



# WAGGIN' TALES

**It will be here before you know it...**

**That's right, the Fox Valley Dog Training Club Fall Obedience Trial will be here before you know it...and with it the Fall Raffle.**

**It's that time of year again, and the Raffle Committee is collecting items for the Obedience Trail Raffle! We will gladly accept any new (clean, free of chew marks) item you chose to share. And don't be shy about veering away from specifically dog-related items. Gift cards to area stores (like Panera and Meijer) are always well received! Home decorations are good too...use your imagination! If you like it, chances are someone else will too!**

**Please bring your donations to the club on any training night, and place them in the box by the front table. And, don't forget to sign in when you do so we know from where the generosity came!**

**Thanks!**

**Barb & Francene**

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## WANTED

**We need help at all the Correction Matches. Please check the bulletin board and sign up to help steward or judge at the Correction Matches. If you have any questions please contact Ingrid Hamburger through the FVDTC website under Tracking Test Chair.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**Board Meeting Highlights**  
**June 5, 2009**

Meeting brought to order at 7:50 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). Due to the lack of a quorum, the April Meeting minutes could not be approved as published.

Ed Herdes (First Vice-President) reported that it appears that three ring gates are missing from our equipment.

Dana Weller (Treasurer) distributed the Financial Report reflecting activity through May 31, 2009. Dana stated that she has sent all the necessary information to Ingrid Weihe to prepare the club's taxes.

Joan Mazat (Director of Training) reported that classes are all full and are going well. Joan expressed her concern of the lack of volunteers that are necessary to keep the club running. She asked anyone who had inspirational ideas about how to encourage club members to volunteer more. Terri stated that a number of responses from the recent survey of club members indicated that more personal contact is desired.

Terri also stated that, due to Donna Dobson's upcoming knee surgery, Marian Lazzara will be substituting as the Conformation instructor.

Barb Runkle (Public Education Coordinator) Barb was not in attendance, but asked via e-mail whether the Kane County Fairgrounds would be available the week of September 17<sup>th</sup> even though there is no training due to the St. Peter's Barn Sale. She was considering hosting an open house event for AKC's Responsible Dog Ownership Week. She would contact some other clubs such as the Chicagoland Shetland Sheepdog Club and Rover Rescue to see if they would like to be there. In the event that the fairgrounds is unavailable, she will plan the events for another training night. Barb also requested that anyone with other ideas can contact her. Terri Byerly stated that she will let Barb know that the fairgrounds is unavailable to the training club that night.

Nancy Einwich (Obedience Trial Chairperson) stated that although the online event webpages shows that AKC has approved the 2009 Obedience and Rally trials. She stated that she will contact AKC to request written confirmation. She stated that she will have a trial committee meeting in the near future.

She reported that the trophies will be a little different for this year's trial than in the past. She stated that the placement awards for all the "B" classes will probably be cash. The awards for the "A" classes will probably be cash and possibly some type of award. Nancy stated that she will ask Denise to create a sign for the club's bulletin hanging at training and to contact Peggy Sue to get the information about last year's trophy donators. Nancy said that she will continue the tradition of giving each Novice A competitor a thank-you gift.

Nancy also stated that the Booth and Kitchen Committee Chairs remain vacant. It was suggested that we contact 4-H to see whether they would be interested in acting as the 'caterer' for the trial. Terri stated that she will contact the Extension Center regarding that idea. Joan suggested that any organization asked be able to keep any profit earned.

Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Co-Chairperson) was unable to attend the meeting, due to teaching a class. However, she reported that she received the timers back from Signature Gear following the software upgrade and will contact Ingrid Hamburger to return them to her for storage with the rest of the timer equipment.

Terri Byerly reported that she will forward to Vera Nyberg a communication from AKC regarding online entries for Agility trials that she recently received.

**Old Business**

*None*

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### **New Business**

Carolyn Pearson reported that Colleen Kent will conduct another CGC/TDI Test at the August Correction Clinic as a way of training another club member how the tests are run.

Terri Byerly reported that Francene Andresen has resigned as the Waggin' Tales Editor, effective after the June issue is published.

Carolyn Pearson received approval to complete the online survey she received from an east coast obedience club.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.



