

# WAGGIN' TALES

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## FROM THE TRIAL CHAIR

Our annual obedience trial is going to held on Sunday, November 12, 2000. At this time all classes are filled which means 272 dogs are going to compete that day. Our judges for the trial are Fred Buroff, Cindy Pischke, Diane Propst, Kent Delany, and Velma Janek. There are still a few choice steward positions available. Please sign up at training to reserve one of these places for yourself. Raffle items can be given to Taffy Wille, Linda Benson, or Georgia Fioritto. If you are needing work credits or just want to volunteer, many positions are still open: set up on Saturday evening, cleanup on Sunday evening, kitchen, grounds. See Taffy, Ed Herdes, Nadine Connor, Carolyn, or me. I am looking forward to another great trial.

William Short  
Trial Chairman

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From Helen Castellano

## NOTES FROM THE AGILITY TRIAL

The First FVDTC Agility Trial went very well. We started on time and the day seemed to go by very quickly. We had some nice compliments on our prizes particularly that the winners liked the idea of being able to choose.

Thank you to the Friday night set up crew - Rick Cox, Cathy Fleury, Kent Hildebrand, Nada Johnson, Jan Schomer, and Suzan Scott.

Thank you to all the workers at the trial in the rings and behind the table, both club members and non-club members. We could not have done this without you.

Special thanks to Mike and Cherie Bond.

Thank you to Linda Benson for handling the prize table; Cindy Pakenas for a great hospitality table; and Peggy Sue Seehafer for the wonderful variety of prizes.

To the committee members - Cathy Fleury, Coordinator for all workers; Paul Grosso and Vicky Hagens for jumping in where needed; Jan Schomer, ribbons; and Suzan Scott, Trial Secretary, my appreciation for making this trial run so well.

Looking forward to next year, Helen Castellano, Agility Trial Chairperson

Happiness is a warm puppy

— Charles Schulz

From Suzan Scott

## CORRECTION CLINICS

As of October 5, Open and Utility are filled for the October 19 FVDTc correction clinic. There are still about 12 spots left in novice.

The last correction clinic for 2000 will be on November 30.

Call (630) 898-5998 or visit our web site at <http://www.fvdtc.org/> for details.

## HELP WANTED

The following board positions are open. Anyone interested should contact Carolyn Pearson at (630) 231-5658 or via e-mail at [secretary@fvdtc.org](mailto:secretary@fvdtc.org).

Second Vice-President  
Director of Training  
Demonstrations  
Member-at-Large  
Graduation Chair

## MORE HELP WANTED

- **Primary and Assistant Instructors** are needed for the final session. Contact Carolyn Pearson (630/231-5658 or [secretary@fvdtc.org](mailto:secretary@fvdtc.org)) or Taffy Wille (630/365-0423 or [trialsecretary@fvdtc.org](mailto:trialsecretary@fvdtc.org))
- **Trial Stewards** are needed for the obedience trial in November. Contact Will Short (630/377-0810 or [trialinfo@fvdtc.org](mailto:trialinfo@fvdtc.org))
- **Kitchen Volunteers** and **Baked Goodies** are also needed for the obedience trial in November. See Nadine Conner (630/365-1396 or [nadine5544@aol.com](mailto:nadine5544@aol.com))
- Volunteers are need to help with **Trial Set-up** on November 11. Contact Will Short (630/377-0810 or [trialinfo@fvdtc.org](mailto:trialinfo@fvdtc.org)), or just show up at the fairgrounds at 5:00 pm
- **Correction Clinic Judges** are needed for the October and November clinics. Contact Shirley Moline (630/232-2503 or [slm2503@aol.com](mailto:slm2503@aol.com))

From David Lewis, Editor

## PUT YOUR NEWS IN WAGGIN' TALES

If you have news or announcements you would like to share with the club, put it in the Waggin' Tales.

There are a few guidelines to follow to ensure that your message is presented in the way **you** would like:

Submit your articles to:

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Waggin' Tales  
232 Mistwood Lane  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630) 897-4267  
[waggintales@fvdtc.org](mailto:waggintales@fvdtc.org)

Plain text E-Mail is the best way to get your article included. Attachments in Rich Text Format will work

also. Typed letters and faxes are OK, too, but handwritten notes are the most likely to result in errors.

Always include your name and a phone number with your article.

### What Gets Included

Waggin' Tales is the primary means of communication for the Board to the membership, so announcements from the Board and meeting minutes get highest priority. Next are news, brags and stories from the membership. If space permits, dog-related classified ads and for-sale items from members will be included.

