

Waggin' Tales

"A Well-Trained Dog is a Happy Dog"

News & Brags!!

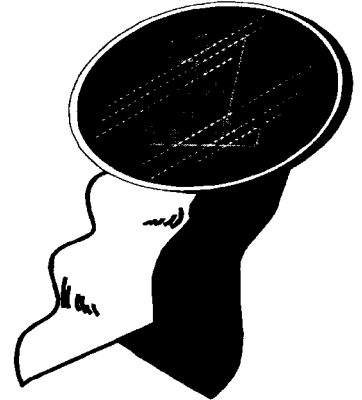
From Helen Castellano

Jesse

- Two legs toward Novice Agility title with two first place finishes -- Northwest Shows, May 2 & 3

Jena

- Two legs toward Novice Jumpers with Weaves -- Northwest Shows, May 2 & 3
- One leg toward Open Agility title with a fourth place finish -- Smack Dab's Show, May 24.



To my friends at Fox Valley:

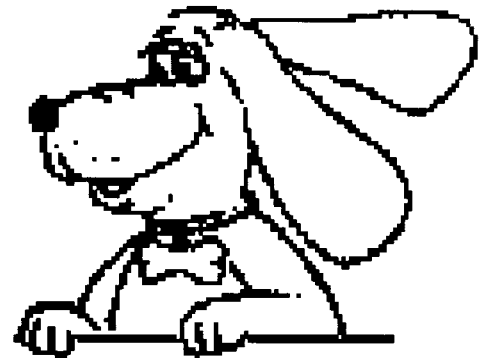
As you know last November, Jena earned two qualifying scores toward her Utility Dog title. Well.....
 On Saturday, May 30 at the McHenry Fairgrounds Jena completed her Utility Dog title with a score of 185.
 Title number 7 for Jena who is now:

Ch. Coventree's Jenasee Cache, UD, NA, Can. CDX

Lots of thanks to Ronnie Bizer for your continued support all these years through each and every obedience title.

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**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB
DUES AND TRAINING FEE
RENEWAL NOTICE**

DUES FOR THE 1998-99 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 1998.
IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO APPLY FOR AN AWARD AT NEXT YEAR'S BANQUET, BE SURE THAT
YOU ARE A CURRENT TRAINING MEMBER.

COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:

"FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB"

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:

JUDY ANDERSON MEMBERSHIP

6 N 213 WILLOW DRIVE

ST. CHARLES, IL. 60175 6338

NOTE: YOUR NAME WILL BE OMITTED FROM THE 1998-99 ROSTER, AND
YOUR LAST ISSUE OF WAGGIN TAILS WILL BE THE JUNE ISSUE UNLESS YOUR CHECK AND
COMPLETED FORM IS RECEIVED BY 7-9-98.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR BY-LAWS A \$5.00 REINSTATEMENT FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR
DUES NOT RECEIVED BY 7-9-98.

NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BREED OR BREEDS OF DOGS TO LIST: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE

REGULAR TRAINING \$90.00

REGULAR NONTRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD NONTRAINING FREE

INSTRUCTORS:

EARN ¼ CREDIT TOWARDS DUES PER QUARTER OR CLASS TAUGHT (MAX.4)

MUST HAVE D.O.T. VERIFICATION (NOTICES WILL BE AVAILABLE 1ST WEEK OF APRIL)

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

DO YOU WANT A MEMBERSHIP ROSTER? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS VIA E-MAIL? YES NO

THE \$90.00 MEMBERSHIP FEE MAY BE PAID IN TWO INSTALLMENTS WITH THE LAST ONE DUE
BY SEPTEMBER 1, 1998

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED FOR YOUR APPLICATION FOR
RENEWAL TO BE VALID.**

I AM CURRENTLY WORKING ON A NEW DATABASE FOR THE CLUB AND NEED TO HAVE ALL
OF THIS INFORMATION TO MAKE IT COMPLETE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN THIS
MATTER.

JUDY ANDERSON

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

More Legs & Brags

From Marietta Huber

Rainbow

- Completed the requirements for the U-ACHX title by earning her 5th leg in the Agility III class, all with 3 First places and 2 Second places! (March 14, 1998 in LaPorte, IN)

Popcorn

- Completed the requirements for the Masters Agility title (MX) by earning his 10th leg in the Excellent class, all with perfect scores of 100! (On March 29, 1998 at McCormack Place in Chicago)
- Qualified for the Labrador Retriever Club's Advanced Working Certificate (May 16, 1998)

Marietta is proud to announce that all three dogs (SQUIGGLES included) have already earned the necessary 4 perfect scores of 100 in the Excellent class as required to compete at the AKC Agility Nationals in Georgia in Nov. '98. (POPCORN - 9, RAINBOW - 7, SQUIGGLES - 7). Now, on to USDAA agility competitions!

