

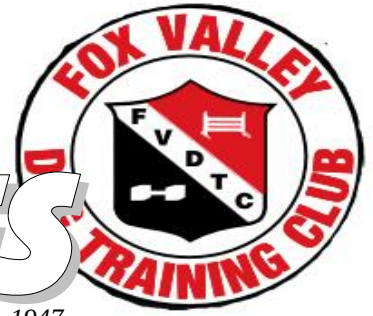
# FVDTC

# WAGGIN' TALES

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## A Note From the President

Hello All,

Happy Fall! Fall means things at FVDTC are busy with Trials and other events. We started getting ready for all the upcoming events by cleaning our mats. This is a really big job that takes a big team effort to accomplish. I would like to thank Bob Boeke and Carolyn Pearson for organizing this. I want to thank each person that helped clean the mats. The mats look great! A big thank you to Colette Ansley-Treonis, Bob Casey, Jackie Coleman, Candy Ellis, Ed Herdes, Cheryl Hettinger, Laura Lagger, Jason Lagger, Joshua Lewis and Chris Weller, who came out and did the hard work of cleaning the mats. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!!

Our first fall event, the annual Fall Tracking Test. I heard everything went well at this event, despite a big hiccup. The primary tracks for the half-tracks were mowed right before the tests. Fortunately, the judges found a new spot for these tracks. Kent, our Trial Secretary had this to say, "FVDTC people and the tracking community all did an awesome job". Speaking of doing an awesome job, Kent did an outstanding job organizing and running this event. I heard nothing but praise for all Kent's hard work and efforts. Thank you, Kent, for everything you did to make our Tracking Tests a well-run and successful event! I would also like to thank all the FVDTC volunteers who came out to help: Joyce Conway, Ingrid Hamburger, Cheryl Hettinger, Leighanne Lacy, Barb Misch and Barb Runkle. I know there were others that helped such as Kent's wife, Vivienne, but I don't have a full list of everyone. A huge thank you to everyone that helped! In spite of the hiccup, the new site that looks like it will work well for the future Tracking Tests.

Our Fall Agility Trials were also held in September. A big thank you to Cathy Fleury for organizing and running this event. Thanks, also, to Taffy Willie for helping. It takes a lot of hard work to organize and run our Agility Trials. I can't thank these ladies enough for all they do for this event. Thank you to everyone else that came out and worked at this event, too! We

appreciate all your hard work.

Another big thank you to our Awards Committee: Sally Boeke, Sue MacPherson and Jennifer Cornele. They each worked hard to collect all the Awards Forms, contact the vendors and ensure that everyone received the Awards they applied for. It's a ton of work! Thank you so much for all you did to make our Awards so special for all. The Awards were handed out this week during regular training. If you weren't able to come to pick up your Awards, please contact the Awards Committee to make alternate arrangements. I know it wasn't as special or exciting to receive your Awards like this but hopefully things will be different next year. Congratulations to everyone that received a New Title or a Volunteer Award!

Out last Trials of the year are set for November 20th & 21st. Trial Chair Taffy Wille is hard at work organizing our Fall Obedience/Rally Trials. She is looking for members who are not showing to volunteer as Table Stewards, Stewards and to fill other jobs that are needed. This is a big event that requires a lot of helpers. This is also one of the last ways to earn your work credits for the year. If you can help out your club, please contact Taffy Wille to volunteer.

Don't forget, we are also holding **two** health clinics at the club. The first is an OFA Eye Clinic on October 7th. This is your last chance to sign up. This is a great opportunity to get your dog's eye examined at a greatly reduced price. Your dog needs yearly eye exams, just like you do. See the flyer in this newsletter for more details. We are also holding a Heart Clinic in conjunction with our Fall Obedience/Rally Trials on Saturday, November 20th. This is another great opportunity, at a much reduced cost. See the flyer in this newsletter for more information and how to sign up. Nancy Lee is organizing the Heart Clinic and I am organizing the OFA Eye Clinic. Please feel free to contact us for more details on either of these clinics.

