

# WAGGIN' TALES

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## WATCH THIS SPACE!!

The FVDTC Annual Obedience Trial will be held on Sunday, November 12. Results, news, notes and other items of interest will be published in the December Waggin' Tales, so check here next month!

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From Will Short

## AGILITY NEWS

On Friday, October 27, four FVDTC members entertained 600 children at Hanover Countryside Elementary School in Streamwood, IL, with three agility assemblies. A brief history of the sport was presented, each piece of equipment was explained and demonstrated, and each dog ran the course. The course was one of the open ones used for our recent agility trial.

The participants were Will and Shirley Short and their Flat-Coats, Phantom, River, and Ghost, Kathy Lohmeyer and her Golden, Morgan, and Vera Nyberg and her Cocker, Bitsy.

The Hanover Countryside PTA provided transportation for the equipment, which was lent by Kathy Lohmeyer.

Everyone had a great time, and the children were able to see first hand what agility looks like and all of the fun that dogs and handlers have participating in it.

Happiness is a warm puppy

— Charles Schulz

## 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.

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

## MORE HELP WANTED

- **Trial Stewards** are needed for the obedience trial in November. Contact Debbie Kovacevich (630/356-2616 or rubywdx@aol.com)
- **Correction Clinic Judges** are needed for the October and November clinics. Contact Shirley Moline (630/232-2503 or slm2503@aol.com)

## BRAGS & OTHER GOOD STUFF

Dallas did it!!!! She got her first leg Novice A on Sunday down in Indiana. We got a beautiful bell pull for first dog, first trial and first leg. She got 184 points and I blew 2 of them by collar correcting her in the ring?!

Jerry's Tonto got his first leg in Novice B. He was up at 193 points or so.  
WOW!!!

I'm flying, I really is surprising how well the dogs can do even if they are cued wrong by nervous owners.....

Thanks to some GREAT trainers.  
Nadine

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:

David Lewis  
Waggin' Tales  
232 Mistwood Lane  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630) 897-4267  
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 Kathy Hubbard

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- Peter M. Rademacher  
1346 Foxglove  
Batavia, IL 60510  
Rottweiler, French Bulldog  
Guest trained 5 times
- Burton A. Brown  
1910 Rita Ave.  
St Charles, IL 60174  
Labrador  
Completed Beginner Class
- Nancianne Jensen  
7970 Galena Rd.  
Bristol, IL 60512  
Standard Poodle  
Guest trained 5 times  
jensenn@bp.com

## LOST 'N' 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 Carolyn Pearson at training, and she can show you where they are.

If they are not claimed by December 15th, they will be disposed of.

- 1 (not a pair) Stride Rite Leather Childs tennis shoe
- 1 Brown corduroy Bears baseball cap
- 1 Old Navy denim vest, child's size 16
- 1 Hand towel - White with blue stripe
- 1 Basket with plaid trim wrapped on handle
- 22" Black Nylon Choke Collar
- 50" long, 1/4" wide, Lead, Black Leather
- 25" long, 1/8" wide, Lead, Black Leather
- 24" long, 3/8" wide, Lead, Brown Leather
- 23" long, Lead, Black Nylon braided
- 1 - plastic Dumbbell, 2-1/2" dowel
- 1 - wooden Dumbbell, 3" dowel, 2-1/2 ends

From Suzan Scott

## CORRECTION CLINICS

The final Fox Valley Dog Training Correction Clinic for 2000 will be held Thursday, November 30. If you're planning to enter open and haven't already sent your entry, you're probably too late. As of October 31, Open is more than filled, Utility has 8 spots left and Novice has 22. If you've already sent me an open entry and know you won't be able to make it, please let me know so someone else can take your place. I'd be glad to move your entry to one of our matches in 2001.

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

From Trudi Kimm

## ON-LINE PUPPY SALES

I strongly urge all FVDTC members to take time to e-mail, write or phone a protest to this company to get them to stop doing mail order puppy sales.

### OrderPet.com

<http://www.OrderPet.com> or  
[Http://www.OrderPuppy.com](http://www.OrderPuppy.com)

The administrative contact for the web page is:

Albert Agadjanian  
Pets R Us  
1315 E. Colorado, Glendale, CA 91205  
(818) 246-2923  
orderpuppy@aol.com

The parent company is Pets R Us  
1418 W. Glenworks  
Glendale, Ca 91201.

## 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

Meeting brought to order at 7:49 p.m.

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

Taffy Wille and Carolyn Pearson (Acting Directors of Training). Carolyn reported that there are currently four classes of Beginner's students. There are two classes at 7:00 p.m., totaling 21 students, one each at 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. with 14 and 11 students respectively. Taffy Wille reported that she still needs to get a second Assistant Instructor for her 7:00 p.m. Puppy class, which has 15 students. Anyone available and willing to help at 7:00 p.m. for either a Beginner's class or a Puppy class, please contact Carolyn Pearson (630-231-5658) or Taffy Wille (630-365-3423).

