

HELP WANTED

We Need:

- A Primary Instructor for the 4-H Advanced Beginner's Class
 An Assistant Instructor for the 4-H Beginner's Class.

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 [Contact Carolyn Pearson (630/231-5658) or Taffy Wille (630/365-0423 or dot@fvdtc.org)]
- Stewards for Fun Matches [Contact Jan Schomer (630/896-9885 or matches@fvdtc.org)
- Second Vice-President (This is a Board position, and requires a vote of the membership). [Contact Carolyn Pearson (630/231-5658 or secretary@fvdtc.org)]
- Director of Training (This is also a Board position, and requires a vote of the membership) [Contact Carolyn Pearson (630/231-5658 or secretary@fvdtc.org)]

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From Suzan Scott

2000 CORRECTION CLINICS

The next FVDTC Correction Clinic will be on Thursday, February 17.

The remaining dates for 2000 are:

March 23 April 20 May 23 June 15

August 17 September 21 October 19 November 30

From Cindee Ehrhart-Malnar

ANNUAL DINNER!!

Mark you calendar on March 11 for the Annual Dinner! The dinner will be at Fisherman's Inn in Elburn again this year. This event is for all club members. It is a chance to socialize, have a good dinner, see who wins the annual awards, and maybe win a door prize.

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful

- Ann Landers

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From Kathy Hubbard

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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LOST BUT FOUND

The following items have been accidentally left in the building at some time in the past. If anything sounds like it might belong to you - please check with Paul at the Information Table, he can show you where they are at.

If they are not claimed by March 30th, they will be disposed of.

From Carolyn Pearson

NEW SHIRTS FOR 2000

A new order will be placed for club t-shirts and sweatshirts. Prior to placing this order, we are able to offer to you a "deal". If you would like to order a special size (i.e. anything other than a large or X large) please see Paul at the Information table and complete the order form. You will also be able to choose between a black or red shirt.

As with all other sales, this is a limited time offer, available only until March 15th. Anyone who pre-orders a shirt (of any size) will be asked to put a 50% deposit down - BUT - will receive a \$1.00 off the prices listed here.

- Blue dinner plate
- 2 pairs of Utility Gloves
- 1 set of Utility Gloves (3)
- 20" Black Nylon Choke Collar
- 3' Lead, Black and Brown Braided Leather

	Small, Large, X Large	XX Large
T-Shirts (Red or Black)	\$12.00	\$13.00
Sweat Shirts (Red or Black)	\$20.00	\$21.00

From Penny Brcich

ADVENTURES WITH ROSIE

Everyone was celebrating their agility wins at class Monday night, I on the other hand had nothing to do but eat all the treats they brought, as Rosie had a spectacular crash through the last jump on Saturday and jumped the decks and the jump a number of times before I could stop her on Sunday.

She saved the best for class, though (and I swear I am not making this up - I have witnesses).

She was on the table when a big male Doberman (nice dog, but BIG) ran off course and thought he should be on the table. Did she freak out, jump off, take off running - no, she just moved her butt over a couple of inches so he too could sit on the table with her. Very accommodating, I thought.

For her next trick, she took a very bad angle for the tire jump, spun, barked, slipped all at once, but still determined to make the jump, flung herself not through it but in it. She was hanging in the tire on her belly, front feet on one side and rear end out the, actually swinging back and forth. We had to go get her out of it. The in-

structor said she had actually never seen a dog do that before.

Moving on to the "sending ahead" exercises, I used my "toss the fuzzy toy" technique to get her to look ahead to

a tunnel. She did look ahead, grabbed the toy on the way to the tunnel and proceeded to carry it through the whole course, teeter, chute, everything! Guess she thought it was a new thing in agility.

"I am not making this up - I have witnesses"

For the grand finale, she went flying off course to the course that was set for the big dogs and took a 24" single bar with inches to spare. And came back looking for more.

This was all in one night.

This dog is 12 years old.

I think I should quit.

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

Liza (Tim White)

Open Agility

12/19/1999 Milwaukee D.T.C.

4th Place 20" Class with a clean run

Peggy (Anne White)

12/19/1999 Milwaukee D.T.C.

3rd Place 20" Class with a clean run in 47.62 on the 71 second course

Wrangler (Marietta Huber)

Excellent Jumpers (AXJ)

Jan 7, 8, 9 Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, St. Paul, MN

He earned this title at his first 3 attempts competing on the Excellent level. The "icing on the cake" is that he did so with three 1st places and tree perfect scores! Wrangler also earned 2 legs towards the Excellent Standard title, also with two 1st places. It was commented that he has the speed of a border collie, with the accuracy of a true Labrador.