Thanks for all you do, see you at training, Wendy

## ***Heart Clinic***

Fox Valley Dog Training Club is happy to host a heart clinic in conjunction with our fall Obedience and Rally Trials. Dr. Heidi Kellihan, DVM, DACVIM – a Clinical Associate Professor of Cardiology, Board Certified Cardiologist at the University of Wisconsin-Madison – will be performing the following exams:

- AUSCULTATIONS EXAM ALONG WITH A DOPPLER ECHOCARDIOGRAM, which is an Ultrasound of your dog's heart. This exam has no expiration date for certification needs.
- AUSCULTATIONS EXAM, which is listening to your dogs heart. This exam is good for one year.

**WHEN:** In conjunction with our trial on Saturday November 20th, 2021 starting at 8:00 am

**WHERE:** At our trial site at the Kane County Fairgrounds

**COSTS:** Echocardiogram exam, which includes an auscultation exam, \$250.00 per dog.  
Auscultation exam only \$50.00 per dog.

**More Info:** NANCY LEE at [nlee483@comcast.net](mailto:nlee483@comcast.net)

**\*\* EXAMS MUST BE PRE-PAID BEFORE THE DATE OF THE TRIAL \*\***

To reserve your spot for either exam; send your pre-registration payment to Nancy Lee; please make checks made payable to Heidi Kellihan DVM, DACVIM. Please include your dog's name and breed, along with your name, address, phone and email. Nancy will set up the time schedule for the exams once the judging schedule is out, she will do her best to work around your ring times. You will need to arrive

at least 15 minutes prior to your exam time to fill out the necessary paperwork.

Send your registration information and check (payable to Heidi Kellihan DVM, DACVIM) to:  
Nancy Lee  
230 Shawnee Circle  
Bartlett, IL 60103

## ***THERAPY DOGS NEEDED***

The St Charles Library has resumed their "Reading to Rover" program. They need Therapy Dog Teams, that are up to date on their registrations, to participate in this program. The St Charles Library loves this great program, they also really appreciate having our Therapy Dog Teams attend this event. It is a very well run program.

The dates and times are:

Wednesday, December 15, 3:30-4:30 Wednesday, January 12, 3:30-4:30 Wednesday, February 15, 3:30-4:30

For more information, or to sign up, please contact Wendy Waddick at [president@fvdtc.org](mailto:president@fvdtc.org)

## ***OFA Eye Clinic***

Join FVDTC for an OFA Eye Clinic:

**Date:** Thursday, October 7th, 2021 starting at 4:30 pm until approximately 9:00pm  
**Location:** Kane County Fairgrounds  
**Performed by:** Denise M. Lindley DVM of Animal Eye Consultants  
**Cost:** \$36 per dog

**MASKS MUST BE WORN BY ALL THE ENTIRE TIME YOU ARE INSIDE DURING THE EYE CLINIC!**

You must pre-pay to reserve your spot. Send check, made payable to FVDTC, to:

Wendy Waddick  
6N275 Brierwood Dr  
Campton Hills, IL 60175

**\*\*Along with your payment; please include the preferred time you would like for your arrival; plus your dog's name and breed; along with your preferred contact information. The eye exam will be performed approximately a half hour after your arrival. You need to arrive a half hour before the exam time in order to get eye drops placed in your dog's eyes so they are dilated for the exam, and to fill out paperwork. Bring your dog's AKC registration information; if it's AKC registered; the night of exams to make filling out paperwork easier.**

Please indicate the preferred time that you would like to arrive, I will do my best to fulfill your request. Get your reservations and fees in early to get your preferred time slot! There maybe limited night of testing exams available at a cost of \$40 per dog, however, night of examination spots are not guaranteed.