### **MORE ABOUT RAFFLES!!!!**

**The FVDTC Tracking Test Committee is raffling a NEW, never used Booster Bath. All proceeds are going to help support the Tracking Test.**

**As you may or may not know, our Tracking Test is one of the few trials held here in Illinois. It is a very labor intensive trial to produce. Only 8 tracks are laid, and only one handler/dog team can run each track. Judges are hard to come by sometimes creating further expense.**

**The opportunity to win this Booster Bath (valued at \$180) for just \$5.00 a ticket is open to everyone! Tickets will be sold at FVDTC training nights, correction clinics, and other FVDTC events through September 6, 2009. On September 6, 2009 three names will be drawn; winner, 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up, and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up. The winner and runners up will be notified via phone call and do not need to be present to win. The prize winner will have until October 15, 2009 to collect their prize. The Booster Bath is available to view any training night if you make arrangements with Cheryl Hettinger, 630-557-9310 or [dinner@FVDTC.org](mailto:dinner@FVDTC.org). Information and pictures will also be available for viewing, and you can also check out [www.boosterbath.com](http://www.boosterbath.com) for the bath description.**

**If you would like to participate in our drawing stop by the front table for a ticket or two. You can purchase as many tickets as you like in hopes of winning this great prize! Please support your Tracking Test...and a cleaner dog, too!**

**Friends,**

**There has been a disturbing trend regarding the handicapped signs on the west side of the training building. The signs are being turned to face away from the building and vehicles without handicap stickers or tags are parking in those spots.**

**We've monitored the moving of the signs to see if it is coincidence or accident and unfortunately it's been no accident.**

**Please be mindful that we have multiple wheelchair bound members and students who need those spots.**

**Also if you do have handicap tags on your car, please be sure they are not expired!**

**Thank you for your understanding.**



### **EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR INFORMATION**

**Ian Dunbar will be giving a 3 day seminar in July (10, 11, 12) in Lisle, IL. Here is the link with all of the information. Thanks**

**[www.jamesandkenneth.com/store/show/ECH-001](http://www.jamesandkenneth.com/store/show/ECH-001)**



### **How to De-Skunk Your Dog**

**Mix together the following ingredients:**

**1 quart (32 oz.) 3% Hydrogen Peroxide**

**1/4 cup Baking Soda**

**1 teaspoon Liquid Dish Soap**

**For easy application, pour the solution into a bottle that has some sort of nozzle – like an old dish soap bottle. The solution will be slightly foamy. Pour solution all over the dog and thoroughly scrub into the coat. Apply the solution liberally because it does not keep well, if stored in a capped bottle. The gases that are created by the baking soda mixing with the peroxide can pop the lid of certain bottles.**

**Let it stand on the coat for at least 5 minutes. After that, rinse the dog thoroughly with clean water.**

**Be careful to avoid getting the solution in the eyes, because it will sting and be uncomfortable. HOWEVER, since a lot of times it seems that the dogs are facing the skunk when sprayed, if you do not get the solution in every area the dog was sprayed, you will get residual aroma. If you are careful, you can dip an old toothbrush in the solution and CAREFULLY brush the solution in the hair around the eyes. Be very gentle when doing that so you do not cause any 'splashing' of the solution in the eyes.**

**If your dog has up-ears, use a cotton ball to apply the solution to the ear. Again, being careful to avoid letting the solution drip into the ear canal.**

**At 3% strength (ordinary drugstore variety), the peroxide will not affect coat color - no bleaching effect at all.**

**PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE**

**REGULAR TRAINING: \$90.00**

**REGULAR NON-TRAINING: \$45.00**

**LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING: \$45.00\*\***

**LIFETIME OR BOARD NON-TRAINING: FREE**

INSTRUCTORS: Earn 1/4 Credit Towards Dues Per Quarter Or Class Taught (Max 4)  
Your Teaching Status Must Be Confirmed By The Director Of Training

\*\*If you are planning to apply for an award at next year's banquet, be sure that you select a Training membership.\*\*

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_ \*

***\*In accordance with our By-laws,  
a \$5.00 re-instatement fee will be charged  
for dues not received by 7-10-09***

Please mail this application with your dues to the address below.

Make checks payable to:

**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**

(630) 584-1002	MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON Sue MacPherson 4N791 Chaffield Dr St. Charles, IL 60175	membership@fvdtc.org
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**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

**THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JUNE 1, 2009**

**DUES FOR THE 2009-2010 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 2009.**

Your name will be omitted from the 2008-2009 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the July issue unless your check and this completed form are received by 7-10-09

**Please take a moment to complete and return this entire form, even if you do not owe any dues. This allows us to make our roster as accurate as possible.**

Please print the information below as you would like it to appear in the roster, e.g.: John & Mary Jones.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

You must include your e-mail address if you select the "Via e-mail" method to receive the newsletter.

Breed(s) of dog(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Training areas of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check your preference for receiving the Waggin' Tales newsletter.

Mailed to my house \_\_\_\_\_ Via e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Do not want to get at all \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer for the Grievance Committee?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

FVDTC continues to believe that all club members have a commitment to sportsmanship, community and canine welfare. All individuals living in your household, who are to be considered voting club members, should read the following. Please sign on the line below stating that you have read this statement.

**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.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT by SUE MACPHERSON

THE NEW MEMBER LIST BELOW WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2009

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Completed beginners class  
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West Chicago, IL 60185  
630-802-4836  
Great Dane  
Completed Beginners class  
e-mail: [garyjoni@comcast.net](mailto:garyjoni@comcast.net)

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283 Shires Ln.  
St. Charles, IL 60174  
630-377-7311  
Springer Spaniel  
Completed Beginners class  
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630-978-0873  
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Labrador Retriever  
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Completed Beginners class  
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## BRAGS AND WAGS

On Sunday, May 17th, Fischer and I competed in DockDogs at The Greatest American Mutt Show in Berwyn, IL.

