

A Note From the President

Hello All,

As I write this, cases and positivity rates for COVID-19 are spiking in Kane County. Due to these increases, the governor has implemented further restrictions for Kane County, limiting gatherings to 25 people, which will affect FVDTC. Kane County Health Department confirmed that this 25-person limit applies to us and it includes our whole facility; meaning we can only have 25 people at our site, including inside our building, outside our building and any adjacent rooms such as the kitchen area. These new restrictions will be in place for at least the next 2 weeks. If the positivity rates and the number of positive cases goes down to acceptable numbers, the govenor will lift these new restrictions and we will go back to the 50-person limit we have been dealing with since we reopened this past Summer. However, if the positivity rates and positive cases continue to spike, then we will stay at the new restrictions levels, or even move to tighter restrictions. Unfortunately in spite of the tighter restrictions, the metrics are increasing in Kane County and Illinois as a whole.

I know everyone has questions about how these new restrictions are going to affect our upcoming Fall Obedience/Rally Trials and our November Fun Match. I wish I could give everyone answers to these questions right now, but – unfortunately – we don't have all the details yet. We do know for sure that we will not be able to hold our trials under the current under-25 restrictions. The two-week period for these new restrictions ends on November 6th (one week before our Trials) and the governor will announce at that time whether he will loosen restrictions, increase restrictions to 10 people or fewer, or whether we will stay under the current 25 or fewer restrictions. The Board had previously decided to wait until November 6th to see if we can still hold our trials. The Fairgrounds has stated that we have one week prior to our trial to decide if we will be holding our trials and not lose our rental deposit for that weekend.

We have worked out a way to keep our classes and training going under the 25 person limits. All paid classes remain almost the same, with the same eight-student limit. To accommodate the paid classes, we had to suspend offering all practice training spots between 7:00 and 8:00 pm. Additionally, Terri opted to take a break from teaching the 7:00 pm Advanced Beginners class for the time being. We will stay maintain this training schedule until we are able to go back to the 50-person limits. If we are placed under tighter restrictions of 10 or less, we will have no choice but to temporarily close FVDTC again.

It took a lot of work this past week to work out a plan to stay at the current 25-person limit in the building and still be able to stay open. I would really like to thank Carolyn Pearson, David Lewis and Will Short. The four of us worked very hard to make sure we could keep classes and practice spots open. It was not an easy task but we were able to make it work. Thank you all for your hard work!

I'm sorry I don't have more details right now. For now, please keep checking the website, and your email for email blasts for further updates. We have all been going through difficult and ever changing dynamics these last months. I appreciate your patience and understanding as we try to work out all the details. We want to be able to offer classes, training and all our other events. But we need to make sure we do so in a safe environment while also adhering to our governor's orders and the requirements of the Kane County Health Department.

Stay tuned.

FVDTC Virtual Membership Meeting

NOVEMBER 11th, 2020 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

As we did for our last Zoom meeting, everyone will need to pre-register in order to attend this meeting. Sign up, and more information will be available on the FVDTC website.

Attending a membership meeting counts as 1 work credit, up to a total of 3 work credits per year for attending 3 membership meetings.

Thank You!!

I would like to give a big thank you to all the many members, and non members who came out and helped clean our mats recently. Mat cleaning is hard, physical work! It had been 2 years since they were last cleaned. But many hands made for a quicker and easier job. Thank you thank you for all who helped, we greatly appreciated all your hard work!! We now have very clean mats, hopefully, for our trail.

Bob Boeke Katie Boeke (Bob's daughter) Chuck Boeke (Bob's son) Grace Boeke (Chuck's daughter) Chris Weller Declan Weller (Chris' son) Jackie Coleman Joan Lester Wendy Mosier
Fred Mosier (Wendy's hubby)
Sam Mosier (Wendy's son)
Ed Herdes (our process consultant)
Cheryl Hettinger (also made sure that we were fed and hydrated)
Carolyn Pearson

...thank you to non-members Chuck Boeke and Sam Mosier who hauled the wet (but clean) mats into the building for drying. That is the hardest job of the event and without them, everyone would have been there for more than the 5 hours that all were there!

Calendar

November 2020

Thu Modified Regular Training
Wed Membership Meeting
Thu Fun Match
Fri Obedience/Rally Trial Setup
Sat Obedience/Rally Trials
Sun Obedience/Rally Trials
Thu Modified Regular Training
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Puppy Ends (8:00pm)

December 2020		
02	Wed	Board Meeting
03	Thu	Modified Regular Training
		Puppy Begins (8:00pm)
10	Thu	Modified Regular Training
17	Thu	Modified Regular Training
22	Tue	Modified Regular Training
		Puppy Ends (7:00pm)
		Adv. Puppy Ends (6:00pm)
		Beginner Ends (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
29	Tue	No Training
		Christmas Party (Tentative)

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November Fun Match

FVDTC's long-awaited Fun Matches are returning! Our last match of the year will be on

Thursday, November 12 at 7:00pm

Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, this match will be limited to current FVDTC members. Sign up using the 2020 Fun Match Form (available the club web site, https://www.fvdtc.org)

Need some work credits? Volunteer to steward at the Fun Match. Stewards must arrive by 6:00pm and take their run-throughs between 6:30 and 6:50. Volunteer online, or see Barb Misch for more stewarding details.

See Pat Senne if you have Fun Match questions.

All participants and workers must comply with current COVID safety measures, including masks and social distancing.

FVDTC OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIALS

November 14th & 15th

Make your plans to attend!!!!

RALLY: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Excellent, and Masters

RAE, RACH

OBEDIENCE: Regular and Preferred Classes

LOVELY RED BLACK AND WHITE ROSETTE FOR EACH TITLE EARNED.

Doors Open at 8:00am

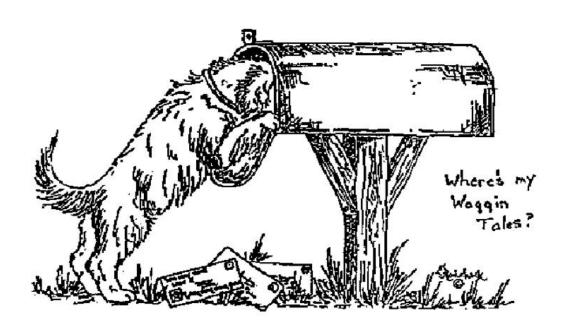
Get your premium list, and the Covid Guidelines on the club web site (https://www.fvdtc.org)

Contact Trial Chair Taffy Wille if you have questions

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