# Waggin' Tales



I will be the Trophy Chairperson for our Annual Trial in November. The Committee members and I would like to offer each of you the opportunity to sponsor the trophy of their choice. A High in Group trophy is a minimum of \$35.00. An individual trophy is a minimum of \$15.00.

We are making a change this year. The Committee is happy to accept your purchased trophy or cash as the trophy. However, we will no longer be using your cash donation to purchase a trophy on your behalf. We will simply give the winner the

cash.

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 <u>JULY 1ST</u> 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 <u>JUNE 1ST.</u>

Thank you. Helen Castellano, Cheryl Lewis, Cindy Pakenas, and Peggy Sue Seehafer.

Helen Castellano
Trial Trophy Chairperson
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# Fox Valley Dog Training Club

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

© CGC Test in May

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Name	Telephone	Email			
Trophy you wish to sponsor, please describe:					
Please choose one of the following:					
A. You will provide trophy.		B. Cash as trophy			
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## New Members

Cathy Burdick
1131 Lexington Ln.
Batavia, IL 60510
(630)406-1127
Mixed Breed
Completed Beginners Class

Barbara Rask 6N385 Essex Ave. St. Charles, IL 60174 (630)377-5792 Bichon/ Maltese Completed Beginners class

Arthur Kingsley
P.O. Box 39
Wayne, Il 60184
(630)584-8225
Golden Retriever
Completed Beginners class

Joyce Steel 41W119 Dillonfield Dr Elburn, Il 60119 (630)845-8522 Yellow Lab Mix Completed Beginners Class

Betty Ann Zahner 3091 St Michel Ln. St. Charles, IL 60175 (630)377-0918 Jack Russell Terrier Completed Beginners class



George & Diane Milauskas
40W590 Bridle Creek Dr.
St Charles, IL 60175
(630)513-5771
Bassett Hound & Brittany Spaniel
Completed Beginners Class

Bruce & Linda Benstein 45W616 Keslinger Rd. Elburn, IL 60119 (630)365-5467 Golden Retriever Completed Beginners class

Susan Frankel
414 Wing Ln.
5t. Charles, IL 60174
(630)587-3982
Wire Haired Fox Terrier & Cairn
Terrier
Completed Beginners class

## Still Openings for the CGC Test!

Do you just keep forgetting to grab an entry form for the May 13th Canine Good Citizen test? Well, now's the time to get going and get signed up! This is a great achievement for competitive dogs <u>and</u> competitive pets--not to mention the handlers! The test is only \$10, and you'll get a schnazzy ribbon and photo op!

If you have any questions about the test, you can call or email me, or check out the AKC's website at <a href="http://www.akc.org/love/cgc/training\_testing.cfm">http://www.akc.org/love/cgc/training\_testing.cfm</a> for all the information you'll need to prepare. Entry forms are available at training, or by contacting me.

Barb Misch, PEC

### A Word of Thanks....

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the CERF Clinic 3/9, Jan Schomer, Anne and Tim White and Suzan Scott for running and getting us an extension cord when mine turned out to be 1' too short. We had 61 dogs participate and for the most part things flowed pretty well. It was a learning experience for us, the next one should go a little smoother. Thank you to all the participants for your patience, too.

Trudi Kimm

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## Car-Dun-Al's Correction Clinic

Car-Dun-Al's next Correction Clinic for 2004 is Tuesday, April 20. There is no limit for Novice entries & we have openings in Open & Utility. Check in & sign up starts at 6:30 PM & we try to start judging at 7. 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 CODTC.

Barb

## **Thanks**

I would like to thank the Members of FVDT for the honor of the <u>Sally Compton Award</u>.

I was very over whelmed and very honored. Sally is the person that got me to join the club and is very special to me. This is a very special award & I THANK YOU...

