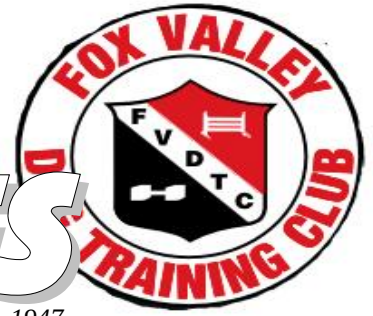


FVDTC

WAGGIN' TALES

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A Note From the President

Hello All,

I don't have a lot to write about this month, especially since FVDTC has had to close due to gathering limits. I wish I could tell everyone when we will be able to reopen, unfortunately we just don't know when we will be able to have larger gatherings yet.

It's renewal time! Please look for the 2021 renewal application in this newsletter and on the FVDTC website. All FVDTC members qualify for a 50 percent reduction of their 2021 dues, even if they don't have the usual 3 work credits that are normally required. And, since we don't know when we will be able to reopen for classes and training, everyone has the option to sign up as a Non-Training Member and pay only \$45. However, once we do reopen and you return to training, you will be required to pay the balance of your membership dues on the first night that you return. We will have a drop box at training so you can drop off your check then. Or, you can choose to pay in full, as a Full Training Member, when you send in your renewal. The other option gives everyone more time to pay their dues in full. Please send in your completed renewal form and dues payment to Sue MacPherson ASAP, the final due date for renewing your 2021 membership is the end of January 2021.

Another important note, please plan to attend the January Membership meeting. This will be a virtual meeting via Zoom. We will be voting on the 2021 Board of Directors at this meeting. Check the FVDTC web site and your email for details. Once again, you will need to pre-register for this meeting, a link will then be emailed to you with the Zoom link to join the meeting.

I would like to thank this year's Nominating Committee which consists of; Carolyn Pearson, Candy Ellis and Sandi Stephenson. Thank you all for taking on this important task.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year's; wishing everyone a safe and healthy 2021,

Wendy

Virtual Annual Meeting

The club's 2021 Annual Meeting will be held on January 20, 2021 at 7:30pm. We will once again be meeting via Zoom, so make sure you sign up on the club web site: <https://www.fvdtc.org>. This is the important one – we're voting for the 2021 Board of Directors.

Board Nominations 2021

Elections for the 2021 Board of Directors will held at the online Annual Meeting on January 20. The following people have been nominated by the nominating committee. Nominations from the floor will, of course, also be accepted. FVDTC has no provision for absentee or proxy voting, so be sure and sign up for the meeting and attend via Zoom.

President	Wendy Waddick	Obedience Trial Chair	Taffy Wille
1st Vice President	Bob Boeke	Membership Chair	Sue MacPherson
2nd Vice President	Carla Tisoris	Public Education Coord.	Gina Post
Secretary	Carolyn Pearson	Tracking Test Chair	Ingrid Hamburger
Treasurer	Phil Nuger	Agility Trial Chair	Cathy Fleury
Director of Training	Will Short	Director At Large	David Lewis

Calendar

The 2021 calendar is very tentative at this time because of the Covid-19 crisis. Watch the club web site (www.fvdtc.org) and your email for ongoing updates.

January 2021

20 Wed Annual Meeting

February 2021

TBD



Fox Valley Dog Training Club

MEMBER RENEWAL



THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JANUARY 1, 2021
 DUES FOR THE 2021 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY **JANUARY 31, 2021**

Your name will be omitted from the 2021 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the February issue, IF your check, this completed form, and your "Personal Record of FVDTC Work Credits" are not received by 1-31-2021.

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

You must include your e-mail address if you select the "electronically" 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 Electronically Don't want to get it at all

Would you like to volunteer for the Grievance Committee, if one is convened?

Yes No Name: _____

Yes No Name: _____

As an organization supported strictly by volunteers, we count on you to volunteer at club sponsored events. If you know what activities you would like to volunteer, please list them here. Not sure? Check out the General Policy information on the Members page on our Web site for activities, committees and events.

As a FVDTC club member, I hereby give permission to FVDTC to use my name and photographic likeness in all forms and media for advertising, trade, and any other lawful purposes.

Signature _____

Signature _____

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 _____

Due to COVID-19 and the reduced club calendar, the 3-work credit requirement has been waived for 2021. All members are eligible for the 50% work credit discount. In addition, since we do not know when we will be able to resume active training, members have the option to renew as a "non-training member." However, when training resumes, you will need to pay the remaining balance to be a "training member" and become awards-eligible.

PLEASE SELECT YOUR MEMBERSHIP TYPE

	Pay...
_____ REGULAR TRAINING*:	\$90.00^
_____ REGULAR NON-TRAINING:	\$45.00^^
_____ LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING*:	\$45.00^^
_____ LIFETIME OR BOARD NON-TRAINING:	\$00.00

PRIMARY INSTRUCTORS: Reduce Membership Dues by 25% for each Quarter or Session Taught (Max of 4)
Your Teaching Status will be confirmed by the Director of Training.

Sessions Taught	Amount Owed When Dues are...	
	\$90.00^	\$45.00^^
1	\$67.50	\$33.75
2	\$45.00	\$22.50
3	\$22.50	\$11.25
4	\$00.00	\$00.00

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ *******

****In accordance with our By-laws, a \$10.00 re-instatement fee will be charged for dues not received by 01-31-2021*

Please mail this application and your work credits form with your dues, and to the address below. Make checks payable to **FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**.

(630) 584-1002	MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON Sue MacPherson 4N791 Chaffield Drive St. Charles, IL 60175	membership@fvdtc.org
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Did You Know?

The AKC offers online and email newsletters, including training, health and breed-specific "Pupdates". See the AKC web site at <http://www.akc.org/subscribe>

New Rules for Flying

The Department of Transportation has changed the rules for flying with your pet. Flying with a service animal is generally free, but the DOT changed the definition of a "service animal" to a "a dog ... that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability." Certification is required, and documents must be provided to the airline. Alaska Airlines and American airlines have changed their policies to match the new rules.

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