From Tim & Anne White

Peggy

- Candlewood's Ribbonquest CGC, WC earned her 3rd of 4 required J H legs. (May 2, 1998 at the Golden Retriever Club of Illinois Hunt Test, Joliet, IL)
- Qualified for the Labrador Retriever Club's Advanced Working Certificate (May 16, 1998)



Liza

- Shamrock Acres Celebration CGC, TDI, JH, CDY U-AG1, earned an "extra" JH leg. (May 2, 1998 at the Golden Retriever Club of Illinois Hunt Test, Joliet, IL)
- Qualified for the Labrador Retriever Club's Advanced Working Certificate (May 16, 1998)

The Labrador Retriever Club's Advanced Working Certificate requires:

- ⇒ Steady at line (no collar, no touching)
- ⇒ Land 100 yd. double retrieve w/decoys
- ⇒ Water 80 yd double retrieve with decoys
- ⇒ Deliver to hand

From Michelle Cufu

Arrivals and Departures

Michelle Cufu's black lab, Pippen, has recently been accepted into the Leader Dogs for the Blind program. Pippen returned to Leader Dogs on June 1st. Although he still was a rambunctious puppy, his confidence gave him a very good test score. We'll keep you posted on his progress.

With the sad good-bye to one dog comes the joy of rearing another puppy. A Golden Retriever puppy will be joining our family on June 12th. This dog will be our eighth seeing eye dog we have fostered. We are anxiously awaiting his arrival to help fill the void that Pippen left. Make sure you come say hi to our new addition. He'll enjoy the much needed socialization.

From Carolyn Pearson

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Highlights June 3, 1998

Meeting brought to order at 7:45 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary)

The April Meeting Minutes were approved as published. Several items of correspondence read.

Michelle Richter-Farrell (First Vice-President) reported that she is continuing to work on the sale of leashes through the club.

Sandy Walsh (Assistant Director of Training) presented the report for Cheryl Lewis (Director of Training) and herself.

Session number 3 is offering the following classes:

Time	Puppy	Beginner's
7:00 p.m.	X	X
8:00 p.m.		X
9:00 p.m.		X

Needs Assistant Instructors for the following classes:

Time	Beginner's	Advanced	Beginner's
7:00 p.m.	X		X
8:00 p.m.	X		
9:00 p.m.			X

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that she and Helen Castellano have investigated several options for the Judge's thank-you gifts for the trial. In the past, the amount spent per gift has been reduced to about ten dollars. The options that have been looked at this year would bring the amount closer to \$15.00 per judge. At \$15.00

per judge, the total amount could exceed the \$50.00 limit that the Board must pre-approve. Taffy made a motion to spend a maximum of \$15.00 per judge for the thank-you gifts. The motion was seconded by Peggy Sue Seehafer and approved by all.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) was not in attendance, but sent the following report:

The first Waggin' Tales was distributed via e-mail last month with only one person having problems. For the June issue, approximately 15 people will receive their newsletter only via e-mail (no paper). The same technology will be utilized to e-mail the newsletter to the printer. This should eliminate have the problems that have occurred with the lines being dropped from articles. If this continues to be a relatively flawless process, we should encourage as many club members as possible to participate to save money for printing and postage.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Graduation Chairperson) reported that she still needs two judges for the Thursday, August 6th graduation. She also judges for each of the beginner's classes for the Tuesday, October 13th graduation and one judge for the 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. classes for the Tuesday, December 22nd.

Old Business

Taffy Wille reported that one person bid and won the Beginner's class gift certificate that was offered by the club to the Fox Valley Lutheran Academy dinner/auction. The auction was well attended and the club received some nice exposure.