Popcorn (Marietta Huber)

Jan 7, 8, 9 Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, St. Paul, MN

Popcorn earned three "double O's", qualifying in both Excellent Standard and Excellent Jumpers with perfect sores, all three days. These scores will count towards earning the AKC's highest agility title: MACH (Master Agility Champion).

Squiggles (Marietta Huber)

Jan 7, 8, 9 Land O' Lakes Kennel Club, St. Paul, MN

Squiggles earned two "double Q's" with 1st and 2nd placements.

Enter your brags online at the FVDTC web site (http://www.fvdtc.org, then click on "News")

Come One - Come All

... for a Canine CPR demonstration

... at 7:30 p.m.

... at the March $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Membership Meeting

note: The American Red Cross has the "Pet First Aid" book, by Bobbie Mammato, DVM, MPH, for sale for \$12.95. If you want to get a copy prior to the meeting, their office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. OR, see Carolyn Pearson at training to place an order, with a check made out to American Red Cross, and she can pick up the copies. (The ISBN number is 1-57857-000-X.)



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From Carolyn Pearson

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting brought to order at 7:41 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary) the December Meeting Minutes were approved as distributed without any corrections.

Second Vice-President - open. Carolyn Pearson reported that she had received a letter from a local representative of the Oxy-Fresh canine dental product who is available to speak at membership meetings. It was decided that he will be contacted for a future meeting. Another membership program possibility discussed was a demonstration for canine CPR. Carolyn Pearson will contact the local chapter of the American Red Cross to see if they can help with this request. Further discussion involved the possibility of perhaps have a demonstration at the November trial.

Cathy Fleury (Treasurer) was still recovering from a cold and sent the financial reports with Carolyn Pearson to be distributed. This report will be discussed at the March membership meeting.

Carolyn Pearson and Taffy Wille (Acting Directors of Training) reported that the Puppy and Beginner classes all began on January 6th. Thus far, no problems. Jerry D'Aprile has volunteered to be the Primary Instructor for the 4H Beginners class. Currently working on obtaining a primary instructor for the 4H Advanced Beginners class. Also need to get assistant instructors for both 4H classes. The 4H classes begin on February 24th, with Graduation on July 11th. No classes will be held on Correction Clinic nights.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) reported that the preliminary planning is going well.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) stated that she is in the process of finalizing the judges slate.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) stated the next Waggin' Tales deadline is Sunday, February 6th. He has setup the virtual e-mail addresses for the entire board. As everyone has probably noticed by now, the format of the Waggin' Tales has been changed. Based on a some comments that he has received, the font will be increased to match the size that was used last year.

Sandy Walsh (Graduation Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson: she still needs a judge for the Tuesday, March 7th graduation for the 9:00 p.m. Beginner's class.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) stated that she is in the process of loading the membership database that she received from Judy Anderson.

Tracey Mohr (Public Education Liaison) was not in attendance, but sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson: she was looking for feedback whether we should participate in the pet show that is held at the Arlington Park International Racetrack. The cost for a booth (for a not for profit group) would be \$180.00 for a main floor site and \$150.00 for a second floor site. It was decided that rather than getting a booth for this year, we should attend the show and determine whether it would beneficial for the club to participate. Peggy Sue Seehafer, Kathy Hubbard and Trudi Kimm stated that they would attend the show.

Carolyn Pearson (Tracking Secretary) reported that she has received the tracking information from Heather King. Paperwork will be started.

New Business

- New Enclosed Library Cart Ginger Romano requested that board approve the purchase of new enclosed cart for the library boxes. The current cart is open and allowed water damage to occur to the club's collection. Carolyn Pearson made a motion to allow Ginger to spend a maximum of \$100 to replace the cart. Judy Anderson seconded the motion. It was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions. Judy Anderson made a motion to set an annual budget of \$150.00 to allow the librarian to purchase items for the library. The motion was seconded by Taffy Wille. It was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions. The 2000 annual budget excludes the purchase of the cart.
- New Club T-shirts And Sweatshirts For Sale Carolyn Pearson requested that board approve the purchase of new club Tshirts. Nadine Connor has contacted The Transfer Pass to get a price on club logo'd T-shirts and sweatshirts for sale and for T-shirts for the instructors. Dave Lewis made a motion to approve the purchase of the shirts. The motion was seconded by Will Short. It was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions. Prior to placing the order, club members will have an opportunity to order any special sizes and a color

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From Carolyn Pearson

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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preference (red or black). Anyone who wishes to pre-order a T-shirt or sweatshirt should see Paul at the front table and fill out an order form.