Jan Shomer

## For Sale

- 1. Microscope & misc. supplies in good working condition—\$25.00
- 2. Pet Yard XT (Plastic X-pen) 26" High—enclosing 18.5 Sq. ft. BRAND NEW—\$40.00
- Whirlpool Electric Heavy Duty Clothes Dryer— Very good condition—\$50.00

Contact Loretta or Marian Lazzara at 815-393-3907





#### A Gentle Reminder

I shall endeavor to conduct myself at all times in a manner that reflects credit upon Fox Valley Dog Training Club, regardless of the location or the circumstances. I will protect and advance the interests of the Club by encouraging sportsmanlike behavior at training nights, correction clinics, obedience trials, tracking tests, and agility trials. I will uphold the Club's commitment to good sportsmanship, community support, and the welfare of the dogs with which we work.

There have been at least a couple instances over the last few weeks of members giving or taking offense over the actions of other members. It is important for the smooth-running operation of classes, effective training of our dogs and the general well-being of the club that we all remember that we have promised to get along with each other by "encouraging sportsmanlike behavior" and upholding "good sportsmanship".

Speaking poorly to or about other members, or about other clubs clearly does not reflect credit upon FVDTC. I encourage each of us, as we deal with each other, to remember the promise we made when we signed our membership agreements. That, along with a generous dose of common courtesy, will solve many of the "personality conflict" issues that have arisen over the last few weeks. Thanks, in advance, for your cooperation.

## Board Meeting Highlights April 7, 2004

Meeting brought to order at 7:38 p.m. The Board reviewed, discussed and unanimously approved the Grievance Committee's report.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). February Meeting Minutes approved with the following corrections:

In Will Short's Trial Chairperson report, it also should have stated that the position of Chief Ring Steward had not been secured as of this date, as well as the Photographer.

In Cheryl Hettinger's First Vice-President's report, the minutes should have stated, "Cindy Pakenas suggested that we should consider diversifying the equipment repair to a larger committee to allow one individual to be responsible for each ring's equipment".

In Cindy Pakenas' Director of Training report, the minutes should have stated that "Cindy asked whether we could consider offering a discount to individuals who <u>foster a dog and</u> adopt a dog from local rescue organizations, such as H.E.L.P."

One item of correspondence was read.

Vera Nyberg (Second Vice-President) reported that she contacted the Midwest K-9 Emergency Response Team for a future program at a meeting. We all agreed that the September 1<sup>st</sup> Membership Meeting would be a good meeting with which to do the program. Vera will contact them to see if the date is available.

Cindy Pakenas (Director of Training) reported that volunteers are still needed for the following:

Open Run-throughs
Utility Run-throughs
To greet guests at the front table
An Assistant Instructor, for the last four weeks of the 8:00 p.m. Beginner's class.

She also sent the following friendly reminders to all club members:

PLEASE monitor your dog's barking, to help

minimize some of the intense noise levels. PLEASE be a good host for the 4-H students and parents.

RSVP to her before May 4<sup>th</sup>, if you are planning on attending the seminar about recognizing aggressive behaviors in dogs. It will be at the Kane County Extension Center (where the club membership meetings are held) on May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. It is free to instructors, \$3.00 for club members and \$5.00 for non-club members.

Look for her "letter from the DOT" published in the April Waggin' Tales.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) reported that with the exception of the Kitchen Committee Chairperson, all committee chair people are confirmed. Jan Schomer is the Chief Ring Steward. Tamara Fanter is the photographer. Will stated that the committee would like to dedicate the trial in memory of Sunny Innis, Kay Gianos and Linda Gustafson. Jan Schomer has volunteered to handle the memorial.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that as of March 17<sup>th</sup>, she has received the official AKC approval for the obedience trial.

Sandy Davis (Waggin' Tales Editor) was not in attendance, but sent the following report: Deadline is Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Amy Ford (Treasurer) reported that due to her current class schedule, she is unable to attend Wednesday meetings but sent the following report. She has filed our 990-EZ tax return for the 2003 calendar year.