New Business

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Board Meeting Minutes

- The club received a letter from the individual that was discussed at the March membership meeting. This person was observed being extremely rough with her dog during the February correction clinic. During the meeting, Ronnie Bizer volunteered to speak with the private trainer who was working with this person. Following Ronnie's conversation with the trainer, the board received the letter. It was decided that a simple letter acknowledging receipt of the letter would be sent to this individual.
- Drew Graham mentioned that he has had some conversations with club members and non-club members regarding the difficulty of getting to the information table on the nights that Waggin' Tales is being distributed. It was decided that a separate table will be set up for Sally Compton (who graciously distributes the Waggin' Tales personally and then mails the rest to the club members who have not picked up their copies. Sandy Walsh will continue to man the information table.
- Drew Graham also brought up an idea for another seminar to be hosted by the club. He has spoken to Terry Arnold to get information regarding her weekend seminars. She currently receives \$2,000 for the weekend plus any expenses. Drew will get more information from Cathy Fleury regarding the breakdown of the Dr. Patricia McConnell seminar's revenues and expenses.
- Peggy Sue Sechafer mentioned a news story that she had seen on Monday, June 1st on the increase of dog fighting. The story was making the public aware of the spread of the

problem to the southern suburbs (not just in Chicago). According to the newscast, pet dogs are being stolen and used as "bait" to teach the fighting dogs how to fight. Having dog fights is a felony. Peggy Sue will put together some more information to be published in Waggin' Tales.

- Will Short announced that he and Drifter won the Canadian National Specialty for Flat Coats (owner handled) and also took fourth place in the Sporting group on May 31st at the Stone City Kennel Club.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

From Helen Castellano

Trophy Sponsorship for the November Trial

If you are providing your own trophy, I will need a description to include in the premium no later than **JULY 1st**. I would ask that I receive the actual prize no later than **October 15th**. If you are making a cash donation, please provide that to me no later than June 1st, so that I may have time to order the trophy and to include that information in the premium. The deadline for sponsorship is **JULY 1st**. Thank you.

Helen C. Castellano
TROPHY CHAIRPERSON
35W075 Chillem Drive
Batavia, IL 60510
630-761-0411

From the AKC

News from the AKC

UPCOMING DELEGATE'S MEETING

The Delegates to The American Kennel Club will be holding their quarterly meeting on June 9th at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Over 160 Delegates are expected to attend.

Topics of discussion include:

- Reports from the Delegates' Dog Shows Rules Committee concerning the pilot program of placing identification stickers on crates at certain shows;
- A report from the Delegates' All-Breed Club Committee on site territoriality;
- A discussion by Dr. Paula Henthorn (University of Pennsylvania) on the discovery of the gene responsible for Cystinuria in Newfoundland.
- Special presentations on AKC's Future Vision.
- Amendments to the Club's Bylaws (concerning the reading of amendments, changes to Dachshund Field Trial Rules, changes to the Retriever Field Trial
- The establishment of a new Restricted All-Age Stake.

It is expected that these amendments will be voted on at the Delegates' September meeting, which will be held back in New York City.

AKC UNVEILS NEW VISION

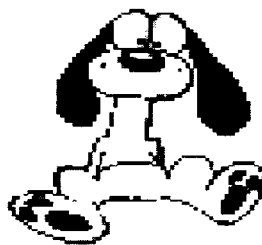
... Ever improving customer focused provider of leadership and information to those who appreciate purebred dogs. . .

The American Kennel Club hosted a small gathering of active dog fanciers in Raleigh, North Carolina on May 27th and 28th to unveil its plans for the future.

Input is Vital

Al Cheure explained to the attendees that AKC was seeking their ideas, suggestions and thoughts as it moves forward to the 21st century. A concentrated effort is being made by the Kennel Club to reach out to the fancy in joint cooperation while providing top-quality, timely and valued services. The Kennel Club is embracing the coming Millennium ... [with] ... resolve to do everything possible to meet the

needs and desires of its customers - those individuals who own, raise and/or exhibit purebred dogs. It is clear that AKC's emphasis, planning and money is being spent on re-engineering the company's culture (both internally and externally), business processes, and computer system:- all designed to place the Kennel Club in a better position to serve those customers, their dogs and events.



Plans are in the works for AKC to use the Internet and its Website to connect with those involved in the world of purebred dogs. When completed, this redesigned and reformatted Website will consist of three principal sections:

an on-line newspaper featuring breaking news, explanation and impact of Delegate and Board decisions, timely articles and stories about purebred dogs, their owners and events, conformation and performance panels, schedules and direct coverage, and information about the AKC - its departments; a statistical and library division comprised of AKC's Rules, Regulations, Policies, Guidelines, Statistics, and other written materials; and lastly, an e-commerce area that will permit on-line transactions for information, services and goods. At some point in the near future, fanciers will be able to get show reports for individual dogs, do pedigree matching, acquire breeding results, judging statistics, and event planning and just about anything else. It is also anticipated that the various applications - events, judging and even registration - will be able to be completed on-line for quick and efficient service.

