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NEWS FROM THE AKC

Editor's Note:

The following is a letter that Christine Strom, AKC Manager for Obedience, Tracking and CGC, sent to the FVDTC and other area clubs. Ms. Strom can be contacted via phone (919/816-3557), fax (919/816-4204) or e-mail (cws@akc.org)



We are happy to announce that Iams/Eukanuba and the American Kennel Club will be hosting the 2001 AKC National Obedience Invitational at a new location! It will be held at the Odeum Sports & Expo Center in Villa Park, Illinois (a suburb of Chicago) on June 16th and 17th. Because of this change we will need volunteers for a variety of jobs.

- A volunteer to serve as Chief Transportation Coordinator
- Additional volunteers with transportation
- Someone to serve as Chief Ring Steward
- Approximately 55 volunteers to serve as ring stewards throughout the 2 days.
- Help with hospitality for the judges and ring stewards the days of the trial

We are sending this letter out to several of the obedience clubs surrounding the Chicago, Illinois area. We hop that you folks will take advantage of this opportunity to be a part of this exciting annual event. Please notify me ASAP by phone, fax, e-mail or in writing. Provide your name, address, daytime telephone number and the role in which you would like to serve. Thank you in advance for all of your assistance.

Chris Strom

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A well-trained dog is a happy dog

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

U-ACH Shamrock Acres Celebration TDI, JH, OA, OAJ, UD (Liza and Tim White)

New U-ACH title

| | | | |
|------------|------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 03/17/2001 | AG 1 | Div 3 | 200 |
| 03/17/2001 | AG 2 | Div 3 | 200 |
| 03/18/2001 | AG 1 | Div 3 | 200 |
| 03/18/2001 | AG 3 | Div 3 | Luck ran out — missed a weavepole |

U-AG II Candlewood's Ribbonquest CGC, TDI, CDX, SH, OA, OAJ (Peggy, with Tim and Anne White)

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|---------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 03/24-25/2001 | 1st MH leg | Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club, | Thomasville, GA |
| 04/01/2001 | 2nd MH leg | Central Kentucky Retriever Club, | Beaver Dam, KY |

AKC Rules for the Master Hunting Test: Dogs shall be tested in a minimum of 5 hunting situations (5 legs) as follows: multiple land marks, multiple water marks, multiple marks on land and water, a land blind and a water blind (at least one that shall be a double blind in any combination). There shall be at least 3 series (per test). At least 1 of the series shall include a walk-up. Diversion birds and/or diversion shots must be used at least once.. In Master tests, in at least 1 multiple marking situation, the dog's marking will be tested with a t least 3 falls, before the dog is sent to retrieve. (Dogs may not be touched, and must remain quiet and steady while being tested).

From Kathy Hubbard

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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| Julie Zedonis 507 S. 11th Avenue St Charles IL 60174 (630)584-0639 German Shepherd Dog Completed Beginner Class | (630)879-5638 swsl13@aol.com that's SWLSLL Springer Spaniel Completed Beginner Class | oldfast@aol.com Labrador Retriever Completed Beginner Class |
| Steve Lusted 213 N. Harrison St. Batavia IL 60510 | Dorette Masters 36W734 Stonebridge Lane St Charles IL 60175 (630)584-4640 | Bohdonna Strauniak 1363 Clybourne St. Batavia IL 60510 (630)513-2634 bohdonna@aol.com Completed Beginner Class |

From David Lewis, Editor

PUT YOUR NEWS IN WAGGIN' TALES

If you have news or announcements you would like to share with the club, put it in the Waggin' Tales.

There are a few guidelines to follow to ensure that your message is presented in the way **you** would like:

Submit your articles to:

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

Plain text E-Mail is the best way to get your article included. Attachments in Rich Text Format will work

also. Typed letters and faxes are OK, too, but hand-written notes are the most likely to result in errors.

Always include your name and a phone number with your article.

What Gets Included

Waggin' Tales is the primary means of communication for the Board to the membership, so announcements from the Board and meeting minutes get highest priority. Next are news, brags and stories from the membership. If space permits, dog-related classified ads and for-sale items from members will be included.

