

FVDTC WAGGIN' TALES

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Tracking the Membership Meeting

Wally O'Brien, former president of FVDTC, will provide a short demonstration and then lead a discussion about tracking at the July Membership meeting. The demo will start outside, in the extension center parking lot, at 7:00pm and then move indoors.

A Note From the President

Hi All,

Summer is almost upon us, I hope everyone has a fantastic summer and is able to enjoy this beautiful season. If it gets too hot just remember how much we complained about all the cold and snow during winter. The start of summer means the end of another 4-H session at FV. I love that we help out our youngest trainers at FV, they are the future of our dog sports. We also held the annual 4-H show at FV recently. I really want to thank Barb Runkle, the superintendent of 4-H show. She did a fantastic job organizing and running this year's show. We also had lots of FV members volunteer to judge and steward at the show. Thank you to each of you that came out and helped! I would also would like to thank Terri Vaira, and all who helped her, for being the main instructor for the 4-H classes. Terri always does a wonderful job working with the students. Great job everyone, thanks so much for all you do to help our 4-H students!

This summer FV will be hosting 2 new rally workshops. These workshops have become very popular. I want to thank Will Short for working so hard to offer all these new workshops. Besides doing these Rally workshops we hope to have our own Loretta Lazzara give a talk at the club to go over the new signs, be on the lookout for the date.

This August 17th, we will be holding another Canine Good Citizen test. Please contact Cris Ballenger to sign up. Cris always does a great job organizing the CGC test!

Another event coming to FVDTC will be an OFA eye clinic on October 5th. Denise M Lindley DVM of Animal Eye Consultants will be doing the eye exams for only \$31 per dog, which is a big saving. If you want to participate you must pre-pay to reserve your spot. Please contact me at president@fvdtc.org for more information, and to reserve your spot. It's a good idea to have your dog's eyes examined once per year. More info will be listed in the newsletter.

Hope you enjoy your summer and see you at training!

Wendy

Help Wanted

ON THE JOB TRAINING!

We need a new trophy chairman. Holly Cass has done a fantastic job the last few years but must relinquish her role as trophy chair so we are looking for someone new to take on this role. This job entails ordering the trial ribbons and rosettes for our fall obedience and rally shows plus attending these shows to help give out the ribbons and man the table. Holly has things extremely well organized so it will be easy to jump right into this role. She will be providing on the job training, and other help is available, too.

Contact Wendy Waddick or Holly Cass to volunteer. It's a great way to earn work credits!!

Member Work Credits

FVDTC Members! It's not too early to be thinking about 2018. Regular Training Dues are \$180, but you can earn a discount by working for the club. Three work credits earns you a 50% discount and 10 credits makes you awards-eligible. You can record your credits on the club web site by logging in to the "Members Only" section and choosing "My FVDTC" from the menu. Not sure what you can do? Go to "Members Only" and choose "Info & Forms". You have 6 months to get those 3 credits (or 10), so get to work!

OFA Eye Exam

To be performed the evening of October 5th, 2017 at the Fox Valley Dog Training Club during training. Located at the Kane County Fairgrounds. Exact time will be determined once we know how many dogs sign up

Denise M Lindley DVM of Animal Eye Consultants will be performing OFA eye exams. The cost is \$31 per dog.

You must pre pay to reserve your spot. Send payment, made payable to Animal Eye Consultants, to:

Wendy Waddick
6N275 Brierwood Dr
St. Charles, IL 60175

CGC Test – August 17

FVDTC's own Terry Vaira will serve as evaluator for our next Canine Good Citizen Test, to be held at the Kane County Fairgrounds, 7:00pm on August 17. CGC is designed to recognize dogs who demonstrate good manners at home and in public. Dogs that pass the 10-step test will receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.

If you are interested, the registration form is available on the club web site.

Members: We need 4-5 volunteers the night of the August 17 test. You can earn work credits for helping. Please contact Cris Ballenger.

