info. Mail in pre entries should be sent to Barbara Lepke, P. O. Box 507, Wayne, IL 60184 Make checks payable to Car-Dun-Al ODTTC



BRAGS.....



Remember...

If your dog earned anything during the recent trials held in November, please send the information to Waggin Tales so that we can publish it for all to read!

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OBEDIENCE TRIAL STEWARDS

I want to Thank All of You for stewarding at our Obedience Trial. You were a great group and your help was greatly appreciated. A Big Thanks To:

Marian Lazzara	Loretta Lazzara	Jan Herald	Kathy Hubbard
Susan Yee	Georgia Schwender	Teresa Orman	Vera Nyberg
Alison Rubendall	Sylvia Schultz	Paulette Zecca	Art Kingsbly
Shasta Newton	Francene Adresen	Marietta Huber	Penny Brich
Barb Barwig	Kent Hildebrand	Ingrid Hamburger	Merry Lee Hritsuk
Heidi Terlizzi	Cindy Pakenas	Virginia Sensenbrenner	Carol Swenson
Susan Waterfall	Margie Hanson	Linda Franklin	Rick Cox
Brenda Rivera	Colleen Kent	Suzan Scott	

You all did an **OUTSTANDING JOB** and I thank all of you. You are all hired again for next year's trial.

Many Thanks to All of You.

Jan

WRANGLER

**MACH 2 WILLCARE WALK ON THE WILDSIDE,
MAD, NATCH, UD, U-CH, U-CDX, JH, AWC**

05/29/97 -- 10/05/04

Do not mourn for me, for I am not gone.

**I am the mist rising on the water,
and the crackle of a shotgun.**

**I am the warm feathers of a fresh duck,
and the fire in my children's eyes.**

I am the wind when you run agility.

**Do not mourn, for I am not gone,
I am WRANGLER, and I live on.**

WRANGLER . . . an outstanding Labrador from sound breeding, who caught the "eye" of the judges and stole the wins from the competition! His pups have now stepped up to walk his path in agility and obedience.

Wrangler,

You walked into my life from another place and together we achieved success. You are forever on my mind and in my heart! Tearfully, Marietta

Boner Awards!!

There are days when even some of us in FVDTC can take things a bit too seriously, so now and then it's a good to kick back and laugh at ourselves and with each other.

Our Club's Boner Awards are handed out at the Annual Dinner, is a tribute to our slips, trips and foibles. Join in the fun; nominate yourself or someone else you really like!



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report, that the next Waggin' Tales deadline is Sunday, November 21st.

Amy Ford (Treasurer) was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to her work schedule, she is working furiously on year-end reporting), but had no new items to report.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) reported that the new rosters are all are labeled and now available for pick-up at training. Sue also stated that there was one new applicant published in the October Waggin' Tales. Peggy Sue Seehafer made a motion to accept the list as published. Francene Andresen seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present, none opposed and none abstained.

Barb Misch (Public Education Coordinator) reported that the Woof Line has been updated. She stated that she has been contacted by Barnes & Noble again regarding setting a date for our Gift Wrapping fundraising event when we wrap books for tips. She also stated that she would attempt to attain dates that were closer to Christmas, as the tips tended to be a littler more generous. Cheryl Hettinger volunteered to help. Barb stated that she would be seeking volunteers.

Francene Andresen (Tracking Secretary) announced, after a discussion of when the Agility Trial and Labor Day weekends were, that the next Tracking test will be September 10 and 11, 2005.

Helen Castellano (Agility Chairperson) sent the following revenue report for the 5th Annual 2-day Agility Trial, which was held on September 11 and 12, 2004 to be read at the meeting. Cheryl Hettinger read the following summarization of Helen's report. The Total Income was \$11,518.00, the Total Expenses were \$7,331.17, and therefore the Net Income was a profit of \$4,186.83. The detailed report was available for perusal after the meeting.