**\*There will be no refunds of examination fees starting two weeks prior to the examine date.\* IMPORTANT, please include your email address and preferred telephone number so I can contact you!**

If you are bringing more then one dog, please bring a helper, if possible, to hold your extra dog/dogs while the other dog is being examined

Any questions, email Wendy Waddick at [president@fvdtc.org](mailto:president@fvdtc.org)

## ***Membership Report***

**Mike & Holly Hill**  
North Aurora  
Golden Retriever  
Beagle mix

## ***Membership Meeting Highlights September 08, 2021***

Meeting brought to order at 7:38 p.m.

**Bob Boeke (First Vice-President)** was not in attendance, but Carolyn reported that the August 28th Mat Cleaning was successful and that the mats are now ready for another trial and another year of training. She stated that she is working with both St. Charles High Schools to get on the list of organizations that offer activities that can be used by the students to accumulate service hours.

**Phil Nuger (Treasurer)** was not in attendance but reported that although he has been very busy lately, he expects to be all caught up by the end of next week. He reported that payments are all timely, but he is a little behind on deposits. Additionally, there are no updates to financial statements to report.

**Will Short (Director of Training)** asked that everyone keep an eye out for individuals who are not properly wearing a CDC approved face covering. He also reported that the next session of Beginner's, Advanced Puppy and 7:00 pm. Puppy classes start on October 28th.

**Taffy Wille (Obedience Trial Chairperson)** was not in attendance but reported that she is seeking volunteers to be table stewards for one or both days of the obedience trial. These volunteers must be able to work all day and are NOT trialing. She asked that interested individuals to contact her at training or via email at [obedience@fvdtc.org](mailto:obedience@fvdtc.org).

Pat Senne volunteered to assist Cheryl Hettinger in hanging the window coverings on Friday, November 19th. Cheryl asked that she be told what windows do not need paper coverings because of the special window coverings that Nancy Lee usually provides for the weekend of the trial.

Wendy will discuss with Taffy what food / services can be provided for judges, workers and exhibitors due to COVID restrictions.

**Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson)** read the name of one new applicant, who was published in the Waggin' Tales. Will Short made a motion to accept the list as published and read. Barb Runkle seconded the motion. The list was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining. Welcome to our newest member.

**Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson)** was not in attendance, but Cheryl Hettinger reported that Kent Hildebrand needs drivers for Saturday and Sunday. Volunteers are needed starting at 8:00 am and until approximately 4:00 or 5:00 pm.

**Gina Post (Public Education Coordinator)** reported that AKC has cancelled all previously scheduled "Meet the Breeds" events throughout the country due to COVID.

**Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Chairperson)** was not in attendance, but reported that the Worker's Sign-up link for the upcoming Agility trials has been posted for members needing work credits to volunteer.

**Candy Ellis (Annual Dinner Chairperson)** will contact Riverside Receptions very shortly to verify that our deposit is still holding a date for our next Annual Dinner.

**Sally Boeke (Awards Co-Chair)** reported that on Thursday, September 23rd, the awards earned last year will be available for pickup at the fairgrounds. There will be an online signup link for club members to sign up for a

specific pickup time. Times will be available from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm, in 5-minute increments. If anyone is unable to pick-up their awards on that date, please make other arrangements directly with Sally Boeke. Additionally, if a club member has not signed up for a pickup time or made arrangement for someone else to pick up the award(s) on that night, the awards will not be brought to the fairgrounds.

**Cris Ballenger (CGC Test Coordinator)** reported that she sent her report for the August CGC Test to the Board with a recommendation to raise the entry fees for participants and the evaluator's fee. This will be discussed during the October Board Meeting.

Cris stated that the last test was held with only four dogs, however she is anticipating a larger turnout for the March 2022 test.

**Pat Senne (Match Chair-Coordinator)** reported that the Match Committee has determined that the option of signing up on-line for a timeslot caused more confusion than expected and therefore the option is being discontinued. People sent their payment and entry to Lori Delk but then did not sign up for a timeslot online; which caused the entries to be out of sync. For the people who travel long distances this caused timing issues. Additionally, Pat reported that although we are now allowing gate entries there have been little to none during the last couple of matches.

