



## Waggin' Tales

### A PAT ON THE BACK FOR OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIAL HELPERS

All Good Trial Kitchen Help Goes to Heaven

If all it takes it patience and hard work to get through the pearly gates, then the following members have earned a guaranteed spot in heaven

Dave Krantz	Loretta Lazzara
Kim Colyer	Mary Szczurek
Matt Colyer	Mike Szczurek
Brandon Colyer	Nicole Szczurek
Ashleigh Colyer	Grace Szczurek
Debbie Cox	Viv Hildebrand
Kristen Cox	Jackie Coleman

These dedicated members braved the heat of the kitchen, bustling moments during the lunch rush, boring moments during the slow times, and also handled the utmost in discipline to refuse the urge to consume the countless variety of good eats available.

They constantly battled kitchen fatigue and caloric burn out as they manned the kitchen from the donuts and coffee in the early morning until the last plate of lasagna was turned over to a hungry exhibitor. We're darned right proud of and grateful to you folks.

Also, earning an extra pair of wings were Nancy Pederson, Barb Misch, Barb Runkle and Cheryl Hettinger, who not only stopped in at 6:30 am to deliver home baked goods, but stuck around to help cut and plate them. This is a big job and takes up a goodly part of the early morning to do, and we really appreciated the extra help. Thanks guys!!

An extra fancy set of wings go to Kent Hildebrand who stopped in Saturday night to help decorate the tables and get the coffee



Long-time member Sally Compton and her daughter Robin Urich enjoy the Obedience Trial

Thank you to the following individuals who worked as our trial stewards.

**Novice A/B:** Cindy Krelle, Pat Seene\*, Dianne Herold, John Grosso

**Open B:** Marian Lazzara, Colleen Kent, Paulette Zecca, Pat McMahon\*

**Open A / Utility A:** Vera Nyberg, Marietta Huber, Jan Williams\*, Connie Hillquist\*

**Utility B:** Christy Heaton\*, Joyce Bauer\*, Marilyn Blenz\*, Barb Runkle

**Rally:** Rick Cox, Joyce Conway, Kathie Driesbach, Sandi Stephenson (also filled in at other rings), Phil Buroff\*, Sarah Rumery\*

*\*These individuals are non-club members who were gracious*

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and other supplies set up. And thanks to Cathy Fleury and Sara who stopped in later to help bring the containers to the shed.

HUGE halos go the Brandon and Matt Culyer. Brandon took down and put away ALL the folding chairs, and then, along with Matt, helped Marian put away all the tables.

And as always, the kitchen would never function without the help of Ed Herdes who makes sure the garbage cans have bags, the ovens are ready, and the outlets are working. Ed, you are indispensable!!

Guaranteed to 'go to the head of the line' are the following members who baked or bought goodies, and donated pop or water.

Jackie Coleman	Jan Schomer
Chris Mazza	Carolyn Pearson
Loretta Lazzara	Nancy Pederson
Bridget Carlsen	Terry Byerly
Marian Lazzara	Cheryl Hettinger
Brenda Rivera	Taffy Wille
Penny Brcich	Barb Misch
Marietta Huber	Bill Clarke
Dave Krantz	Kent & Viv Hildebrand
Ed & Nina Herdes	Bob Read
Sandi Stephenson	Nada Johnson
Ericka Koehn	Cindy Krelle
Mary Bradley	Paulette Zecca
Sue Czuchra	Kim Colyer
Barb Runkle	Dana Weller

The kitchen would have been very empty without your donations.

What can we say but,  
WE LOVE YOU AND WE THANK YOU!!!!!!