She requested some clarification on the following donation issues.

Kay Gianos - A \$50.00 donation will be sent to the V.N.A. Hospice in Rockford. This amount also includes the money donated by club members at training.

Linda Gustafson - It was agreed that a \$50.00 donation will be sent to the Andersen Animal Shelter.

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## Obedience Trial

Please start thinking abut stewarding for our November 14th Trial. The sign up board will soon be on the back table. Remember: The rewards are Great and the Pay is excellent.

Jan Schomer

## Fall Tracking Trial

Our Fall Tracking Trial will be held on Sunday, September 19, 2004, at Burnidge Forest Preserve and the judges are Mr. H. Ted Hoesel and Mr. W. Orrin Eldred II. There are 4 TD tracks and 4 TDX tracks. Entry fees are \$55.00 for the TD tracks and \$85.00 for the TDX tracks. Entries will be accepted after June 1, 2004. AKC has listed the closing date as September 9, 2004 but I question that date. I believe it will be August 30, 2004. I will clarify this with AKC again. Watch for future updates. Contact Francene Andresen, Tracking Chairperson, if you have any questions.

## Stewards Needed

Stewards are ALWAYS needed for match nights that we have each month. The sign-up board will be prominently displayed as usual at training so get your name on it while you can. No experience necessary. Training will be provided. It counts as work credit for the 2004 awards.



## Summer Doggie Delights!

With summer arriving soon, treat your favorite pooch with a frozen delight. Easy to make, you can always substitute the ingredients depending on your dog's preference. Here are some I found on the internet.



PLEASE NOTE: Using ice cube trays may be okay for the smaller dog but it's not recommended for medium to large size dogs. This is because they are more likely to swallow the ice cube whole which may result in choking. (Do dogs get brain freeze?). Remember...if in doubt, don't use ice cube trays. ALSO, if your dog is like mine—getting the opportunity to come in contact with paper may make more of a mess than what it's worth. Although they make recommendations of what to put the recipe in, if you're in doubt I'd recommend trying plastic containers.

#### Frozen Peanut Butter Yogurt Treats

1-32oz. container of vanilla yogurt; 1 cup of peanut butter Put the peanut butter in a microwave safe dish and microwave until melted. Mix the yogurt and the melted peanut butter in a bowl. Pour mixture into cupcake papers and freeze.

#### Frosty Paws Ice Cream

32 ounces vanilla yogurt; 1 mashed banana or one large jar of baby fruit; 2 tablespoons peanut butter; 2 tablespoons honey Mix the peanut butter and honey and continue processing until smooth. Add yogurt and process just long enough to blend all ingredients together. Place 18 small paper cups (bathroom size) in a baking pan (one 9x13 or two 8x8 work well). Fill paper cups to about 2/3's full. An ice cream scoop or a measuring cup makes the job easier. Freeze until solid. I transfer the frozen treats to ziplock bags for storing in the freezer. NOTE: This can also be made with baby meat instead of the fruit and peanut butter.

#### Pumpkin/Yogurt Treats

Mix 16 oz non fat Yogurt with 2 cans (1 lb) of Pumpkin (not pumpkin pie filling). Spoon over dry kibble or freeze in mini muffin cups.

## From the Director of Training

I was able to attend one day of the Sue Sternberg Seminar on evaluating dogs for aggression. Sue is an experienced, informative, & entertaining speaker. If you are in a situation in which you are encountering strange canines & must interact/handle them, I think that you would find her seminar helpful. I purchased her videotape which gives a brief overview of her methods for assessing dogs. Please feel free to borrow it if you are interested. It is only about 15 minutes. Of course, the seminar went into far more detail including observing Sue working with shelter dogs who have the potential for aggression. She will point out body language (that I as one who does not work with aggressive canines would not have noticed). Remember that instructors receive a 50% reimbursement for attending a seminar annually.