I am always interested in your comments (both good and bad) and suggestions for improving Waggin' Tales.

From Will Short

## LETTER TO THE CLUB

I want to thank all of the members who supported the board's action concerning electronic collars. Please remember that the decision was not reached without a lot of discussion and soul searching. We felt and will continue to believe that the policy is in the best interests of all of our Fox Valley Dog Training Members.

From the AKC

## NEWS FROM THE AKC

*This article is excerpted from the AKC web site at <http://www.akc.org>*

### AIRLINE EMBARGO UPDATE

During the summer months numerous airlines instituted embargoes on shipping dogs as excess baggage. In spite of AKC meetings with airline officials, pressure from the dog-owning public and ... letters from AKC President Al Cheauré to airlines' executives, several airlines have decided to continue these embargoes indefinitely.

United Airlines [and] TWA and Continental confirmed that they ... are extending their embargoes indefinitely. Small dogs may travel in the cabin of the plane but larger pets must travel as cargo. Continental offers a "Quik Pak" excess baggage express service but at a high cost to the shipper. All other major airlines have told us they are not extending their summer embargo policies.

AKC urges fanciers to contact the airlines directly for updates on their policies. Travelers should make arrangements well in advance and confirm their plans shortly before departure date. Also, we encourage you to contact the airlines imposing embargoes to express your opposition to these policies. Please see former postings on our web site for names and addresses of airlines' executives and a sample opposition letter.

Editor's Note:

United's pet policy is at <http://www.ual.com/site/primary/0,10017,1047,00.html>

The announcement extending the embargo is at [http://www.ual.com/site/primaryPR/0,10026,1534\\_669,00.html](http://www.ual.com/site/primaryPR/0,10026,1534_669,00.html)

## TRIAL NOTES

From Georgia Fiorito

### Raffle Items Needed !

The club is in need of donated items for our annual raffle to be held during our trial. Our raffle has been successful in the past years due to our members generous donations. If you have anything or could pick up something please bring it to training. I will have a drop box labeled for you to put them in. Thank you in advance!

From Nadine Conner

### We Need Help!!!

We need help!!! Please sign-up to help in the kitchen during the November Trial. One difference this year; in the kitchen we will only accept help from those who sign-up ahead of time. Last year so many came to help at the last minute, that some of those who signed-up and took extra time off to help were turned away creating some hard feelings. I don't want ANYONE feeling left out or hurt.

If you aren't able to give of your time, please sign-up to make baked goods. Due to so much baking (is there such a thing?) we had lots left over the last 2 years. We would like you to volunteer for a specific baked good and amount. You don't have to wrap your baked good individually. Just bring them in a big container and we will do the wrapping.

Both sign-up sheets are located at the greeting table near the steward sign-up sheet. Yes, we need you EVERYWHERE!! Isn't it wonderful to be so needed.

Thank you so much for your time. If you have any questions, please give me a call at (630) 207-8212

## E-MAIL WAGGIN' TALES

If you would like to save the club a few dollars, receive your Waggin' Tales up to a week before everybody else, and get your pictures in color:

Get your Waggin' Tales via E-Mail!

You need to install the Adobe Acrobat Reader (free from <http://www.adobe.com>) and send an e-mail to [waggin-tales@fvdtc.org](mailto:waggin-tales@fvdtc.org).

From Carolyn Pearson

## NOTES FROM THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

### Membership Meeting Highlights October 4, 2000

Meeting brought to order at 7:50 p.m.

Prior to start of the regular club business, as published in the September Waggin' Tales, a vote was taken to determine whether the membership wished to approve or not approve the policy recently announced by the Board. Prior to the initiation of the voting, Francene Andresen questioned whether our by-laws allowed for the use of "absentee ballots". She stated that according to Robert's Rules, the by-laws must include for that method if they are to be used. Our by-laws only specify a method for the voting for the board members, new members, the by-laws and club dissolution. Although there is nothing specific about absentee ballots in our by-laws, the procedure was published well in advance of the meeting to allow sufficient notification time. Carolyn Pearson stated that the reason that the method was offered for this issue is that in the past, many club members have expressed disappointment about being unable to attend meetings when an issue was being voted on.

Peggy Sue reviewed the procedures and re-read the policy as it was published. When it was assured that all members present understood what was being voted on, the following was read and a hand count was done. The number of votes is in parenthesis following the statement. The number of votes also includes the absentee ballots. There were 26 voting members present plus 10 write-in votes sent via mail.