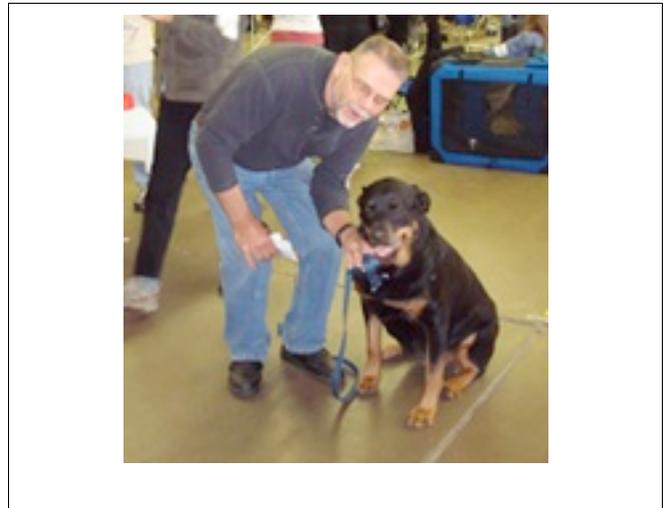
*Marian and Penny*

(If we forgot anyone – we are truly sorry, but your name wasn't on the lists)

*enough to help us put on this trial. I would like to thank them for offering their time.*

To our club members, you too are a precious commodity. Without you, we cannot put on these trials or offer matches etc. I would encourage our entire membership to take a look at what they could possibly do to become a part of this club and "give back".

Cathy Fleury (Chief Ring Steward)



*Joan Mazat*

### CLASSIFIED Ad ... MUST LOVE DOGS

One of the area's largest dog training club seeks energetic, enthusiastic individuals- must love dogs- to be Assistant Trainers/Substitute Teachers. No experience necessary, on the job training! Compensation- huge amounts of personal satisfaction, enhancement to your own handling skills, puppy kisses, and dues compensation based on quarters served. Contact Joan Mazat, FVDTC DOT. She can be found instructing loudly in 7:00 Puppy Class or attached to one or both Rottweilers Bonnie Bell UD RE and Breezy CDX RE!

## ANNUAL DINNER 2009

### ARE YOU READY? HAVE YOU BEEN PREPARING?

**T**he 2009 Dinner committee hopes all of you have had a successful training and showing year with still more to come. We are planning a terrific banquet for next spring and hope that you will set the date on your calendar to be there with us.

**A**s always, the banquet is for all the members of FVDTC. It is a time to get together with our friends, enjoy their company, and share our joys of life with our canines. The banquet is also a time for us to recognize our members in a variety of ways. We appreciate the hard work and time that members donate to the club, and we are inspired by the many and varied accomplishments that our members attain with their canine partners.

For those folks who are showing their dogs, this is just a reminder for you to check out the requirements and awards available to you.

What is the date of the banquet? Where is the banquet being held?

Well, we're not telling yet. It's a secret only to be released after the holidays! But it is going to be fun.

Check Waggin' Tales each month for any news regarding the banquet.

Oh, and don't forget to nominate your buddies or yourself for the Boner Award!

Keep up the good work and keep those canine tails a waggin'.

*The 2009 Banquet Committee*

## RALLY RUN THRUS ON TRAINING NIGHT

Starting in January, FVDTC will offer a ring with an AKC Rally course for run thrus at 9:00pm on regular training nights.

FVDTC Instructor Sandy Davis, will be available to guide you thru any questions you might have on the exercises.

This will be a casual unstructured class, intended to familiarize students with the signs and the required exercises Novice thru Excellent.

The fee for ring time is as with our other "drop in" classes, free for members and \$8.00 for non members.



## OBEDIENCE TRIAL RAFFLE

It always amazes me that it seems to take forever for the Trial Day Raffle to arrive, and then in a flash the day is over and I am wondering how it passed so quickly. This year's raffle was no different, long time coming – short time here.

Barb Misch and I appreciated the compliments from so many of you on the presentation of the raffle table. It is always nice to know that your efforts have been noticed by others.

Thank you to Barb Runkle for her assistance with setup Saturday evening and to Cheryl Hettinger for her assistance throughout the raffle on Sunday.