Volunteers are needed for the following: open run-throughs at 7 p.m.; utility run-throughs at 7 p.m.; an assistant for the May portion of the 8 p.m. beginners' class; front table person. Please contact me or Penny if you are willing to share your time in regards to these. With the amount of people now using the building at this time of year, it would be very much appreciated if caged dogs were carefully supervised. Dogs that are barking need to be stifled as quickly as possible. Please keep an eye on your caged dogs as children have been observed next to cages & little fingers poking into them!! It is encouraging to observe the 4-H students who are eager & willing to invest time & effort into their canine companions. Please help them feel welcome & model behavior which we would be proud to see them emulate. This is particularly pertinent to the tolerance for training techniques, opinions, & training philosophy which differs from our own.

The next instructors; workshop will focus on aggression. It will be held Tuesday, May 11, at the University of IL Extension office (same location as membership meetings) from 7 to 9 p.m. This meeting facility is generously donated in gratitude for the club's involvement with the 4-H program. Our speaker will be Becky Jankowski MS RN CPDT. Becky is president of PAWSitive Performance Dog Training, Inc. in Downers Grove. She holds a behavioral counseling certificate with honors from the San Francisco Academy for Dog Trainers, is program coordinator for Pawsitive Therapy Troupe, Delta Society Evaluator, & American Association of Pet Dog Trainers member. She was recently presented the 2003 Human Animal Bond award by the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association. This award is given to a person whose activities best serve to advance the awareness for the human/animal bond. Becky is the proud owner of Shetland Sheepdogs: U-AG2 U-CDX Rosie Blue Lady CDX AX AXJ OAC NJC FM R2MCL TDIA Delta Society Pet Partner, U-AG2 Rockcliff Emma of Highbury CD AX AXJ PT HTD-Is OAC OJC FM R2MCL TDIA Delta Society Pet Partner, & Bryshire Spring Btoetfonnet OA OAJ RI MCL FDX. The workshop will be offered at no charge to instructors, \$3 for members & \$5 for nonmembers. Please RSVP with Cindy Pakenas by May 4. Becky will be focusing on how to recognize a dog which might exhibit aggressive behavior toward people &/or other dogs, assess the degree of danger to yourself, students in the class & their dogs, & will suggest techniques for interacting with such a dog. Please join us for this learning opportunity.

Cindy Pakenas Director of Training

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Sunny Innis - In addition to the flowers that were sent to the family we will also donate a total of \$25.00 to the German Shepherd Dog Rescue group. This amount also includes the money donated by club members at training.

Barb Misch (Public Education Coordinator) reported that as of today, the May 13<sup>th</sup> CGC test has only one entry, with nineteen openings. She will ask the Advanced Beginner's and the Novice Ring Ready instructors to remind their students about the test. Trudi Kimm and Rick Cox are the evaluators. More information is in the red box at training. Barb also reported that she contacted a grade school near her house to determine their interest in hosting a demonstration for the National Dog Bite Prevention month in May.

Francene Andresen (Tracking Secretary) reported that she has confirmed the following judges: Ted Hoesel and Orrin Eldred. Francene requested some guidance regarding the expenses of having an out-of-state judge since Orrin is from Michigan. His fee only consists of reimbursement for gas, hotel and food and a bag of Reeses candy. Carolyn reported that for the Obedience trial judges, hotel rooms are usually about \$65.00 to \$85.00 per night and approximately \$25.00 for dinner. Peggy Sue Seehafer made a motion to accept his expenses as the fee. Barb Misch seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all. Francene asked the Board to consider hosting a club picnic on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the tracking test. A brief discussion included the following thoughts:

The interest level might be lower because the two-day Agility trial is the weekend immediately preceding the Tracking test.

The weather might be less than optimum - either due to heat or bugs.

This will be addressed at the May 5<sup>th</sup> Membership meeting.