Yes, I approve the current policy to ban the use of stimulator collars at Fox Valley. (received 22 votes)  
- OR -

No, I do not approve the current policy to ban the use of stimulator collars at Fox Valley. (received 14 votes)

The final outcome of the voting was the desire of the members to continue the policy prohibiting stimulator collars at Fox Valley training site. A club member asked whether this policy could ever be changed in the future, to which Peggy Sue Seehafer stated that policies are always available to be re-addressed.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The September meeting minutes were approved with the following correction: Carol Cook stated that she wanted to correct

the comment attributed to her in the September membership meeting minutes. She stated that the stimulator collars should be used in a life or death situation.

Several items of correspondence were read.

Judy Anderson (First Vice-President) was not feeling well and sent her report with Peggy Sue Seehafer. She reported that she has received a \$225 check from the Siberian Husky Club of Greater Chicago and the signed contract for the rent of our equipment for their show to be at the Kane County Fairgrounds on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Taffy Wille and Carolyn Pearson (Acting Directors of Training). Carolyn reported that the current session ends on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Primary and Assistant Instructors are needed for the final session which begins on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Carolyn Pearson (630-231-5658 or secretary@fvdtc.org) or Taffy Wille (630-365-0423 or trialsecretary@fvdtc.org) at training, via telephone or e-mail if you are interested.

Nadine Conner and Jerry D'Aprile volunteered to help where needed.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) stated that stewards are still needed and that he had the steward sign-up board at the meeting for the trial. After the meeting, it would be available at training, please sign up. Nadine Conner (Trial Kitchen) also stated that she is seeking volunteers to sign-up to work in the kitchen as well as provide baked goods. In order to prevent an over-abundance of one particular type of dessert, she would like the volunteer bakers to please specify what they are donating. If you would like to volunteer your time in the kitchen or donating baked goods, she can be reached at 630-365-1396 or nadine5544@aol.com.

Bill Clarke (Trial Booths) stated that due to the lack of utilization by the judges and stewards of designated dining tables, they will be eliminated this year. That space will be used to allow for two more booth spaces, which already have been rented. Bill also stated that it is possible to add even one more space, but will measure the space on October 10<sup>th</sup> to confirm that. If it is possible to add an additional space, Peggy Sue stated that she knows of a possible "renter".

Taffy Wille (Trial Catalogs) stated that she had received about \$330.00 in catalog ads as of this time, however that amount is less than last year. Bill Clarke and Tim White will be contacting those who have advertised in

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From Carolyn Pearson

## NOTES FROM THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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the past but not this year to determine if they wish to advertise this year. Taffy Wille encouraged any club member that is available on Saturday (November 11th) to help with the set-up to contact Will Short (630-377-0810 or trialinfo@fvdtc.org) or to stop by the fairgrounds around 5:00 p.m. Set-up consists of any equipment movement (when Car-Dun-AI's ring layouts are different from ours), getting the ring tables organized, etc.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) excitedly reported that for the first time since she has been the Trial Secretary, she has reached the numerical limits of 272 entries PRIOR to the closing date of October 25<sup>th</sup>. She stated that trial entries are considered closed per the "Rules Applying to Dog Shows, Chapter 1, Section 5 - A specified closing date, in accordance with Chapter 6, Section 9, must be indicated in the premium list together with a statement that entries will close on said date or when the limit has been reached, if prior thereto." This will allow the acknowledgements to be sent earlier than usual.

Taffy stated that she has not yet set a date to do the catalog information proofreading. Once that has been set, she will let members know.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next deadline is Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. He encouraged anyone who is able to (and wishes to) receive their newsletter via e-mail to let him know. By receiving it via e-mail, it saves the club approximately \$1.00 per issue for printing and postage.

Cathy Fleury (Treasurer) reported that we are current on our bills. She stated that she will have numbers from the September 16<sup>th</sup> Agility Trial at the November 1<sup>st</sup> Membership meeting.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) was unable to attend the meeting due to work and sent her report with Carolyn Pearson. Carolyn read a list of five new applicants for membership. Ingrid Hamburger made a motion to accept the list as read. Trudi Kimm seconded the motion. Without any discussion, the motion was approved by all, without any opposition or abstentions. Tracy McMahon was the only new applicant present. Welcome to all our new members. J

Cathy Fleury reported that all of the checks received by Kathy Hubbard for membership renewals had

been deposited today, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) stated that she is in need of stewards for the October 19<sup>th</sup> and the November 30<sup>th</sup> correction clinics. She asked that club members NOT sign up to judge and steward- as much as we like to think we can "do it all", being in two places at the same time is simply not possible by mere mortals.