As always, the raffle table would be nothing without the unselfish donations of others. **Thank you** to all of you who were so kind to give us the wonderful donations. Usually I try to list those who have given so generously. However, this year I misplaced the list while we were cleaning the booth after the show. So many donated and I know that I'll miss quite a few if I try to list them from memory. Because of you and of course the folks who bought tickets for the raffle, we were able to raise \$533.50 for the club.

Thank you again for another successful year.

Barb Misch and Francene Andresen  
2009 Raffle Committee Co-Chairs



**CONDOLENCES TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS**

The members of Fox Valley Dog Training Club extend their sincere condolences to these members of our family, who have recently lost loved ones:

Sally Compton and family on the death of her husband, David.

Jane Libberton on the death of her husband, Chuck

Tom and Sandi Stephenson on the death of their Rottweiler on November 15<sup>th</sup>. U-CH, U-UD, Avatar's BearFootn'Abel, UD, OA, OAP, OJP, RN, "Abel" was born on July 7, 1997.

Terry Whelan on the death of his father, Frank.

**THANK YOU INGRID HAMBURGER!**

The following is a note that was sent to the club to acknowledge Ingrid Hamburger. This person drove from OHIO just to watch the test.

Dear FVDTC members,

I really want to express my gratitude for the welcome received at the tracking test on September 6<sup>th</sup>. I had come to observe with my dog's breeder. Ingrid Hamburger was most helpful and ran the tests efficiently and seemed to always have a smile. My dog was allowed to run a 'used' track afterwards and I really appreciate the boost in confidence.

Sincerely, Suzie Schoen

**FROM THE PREZ**

Dear Members,

An interesting idea has been brought to the table.

"Club Bucks" which can be given to members who volunteer their services in various areas of the club. Members would still have the option of receiving points towards awards in exchange for volunteer time but "club bucks" would be an option offered for folks who might not be aiming for club awards.

The proposed "club bucks" could be applied towards membership fees, entry fees to our various trials, puppy and beginner class fees.

There are a few other clubs in the area which use a similar system. I'd like to hear thoughts from you regarding this idea. I am interested in your suggestions on structure and implementing the possible use of "club bucks".

Email me at [president@fvdtc.org](mailto:president@fvdtc.org) with your thoughts! Please put "Club Bucks" or "FVDTC" into the subject line.

Thanks!

Terri Byerly  
President, FVDTC

**Plan to attend FVDTC's  
Annual Christmas Party  
Bring your family!**



**Get Your Dog's Picture Taken with Santa**

(photo proceeds to benefit FVDTC's Tracking Trial)

**Food, Games, Coloring Contest  
General Silliness**



**Tuesday December 29<sup>th</sup> 7pm-9pm**

**At the Fairgrounds**

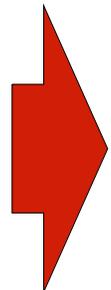
**Share your holiday leftovers;  
If you can, bring a dish to pass**

Pass these pictures along to the young folk in your life and let the creativity flow!  
There will also be copies available on training nights.

Turn the pages into the front table on any training night prior to FVDTC's Christmas Party.  
The pages will be judged at the party and prizes given for each age category.  
(must be present at party to receive prizes)

On the back of each page, please put your child's name and age group.

Age categories to be judged are: Up to 5, 6-8, 9-12, 13 & Up







## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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### Peter Wilson

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## Y'ALL DONE GOOD! --- BRAGS, NOTES AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

### Ch. Ravenswoods Forever

**Fireworks CGC, RN** (aka Boomer) finished his Rally Novice title at the Doberman Nationals in October in three trials with the scores of 96, 98 and 99. He placed second in each of the classes. Owner, Cindy Krelle says anything is possible as she remembered saying that Boomer was 'the worst one there' when she took him to his first puppy class!

*Cindy Krelle*

**Izzy** and Kent Hildebrand had a great three days at the Labrador Retriever Nationals in Bloomington, IL in October. Izzy qualified three times out of three in UDX with one first place and one fourth place. She also earned her Rally Excellent title.