 New Training Building Committee - Trudi Kimm would to form a committee to determine the interest level of getting a new building. Anyone who is interested in joining in the committee should contact Trudi Kimm at (630) 673-0527 or at training.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

AND NOW...SOMETHING TOTALLY DIFFERENT

From Sandi Stephenson

Dog Terms Explained:

- 20. Specialty—Whatever your dog is good at, like bringing home dead cats or chewing the walls.
- 19. Balance—Ability to hold coffee, Danish, leash, treats and entry form all at once.
- 18. Crabbing—What you do when the judge doesn't like the way your dog moves.
- Force-Fetch—Dog drops the toy under furniture, scratches at the carpet til you're forced to "fetch" it
- 16. Blind Retrieve—When you can't see the toy under the furniture.
- 15. Double Blind—Finding two toys under the furniture
- 13. Pedigree—Dog food with lots of great coupons
- 12. CGC—Canine Gastrointestinal Catastrophe (aka GAS)
- 11. Distemper—Shown by those hot-headed competitors
- 10. Type—What your dog has ... if you turn down the lots and squint a little
- Utility—The kind of vehicle you need to haul around your dogs.
- 8. Fly Ball—Neutering
- 7. Qualifying Score—Justifying the 170.5 you got in obedience today.
- 6. Heel—What you feel like when your dog won't heel during the exercise.
- 5. Ribbons—What you wont to cut the other exhibitors into, after their "pet" wins.
- 4. Bitch—To complain heartily.
- 3. Dog—To chase a judge from show to show in an effort to attain more breed wins.
- 2. Guard Hair—An activity in which one watches intently as the dog's hair falls out, in clumps, just after entries are mailed.
- Overshot—Running so fast as to pass the 1st place ring marker and plow into the judge and stewards.

A man runs into the vet's office carrying his dog, screaming for help. The vet rushes him back to an examination room and has him put his dog down on the examination table.

The vet examines the still, limp body and after a few moments, tells the man that his dog, regrettably, is dead. The man, clearly agitated and not willing to accept this, demands a second opinion. The vet goes into the back room and comes out with a cat and put the cat down next to the dog's body. The cat sniffs the body, walks from head to tail, poking and sniffing the dog's body and finally looks at the vet and meows. The vet looks at the man and says, "I'm sorry, but the cat thinks that your dog is dead, too".

The man is still unwilling to accept that his dog is dead. So the vet brings in a Labrador Retriever; the lab sniffs the body, walks from head to tail and looks at the vet a barks. The vet looks at the man and says, "I'm sorry, but the lab thinks your dog is dead, too".

The man, finally resigned to the diagnosis, thanks the vet and asks how much he owes. The vet answers "\$650."

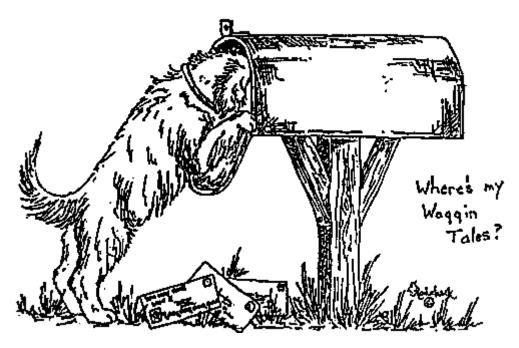
"\$650 to tell me my dog is dead?," exclaims the man.
"Well," the vet replies, "I would only have charged you
\$50 for my initial diagnosis. The additional \$600 was for
the cat scan and lab tests".

How Many Dogs Does it Take to Change a Light Bulb?

Rottweiler: Just one. You want to make something of it? Golden Retriever: "I'll be glad to change the light bulb for you, but first can't we play catch with the tennis ball or Frisbee — and then I want to lick your face and rest my head in your lap and look up at you with my sad eyes. What? You're changing the light bulb yourself? You didn't need to do that, but I looove you so much for being my friend and doing that."

FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

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FVDTC CALENDAR—FEBRUARY / MARCH

February	2	Wednesday	Board Meeting	March	1	Wednesday	Membership Meeting
	3	Thursday	Regular Training		2	Thursday	Regular Training
	6	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline		5	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	10	Thursday	Regular Training		7	Tuesday	Regular Training
	17	Thursday	Correction Clinic		11	Saturday	Annual Banquet
			Beginner's Class		14	Tuesday	Regular Training
	24	Thursday	Regular Training		23	Thursday	Correction Clinic
							Puppy Class
					30	Thursday	Regular Training