Helen also stated that she still needed to complete the AKC Application for the 2005 Agility Trials. And will therefore be contacting the committee heads from last year to determine if they wish to continue for 2005. The Agility Trial dates are September 17 and 18, 2005 and the judges are Karen Winter and Kurt Matushek.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Director at Large) reported that a letter had previously been sent to the St. Charles Park District regarding the posting of a sign for the training club when the permanent dog park is opened, some time

next year. The permanent park is will probably be south of current dog park. Peggy also reported that she has not been able to get in touch with Dr. Busch. Cindy Pakenas stated that Dr. Busch had resigned from Kane County Animal Control and Dr. Carol Homann is currently holding the position.

Cheryl Hettinger/Barb Misch (Annual Dinner Chairs). Cheryl reported that dinner will be on March 19, 2005 and more event information will be published in the Waggin' Tales. The awards form will be included the in the November Waggin' Tales. The dinner will be at a new location to be disclosed on the invitation. Stay tuned because a new hint will be published in the Waggin' Tales each month. The price range is the about the same and will provide plentiful food and lots of fun!!!!!!!

Georgia Schwender (Librarian) was not present, however Carolyn reported that Francene Andresen and Peggy Sue Seehafer have both donated books to the library. Any one who wants to take out a book can see Georgia, the front door greeter or any Board Member for the key to the library cabinet.

Suzan Scott/Jan Schomer/Sandi Stephenson (Match Chairs). The last correction clinic for 2004 will be December 2nd.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) reported that help is needed at the next correction clinic, but not as badly as usual.

Jan Schomer (Statistician) asked that committee chairs to provide a list of workers to her. Jan asked Francene to send her a list of the club members who helped at the tracking test.

Penny Brcich (Sunshine) was not present, but Jan Schomer reported that Suzan Scott's Mother passed away Monday night. There will not be a funeral.

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$6.00 is Ed Herdes as drawn by club member, Brenda Rivera.

Old Business

Vote/Ballot Count

Barb reported that the ballots to authorize the board to go forward with a purchase or lease, were sent to 176 households, 75 households responded with ballots postmarked no later than 10/25/04. One arrived postmarked 10/26/04 and was not counted. The following are results of the returned ballots.

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Ken & Ingrid Weihe
 39W045 Cloverfield Ci.
 St. Charles, IL 60175
 (630)377-8432
 Wire Hair Fox Terrier & Irish
 Terrier

NEW MEMBERS TO FVDTC!

Chris & Kathy Starkovich
 2656 McDuffe Ci
 North Aurora, IL 60542
 (630)907-8250
 Labrador Retriever
 Completed Beginners class

Barry & Christine Bourdage
 318 Anderson Blvd.
 Geneva, IL 60134
 (630)330-4715
 Papillon
 Completed Beginners class



Barbara Barwig
 1983 South St.
 Elgin, IL 60123
 (847)622-7206
 Australian Shepherd
 Completed Beginners class

Fred Mazur
 1656 Charles Dr.
 Glendale Heights, IL 60139
 (630)942-8626
 Labs
 Completed Beginners class

Sheryl, Jessica & Laurel Gallucci
 48W018 Route 38
 Maple Park, IL 60151
 (630)365-2433
 Gordon Setter mix
 Completed Beginners class



Susan Metzger
 38W394 Monterey Dr.
 Batavia, IL 60510
 (630)879-8517
 Bichon Frise
 Completed Beginners Class

Shasta Newton
 1903 E. Evergreen St
 Wheaton, IL 60187
 (630)871-1508
 Vizsla
 Guest trained 5 times



Thanks....

To the kitchen crew of 2004.....
 Trisha Barton, who gave up her Saturday night to help set-up. Tom and Rita Brickman, who were up at the crack of dawn Sunday to get the kitchen going. Shirley Short, Loretta Lazzara and Kristin Cox, who spent virtually the whole day Sunday helping. Cynthia Kelly for the stop at the store to grab the things we ran out of. Donna Dodson, who several years running has manned the stove and ovens. Cathy and Jennifer Klink, along with Jennifer's girlfriend who kept pop and desserts flowing and soup ladled. Viv Hildebrand, Becky Cembrowicz and Maxine Brinker who led the clean up at the end. The kitchen was successful and fun due to all your help!!! I thank you and the club thanks you, too. All of the baked good were wonderful and I appreciate the time and effort everyone took to help in every way they could.