I am always interested in your comments (both good and bad) and suggestions for improving Waggin' Tales.

From the Board of Directors

HOUSE RULES

Editor's Note: This is a reminder of the code of conduct for training night that the club adopted last year:

Help us make your night with us FUN!

We at Fox Valley Dog Training Club are so glad you chose to spend time with us. We ask that you read the information below to help us ensure that ALL participants have a fun and safe time.

- ❖ **PLEASE** clean up after you and your dog (inside and outside the building). Remember - it may be your shoe you are saving from that "gift". "Gift wrapping" supplies are available.
- ❖ **PLEASE** maintain control of your dog. Your dog's exuberance and excitement may be misinterpreted by another dog or person. Control is especially important in the common areas - please use your leash!
- ❖ **PLEASE** help us keep all of our dogs healthy by keeping current with your dog's vaccinations.
- ❖ **PLEASE** be aware of your dog's behavior. We

love the fact that you are bringing your dog to socialize or train, but awareness of how your own dog will behave in our chaotic atmosphere is the best way to prevent any possible "problems". Only you know your dog that well!

- ❖ **PLEASE** explain to your child/children what proper behavior is around all the dogs. They should not be running around, this can cause a "doggy riot/playtime". They should be told to ALWAYS ask to pet someone else's dog, because not all dogs are lucky enough to have grown up with their "own child".
- ❖ **PLEASE** know that we are here to help you with your training needs. We understand that for every dog and trainer, there is a different training style. We simply ask that strong negative training techniques be used cautiously.

THANKS FOR JOINING US!!!!
We are happy to share our Love of Dogs with you!

From Jean Airey

FRONT & FINISH

READ CAREFULLY!

The membership voted to continue the Front & Finish centerfold for 2001, so club members whose dog(s) received one or more titles during 2000 are asked to notify:

Jean Airey
1306 W. Illinois Ave
Aurora, IL 60506-2604

Absolutely no later than April 12 with the following information specified exactly as it is to be in F&F. If you do not notify me, the information will not be in the ad. Please supply information for each dog.

DOG's NAME: _____
Title received this year: _____
Name of Member: _____
Dog's titles: (List all) _____

(Enclose a picture of your dog - READ ON!)

There is a charge for having a picture in the ad. That charge is \$10 per picture (2 dogs in one picture = \$10). This charge must be paid to Cathy Fleury NO LATER THAN APRIL 12. If Cathy does not let me know she has the money, the picture will not go in. There is no cost for just listing your dog and its title(s).

I will be taking pictures at the club in March for those who do not have a picture on hand.

From Helen Castellano

2001 OBEDIENCE TRIAL TROPHY SPONSORSHIP

I will be the Trophy Chairperson for our Annual Trial in November. This will be FVDTC's 50th Obedience Trial. The Committee members and I would like to offer each of you the opportunity to sponsor the trophy of your choice. A High in Group trophy is a minimum of \$35.00. An individual trophy is a minimum of \$15.00. You may complete the bottom portion and drop it in the mail to me or you may contact any of the Committee members listed below.

Last year a significant number of you decided to provide your own trophy. Several members decided that a cash trophy was preferred. Also, the Committee is perfectly willing to purchase a trophy with your cash donation. We are working again this year with Peggy Sue who has a number of beautiful items available for us. It is up to each club member to support our trial in the way that they feel is appropriate. We appreciate the continued support of our trial by our life-time and non-training members.

If you are providing your own trophy, a description will be needed no later than **JULY 1ST** and we would need to receive the actual prize no later than October 15th. If you are making a cash donation, please mail the donation to me or give it to one of the Committee members no later than **JUNE 1ST**. Thank you. Helen Castellano, Cheryl Lewis, Bev Nicholson, and Peggy Sue Seehafer.