Helen Castellano (Agility Chairperson) reported that the AKC has received our application for the Agility Trials to be held on September 11th and 12th. The AKC has requested a copy of our Emergency Plan, which has been

provided by Carolyn Pearson. Helen reported that she awaiting responses from all committee heads to confirm their assistance at the trial. Helen also reported that she still needs a volunteer to ordering the ribbons prior to the trial and the placements the day of the trial. These tasks can be handled by one individual. Anyone wishing to volunteer may contact Helen at (630) 660-3213 or via e-mail at pastatom@aol.com.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Director at Large) reported that the AKC Dog Museum Board will review the Schweitzer property proposal at their meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>. She also reported that the forest preserve is taking bids to tear down the house and barns or to replace the windows. AKC would like a proposal from us about what we want from them regarding the property. Peggy Sue told AKC that the future plans of the property must come from the forest preserve district.

Peggy Sue also reported that individuals in the state of Illinois can now establish a trust fund for dogs.

#### Old Business Land Purchase Status

Francene provided the following highlights from the March 25, 2004 meeting with Western Engineering. Francene reported that the sellers have proposed a very unrealistic closing date of July 1, 2004. Western Engineering suggested that, based on their experience with this type of process, we should not agree to anything earlier than a January 2005 closing date. It is not uncommon for the contingencies that we require to take from eight to twelve months to complete. Jeff Andresen suggested that we request approval from the current farmer to enter the property to inspect and complete any testing as needed. The farmer may want compensation in event of possible crop damage due to testing activities.

A "Phase 1" should be done by an environmental company to determine the property's current wetlands status. The Phase 1 test should be paid for by the seller, and may have already been done in one of the prior contracts on the property. If there were any indication of the property being a wetland then another agency would become involved to establish appropriateness of use, etc. If the property is deemed to be a wetland,

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Francene believes the committee's recommendation would be to cancel the contract and make no further attempt to buy the property.

Western Engineering stated that working with IDOT may take a considerable amount of time (months). The IDOT representatives will examine the area twice for the line of site from the top of the bridge to the driveway. Dennis Halfpenney unofficially measured the line of site at the bridge to be 1/8 of a mile. It is expected that Kane County DOT will agree with whatever IDOT's recommendation are. Should the recommendation include road changes such as a single direction entrance and exit in and out of the property, that would require serious discussion to determine if we would want to progress with the purchase. Western Engineering also suggested that we put in an automatic extension in the contract. However our lawyers disagreed with the suggestion, therefore it was

Western Engineering recommended that when we seek the county approvals, we present the final conceptual plans, not the plans that we initially plan to build. We will need to provide plans for the following items: training times, how many trials, how many dogs, will vehicles be on the grounds over night, etc.

#### Meeting/Work Credit

not put into the new contract.

Will Short asked the Board to readdress the new meeting/work credit policy due to some members expressing their dissatisfaction to him. Will made a motion that the credit earned for attending a meeting is returned to one full credit. Barb Misch seconded the motion. During the discussion, it was also suggested that we create a maximum number of meetings to be applied to the total work credits. Barb amended the motion to state that a maximum number of three meetings, not including the Christmas Party, may be applied to the total number of ten work credits. Taffy Wille seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all present.

#### Jumps Purchase

Will stated that he wished to address this issue again

as several club members have continued to express concerns about the condition of the jumps. It was suggested that the new jumps only be used for correction clinics and the obedience trial. The jumps could be stored in the shed when not in use. However, Carolyn stated that the individual who does our breakdown has already stated that he would not be willing to put away the jumps in the shed for a number of reasons, including inclement weather, such as snow blocking the door to the shed and the fact that there are no lights in the shed. Cindy suggested that a set-up committee be formed to set-up and takedown the jumps each month for the correction clinics.

The committee members will earn work credits. Will stated that he would handle the obedience trial's set-up and breakdown. Francene suggested that we have a sign-up sheet at training to allow the members to volunteer.

