

Waggin' Tales



Fox Valley Dog Training Club

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FVDTC Fall Agility Trials

The premium list and entry form for the Fox Valley Dog Training Club's fall agility trials are now available on our web site. Go to www.fvdtc.org and follow the Agility Trial link on the right side of the page. Both the premium list and entry form are in .pdf format so you'll need Acrobat Reader to view and/or print them. A free copy of Acrobat Reader can be installed from <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>. No premiums will be mailed unless a specific request is sent to the trial secretary.

Essential trial info:

- Dates:** September 11-12, 2004
Place: Creekwood Meadows, Plano, IL
Fees: \$20.00/\$10.00
Judges: Earl Kyle and Deanna Corboy-Lulik

Trial Secretary: Jacquie Kramer, 42W820 Clover Hill Lane, Elburn, IL 60119 - Phone 630-365-1802
 Email: sevenway@mchsi.com

Entries Open: At 8:00 AM on July 14, 2004 on a First Received Basis.

Entries Close: At 6:00 PM on August 20, 2004

Suzan Scott

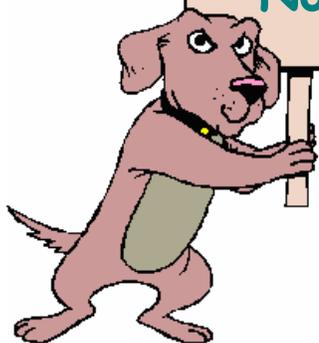
Special Points of Interest:

- ☉ Fall Agility Trials in September
- ☉ Judges & Stewards needed for Correction Clinics

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Please Note!



Looking for Judges & Stewards...

The remaining 2004 Correction Clinics will be held on August 19, September 16, October 21 and December 2. Judges and stewards are needed for all four dates.

If you can judge any class on any of the above dates, please contact Sandi Stephenson at mydogs1st@hotmail.com or 630-231-8828.

If you can steward on any of the above dates, please contact Ingrid Hamburger at hhc@elnet.com or 630-365-3248 or put your name on the sign-up board at training.

Suzan

"No man can be condemned for owning a dog. As long as he has a dog, he has a friend; and the poorer he gets, the better friend he has."

Will Rogers

Trophies for November's Trials

I will be the Trophy Chairperson for our Annual Trial in November. The Committee members and I would like to offer each of you the opportunity to sponsor the trophy of their choice. A High in Group trophy is a minimum of \$35.00. An individual trophy is a minimum of \$15.00.

We are making a change



this year. The Committee is happy to accept your purchased trophy or cash as the trophy. However, we will no longer be using your cash donation to purchase a trophy on your behalf. We will simply give the winner the cash.

It is up to each club member to support our trial in the way that they feel is appropri-

ate. We appreciate the continued support of our trial by our life-time.

If you are providing your own trophy, a description will be needed no later than JULY 15T and we would need to receive the actual prize no later than October 15th. If you are making a cash donation, please mail the donation to me or give it to one of the Committee members, Cheryl Lewis, Cindy Pakenas, and Peggy Sue Seehafer.

Thank you.
Helen Castellano

FVDTC's Newest Members



Jim & Cindy Quinlivan
1047 Pembridge Pl.
Sugar Grove, IL 60554
(630)466-4234
Completed Beginners Class
Wheaton Terrier

Bill & Debbie Diacek
44W738 Concord Ct.
Elburn, IL 60119
(630)557-2717
Completed Beginners Class
Great Dane

Mike & Mary Szczurek
1208 Almaranth Dr.
Naperville, IL 60564
(630)978-0584
Completed Beginners Class
Shelties

FVDTC Raffle

Hi! I am the person who will be running the raffle in November. I am asking all who are willing to donate to please start to give me things now. That way I will have time to sort things out and be able to decide what price I will be raffling things off at.



It is to hard to do it on the last day. So please lets all look for something to donate and make this the best year we ever had. We need the money for the new building so lets work hard for the club.

Priscilla Pisarski

Please Note:

The Waggin Tales editor will be away from her desk until July 19, 2004. All responses received before July 19th will be answered as soon she gets back.



Attention F.V.D.T. Members (from Jan Schomer)

November Obedience Trials:

We are in need of Table stewards and Ring stewards for Our November Obedience Trial, also Floaters. I greatly appreciate the people that have already signed up to help, **but we still need HELP.**



This is Our Clubs Obedience Trial.

FVDT Matches:

For those of you that offer to judge at our matches in Open B & Open A, there is now a timer for sits & down's in your envelope donated by me. If something is missing that you need PLEASE let me know. It was brought to my attention about the timer so I have donated the timers and hopefully this will help.