Membership Report

Ruth Boone

Batavia, IL
Beagle
Completed Beginner class

Clare Childs

Aurora, IL
Completed Beginner class

Paul & Robin Elson

West Chicago, IL
Golden Retriever
Completed Puppy class

Jacqui Fountain

Elburn, IL
German Shorthair Pointer
Completed Puppy class

Kevin Newcomer

Elgin, IL
Boxer, Collie & Lab Mix
Completed Puppy class

Sean Suits

St Charles, IL
Lab/ Dane mix
Completed Puppy class

Dan Hanlin

Batavia, IL
Papillion
Completed Beginner class

Board Meeting Highlights: April 26, 2017

Meeting brought to order at 7:43 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary) did not have the February Board meeting available for review.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Second Vice-President) was not in attendance, however she sent the following report:

- Bonnie Gutzwiler, owner of the Barn Hunt training facility "Hide and Squeaks" and Barn Hunt judge will explain this fun activity at the May Membership meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
- The next membership meeting will have a great tracking teacher and judge. Peggy asked for confirmation of whether or not dogs are allowed in the Extension Center for demonstration purposes. Carolyn stated that she will verify that with the Extension Center.
- The following membership meeting will have a program on NoseWork.

It was also suggested that Peggy Sue be contacted to determine whether one of the upcoming membership meeting programs could be rescheduled to allow for a discussion of the upcoming Rally changes. This would also require a dog to be allowed in the Extension Center for demonstration purposes. Another

suggestion to accommodate both program and meeting times was to start the programs at 6:45 p.m.

Phil Nuger (Treasurer) distributed a year-to-date statement of activity comparison for review. After a brief discussion, Will Short made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented. Sue MacPherson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining.

Phil stated that he has not yet moved the money into an investment account. He also stated that once he has completed the next account reconciliation, in the very near future, Ingrid Weihe will be able to do our taxes. In response to a suggestion, Phil stated that he will look into the possibility of getting the bank to waive some or all of the service charges that we pay to them.

Will Short (Director of Training) reported that we have the following upcoming workshops scheduled.

- TDI Workshop – June 22, 29, July 6 and 11 at 6:00 p.m. This workshop will be presented by Jan Winters and John Grosse.
- Rally Workshop (Five weeks for the Novice and Advanced Classes) – Limited to 10 teams

per workshop, cost is free for members and \$25.00 for non-members.

- Rally Workshop (Five weeks for the Excellent and Master Classes) – Limited to 10 teams per workshop, cost is free for members and \$25.00 for non-members.

Additionally, it was agreed that during the next full breakdown, we would perform a 'test' of the space required to store mats rolled end-to-end as opposed to the current method of folded over and then rolled. The first three of the five total layers of mats, would be rolled end-to-end before placing in the storage cabinet and the total height of each layer would be measured. Due to the weight and lengths, the lower shelf of the storage cabinet must be used to store all of the mats and all of the jumps. Carolyn stated that she would work with the breakdown person and report back with the findings.

Pat Senne (Obedience Trial Chairperson) reported that she has confirmed that Kathy Sweet, the 2017 Rally judge, will be able to judge the two new rally classes.

Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson) was not in attendance, but reported that the TD/TDX tracking tests are approved and announced in AKC's Event Calendar!!! She reported that once the premium list is completed, she will forward it to Dave Lewis to post on the club's website.

Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Chairperson) was not in attendance and did not send a report. However, Will Short stated that he recently sent an email to Cathy regarding the possibility of having the agility trial at Dash in Geneva, as they appear to be expanding their facility.

Old Business

Dave Lewis and Wendy Waddick are working on setting up the club to be able to use Pay Pal to accept payment for entering our correction clinics. The process is being done in incremental steps; Dave is currently working on the online forms.

New Business

- In response to Carolyn's question about starting the June 21st Board meeting at 8:00 p.m. to accommodate the 4-H show that day, it was stated that the meeting start time would remain at 7:30 p.m.
- Awards - Wendy presented the following report from the Awards Committee.
 - The Awards Committee is recommending that the club retire the Dorothy Dimond award, due to its poor physical condition and that the requirements for earning it are very similar to the Founders award.
 - DOROTHY DIMOND MEMORIAL TROPHY – given for the highest average score in AKC Regular classes, in at least three AKC obedience trials.
 - FOUNDERS AWARD given to the handler whose dog earned the 3 highest scores in Regular AKC classes.