Helen Castellano
Trial Trophy Chairperson
35W075 Chillem Drive
Batavia, IL 60510
630-761-0411

Please print: Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Trophy you wish to sponsor:

You will provide:
___ a. Trophy - description _____
___ b. Cash to purchase trophy \$ _____ OR ___ c. Cash as trophy \$ _____

From Carloyn Pearson, Secretary

APRIL BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting Highlights April 4, 2001

Meeting brought to order at 7:54 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The February Meeting Minutes approved as published. Several items of correspondence read.

Trudi Kimm (Director of Training) reported that there are currently instructors in all rings. The next session of Beginner's and Puppy classes begins on May 22nd. She is currently searching for a Primary Instructor for the 7:00 p.m. Beginner's class. Anyone who would like to be an Assistant Instructor should contact Trudi Kimm. Any extra Assistant Instructors are always welcome. She checked with Jerry D'Aprile regarding the possibility of needing an extra "off-session" Puppy class. Currently there is not the necessity.

Trudi stated that she is looking for a chalkboard to allow a sign-up for the pre-open class. Will Short and Kathy Hubbard offered suggestions about purchasing a wipe-off marker board instead. Trudi reported that she had spoken to Brenda Rivera regarding the Open/Utility run-throughs, however current schedules are preventing a firm commitment at this time. Brenda stated that she would be happy to do it, when she is at training. Trudi will contact Terry Whelan to determine his interest in doing those run-throughs when Brenda is unavailable. Trudi also reported that she is in need of a substitute Primary Instructor for the 8:00 p.m. Beginner's class on May 12th. She will check with Deb Johnson as well as others.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) was not in attendance, report was sent with Carolyn Pearson. The completed Host Letter was sent to Car-Dun-Al. Carolyn Pearson completed and mailed the AKC Emergency Checklist to AKC. That is the final piece of information necessary to receive the approval for our Obedience Trial.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next deadline is Sunday, April 8. Dave stated that he is in the process of designing and creating a new membership database in Microsoft Access. This will replace (and improve) the current Microsoft Works

membership database.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) requested the opinions of the Board members regarding the printing of the roster. Several suggestions and corrections were made and will be incorporated prior to the distribution of the roster. Peggy Sue Seehafer offered to get a price quote from Sir Speedy. Dave offered to send out an announcement to club members who receive their Waggin' Tales via e-mail that they can also receive their copy of the roster via our website. The procedure would allow ONLY club members access to the location of the roster. All others will be able to pick up a printed copy at training night or it will be mailed to them.

Public Education Liaison. Peggy Sue Seehafer and Trudi Kimm will coordinate getting a booth set-up at the Canine Critters expo. Trudi Kimm is working with H.E.L.P. September 29th. Anyone who is interested in assisting at either of these events should contact Peggy Sue or Trudi.

ROSTERS!

Club rosters for 2000-2001 will be available at training night beginning this week. If you want your copy sooner, or if you want to save the club the cost of duplication, you can get an electronic copy of the roster by sending an e-mail to David Lewis (waggintales@fvdtc.org)

Old Business

- **Printing Costs** - Dave Lewis has been unable to match his schedule with the hours of Sir Speedy to determine whether their rates are less expensive than Kwik Kopy. Peggy Sue volunteered to bring the next issue of Waggin' Tales to Sir Speedy for a

price quote, the next time she is in there. Dave will get a price quote from Kinko's. Carolyn will ask Taffy Wille to do the same at Office Max.

- **Membership Termination Letter for Ginny Cushna** - Carolyn stated that the letter to notify Ginny Cushna that she will be removed from the club membership will be sent by April 10th. A response deadline of May 2 will be requested.

New Business

- Carolyn Pearson reported that Jacquie Kramer has volunteered to be the Annual Dinner Committee Chairperson.
- Taffy Wille (sent via Carolyn) announced that NEW brochures have been sent to all of the local vets offices announcing that the new Class Coordinator is Jerry D'Aprile. Anyone visiting your vets office is asked to verify that they are using the new brochure.