*Kent Hildebrand*

### Bonnie Bell V UD RE

Medallion Rottweiler Club Specialty Oct. 23, 4th Place Utility B winning her first

run off and qualifier in Open B for UDX Leg #3

Oct 24, 3rd Place Utility B and 1 Place Open B - UDX Leg #4 and High Combined! What an amazing honor! Oct 25, 4th Place Open B GABOC Trial Nov. 1, UDX Leg #5- *we are half way there my Sweet Good Girl!*

*Joan Mazat*

### Rodsden's Breezy of Windya was CD RA

Medallion Rottweiler Club Specialty Oct 23, 4th Place in Open A-1st CDX Leg, 2nd Place in Rally Excellent B- 2nd RE Leg Oct 24, qualifier Open A - 2nd CDX Leg, qualifier in Rally Excellent and her RE Title!

Oct 25, 4th Place in Rally Excellent in the hardest Rally course we have ever seen! She did all her left pivots 90 and 180's, off set figure eights with food bowls, and the course ended with a

high jump, stop and down, then back up three steps in heel position right in front of the ring gate exit!

### GABOC Trial

Oct 31 qualifier Open A to become *Rodsden's Breezy of Windya was CDX RE!!!!* My "Little One" finished two titles in back to back weekends!

*Joan Mazat*

### Poodles at Fox Valley (**Sophia & Rosalie**)

took two first place in Rally excellence and advanced "B" Rosalie took a Second and Third place in Advanced "B" in Poodle Specialty., Rosalie since has earned her Rally advanced title. Poodle Specialty is a once a year event and hope to see more of our fox valley poodles entered next year. It was worth the trip to see Terri Sidell and her beautiful Silvers.

*Victoria Abraham*



## NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The meeting was brought to order at 7:50 p.m., following a well received presentation from club member, Mariette Huber, about the dog sport of Agility.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The October Meeting minutes were approved as published. Several items of correspondence were read.

Dana Weller (Treasurer) distributed the Year-To-Date (as of October 31, 2009) financial reports. There were no questions regarding the reports.

Carolyn Pearson (Obedience Trial Secretary) reported that this Sunday is the Obedience and Rally trial. With the exception of the need for more Stewards, everything is else going well. There is a tremendous need for Utility B stewards. Carolyn stated that there were no volunteers signed up to steward in the Utility B class as of November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Carolyn also provided the following breakdown of entries for each class.

There are 146 dogs entered in the Obedience trial with a total of 174 entries.

- Novice A – 10 Entries
- Novice B – 37 Entries
- Open A – 32 Entries
- Open B – 40 Entries
- Utility A – 24 Entries
- Utility B – 31 Entries

There are 69 dogs entered in the Rally Trial with a total of 87 entries.

- Novice A – 6
- Novice B – 10
- Advanced A – 14
- Advanced B – 27
- Excellent A – 7
- Excellent B – 23

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) read the names of the two new applicants, Julie Whitmore & Peter Wilson and David Bush which were published in the recent Waggin' Tales. Sue made a motion to approve the list as read. The motion was approved by all members present with no one opposed or abstaining. Welcome to our newest members.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) stated that she can always use stewards for the November 5<sup>th</sup> correction clinic.

Although Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) was not in attendance, Carolyn reminded everyone that due to the trial, the next Waggin' Tales deadline is Sunday, November 15th.

### Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$5.00 is Barb Misch as drawn by club member, Michael Kolbe. In addition to the remaining \$5.00 going to the tracking fund, Barb also donated her winnings to the tracking fund.

### Old Business

#### Seminar Committee Status

The following club members volunteered to be on the committee: Terri Byerly, Jill Hansrote, Loretta Lazzara, Marian Lazzara and Barb Runkle. Terri reported that they have been monitoring seminar information.

#### Nomination Committee Status

Terri Byerly reminded the club members that it is now the time to think about volunteering for the Nominating Committee. This committee puts together the slate of Board members for the upcoming year. Additionally, the committee also seeks to fill the many committee chair positions that are needed to run the club. Sue MacPherson volunteered as the Board representative on the Nominating Committee.