Re-engineering Goals

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News from the AKC

1. Recording information will be done with ease, speed and accuracy and be able to be done using a variety of methods;
2. What comes out of the registration process will be of higher quality than at present;
3. The speed and efficiency of the registration process will exceed current levels;
4. An ability to identify classes of customers and dogs;
5. Information will be accessible at any point in the process;
6. Registration will integrate with the business of the AKC; and
7. The registration processes and system will safeguard and enhance the AKC's role as archivist for the sport of purebred dogs.

Results

The re-engineering project is expected to cost approximately \$7 million over the life of the project. It will save AKC not only in personnel costs, but also in needless duplication, as well as the unnecessary errors and delays that today can frustrate and anger AKC customers, constituents and staff members. It will also give AKC the ability to provide additional services and information to the fancy. Additional services and data, combined with better customer service, will be offered by an enhanced organization supported by a dedicated, caring staff that has the proper tools to function to the best of its ability - AKC's re-engineering will provide just those tools and the beneficiary will be the world of purebred dogs.

A video is also going to be distributed to clubs to enable these organizations to share AKC's Vision with their members.

(Excerpted from the article by Sari B. Tietjen on the AKC



Got Something for *Waggin' Tales*?

Rent This Space !!!

If you have something you'd like to see in *Waggin' Tales*, send the complete text and/or pictures to:

David Lewis
232 Mistwood Lane
North Aurora, IL 60542
(630) 897-4267
or
e-mail dclewis@inil.com

(please, no copyrighted material)

I prefer plain-text e-mail, but e-mail attachments, floppy disks, faxes, or (typewritten) paper are OK, too. Let me know if you have questions or suggestions.

Articles may be edited for length and format. You're on your own for grammar and spellnig.

From the Editor

Save a Tree!

... and save FVDTC some \$\$.

Starting now, you can get your "Waggin' Tales" through e-mail. Sign up by contacting Dave Lewis (630/897-4267 or dclewis@inil.com)

From the AKC

Lyme Disease

The onset of warmer weather brings out fleas and ticks in an on-going battle that we must fight every spring. One of the biggest concerns with the beginning of "tick season" is Lyme disease.

What Is Lyme Disease?

Lyme Disease is an infectious disease that is most commonly spread by the deer tick. The deer tick can be found in grassy areas (including your lawn), and in brush and wooded areas. Not only does it affect man, but it can also affect other domesticated and wild animals including our dogs. Lyme disease has been reported throughout the United States. While not all ticks carry this disease, dog owners should be ever vigilant..

What Do You Do If You Find A Tick On Your Dog?

During the warm weather, check your dog every day for ticks. The faster a tick is detected and removed, the chances of getting Lyme Disease are decreased. The best way to remove a tick is to grasp it gently with tweezers, as close to the dog's skin as possible, and pull it straight off. Be careful not to squeeze the tick as it can cause more bacteria to be spread. Fingers, matches, Vaseline, nail polish, and alcohol are not proper ways to remove ticks. Once the tick has been removed, it is recommended by veterinarians that, if possible, the tick be stored in a tight container with a small amount of rubbing alcohol. In the event your dog develops any problems, the tick can be identified as a carrier by your vet..

What Are the Symptoms of Lyme Disease?

Some of the more common signs in dogs are loss of appetite, joint pain, and fever. These symptoms can occur as early as a few days of the tick bite. If these symptoms are ignored and left untreated, the dog may develop further complications including heart problems, severe lameness, paralysis, joint swelling and brain damage. In some cases, there are no outward symptoms until the disease has reached advanced stages. Therefore, it is important to keep a vigilant eye on your pet for any outward signs of feeling out of sorts.

If you suspect any of the above symptoms in your dog, you will need to take the dog to your Veterinarian. Be prepared to tell the Veterinarian when you located the tick on your dog, present the tick, if you have it, and relate any symptoms you have noticed. Some veterinarian will perform a blood test to

assist in the diagnoses.

What Is The Treatment for Lyme Disease?

If caught early, Lyme Disease can be treated with antibiotics. Usually within a few days, the dog will begin to respond positively to the antibiotics. If the disease is not caught until it is in the advanced stage, it may be harder to treat as the dog may develop lasting damage. In the advanced stage, the disease is much slower to respond to antibiotics and may require a much lengthier period of treatment. Obviously, the key is to catch it early.