Nadine Conner

CORRECTION:

Please note that there was a misprint on the club's roster list. Tina Barton should be published as Patricia (Trisha) Barton. Please correct this change on your roster list. Thanks!

PLEASE NOTE:

If you have a change of address or email OR if you would like to change how you receive the Club's newsletter, please contact Sue MacPherson at membership@fvdtc.org or suemac325@yahoo.com.

Award Requirements—Effective May 1, 2004

To receive a club award, you must:

have a total of 10 work credits for the year

and

be listed as a Regular or Lifetime Training

Member in the roster

Each available "job" in the club has been assigned the following work credits:

ONE credit:

- * Attend a Membership Meeting (to a maximum of 3 meetings total for the year)
- * Steward or Judge a Match
- * Steward or Judge a CGC Test
- * Judge a Graduation night
- * Work the Information Table/Front Desk one night
- * Serve on a Committee
- * Assist at the Anderson Animal Shelter Annual Dog Expo club booth
- * 1/2 day at the November Trial

* 1/2 day at the Agility Trial

* "Substitute" as an Instructor or an Assistant on 4 nights

TWO credits:

- * Serve as Chairperson on a Committee
- * Assistant Instructor for Puppy or Beginner Class
- * Assistant Instructor per quarter for Advanced classes
- * Serve as a Board Member
- * One day at the Tracking Test
- * Full day at the November Trial
- * Full day at the Agility Trial

THREE credits:

- * Primary Instructor for Puppy or Beginner class
- * Primary Instructor per quarter for Advanced classes
- * Serve as the Puppy/Beginner Class Coordinator

FVDTC Annual Dinner

Come out for a night of fun! Each year we celebrate the end of another year of rewarding, hard and fun work with an Annual Dinner for all members of the Fox Valley Dog Training Club.

This year's dinner will be held on March 19th, 2005 at the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge on Ka-De-Ka Road in Sugar Grove. The 6 pm social promises the camaraderie of old friends and new, amidst fun theme decorations, followed by a catered buffet.

The awards program that follows is our opportunity to recognize the achievement of club members and to thank all of those who give their time to running the club activities and events. And of course, the event would not be complete without the fun of "special" awards, gifts and door prizes.

Hint: the roots of this year's gathering run more than three decades deep

From the Trial Chairman

Another obedience trial has come and gone.

Approximately 80 of our members volunteered to help, and I want each to know that I really appreciated all of the hard work and assistance that was provided. Without this kind of effort a trial like ours would not be possible; thank you very much.

This year's trial was dedicated to the memory of four of our members who died during 2004. Diane Propst, one of our judges and also a FVDTC member, read a poetic tribute to Sandra Woolbright, Kay Gianos, Sunny Innis, and Linda Gustafson.

William Thane, an AKC representative, was in attendance on Sunday. His comments to me about the trial, the way it was set up, and the manner in which it was conducted were all very positive.

Our members who volunteered before, during, and after the trial are as follows:

Greeter and Admissions—Tim White; Stewards—Marian Lazzara, Loretta Lazzara, Cindy Pakenas, Linda Franklin, Kent Hildebrand, Francene Andresen, Sylvia Schultz, Georgia Schwender, Paulette Zecca, Jan Herald, Virginia Sensenbrenner, Ingrid Hamburger, Marietta Huber, Teresa Orman, Vera Nyberg, Rick Cox, Carol Swenson, Merry Lee Hritsuk, Penny Brcich, Heidi Terlizzi, Kathy Hubbard, Brenda Rivera, Susan Waterfall, Art Kingsley, Shasta Newton, Alison Rubendall, Susan Yee, Margie Hanson, Barb Barwig, and Colleen Kent. Jan Schomer was our Chief Ring Steward and the one who made sure that all of the rings had the stewards that were needed.