### New Business

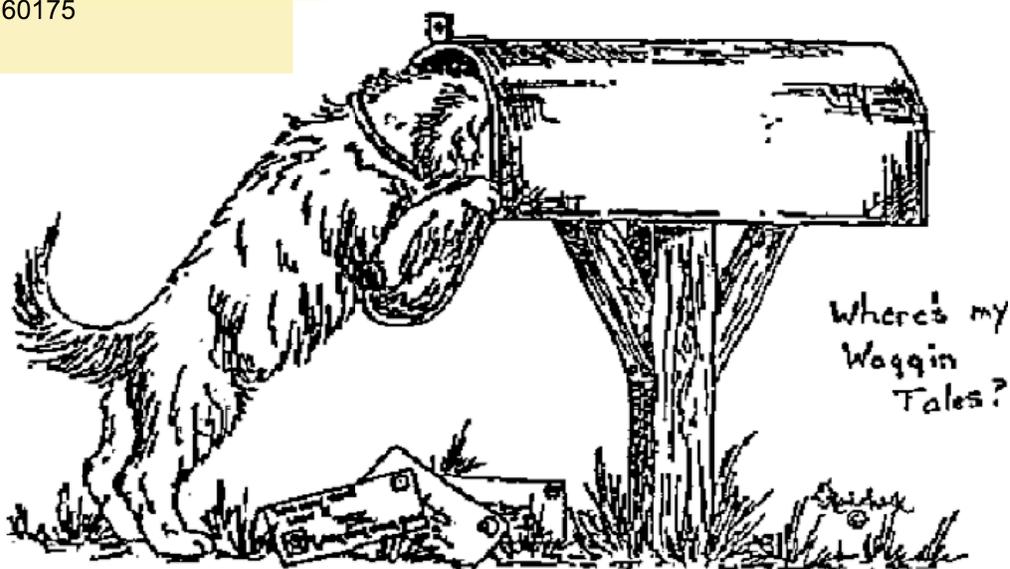
- Terri Byerly announced that although, FVDTC has coordinated the Kane County 4-H dog show for many of the past years, it was in an unofficial capacity. FVDTC now officially runs the dog show for the program. The 2010 4-H classes will begin mid-February. Terri stated that she is planning to incorporate Rally in the 2010 program. Terri also invited club members who were interested in instructing any of the 4-H classes to contact her via e-mail at president@fvdtc.org or at 630-553-2363.
- Terri reported that the proposed Rally class will start after the first of the year with Sandy Davis instructing. Terri stated that the details will be published in Waggin' Tales.
- Terri stated that she heard about a program used by the Rand Park Dog Training Club to encourage club members to work. The program is called Rand Park Bucks, which assigns dollar amounts to different jobs. Terri stated that it could be used to offer incentives to those club members who are not working towards awards. Barb Misch stated that it is a very "consumer friendly" method that would be worth further investigation. Marietta Huber stated that Agility Ability offers a similar type of incentive. Taffy Wille and Sue MacPherson both asked how this program would be tracked. Barb Misch stated that we could use the club's embosser to provide authentication. It was also asked whether this program would be presented as an alternate to working toward earning an award. It was suggested that detail could be discussed at future Board meetings. Ed Herdes stated that he finds that the best way to get volunteers is to ask individuals directly, not just put up a sign-up sheet at training.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

**PICTURES ... PICTURES ... PICTURES ...**

Lots of pictures from the Obedience and Rally Trials are available on the club web site. Go to <http://www.fvdtc.org> and choose "Gallery" from the News Menu. If you have pictures of club events that you would like to share, let Dave Lewis know ([waggintales@fvdtc.org](mailto:waggintales@fvdtc.org))

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## December

3	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training
4	Friday	Board Meeting
6	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
10	Thursday	Regular Training
17	Thursday	Regular Training
<b>22</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Regular Training</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Christmas Party</b>

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