Taffy also reminded members that we do need someone willing to sit at the front table on a regular basis. The "work shift hours" are 6:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. Working the whole 1-1/2 hours is not a requirement – if anyone is willing to work a split shift with a fellow club-member, we would be glad to accept your help. We loose between \$20.00 and \$40.00 each week that we do not have a club representative greeting our guests.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) asked the individual chairpeople present at the meeting to present their reports. Debbie Kovacevich (Ring Stewart Chairperson) reported that she does have a couple of slots that still need to be filled. Nadine Conner (Kitchen Chairperson) reported that she still needs volunteers to help with the baking. Nadine has a list of necessary items that club members can volunteer to bake. Will Short reported that the price of the catalogs was \$3.00, and the charge for spectators will be \$1.00. Helen Castellano (Trophy Chairperson) will set up the trophy table Saturday night after the Car-Dun-Al trial. Bill Clarke (Booth Chairperson) has sold 12 booths. Carolyn Pearson (Hospitality Chairperson) announced that location for the Saturday night dinner with the judges has not yet been set.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that the trial reached its numerical limits and was closed three weeks earlier than the closing date. The catalogs are at the printer. The acknowledgements have been mailed. Taffy asked Will Short if he would be providing the banners for each ring again this year. She also asked for ideas on creating a more permanent

ring identification signs. Kathy Hubbard volunteered to loan signs for this year and to perhaps make a duplicate of those signs to be kept and used by the club. She stated that she would bring it to training on November 2nd for Taffy and Will to review.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) fielded comments about postponing the deadline until Monday, November 13 to allow Will Short and Taffy Wille the ability to provide reports from our trial on November 12. Both stated that they would be unable to provide a report that soon after the trial was completed – something about being way too tired to even think the next day. :-) It was decided that the deadline would remain as originally published, Sunday, November 5.

Cathy Fleury (Treasurer) passed out the 2000 year-to-date financial reports. She reported that we realized \$1,300 profit on our first Agility Trial. That was considered good because we held a limited trial.

Open (Graduation Chairperson) Cathy Fleury asked what the instructors were expected to do on the last night of the session. The instructors will evaluate each of their current students and talk to them about what would the instructors would recommend for the next step for the students. Taffy stated that she has a "Simon-says" game with her puppy class, just a fun thing to do.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) discussed the pattern of membership renewals that she found when reviewing her records. In the 1999 fiscal year we ended with 184 members. Of those 184, twenty-two did not renew their membership. In the 2000 fiscal year, we currently have 179 members. After reviewing that information, she was more comfortable with the cycle that our membership appears to occur annually.

Kathy stated that she has 3 new applicants to be published in the next Waggin' Tales. One of the new applicants was present at the meeting.

She plans to have the new roster published by December 1st. They will be available for pick-up at training, initially. Additionally a copy of the newest ByLaws (approved at the May membership meeting) will be available for pick-up. Those not picked-up at that time will be mailed.

Tracey Mohr (Public Education Liaison) reported that she is currently working on an form for the instructors to use during their final "graduation" evaluation. She needs to receive the class goals from Carolyn Pearson prior to the

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From Carolyn Pearson

## NOTES FROM THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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completion of the form.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) was not present. However, it was reported that the next and final match will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup>. The Open classes are closed.

Shirley Moline (Match Chairperson) was not present but sent the following report: She is in need of judges for the November 30<sup>th</sup> Match. If you would like to judge for this (or any future) match please contact her at 630-232-2503 or e-mail her at slm2503@aol.com.

Jean Airey (Publicity) was not in attendance. Trudy Kimm gave Taffy Wille a copy of the Sun newspaper (to pass along to Jean). The Sun publishes local events in their "Let Us Know" section for no charge.

Suzan Scott (Statistician Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent the following report: She reminded club members to send in their awards forms (which should be in the November issue of the Waggin Tales). She currently has a list of members who attended which meetings and who stewarded or judged at which matches.

Cindee Ehrhart-Malnar (Annual Dinner Chairperson) was not present. However, Peggy Sue reported that the dinner is scheduled for March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2001. Once again, Nina Herdes has graciously accepted our request to do the decorations – they are sure to be nothing less than gorgeous.

Francene Andresen (Tracking Chairperson) was not present. However, Carolyn reported that Francene and Ingrid are experiencing difficulty obtaining local judges for the Spring Tracking Test.

### Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$4.00 is Cathy Fleury as drawn by club membership applicant, Peter Rademacher.