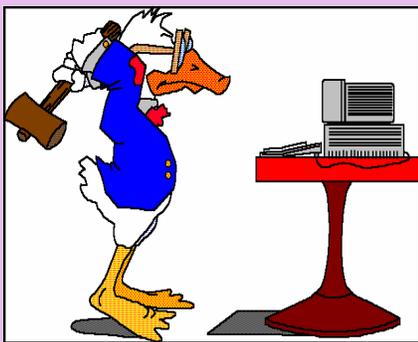
To: Waggin Tales Newsletter Recipients:

For the past few months, my computer at work has begun developing a mind of its own (we've renamed my computer HAL from 2001 Space Odyssey). Unfortunately, the end result of my computer's "coming to life" has been that at times, **HAL** allows email messages to go through for reading. The down side to this also is that at times, **HAL** automatically deletes my email. Noticeable problems with deletions started slowly in April but by the end of May to mid June, I was losing quite a bit including items that needed to go into the June edition of Waggin Tales. I know that it was not only frustrating to me but to others who had sent (and resent) items for the newsletter. (Since my work email address was associated with Waggin Tales email address, I started receiving quite a bit of "junk" email which resulted in a major slow down and crashing of my computer. We have recently added a program that will scan all email messages to weed out spam (junk) email.)

Although **HAL** is now "clean" (meaning it has been re-tweaked by our computer guru), I cannot guarantee that email sent to me at my work's address will not be "eaten" by the computer. Also, if you've sent me any email messages that required a response of any kind (prior to June 22nd), it is possible that your email has been the victim of my computer problem. If this is the case, I'd appreciate it if you could resend your email.

I've lost confidence in the ability of my computer to deliver email messages. So, I'm trying to cover my basis to ensure that whatever is needed to be in print for the newsletter gets there and any other request of information that I am to receive does get to me.

When you send me an item for Waggin Tales, I will email you back to confirm that I've received it. If you do not get a confirmation, please resend it but also call me to let me know that it has been sent so I can keep an eye out for it (in essence, please bug me!). My phone number is in the club's director. Also please note on the subject line that it is intended for the Waggin Tales newsletter.



My email is waggintales@fvdtc.org.

I apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused any member.

Sandy

Keeping Canines Cool And Safe During Summer

AKC News Friday, May 21, 2004



With more pets and people enjoying warm weather activities, the American Kennel Club advises responsible dog owners to take special care of their dogs during the summer months.

According to a recent AKC online poll of more than 1,000 dog owners, 90 percent said their pet influences their week-end/free time activities and 76 percent said their pet influences their vacation destination.

Whether spending time in the backyard or traveling across the country, dog owners should be follow these summer safety tips:

- If kept outside, make sure your pet has plenty of shade, but remember that doghouses are not good shelter during the summer as they can trap heat.
- Make sure your dog has access to plenty of cool, fresh water 24 hours a day.
- Never leave your dog in a closed vehicle on a warm day. The temperature inside a car can rise to over 100 degrees in a matter of minutes.
- Avoid strenuous exercise on extremely hot days. Take walks in the early mornings or evenings,

when the sun's heat is less intense.

- Make sure your dog's vaccinations are up to date. Dogs tend to stay outdoors longer and come into contact with other animals more during the summer months.
- Keep dogs off lawns that have been chemically treated or fertilized for 24 hours (or according to package instructions), and away from potentially toxic plants and flowers.
- Fleas, ticks, and mosquito bites - which carry heart worm disease - are more prevalent in warmer months. Ask your veterinarian for an effective preventive to keep these parasites off your dog.
- Many dogs like swimming, but some cannot swim or

may not like the water. Be conscious of your dog's preferences and skills before trying to make him swim.

- Many airlines will not ship animals during summer months due to dangers caused by hot weather. Some will only allow dogs to fly in the early morning or in the evening. Check with your airlines for specific rules.
- If traveling by car, keep your dog cool in the car by putting icepacks in his crate. Make sure the crate is well ventilated.

Volunteers Needed

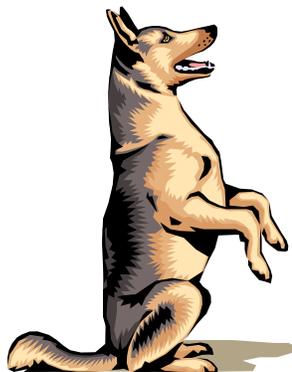
I am looking for volunteers to help with the annual dinner for next March. If anyone is interested or has any suggestions please contact Cheryl Hettinger, 630-557-9310, herbpatch911@juno.com

Thank you
Cheryl



Dog Biscuits For Your Favorite Dog

- 2 c. whole wheat flour
- 1 c. cornmeal
- 2/3 c. Brewer's yeast
- 2 tsp. garlic powder
- 2 egg yolks
- 3 beef or chicken bouillon cubes dissolved in
- 1½ c. boiling water



Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Mix well. Working with half the dough at a time, roll dough to 3/8 inch thickness. Cut into desired shapes. Bake for 20 minutes on ungreased cookie sheet. Turn oven off but leave biscuits in oven until crunchy.