There were some issues with people who sent checks to Lori and were not on the entry list. Although the entry forms do display Lori's new address, apparently entries are still being submitted on old forms, using Lori's old address.

Barb Misch volunteered to sit at the table for gate entries, etc. to enable Pat Senne to volunteer to judge the Rally class.

**Lori Delk (Match Chair-Entries)** was not in attendance, but reminded everyone to use the updated Fun Match Entries forms.

**Barb Misch (Match Chair-Stewards)** reported that there are still two stewards needed for an Open class and two stewards for the Graduate Open class.

**Therapy Dog Evaluation** – Tentatively scheduling a testing date for January or February 2022.

**Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor)** reported that the deadline is "real soon."

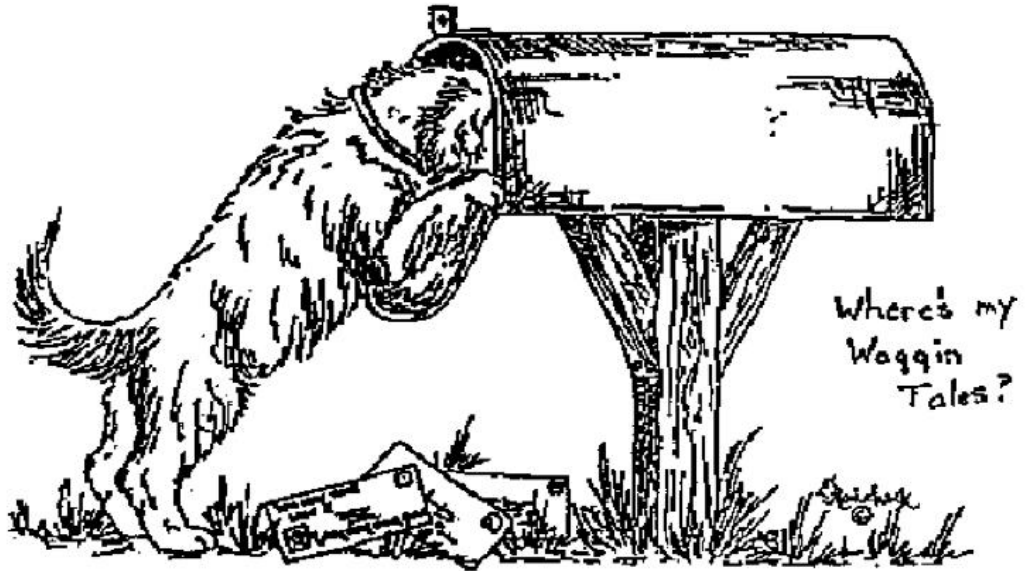
## Old Business

- Wendy reported that the timeslots between 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm are filled for the October 7th eye clinic with Dr. Lindley. The cost is a reasonable \$36.00 per dog and checks should be made out to FVDTC. There is a minimum of 50 dogs. Masks are required to be worn by handlers. Wendy reported that she has also posted the date on the OAF website and received a discount coupon to be used when submitting the paperwork to them. She also encouraged others to let non-club members know that this event is open to all.

## New Business

- none

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.



## Calendar

### October 2021

- 07 Thu Regular Training  
OFA Eye Exam
- 12 **Tue** Regular Training
- 18 Mon Board Meeting (Zoom)
- 21 Thu Fun Match
- 28 Thu Regular Training  
Beginner Begins (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)  
Puppy Begins (7:00pm)  
Puppy Ends (8:00pm)  
Advanced Puppy Begins (6:00pm)

### November 2021

- 04 Thu Regular Training
- 10 Wed Membership Meeting (Zoom)
- 11 Thu Regular Training
- 18 Thu Fun Match
- 19 Fri Obedience Trial Setup
- 20 Sat Obedience/Rally Trials
- 21 Sun Obedience/Rally Trials
- 23 **Tue** Regular Training  
Puppy Begins (8:00pm)