Several members helped to set everything up on Saturday evening after CarDunAl's trial, and many stayed late on Sunday to take down all of the equipment, put it away, and clean up. Those members are: Taffy Wille, Kent Hildebrand, Helen Castellano, Cheryl Lewis, Bill Clarke, Cheryl Hettinger, Kathy Hubbard, Nadine Connor, Anne White, Carolyn Pearson, Priscilla Pisarski, Kathy Fleury, Sue Metzger, and Christine . Ed Herdes was the committee person responsible for this work.

Barb Misch and Cheryl Hettinger were the Grounds Committee, and they did an outstanding job making sure that the exercise areas and the rest of the grounds were clean and free of any undesirables. Bill Clarke was responsible for our catalog ads and also for getting vendors for our trial. Thanks to his work, our catalog had several ads and all of our vendor space was filled. Kent Hildebrand was in charge of publicity this year, and thanks to his efforts the Kane County Chronicle had a front-page feature story on the trial plus a color photo. Carolyn Pearson deftly handled hospitality. She made sure the judges had hotel accommodations and hosted the dinner for them on Saturday night. She also was in charge of keeping the ring personnel supplied with plenty of refreshments.

Our raffle chairperson was Priscilla Pisarski. She did another very good job collecting, organizing, and running the Sunday raffle. Holly MacPherson and one other member volunteer worked with her. The trophy table looked great as usual thanks to Helen Castellano. Peggy Sue Seehafer, Cheryl Lewis, Mary Bradley, Cindy Earhart, Sue Metzger and her training friend Christine assisted her. Nadine Connor and her kitchen crew took good care of feeding those who needed food after working or showing their dogs. Her committee consisted of Trisha Barton, Tom and Rita Brickman, Shirley Short, Loretta Lazzara, Kristin Cox, Cynthia Kelly, Donna Dodson, Cathy and Jennifer Klink, Viv Hildebrand, Becky Cembrowicz, Maxine Brinker, and Kathy Busch. Those who supplied baked goods for desserts were greatly appreciated also.

None of this would have worked as smoothly as it did without the very able work of Taffy Wille, the Trial Secretary. She started work last year just after our 2003 trial was over, and she had continued working on

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Yes	-	104
No	-	4
Abstained	-	8

Barb pointed out that as we move forward towards achieving our goal of our own training building, there will be a lot more work to do, and those who are already working cannot bear the load alone. If each person who voted "Yes" were to give 1 hour a week to the club, the load will be tremendously reduced and we will have some fun in the process.

Property Search Report

Francene provided the following update on properties discussed at previous membership meetings.

Franks Nursery and Craft, St. Charles—There are 3 acres of land with a building that is 38,000 square foot. Going on auction with an anticipated price of \$1.6 million - puts us out of the mix.

Rentals—Land/Property Rentals are jumping in price because of the Elgin expansion attempts. Can expect to lease properties for around \$36/square foot.

Burlington Rd & Rt. 47, Lily Lake—Unable to get any further information from the owner. There are buildings in place but they cannot be used as anticipated.

Lake St. & Randall Rd., Elgin—behind the Mall on the West side of the street; 3.5 acres of land that is far out of our range

Beith Rd. & Anderson Rd., Campton Township—12 acres, but the price is more than \$700,000, which is well out of our price range.

Steben Farm Rt. 64 west of Wasco—60 acres; 2 entrances - (1) off Rt. 64 the other off Merri Lane No price is currently available, the current owner wants interested parties to make an offer. NOTE: Horse farm just west for 32 acres sold for \$1.2 million. Dennis expects this to go for \$1.3 million

Wenmoth Rd, Batavia—17 acres; Wedge piece at south end is the only buildable area Kane County has again told Dennis that a retention pond will help to enable us to build up more area and use the whole lower area for outdoor trials. Significant earth moving is needed.