Barb stated that she understands that the jumps have caused dogs to have jumping issues. But felt that due to the fact that Cheryl Hettinger had already left the Board meeting by the time this issue was addressed, Cheryl should have the opportunity to continue her investigation and present her report at the May membership meeting, as stated at the March Membership meeting. Peggy Sue also stated that the board should be allowed to do their jobs of weighing the spending of the club's money to the best possible benefit to the club

#### **New Business**

Job Descriptions - Updating the General Policy - Carolyn passed out the old General Policy, dated 1995, and the draft of the new General Policy, dated 2004. Dave asked that all Board members review their job descriptions to make sure that it matches what we really do. All comments and changes should be brought to the June Board meeting. The goal is to have the updated information published in the October or November Waggin' Tales so that the membership will have valid descriptions before nominations and elections next year.

Membership Meeting Format - Dave initiated the discussion regarding reducing the business portion (i.e. committee reports) of the membership meeting, to

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Meeting Minutes ....

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allow more time for socialization and programs. Dave suggested that we present written information to streamline the meetings. Taffy suggested that we might want to try this on a trial basis. However she feels that the idea of the interaction is important, not just having a piece of paper. Vera suggested that only the longer reports might be written and passed out to the members attending the meeting. It was suggested that all the Board Members and Committee Chair people should stand to present their reports while standing to allow all the members present at the meeting to better hear the reports and to put a "name to a face". Discussion was tabled because of time constraints

A motion was finally made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 p.m.



#### Sharing is caring

I learned another thing at training tonight. Because I feel it is important to share information I am going to tell my story.

My oldest Siberian Husky was drinking a lot of water. It was warm and that was not extremely unusual. We signed up for the CGC test. We had been together for all of her nine years. When she growled at the gentleman who was conducting the test, I was in shock. It was so out of character that I took her to the vet and we started some testing.

After many tests we discovered she has Diabetes Insipitus. It is rare and humans can also have this condition. Thank goodness for a special vet, Dr. Barnes, and the Internet I learned how to help her. I have a huge book on Diabetes and there is no mention of this form. It is not sugar related. As this condition advanced she would consume gallons of water and conversely eliminate gallons. She seems stressed and almost panic if she could not control either. When we finally diagnosed the condition we were lucky to have the first treatment help her.

We went to the wellness clinic. Deciding on giving her the three-year vs. the one-year shot was stressful for me. The thought that she might not be with this family for several more years was a heart twister. As long as we were there I thought we would go into the ring ready class that we both loved. She was stressed trying to please me in the class. I could see her try but the body just could not react the way it used to. By the time she got home she could not stop drinking. It is three in the morning and this is the second time tonight she woke us up to go out.

What I learned last night is that training can be stressful. It caused my girl to go home and drink. I will be leaving her home since I now realize it is too stressful for her. Frankly having been on the board of this club for the last eight years could cause to go home and drink. But that is another story. I will become a ten-year member this year because I came here with Nikon as a puppy. Getting to know some really wonderful people in this organization has been a joy. May we continue to share our experiences with each other to help us grow in the knowledge of our dogs.

One side note: <a href="https://www.dogster.com">www.dogster.com</a> has been my latest find. It is fun and you can look up how Nikon, Polaroid or Kodak are doing and corral us on your own page. Enjoy!

# AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN PROGRAM: ENTRY FORM ONE DOG PER ENTRY FORM - PLEASE PRINT

Completed forms must be received no later than 5-10-04 to reserve your spot. A completed form is one that is entirely filled out, including AKC/ILP number and includes a (non-refundable) check for \$10 made payable to Fox Valley Dog Training Club. Mail completed form to: Barb Misch, 528 McKinley Street, Batavia, IL 60510.