Fischer took First place in the Junior Division-Big Air, in both waves we were entered in with jumps of 14 ft. 1 inch and 14 ft 9 inches.

He also took First place in the finals with a jump of 14 ft. 4 inches.

He loves Dock Diving, as it's two of his favorite things to do, swim and retrieve!!

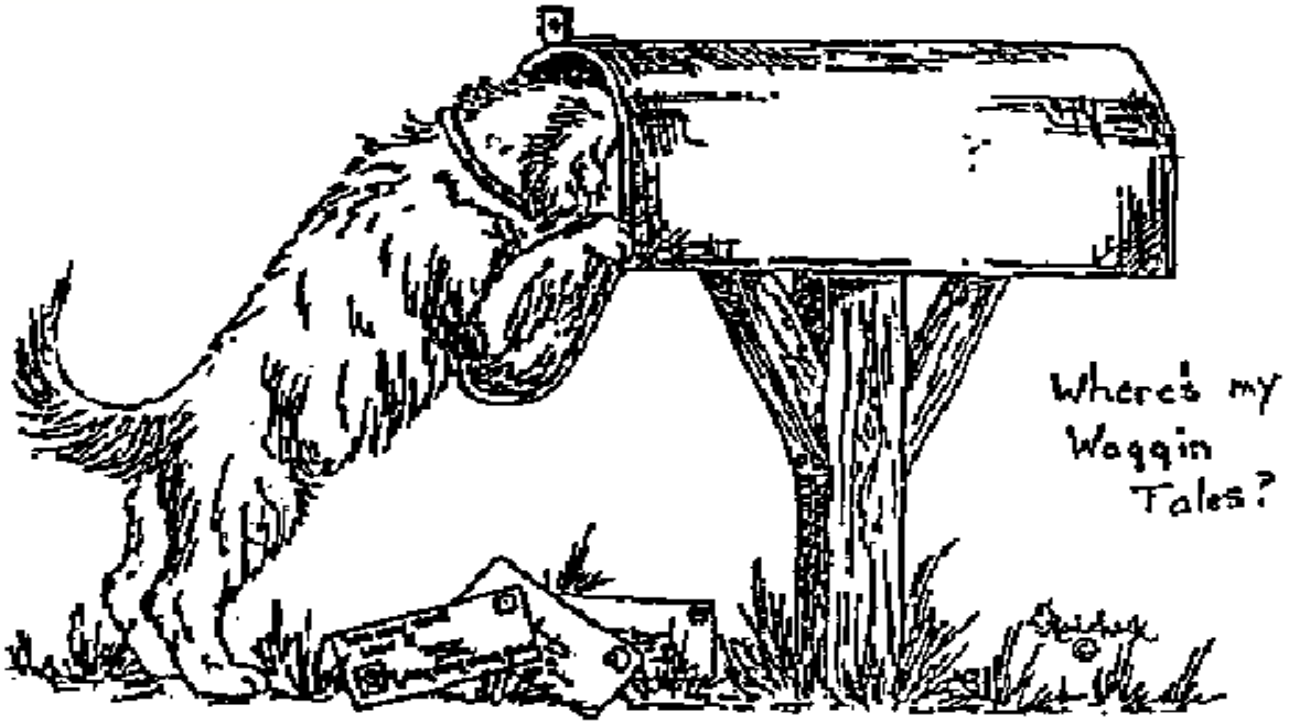
Jill Ramsey

Congratulations, Jill and Fischer from all of us at FVDTTC. Way to go!!!!



Rainy Days Walleve Fischerman CGC, RE

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| JUNE |           |                                                                |
|------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4    | Thursday  | Regular Training<br>Start Session 3-Puppy<br>(7:00) & Beginner |
| 5    | Friday    | Board Meeting                                                  |
| 7    | Sunday    | Waggin' Tales Deadline                                         |
| 11   | Thursday  | Regular Training                                               |
| 18   | Thursday  | AKC SANCTIONED<br>MATCH                                        |
| 24   | Wednesday | 4-H Classes End                                                |
| 25   | Thursday  | Regular Training                                               |

| JULY |          |                                            |
|------|----------|--------------------------------------------|
| 2    | Thursday | Regular Training<br>End Puppy (8:00)       |
| 3    | Friday   | Board Meeting                              |
| 5    | Sunday   | Waggin' Tales Deadline                     |
| 7    | Tuesday  | Regular Training<br>Start Puppy (8:00)     |
| 16   | Thursday | NO Training/NO Classes<br>KANE COUNTY FAIR |
| 23   | Thursday | Regular Training                           |
| 30   | Thursday | Regular Training                           |