Ramm Rd., Lily Lake, West of Rt. 47—13 acres parcel, near the Serengeti Restaurant. Peggy Sue Seehafer stated that the Waukesha Kennel Club built their training

building on 3 acres. However, we feel that we need no less than 7 acres for hosting outdoor agility trials and parking. Has a small house or some type of building that could be used for clubhouse type activity; 450 Ft. well, which would definitely require careful review, because it may be too shallow; Asking price is \$495,000 Because it has been on the market for 130 days, Dennis felt that we could make an offer of about \$300,000. Francene stated that she had not yet seen the land but stated that the Village of Lily Lake will not allow a shared road with any neighbors in the area.

The following is the discussion about the properties in general.

Anne White asked about the West Chicago industrial parks, but Francene stated that they usually want about \$36 sq. ft. to lease. Barb agreed that heading east would be more expensive. Francene also stated that because we need to be considered a kennel, many municipalities would not allow us to open a training center.

Marietta Huber stated that Car-Dun-Al is also looking for a new place, perhaps we should consider joining forces. Francene stated that we could consider offering to lease a building to them. However, Barb said that we would not be in a position to lease a place any time soon.

Tim White also asked whether we had checked with AKC to determine what the location restrictions were. Barb stated that once we have a more definitive location, we had already put contacting AKC on the "to-do" list. Francene stated that during the last attempt to purchase the land on Route 38, we had all sorts of contingencies in the contract, including meeting AKC rules, the Kane County rules, etc. In response to Tim's question about removing the multiple contingencies prior to entering in a contract, Barb stated that none of the approvals by the county, etc. could be addressed until there is a valid contract.

New Business

Priscilla Pisarki asked whether there were any club rules about kids eating in the training building, outside of the rings. Priscilla stated that she had a student in her last class who brought her kids and their dinners to training, despite being asked twice by Priscilla that she not allow her kids to eat ringside.

Taffy stated that food is food regardless if it's used for treats or human food. She suggested that the dog gets moved or move the chair back from the ringside. Taffy also suggested that instructors remind their students that adult supervision is required for children, especially if the

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children have food. Parents need to be vigilant about where the children's hands are at. Peggy Sue reminded everyone that we do have celebratory food at training when club members have earned a title. Peggy stated that we need to educate the students about training the dogs to be respectful of "people" food actually being consumed by people. Will Short also suggested that moving the ring gates further from the mat might help.

Nadine Conner asked about absentee ballots for the upcoming elections. The By-laws states that the "votes must be present and represented."

Ed Herdes also reminded club members that our lease states that 5:15 p.m. is the earliest that we be in the building - so please do not arrive earlier than that to train.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

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this year's trial until everything that needed to be completed was done so on time. She also was able to secure a judge to take the place of one who couldn't make it to our trial due to a family emergency in Michigan.

One of our regular exhibitors fell in the parking lot and injured herself. When I called to find out how she was recovering, she mentioned how helpful and kind Cindy Pakenas and Carolyn Pearson were while helping her with first aid, comfort, and directions to the hospital.

This was a very successful trial. It went well, all of the committee chairpersons did great jobs, and it was fun. Our judges, Cindy Pishke, Elmer Willems, Daniel Hudson, Diane Propst, and Fred Burhoff, did a great job.

Thank you to all who contributed time and effort that made our trial another success.

William Short



**Remember to mark your calendars....
FVDTC Christmas Party Thursday,
December 30th
Adults, Kids and Pooches Are Invited!**



Holly, with owner Sandy Davis, was one of 35 winners during the 2004 Sea Witch Halloween & Fiddler's Festival held on the boardwalk in Rehoboth Beach Delaware on October 31st. Sponsored by Big Dogs Clothing, this year's contest drew in an estimated 450—500 dogs.

Holly then participated in the "Parade on the Boardwalk" in front of an estimated 1000+ people who lined both sides of the boardwalk. Holly dressed up as a firefighter wearing an authentic firefighter coat and badge.

IT'S AWARDS TIME 2004!!

It is the policy of FVDTC to give awards for AKC, CKC and UKC titles earned at trials, tests or shows each year. Below is a list of the awards that are offered and a copy of the forms we will be using this year. Each form must contain all the information for eligibility. Please submit one handler form and a separate form for each dog.