Shirley Moline (Match Chairperson) was unable to attend the meeting and sent her report with Carolyn Pearson: There are only two correction clinics left this year, anyone who needs work credits or just wants to judge can either call her at 630-232-2503 or e-mail her at slm2503@aol.com.

Suzan Scott (Statistician Chairperson) was not in attendance. Carolyn reminded club members who are submitting award applications they may send any known information to Suzan at any time. Anne White asked whether Suzan keeps track of when an individual has worked at any event. It was stated that Jan Schomer and Ingrid Hamburger only keep track of the correction clinic stewards and the information is communicated to Suzan following each clinic.

Cindee Ehrhart-Malnar (Annual Dinner Chairperson) was not in attendance. Peggy Sue Seehafer stated that the Annual Dinner will be at Fisherman's Inn, Elburn, on March 10, 2001. Nina Herdes has again agreed to do the decorations with a minor request to be able to alter the colors used to something other than the club's colors of red, white and black. There was no opposition to her request.

Francene Andresen (Tracking Chairperson) reported that she and Ingrid are attempting to obtain the judges for the Spring Tracking Test. The test is slated for March 18, 2001. The location still needs to be secured.

Francene stated that she had received twelve entries for the September 10th test. Of those twelve, seven tests (three TD's and four TDX's) were executed. There was a large percent of passing tests; all three TD's and one TDX passed. The TDX passing dog was Ingrid Hamburger's Heike's dad.

Overall, the test went well with compliments received from many people. Not bad for a first attempt! A huge thanks to all of the hard workers that helped accomplish this.

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From Carolyn Pearson

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Trudi Kimm (Director at Large) reported that a scheduling problem has required Sig Hansen to reschedule his November 2<sup>nd</sup> date to December 7th. He will NOT be at training on December 14<sup>th</sup> as the calendar originally stated.

### Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$4.00 is Bill Clarke as drawn by new club member, Tracy McMahon.

### Old Business

- **Agility Trial** - Cathy Fleury reported that the trial went very well, exhibitor and judges were happy with the way the test was run. All of the workers did well and there was ample help. Cathy Fleury also reported that it was being considered to host a two-day trial for next year. In response to the concern brought up about the Friday night set-up, she felt that there were no insurmountable problems.

Ann White mentioned that she heard some comments from some exhibitors (while at another agility trial) that they were not pleased with the placement of some of the equipment, particularly that the dogs were jumping on a hill. Cathy Fleury stated that the location of the equipment

is determined by the judge and the stewards must abide by the judges' decision.

- **Clothing Order** - The t-shirts and sweatshirts have ARRIVED. Please see Nadine Conner or Carolyn Pearson at training to pick-up your order. Instructors (if you requested a shirt) should see Nadine or Carolyn to get your shirt.

### New Business

- Peggy Sue Seehafer reported that she received a telephone call from an individual who is trying to sell 4' wide J & J mats. The original total length was 315', cut into various lengths. They are two years old but have not been used a great deal. They were cleaned prior to the final rolling. She's asking 800.00 for all, new price was \$1,600.00. Currently, they are selling for \$395 per roll in the J & J catalog. Anyone interested can contact Carolyn Pearson for the name and telephone number.
- It was also asked whether it would be possible to add wheels to the high jumps to allow them to be moved by a single trainer. Carolyn stated that she would speak to Ed Herdes about the possibility.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

From Marietta Huber

## AKC AGILITY ANNOUNCEMENT

The AKC Agility Standing by breed have been published in the September issue of the Gazette magazine for the first half of the year 2000.

One of FVDTC's club members, Marietta Huber, has been honored by holding a few of the top ranking spots on this list:

Beagle:

1st place—Squiggles (for the 6 years)  
MACH CH Starbuck Torbay Rave On, MX,  
MXJ, CDX

Labrador:

1st place — Popcorn

Ramapo's Indian Love Call, MX, MXJ, CDX, JH,  
WC, AWC

4th place — Wrangler

Willcare Walk On the Wildside, AX, AXJ, CD, JH,  
AWC

Marietta's other labs have this spot for the past 6 years::

Licorice: 1994, 1995, 1996

Rainbow: 1997, 1998, 1999

## BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

**Candlewood's Ribbonquest (Peggy) CD, SH, NA, NAJ** (Anne White)

09-09-00 Winnebago Labrador Retriever Club, Kenosha, WI  
Earned another Senior ribbon.

09-16-00 3rd Place 20" Open Standard Fox Valley Dog T.C

09-30-00 2nd Place 20" Open Standard Menomonee Falls, K-9 Obed T.C.