Phil Nuger made a motion to immediately retire the Dorothy Dimond Memorial Trophy. Pat Senne seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining.

- Additionally, Wendy reported that Donna Bihner confirmed that the slight confusion during the award's presentation at the dinner for the Debbie Orr Memorial award was correct. It was earned by Cathy Fleury AND Francene Andresen. The confusion was due to inaccurate information displayed on the presentation slide. Previously the award requirements stated "dogs", now it is a singular "dog". The presentation slide has already been updated for next year's dinner.

- Training Night Bite Incident - The Board discussed a recent bite incident between two club member's dogs. It was agreed that the dog who bit will be asked to wear a muzzle whenever it is not training in a ring. It must wear a muzzle when walking in and out of the training building. It was reported that the dog that was bit did not suffer severe injury.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Board Meeting Highlights: June 21, 2017

Meeting brought to order at 8:18 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The April Meeting minutes were not available for approval. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the club would not participate in the Anderson Animal Shelter's Pets-A-Palooza event.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Second Vice-President) reported that there will be a tracking demonstration at 7:00 p.m., prior to the July 19th Membership meeting. Peggy also reported that Harlan Houska will provide a presentation, starting at 7:00 pm on September 20th, about Nosework, prior to the Membership meeting. He is a Nosework instructor and has extensive experience training Nosework dogs.

Phil Nuger (Treasurer) was not in attendance, but did report that there were no material changes in our financial position. He stated that he will present an up-to-date report at the next meeting.

In response to Will Short's (Director of Training) question, Barb Runkle stated that she would be a beginner instructor for the next session of classes.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson). In response to a suggestion from Will Short regarding allowing workshop participants to use attendance at our workshops towards membership training requirements, Dave Lewis made a motion that workshop participants can earn one (1) training-class-credit towards membership, per week of a workshop that is attended. Will Short seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining.

Barb Runkle (Public Education Coordinator). Peggy stated that our club has been invited to participate with a display and with demo dogs at the 200-acre Gray Willows Farm Dog Days Second Annual event on August 19th. Barb stated that she will contact them to get details and will determine how many volunteers she will need for the event.

Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson) stated that she is in need of one more experienced tracklayer for the September 9th and 10th Tracking Test.

Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Chairperson). Will Short suggested that Cathy Fleury investigate having the Spring Agility Trial at the "Agility at the Farm" facility on Burlington Road in Campton Hills, rather than at the Car-Dun-AI training facility in Huntley.

Will also reported that the **Dash K9 Sports** facility in **Geneva** has been pre-approved by AKC to host Excellent courses based on the size the facility will be after the future renovations have been made.

Dave Lewis (Director at Large) announced that the club's website was down for several hours due to a cable being cut by construction workers near the hosting center. He has also set up a service so he gets notified if the site is down for more than 10 minutes.

Dave stated that he recently received a limited-time offer for a toll-free telephone number. After discussion, it was agreed that we do not have a need for toll-free calling.

Old Business

- Using PayPal for Correction Clinic Entries Project Status

Dave reported that the programming for this project is progressing well. The functionality will include the ability for an administrator to set classes and prices, and for attendees to sign up and pay via credit card for any scheduled correction clinic. The functionality will have limited availability on the club's website on August 1st to enable a small number of individuals to sign up for the August 17th correction clinic. This new functionality will not be advertised until after the August correction clinic to allow for any modifications to be made to prepare for accepting entries for the September 28th correction clinic.

New Business

- Wendy reported that the CERF eye clinic is scheduled for Thursday October 5th at the training club building. The pre-paid fee will be \$31.00. The starting time is still to be determined. Anyone who would like an appointment should contact Wendy Waddick at training as soon as possible.
- Wendy reported that Lynn Weis's fellow volunteers are attempting to set up a permanent memorial for her at Brookfield Zoo, where she worked with apes for many years. Wendy suggested that the club contribute to that memorial.
- Declining Correction Clinic Entries

Wendy reported she received the following response when she asked several individuals over the weekend, why they do not come to FVDTC correction clinics.