To receive a club award, you must have a total of 10 works credits for the year and be listed as a Regular Training Member in the Roster. If for some reason you have not met **ALL** your requirements and can justify the reason, your eligibility will be reviewed by the Board of Directors.

Awards are given for titles earned in 2004 (i.e., a dog may have earned two "legs" toward a title prior to 2004, but if the third "leg" was earned in 2004, the title is earned in 2004). However, all scores for any of the "Special Club Awards" must have been earned in 2004.

Members owning mixed breed dogs are eligible for a Certificate of Merit for the equivalent of AKC titles earned at **MATCHES**. Submit at least 3 qualifying score sheets signed by three different judges. This also applies to purebred dogs that are not registered by the AKC.

Any award that states "Personalized" will be engraved with the dog's name, title and year. PLEASE NOTE: All items by C. Rodeback and P. Seehafer require a photo of your dog to be submitted with your forms. All items by B. McGuffy require an article of clothing (50% to 100% cotton and washed at least once) and a photo of your dog to be submitted with your award forms. All submitted pictures **MUST** be clear, close-up photos for best reproduction. Our artists need time to work on these, so please be considerate and get everything in as early as possible.

Front and Finish is now offering the "Front and Finish Excellent (FFX) Obedience Platinum Award". The requirements are that the obedience title must be completed in three trials with scores of 195 or better. If you are eligible for this award, **you must also submit the FFX Application with the rest of your forms**. For more information about this and other Front and Finish awards as well as a copy of the FFX Application, go to www.frontandfinish.com.

**ALL COMPLETED FORMS, PHOTOS AND CLOTHING (FOR AIRBRUSHING)
SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:**

**Jan Schomer – 1060 High Street – Aurora, IL 60505
Phone – (630) 896-9885 E-mail – goldenret11@worldnet.att.net**

All information, photos, and clothing must be received no later than January 15, 2005. If you can't make this deadline, contact Jan immediately.

SPECIAL CLUB AWARDS

ALL scores for special awards must have been earned in the current year and must have been earned at AKC trials unless otherwise specified.

NOVICE A - HIGH QUALIFYING AVERAGE AWARD - must have a minimum of 3 scores from AKC trials submitted.

NOVICE B - HIGH QUALIFYING AVERAGE AWARD - must have a minimum of 3 scores from AKC trials submitted.

OPEN - HIGH QUALIFYING AVERAGE AWARD - must have a minimum of 3 scores from AKC trials submitted.

UTILITY - HIGH QUALIFYING AVERAGE AWARD - must have a minimum of 3 scores from AKC trials submitted.

NOTE: ALL qualifying AND non-qualifying scores must be submitted if you are applying for one of the following special awards that refer to an “average” score. If you do not know your NQ score, list it as 165. Remember, obedience is a sport guided by the principles of good sportsmanship. Each of you is on the “honor system” in submitting your scores.

DOROTHY DIMOND MEMORIAL TROPHY - given to the member whose dog was trained & shown by the member & receives the highest average score in regular classes in at least three AKC trials. All scores must be included. NQ's, unless higher, will be 165.

DEBBIE ORR MEMORIAL AWARD - goes to the member whose dog or dogs earned the most AKC titles or international equivalents during the year. For this award, AKC, UKC and CKC titles are counted.

HEATHER MEMORIAL AWARD - offered by Nancy Gillum, in memory of Briarwood's Heather Miss AM/CAN CD. It is given to the handler whose dog earned the 3 highest scores in Novice A at AKC trials.

FOUNDERS AWARD - offered by Fox Valley Dog Training Club, Inc. in memory of the founders of FVDTC. It is given to the handler whose dog earned the 3 highest scores in regular classes at AKC trials.

ED KNEIP AWARD - given to the handler whose dog earned the highest combined score in Open B and Utility A or B at same AKC trial.

KANOSAK KENNEL AWARD - given to the handler whose dog earned the 3 highest Utility A scores at AKC trials with at least 5 scores being submitted.