Lyme Disease Prevention

The best way to avoid getting Lyme Disease is to practice a good prevention program. Keeping your dog in shorter grass and out of the woods and brush will help to minimize tick exposure. There are many commercial sprays and powders available for treating your yard. If you decide to use one of these products, be sure to read all directions and warnings on these packages before you begin the treatment. Not all of these products are suitable for use around animals. There are also many flea and tick sprays, powders, collars and skin applications available that offer good protection for your dog. In addition, there is a fairly new vaccine for Lyme Disease available from your Veterinarian. Consult with your Vet on the pros and cons of such a vaccine, if you choose this route. For people interested in homeopathic treatments, nosodes is also an option.

From Judy Anderson

Membership Report

New member applications:

Dean & Cyndi Connolly
 521 Finley Ct.
 Batavia, IL. 60510
 630-879-2630
 Border Collie

Ronnie, Rubino
 P.O. Box 1252
 Wayne, IL. 60184
 630-584-8121

New Telephone number.

Trudi Kimm
 630-673-0527

Reminder to all new members that have joined FVDTC this year and only paid dues amounting to \$7.50 per month, your membership expires on June 31 1998.

Members that will be listed as Lifetime members in the new roster this year are:

Ronnie & Hugh Copeland
 Helen & Smitty Kalbach
 Diane Propst
 Rafael & Brenda Rivera

Respectively submitted by,
 Judy Anderson Membership Chairperson

SMILE !!

A man running a little behind schedule arrives at a movie theater, goes in to watch the movie that has already started, and as his eyes adjust to the darkness, he is surprised to see a dog sitting beside its master in the row ahead, intently watching the movie. It even seemed to be enjoying the movie: wagging its tail in the happy bits, drooping its ears at the sad bits, and hiding its eyes with its paws at the scary bits. After the movie, the man approaches the dog's owner, "Jeez mate, your dog really seemed to enjoy the movie. I'm amazed!!".

"Yes, I'm amazed also," came the reply. "He hated the book".

Help Wanted

What

Match Judges
 Match Stewards
 Graduation Night Judges
 Instructors
 Trophy Sponsors

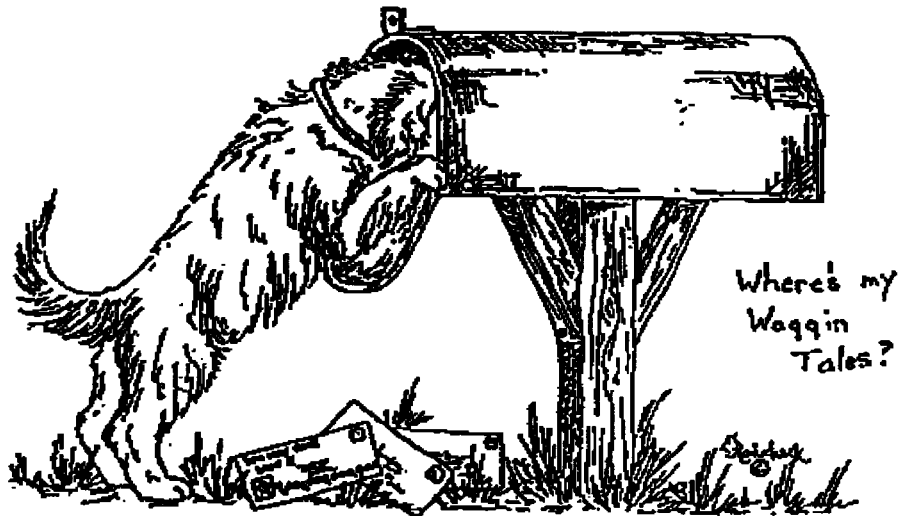
When

Match Nights
 Match Nights
 October 13, December 22
 Thursday Nights
 Now

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232 Mistwood Lane
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June / July Calendar

Dates to Remember

June	3	Wednesday	Board Meeting	July	2	Thursday	Regular Training
	4	Thursday	Regular Training		6	Monday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	8	Monday	Waggin' Tales Deadline		7	Tuesday	Regular Training
	11	Thursday	Regular Training		16	Thursday	No Training
	18	Thursday	Correction Clinic, Dr. Hanson		23	Thursday	Regular Training
	25	Thursday	Regular Training		30	Thursday	Regular Training