**Shamrock Acres Celebration (Liza) JH, UD, OA, OAJ** (Anne White)

09-16-00 20" Open Standard 3rd Place Fox Valley D.T. Agility Trial, Plano, IL

**Tygr** (Linda Benson)

09-09-00 The Basenji Club of America National Specialty  
Utility A

We came so close—only missed the metal article — but a lovely working performance.

09-20-00 The Basenji Club of America National Specialty  
Agility Trial, Open Standard

2nd place, perfect 100 (we were less than 2/10ths of a second from HIT)

Open JWW

4th place—Score 88 (our 1st jumpers leg)

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

**Viki** (Linda Benson)

09-09-00 The Basenji Club of America National Specialty  
Novice B, 2nd Place

1st Novice Leg (our score was ghastly, but she was one of the two dogs to qualify out of an entry of 12)

09-20-00 The Basenji Club of America National Specialty

Had a good time sniffing out goose poop!!

**Jake** (Sally Dillow)

9-30-00 No. III. Bouvier Des Flanders Club Obed Trial, Wheaton, IL  
Finished his U-CD with a 195 for 1st place in Nov. A

**Ramapo's Indian Jewelry / "Crystal"** (Marietta Huber)

04-23-00 Novice Agility (AKC)

09-16-00 Novice Agility Jumpers with Weaves (AKC)

06-11-00 Canine Good Citizen

**Willcare Walk on the Wildside, AX, AXJ, AD, CD, JH, WC, AWC "Wrangler"** (Marietta Huber)

08-04-00 Advance Agility Dog (USDAA)

08-18-00 Novice Agility Certificate (NADAC)

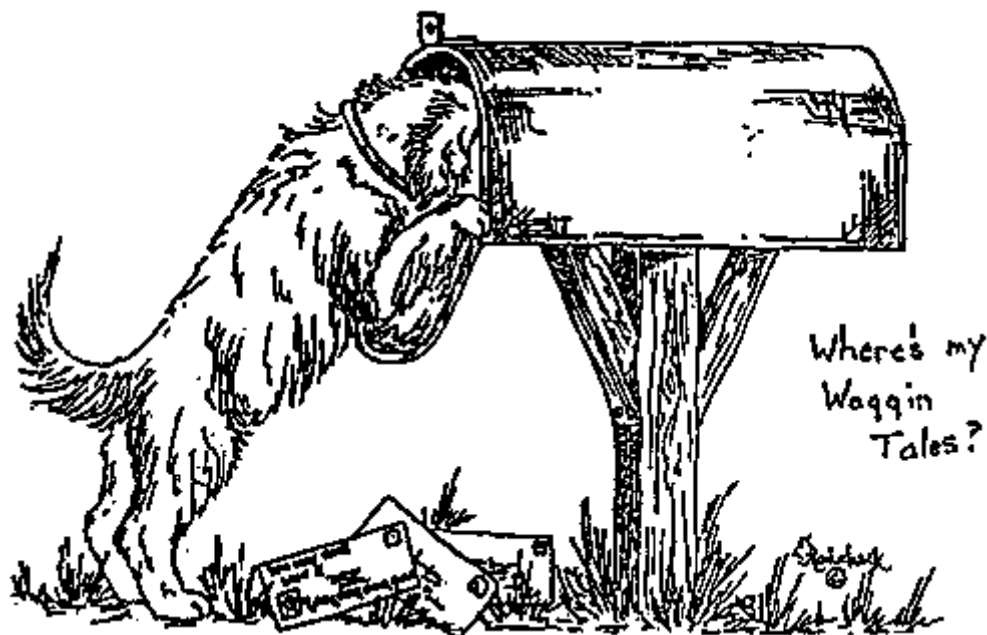
08-19-00 Novice Jumpers Certificate (NADAC)

08-19-00 Novice Gamblers Certificate (NADAC)

At FVDTC's first agility trial, held on September 16th, Marietta finished Crystal's Novice with Weaves (NAJ) title with a 2nd place and "hit a double header" with Wrangler: Excellent standard — 1st place & Excellent Jumpers — 1st place

FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

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## FVDTC CALENDAR— OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

<b>October</b>	4	Wednesday	Membership Meeting	<b>November</b>	1	Wednesday	Membership Meeting
	5	Thursday	Regular Training		2	Thursday	Regular Training
	8	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline		5	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	10	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training		7	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training
	19	Thursday	Correction Clinic		12	Sunday	Obedience Trial
			Graduation, Session 4		16	Thursday	Regular Training
			Puppy & Beginner Class		21	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training
	26	Thursday	Regular Training		30	Thursday	Correction Clinic
			Start Session 5—Puppy				