SALLY COMPTON OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE CLUB AWARD - given to a club member to acknowledge them and their contributions to the club. This award is especially significant because it offers you the opportunity to nominate a fellow club member for their efforts. Because the nominations are reviewed by the Board to determine the winner, no current Board member is eligible.

THE ABOVE SPECIAL AWARDS WILL BE KEPT FOR ONE YEAR BY THE WINNER AND REPLACED BY A PERMANENT REPLICA.

Awards offered by FVDTC for titles completed in 2004.

Kennel Club	Title	Awards Offered*	Kennel Club	Title	Awards Offered*
AKC	CD	8"x10 Photo -J. Dorsey-Oskerka	CKC	CD	Tote Bag - C. Rodeback
		Personalized Desk Clock (Brass & Acrylic)			Leash Holder - C. Rodeback
		Leash Rack - C. Rodeback			Clipboard - C. Rodeback
		Waste Basket - C. Rodeback			
	CDX	\$45.00 Toward Scent Articles		CDX	8" x 10" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka
		11"x14" Color Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka			Desk Clock
		Wooden Scrapbook - C. Rodeback			Waste Basket or Tissue Holder - C. Rodeback
		Airbrushed Head - B. McGuffy		UD	11"x14" Photo – J. Dorsey-Oskerka
		China Plate - P. Seehafer			China Plate - P. Seehafer
					Airbrushed Head - B. McGuffy
	UD	Wooden Clock - C. Rodeback			
		11"x14" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka		TD	8"x10" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka
		Airbrushed Head - B. McGuffy			Desk Clock
		China Vase - P. Seehafer			Waste Basket or Tissue Holder - C. Rodeback
	UDX	16"x20" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka		TDX	11"x14" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka
		Full Body Airbrush - B. McGuffy			Wooden Scrapbook - C. Rodeback
		Table Clock			Airbrushed Head - B. McGuffy
		Watercolor/Pen&Ink Drawing - C. Rodeback			
				CH	7"x9" Wall Plaque
	OTCH	16"x20" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka			
		Wall Plaque - Title History			* The 7" x 9" Wall Plaque and/or Title Plates can be substituted for any of the above awards.
		16"x20" Watercolor/Pen&Ink - C. Rodeback			
		Full Body Airbrush - B. McGuffy		Other	Title Plates for Plaque
	TD	11"x14" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka	UKC	Obedience	7"x9" Wall Plaque with Title Plates
		Wooden Scrapbook - C. Rodeback			
		Airbrushed Head - B. McGuffy		Other	Title Plates for Plaque
	TDX	16"x20" Photo - J. Dorsey-Oskerka			
		Wooden Clock - C. Rodeback			
		Full Body Airbrush - B. McGuffy			
	VST	Full Body Airbrush - B. McGuffy			
		Table Clock			
		16"x20" Watercolor/Pen & Ink - C. Rodeback			
	CH	Pencil Holder - C. Rodeback			
		Tote Bag - C. Rodeback			
		Leash Holder - C. Rodeback			
		7"x9" Wall Plaque			
		* The 7" x 9" Wall Plaque and/or Title Plates can be substituted for any of the above awards.			
	AGILITY	7"x9" Wall Plaque with Title Plates			
	OTHER	Certificate or Title Plate for Plaque			

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS & CHECKLIST

PLEASE send all your information in as soon as possible. Our artists appreciate receiving our orders as early as possible.

NOTE: Do not make appointments with the photographer until your eligibility has been confirmed by the Awards Committee! You will receive a confirmation letter as quickly as possible after all of your information has been submitted.

You can use the following checklist to help determine what needs to be fill out and/or submitted:

DONE?

STEPS

Complete the Awards Application.

Please indicate which award you have selected.

Yes / No

Is the item personalized with your dog's picture?

◆ Provide a good, clear photograph of your dog

◆ Write your name on the back of the photograph

◆ Write your dog's name on the back of the photograph

◆ Write the title earned on the back of the photograph

Yes / No

Is the item Airbrushed?

◆ Provide a cotton-blend item of clothing

Yes / No

Are you eligible for a "Special Award"?