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From Carloyn Pearson, Secretary

APRIL BOARD MEETING

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- Taffy Wille (sent via Carolyn) reported that 18 (of the 25 ordered) of the books called "New Art of Dog Training" by Shelby Marlo have been sold. There are still a couple of club members that have requested a copy have not picked them up – please contact Taffy regarding getting them.
- Trudi Kimm asked the Board to determine whether there would be any impacts for the Awards Eligibility for the following awards due to the 10/1/2000 AKC rule changes. The AKC rule (Section 2. Novice B Class) now states:

The Novice B class will be for dogs not less than 6 months of age. A CD dog may continue to compete in this class until it receives a qualifying score in an Open class or until it has received one (1) High in Trial award. This one (1) High in Trial award is in addition to any obtained before or during the 60-day period after receiving the CD title. The owner or any other person may handle dogs in this class.

This rule change allows any Novice level competitor to continue entering in the Novice B classes until they are ready to compete in an Open class. Formerly, the Novice level competi-

tor only was able to enter a Novice B class for 60 days following the completion of their Novice title.

This rule change had the potential of impacting the following awards:

- Novice - High Qualifying Average Award – The current requirement states: must have a minimum of 3 scores from AKC trials submitted.
- Dorothy Dimond Memorial Trophy - The current requirement states: given to the member whose dog was trained and shown by the member and 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.

After a discussion of the possible impacts, Peggy Sue Seehafer made a motion that the eligibility requirements of the two awards should not be changed. Trudi Kimm seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all, without any abstentions.

- Dave Lewis stated that he received an email asking what the club policy was regarding conflicts of club members. It was agreed that Dave will reply that following written notification to a Board member of the conflict, each case is reviewed by the Board. He will also send a copy of the "house rules".

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

From Suzan Scott

CORRECTION CLINIC

The next Fox Valley Dog Training Club Correction Clinic will be held on Thursday, April 19. As of March 26, Novice is about half full, open is full and I've started a waiting list, and utility has 5 spots left.

If you're entered (especially in open) and know you won't be there, let me know and I'll move your entry to a different match. The remaining Correction Clinic dates for 2001 are:

May 10 - June 21 - August 16 - September 20 - October 25 - November 29

From Caroline Pearson

HELP!!!!

Notification of Broken Equipment

Ed Herdes and I have developed an easy way to help us identify equipment that is broken or less than adequate. In the gray box (at the information table) is a clipboard with a form to complete when you find something wrong. Simply fill in all the spaces and place an X in the column for the appropriate equipment. The ring layout is also on the clipboard to help you determine which ring number the equipment is found. Also on the clipboard are some "green sticky dots". PLEASE place the dot on the broken equipment to help us find it quickly and to avoid any confusion.

From Kathy Hubbard, Membership Chair

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS — 2001

The 2001 membership renewal application is once again published in this month's issue of Waggin' Tails. ALL members should fill out this renewal form and return it to the Membership Chairperson, Kathy Hubbard. We would like to have current information, including email addresses, in our files.

You will see a new information line on this year's renewal called "TRAINING AREAS OF INTEREST". Please let us know in what areas you are currently training, e.g. Obedience, Conformation, Agility, Tracking, Field, Therapy, other (write it in). With this information, we can begin directing new members to people with similar areas of interest.

Kathy requests that ALL members, both Regular and Lifetime, Training and Non-Training return a renewal form.

FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB DUES AND TRAINING FEE RENEWAL NOTICE

DUES FOR THE 2001-2002 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 2001.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO APPLY FOR AN AWARD AT NEXT YEAR'S BANQUET, BE SURE THAT YOU ARE A TRAINING MEMBER.

COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:
"FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB"

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:
KATHY HUBBARD, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON
(address below)

YOUR NAME WILL BE OMITTED FROM THE 2001-2002 ROSTER, AND YOUR LAST ISSUE OF WAGGIN' TAILS WILL BE THE JULY ISSUE UNLESS YOUR CHECK AND COMPLETED FORMS ARE RECEIVED BY 7-8-01. IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR BY-LAWS A \$5.00 REINSTATEMENT FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR DUES NOT RECEIVED BY 7-8-01.