6:00

8:00

TEST DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 13th, 2004 PREFERRED TEST TIME (circle one):

Dog's Breed:\_\_\_\_

The Evaluators for this should not have an esparticipants be a men Obedience. Please ind	stablished rela nber, have que	tionship with est trained w	n its evalua ith us 5 tim	tor. FVDTC a	sks that all
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Does your dog have a	n AKC or ILP I	Number?	YES	NO	
Write your dog's AKC If you answered "YES" abov  Owner's Name: () Mr.  First	ve, this number m	nust be filled in			
Parent/Guardian Nan	ne <u>if under 18</u>	:			
() Mr. () Mrs. () M	[s				
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Complete Address:					
Street	City	State	:	Zip	
Phone w/ Area Code:			E-mail:_		
Dog's Name:					
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Dog's <u>Call Name</u> :			Dog's Age:		

#### This page is yours to keep, and to help you prepare for the test!

#### **AKC Canine Good Citizen Test Items:**

- 1. Accepting a friendly stranger: Evaluator greets Handler
- 2. Sitting politely for petting: Evaluator pets dog, dog must show no signs of shyness or resentment
- 3. Appearance & grooming: Evaluator inspects dog, combs or brushes lightly, examines ears and each front foot
- 4. Out for a walk: Handler takes dog for a short walk including right turn, left turn, about turn and stop
- 5. Walking through a crowd: dog and Handler walk close to several people; dog may show casual interest but not jump up
- 6. Sit & down on command/Staying in place: Handler shows dog can do a sit and a down, then chooses either position, leaves dog and goes to the end of a 20 ft. line and returns immediately
- 7. Coming when called: with dog still on 20 ft. line, handler walks out 10 ft. and calls the dog.
- 8. Reaction to another dog: two handlers and dogs approach, shake hands, exchange pleasantries, move on; dogs can show casual interest to either the Handler or the other dog
- 9. Reaction to distractions: distractions are presented; dog may not panic or show aggression
- 10. Supervised Separation: Handler goes out of sight for 3 minutes. Dog is held on 6ft. lead by Evaluator's assistant.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

<u>Acceptable Collars</u> for the test: leather buckle, nylon buckle, slip chain, or martingale <u>Unacceptable Collars</u> for the test: pinch/prong, head halters, or Gentle Leader

<u>Acceptable Leads:</u> leather or nylon, up to 6 feet Unacceptable Leads: flexi-lead, chain, or any line in excess of 6 feet

You may wish to bring your own dog's brush to the evaluation for item 3. You are also allowed to lift your dogs paws for the evaluator in item 3.

Food is not allowed during the examination.

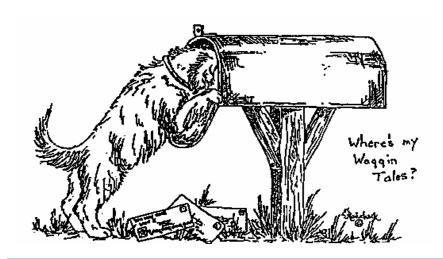
No dog ever "fails" this test, however some items may require further training. A dog that shows signs of aggression may be dismissed at the Evaluator's discretion.

For further information about the Canine Good Citizen Test, visit www.AKC.org. Please show up 10-15 minutes prior to your testing time, as the test will begin promptly. You must be ready to go at your indicated time! If for some reason you find you are unable to attend your confirmed test time, please contact Barb Misch at 630-761-0823 as early as possible. It is very likely that others would like to take your place.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF OUR PARTICIPANTS!

#### Fox Valley Dog Training Club

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Apr	il 2004		May	2004	
7	Wednesday	Board Meeting	5	Wednesday	Membership Meeting
8	Thursday	Regular Training Wellness Clinic	6	Thursday	Regular Training
11	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline	9	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
15	Thursday	Correction Clinic	11	Tuesday	Aggression Clinic
22	Thursday	Regular Training	13	Thursday	Correction Clinic CGC Test
29	Thursday	Regular Training	18	Tuesday	Regular Training
			25	Tuesday	Regular Training End of Session 2