Stewards needed.....

Stewards are needed for the Greater DeKalb Kennel Club Obedience Trial being held on Sunday, July 4, and Monday, July 5, at the Convocation Center at NIU in DeKalb. Now, as if the educational experience of stewarding at an obedience trial wasn't enough, you'll also get free breakfast, free lunch and a parking pass. I believe judging starts at 9:00 AM on Sunday and 8:00 AM on Monday and am told that no one should have to be there much more than about 4 hours. If you can steward either Sunday or Monday (or both) or for more information, please contact Ronnie Bizer at 815-899-HEEL or at kanosak1@aol.com.

Thanks,
Suzan

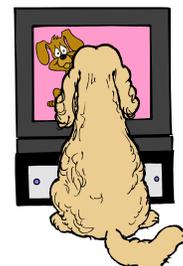
"Yesterday I was a dog. Today I'm a dog. Tomorrow I'll probably still be a dog. Sigh! There's so little hope for advancement" - Snoopy

The Top 20 Reasons Dogs Do Not Use Computers.....

20. Can't stick their heads out of Windows '95, Windows '98 or Windows XP.
19. Fetch command not available on all platforms.
18. Hard to read the monitor with your head cocked to one side.
17. Too difficult to "mark" every website they visit.
16. Can't help attacking the screen when they hear "You've Got Mail."
15. Fire hydrant icon is very frustrating.
14. Involuntary tail wagging is dead giveaway they're browsing www.pethouse.com instead of working.
13. Keep bruising noses trying to catch that MPEG Frisbee.
12. Not at all fooled by Chuckwagon Screen Saver.
11. Still trying to come up with an "emoticon" that signifies tail-wagging.
10. Oh, but they WILL... with the introduction of the Microsoft Opposable Thumb.
9. Three words: Carpal Paw Syndrome.
8. 'Cause dogs ain't GEEKS! Now, cats, on the other hand...
7. Barking in next cube keeps activating YOUR voice recognition software.
6. SmellU-SmellMe still in beta test.
5. SIT and STAY were hard enough, GREP and AWK are out of the question!
4. Saliva-coated mouse gets mighty difficult to maneuver.
3. Annoyed by lack of newsgroup, alt.pictures.master's.leg.
2. Butt-sniffing more direct and less deceiving than online chat rooms.

and the Number 1 Reason Dogs Do Not Use Computers...

1. TrO{gO DsA[M,bN HyAqR4tDc TgrOo TgYPmE WeIjTyH P;AzWqS,.*



FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JUNE 1, 2004
DUES FOR THE 2004-2005 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY **JUNE 30, 2004**

Your name will be omitted from the 2004-2005 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the July issue unless your check and this completed form are received by 7-10-04

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     Don't want to get it 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

**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 7-10-04*

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

(630) 293-5741

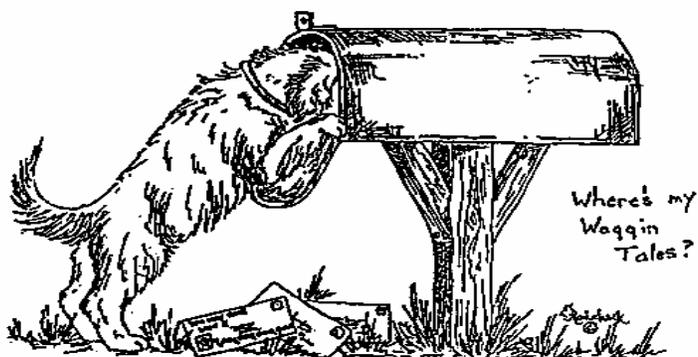
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### July 2004

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|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Thursday         | Regular Training                                         |
| 6 Tuesday          | Regular Training                                         |
| <b>15 Thursday</b> | <b><u>NO TRAINING</u></b><br><b><u>KANE CO. FAIR</u></b> |
| 22 Thursday        | Regular Training                                         |
| 29 Thursday        | Regular Training                                         |

### August 2004

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|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| 4 Wednesday | Board Meeting                        |
| 5 Thursday  | Regular Training<br>End Session #3   |
| 8 Sunday    | Waggin Tales<br>Deadline             |
| 10 Tuesday  | Regular Training<br>Begin Session #4 |
| 19 Thursday | Correction Clinic                    |
| 26 Thursday | Regular Training                     |