

FVDTC

WAGGIN' TALES

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A Note From the President

Hello All,

We are going to have a virtual Zoom Membership Meeting on Wednesday, September 9th at 7:30. But in order to be part of this virtual meeting you must pre-register online on the FVDTC website. It's very easy to sign up, just a few questions and you are all set. Once you have signed up, instructions and credentials will be emailed to you a few days prior to the meeting. If you have never participated in a Zoom meeting before, there will be a "test-your-connection" meeting on Tuesday, September 8th. I hope you can take part in this virtual Zoom Membership Meeting, it will be good to see everyone and it's also a great way to earn a work credit.

Speaking of Work Credits, if you did not see my note last month, the FVDTC Board has made some changes to our Work Credits this year because of our closure due to COVID-19. Everyone will get a 50 percent reduce in their dues renewal for the year 2021; no Work Credits will be required. Also, you need only 5 Work Credits to be eligible for a New Title or Volunteer Award for 2021.

FVDTC will be hosting our annual Fall Agility Trial on September 11-13th, at Car-Dun-AI DTC in Huntley. These trials will be taking place with lots of COVID-related guidelines. So, please make sure to read though them before volunteering or showing at these trials. Thank you Cathy Fleury for organizing this event!

We will also be hosting our annual Fall Tracking Trials on September 6th at Burnidge Forest Preserve in Elgin. Please contact Ingrid Hamburger or Kent Hildebrand for more information. Thank you both for organizing this trial!

I would really like to thank everyone for following all our new COVID safety guidelines while at training each week. I know training and classes have been very different from what we are normally used to, but these new guidelines are very important for us to be able to keep everyone as safe as possible from this virus. It's also important to follow these guidelines to ensure we can remain open and offer our classes and training spots. Please make sure to wear your mask at all times and, most importantly, make sure your mask covers your nose and mouth completely. It's also important to maintain at least a 6-foot social distancing from each other. I know this part is difficult as everyone wants to see their friends and socialize. But right now, we have to be vigilant and follow the FVDTC re-opening guidelines. Please review our guidelines so you are aware of everything that is required to return to training and classes.

I would like to finish by saying thank you to all our Instructors & Assistant Instructors who have been able to return and instruct our classes again. You are all the backbone of our club and an extremely important part of our club's mission. Thank you, I greatly appreciate all that you do for the club!

Thanks all, Wendy Waddick

Membership Meeting Wednesday September 9

We're back in business! ... kind of. The board of directors has been regularly meeting via Zoom during our shutdown. Now, we're ready to include the entire club. There will be an online membership meeting on Wednesday, September 9 at 7:30pm.

To participate in this meeting, you will need to sign up ahead of time. Instructions and credentials will be emailed to you a couple days prior to the meeting. In addition, for those of you who have never Zoomed before, we will set up a "test-your-connection" meeting on Tuesday, September 8.

Sign up on the club web site:
<https://www.fvdtc.org>

Membership Report

Laura & Jason Lager
Geneva, IL
Terrier mix
Completed puppy class

Jeanine Sweeney
St. Charles, IL
Golden Retriever
Guest trained 8 times

FVDTC Fall Agility Trial

Fox Valley Dog Training is proud to host the 2020 Fall Agility Trial

September 11 - 13

CarDunAI Obedience Training Club
10783 Wolf Drive
Huntley, IL 60142

The premium list and Covid guidelines are available on the club web site

See Cathy Fleury if you have questions.

Calendar

September 2020

03	Thu	Modified Regular Training Puppy Begins (7:00pm) Advanced Puppy Begins (6:00pm) Beginner Begins (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
05	Sat	Tracking Test Setup
06	Sun	Tracking Test
09	Wed	Membership Meeting
10	Thu	Modified Regular Training Fall Agility Trial Setup
11	Fri	Fall Agility Trial
12	Sat	Fall Agility Trial
13	Sun	Fall Agility Trial
17	Thu	Modified Regular Training
24	Thu	Modified Regular Training Puppy Ends (8:00pm)

October 2020

01	Thu	Modified Regular Training Puppy Begins (8:00pm)
06	Tue	Modified Regular Training
14	Wed	Board Meeting
15	Thu	Modified Regular Training
22	Thu	Modified Regular Training Puppy Ends (7:00pm) Advanced Puppy Ends (6:00pm) Beginner Ends (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
29	Thu	Modified Regular Training

What's Going On With the Annual Dinner?

Short answer: We don't know, but we will (soon).

FVDTC's annual dinner is a celebration of our year, where we can enjoy each other's company over a good meal and recognize our accomplishments from the previous year. Unfortunately, due to social distancing requirements and our desire to keep our members healthy and safe, we had to indefinitely postpone the dinner from our original date. We have decided that the dinner will either have a definite date, or will be canceled for 2020. That decision will be made by September 1, and will be announced to the membership soon afterwards.

Coming Soon

Fall is our usual time for trials and tests. We need to change the way we do things this year, but we're still getting together. Premiums are online now for Agility (September 11-13) and Tracking (September 6). Work credit requirements for this year are reduced, and these are good ways to meet your requirements. Stay tuned to your email, Waggin' Tales, and the FVDTC web site for details.

Help Wanted – Agility Weekend

Agility sign up is available for the weekend of 9/11, 12 and 13 in Huntley, IL - please see the below links and go to the COVID rules referenced in the introductory paragraph on each sign up page.

Friday..... <https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/jdyca>

Saturday..... <https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/ltobc>

Sunday..... <https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/oxnxs>

We are keeping worker spots to a minimum to keep exposure as low as possible.

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