### Old Business

**Equipment Modifications** - During the October membership meeting, it was asked whether it was possible to add wheels to the high jumps to allow them to be moved by an solo trainer. Ed Herdes has been asked to investigate the possibility and will report back. Trudy Kimm also asked whether it would be possible to add another high jump to the match

night equipment. Those club members showing at UKC trials require the jump in the Novice rings. It was stated that the inside equipment cabinet does not have any more room for any extra equipment. The jump would have to be brought in and returned to the outside storage shed for each match. The logistics will need further discussion.

### New Business

The following are gentle reminders to all club members:

- Please do not begin training prior to 6:00 p.m.
- Please pick-up all of your dogs droppings
- Please do not park along the building (which is our emergency vehicle lane)
- Please respect the handicap parking signs

Carolyn Pearson asked whether the club should continue the recent tradition of sending Thank You notes to all of our Novice A exhibitors. It was decided to continue the tradition, with Kathy Hubbard agreeing to do the cards.

Tracey McMahon asked whether it was possible to know what classes were being conducted in which rings. Carolyn Pearson stated that at the start of each new class session, a 24" x 36" drawing was posted indicating that information. However, the sign is only posted during the first two weeks of classes – which does not help any guest trainers determine where they should be going. It was also suggested that perhaps the information could be posted on our Website. A permanent solution to this will be investigated.

Will Short and Taffy Wille is seeking feedback from all club members regarding the following questions:

- Should we consider hosting a second Obedience Trial in the Spring (dates have not yet been investigated with AKC)?
- If we do host a Spring Obedience Trial – would you be willing to work at it?

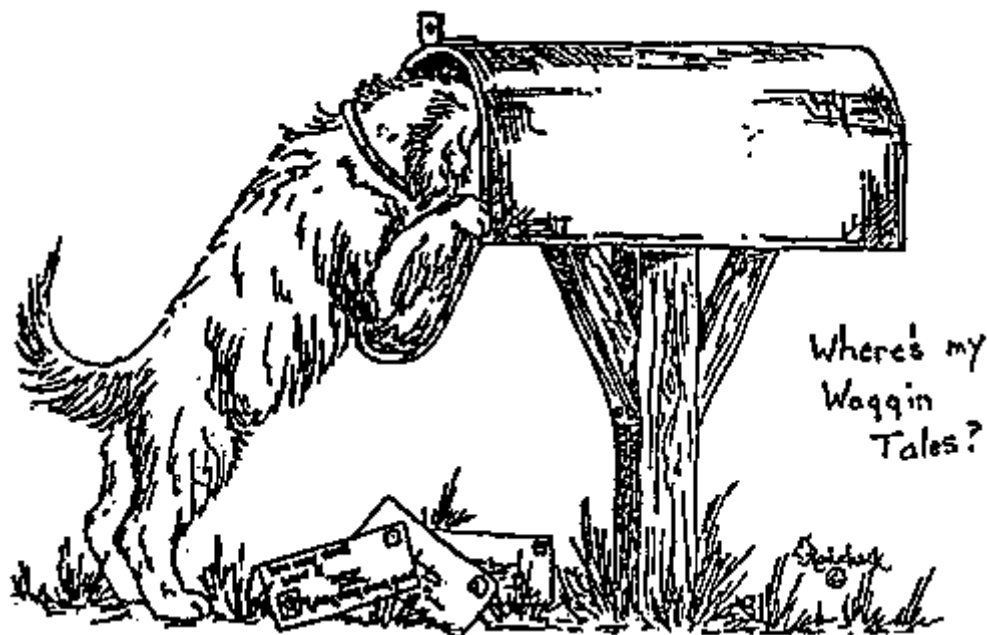
The other part of the discussion was the perpetuity of the event, both with AKC, obtaining workers, Trial Secretary and Trial Chairperson, following the tenure of Will and Taffy. This investigation was initiated because Taffy returned approximately 60 entries this year to people who were unable to get in our trial.

Feedback (positive and negative) can be given to Will Short (at 630-377-0810 or at wshort9153@aol.com) or Taffy Will (at 630-365-0423 or at taffy@shell0.ynet.com).

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

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## FVDTC CALENDAR— NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

<b>November</b>	1	Wednesday	Membership Meeting	<b>December</b>	6	Wednesday	Board Meeting
	2	Thursday	Regular Training		7	Thursday	Regular Training
	5	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline				Sig Hansen Visits
	7	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training		10	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	12	Sunday	Obedience Trail		14	Thursday	Regular Training
	16	Thursday	Regular Training				Puppy Graduation
	21	<b>Tuesday</b>	Regular Training		21	Thursday	Regular Training
	30	Thursday	Correction Clinic		28	Thursday	Christmas Party
							No Classes!
							July Membership Mtg.
							Beginners' Graduation
							Puppy Graduation