◆ Complete the Special Award section on the application

Yes / No

Did you nominate a fellow club member for the Sally Compton Outstanding Service to the Club Award?

◆ Fill out Nomination form with Name and "Why"

2004 FVDTC ANNUAL AWARDS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION IS JANUARY 15, 2005

CLUB MEMBER NAME (as you want it to appear in the event program)

PHONE NUMBER

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HANDLER INFORMATION

At what event(s) did you complete your work eligibility requirements for 2004? (Where did you receive your 10 work credits: correction clinics, graduation, obedience trial, tracking tests, agility trial, membership meetings, instructing, etc.)

If you did not meet either the work or the meeting requirements, please explain below. Exceptions are reviewed by the Board of Directors.

SALLY COMPTON OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION

NOMINEE:

WHY THIS CLUB MEMBER DESERVES THIS AWARD:

2004 FVDTC ANNUAL AWARDS
DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION IS JANUARY 15, 2005

CLUB MEMBERS NAME:

DOGS CALL NAME:

SPECIAL AWARDS

You must indicate the special awards for which you wish to compete and provide a list of the appropriate titles, scores, dates, and kennel clubs. Include only AKC titles unless otherwise specified.

HIGH QUALIFYING AVERAGE

(All qualifying scores must be submitted with a minimum of 3)

NOVICE A (list the average of all *qualifying* shows in Novice A)

NOVICE B (list the average of all *qualifying* shows in Novice B)

OPEN (list the average of all *qualifying* shows in Open)

UTILITY (list the average of all *qualifying* shows in Utility)

DOROTHY DIMOND MEMORIAL TROPHY

(ALL scores must be submitted. NQs, unless higher, will be counted as 165)

DEBBIE ORR MEMORIAL AWARD

(Include all AKC, CKC and UKC titles)

(Enter the *total number* of titles)

HEATHER MEMORIAL AWARD

(Include only the 3 highest scores)

(List the 3 *highest scores* in **Novice A**)

FOUNDERS AWARD

(Include only the 3 highest scores in regular classes)

(List the 3 highest scores)

ED KNEIP AWARD

(Highest combined score in Open B and Utility A or B at the same trial)

(List **Open B and Utility A or B** scores)

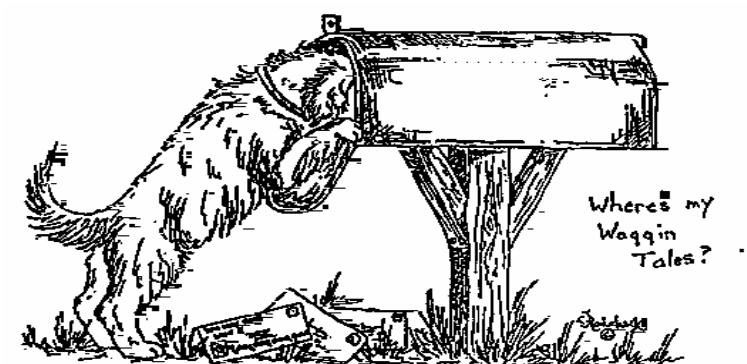
KANOSAK KENNEL AWARD

(At least 5 Utility A shows must be listed)

(List 3 *highest scores* in **Utility A**)

	CLASS	SHOW DATE	KENNEL CLUB	SCORE
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

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Geneva, IL 60134



November 2004

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| 3 | Wednesday | Membership Meeting |
| 4 | Thursday | Regular Training |
| 9 | Tuesday | Regular Training |
| 14 | Sunday | Obedience Trial |
| 18 | Thursday | Regular Training |
| 21 | Sunday | Waggin' Tales Deadline |
| 23 | Tuesday | Regular Training |

December 2004

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| 1 | Wednesday | Board Meeting |
| 5 | Sunday | Waggin' Tales Deadline |
| 9 | Thursday | Regular Training |
| 16 | Thursday | Regular Training |
| 23 | Thursday | Regular Training
End Session #5 |
| 30 | Thursday | Christmas Party/
Membership Meeting |
| | | NO TRAINING |