Concern Expressed...	Club's Response
We are not on "their radar."	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wendy will bring our correction clinics entry forms to Car-Dun-Al and Glenbard, to give to their members. • Dave stated that we currently do announce our correction clinics each month on our website's home page, calendar and event list. • Wendy said that she will work with Nancy Einwich to send out more Constant Contact messages each month to remind everyone of the upcoming correction clinics. • More information will be added our Facebook page.
They want to be able to sign-up online.	Dave Lewis is already working on this (see the report in Old Business).
<p>They want new and updated things, such as equipment, matting, etc.</p> <p>They do not feel the mats offer enough cushion on the concrete floor</p>	Will reminded everyone that our mats offer the exact same protection as Glenbard's.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

(Some) Breeds from the FVDTC Roster:

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 G G S C H I P P E R K E K Y T V J N
 O J O X I J N E S A B M D U Z A X D
 D M T L K B B E M A R T M M C Q R X
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AFENPINSCHER
 BASSETT
 BRITTANY
 CANAAN DOG
 DALMATIAN
 GOLDEN RETRIEVER
 MALAMUTE
 PAPILLON
 ROTTWEILER

AKITA
 BEAGLE
 BULLMASTIFF
 CHIHUAHUA
 DOBERMAN
 JACK RUSSEL TERRIER
 MASTIFF
 POODLE
 SCHIPPERKE

BASENJI
 BORDER COLLIE
 CAIRN TERRIER
 DACHSHUND
 GERMAN SHEPHERD
 KEESHOND
 NEWFOUNDLAND
 RHODESIAN
 WHIPPET

Rule Changes from the AKC:

Obedience & Rally Regulation Changes

Transfer of entries in obedience and rally. The regulations will allow a transfer of an entry from one class to another (rally class to rally class; obedience class to obedience class) at the request of the exhibitor after the closing date for entries, regardless of when the dog earned the title, provided the club allows transfers and only if the class and judge are available. Transfers in both Obedience and Rally were amended and are effective July 1, 2017.

- The club will clearly state in its premium list whether transfers will or will not be allowed. If no statement is provided in the premium list the default is to allow transfers.
- A transfer (i.e., from an obedience class to an obedience class; or a rally class to a rally class) may be requested if, according to the owner's records the handler and dog are eligible provided the club offers transfers.
- Transfers from an "A" to "B" class at the same level are allowed provided the host club allows transfers. (When a club does not allow transfers, refer to Section 16b. Entry of Ineligible Dog.)
- The request for a transfer must be in writing and presented to the superintendent or trial secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of each trial.
- Clubs may choose to accept transfers prior to the day of the trial and this should be clearly stated in the premium list.
- Transfers may be approved provided the class and judge are available, and the class has not reached its limit.

Rally Regulations – Chapter 1, Section 13. Transfers.

- The club will clearly state in its premium list whether transfers will or will not be allowed. If no statement is provided in the premium list the default is to allow transfers.
- A transfer from a rally class to a rally class may be requested if, according to the owner's records the handler and dog are eligible provided the club offers transfers.
- Transfers from an "A" to "B" class at the same level are allowed provided the host club allows transfers. (When a club does not allow transfers, refer to Section 14. Entry of Ineligible Dog.)
- The request for a transfer must be in writing and presented to the superintendent or trial secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of each trial.
- Clubs may choose to accept transfers prior to the day of the trial and this should be clearly stated in the premium list.
- Transfers may be approved provided the class and judge is available, and the class has not reached its limit.

Calendar

July

- 06 Thu Regular Training
Puppy Begins (8:00pm)
- 11 Thu Regular Training
- 15 Thu Correction Clinic
- 19 Wed Membership Meeting/Tracking Demo
4H Show
- 27 Thu Regular Training

August

- 03 Thu Regular Training
Beginner Ends (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
Puppy Ends (7:00pm)
Advanced Puppy Ends (8:00pm)
- 10 Thu Regular Training
Beginner Begins (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
Puppy Begins (7:00pm)
Advanced Puppy Begins (8:00pm)
- 16 Wed Board Meeting
- 17 Thu Correction Clinic
- 24 Thu Regular Training
- 31 Thu Regular Training

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