NAME: _____
STREET ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
BREED OR BREEDS OF DOGS TO LIST: _____
TRAINING AREAS OF INTEREST: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE

REGULAR TRAINING \$90.00

REGULAR NONTRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD NONTRAINING FREE

INSTRUCTORS: EARN 1/4 CREDIT TOWARDS DUES PER QUARTER OR CLASS TAUGHT (MAX 4) MUST HAVE D.O.T. VERIFICATION.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

DO YOU WANT A MEMBERSHIP ROSTER? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS VIA E-MAIL? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS? YES NO

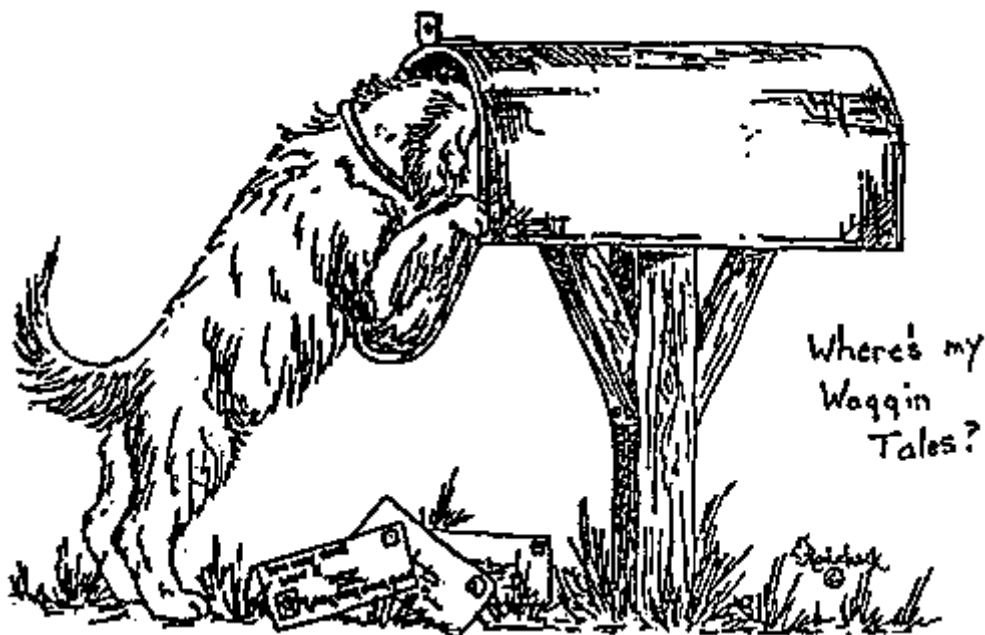
THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP FEE IS DUE BY 7-8-01 NO EXCEPTIONS.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED BY ALL MEMBERS FOR YOUR APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL TO BE VALID.

KATHY HUBBARD
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FVDTC CALENDAR— APRIL / MAY

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| April | 3 | Tuesday | Regular Training | May | 2 | Wednesday | Membership Meeting |
| | 4 | Wednesday | Board Meeting | | 3 | Thursday | Regular Training |
| | 8 | Sunday | Waggin' Tales Deadline | | 6 | Sunday | Waggin' Tales Deadline |
| | 12 | Thursday | Regular Training | | 10 | Thursday | Correction Clinic |
| | 19 | Thursday | Correction Clinic | | | | Beginner Class |
| | | | Beginner Class | | 15 | Tuesday | Regular Training |
| | 26 | Thursday | Regular Training | | 22 | Tuesday | Regular Training |
| | | | | | 31 | Thursday | Regular Training |

E-MAIL WAGGIN' TALES

If you would like to save the club a few dollars, receive your Waggin' Tales up to a week before everybody else, and get your pictures in color:

Get your Waggin' Tales via E-Mail!

You need to install the Adobe Acrobat Reader (free from <http://www.adobe.com>) and send an e-mail to waggintales@fvdtc.org.