



# WAGGIN' TALES



**This is NOT the correction match event FVDTC usually has. THIS IS AN AKC SANCTIONED MATCH!!!! The date is, THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2008. Check out the following page to learn what a sanctioned match is and what it is not.**



Time has flown by and another session has been completed by the 4-H students. The 4-H Obedience Trial will be held on Wednesday, June 25, 2008



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On **Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> FVDTC will be hosting a Sanctioned OB Match.** (OB = Obedience B) AKC recognizes several different types of Sanctioned matches (A, B, and C) but the "B" match satisfies most requirements with the least effort and is therefore the most common. A "B" match can have both breed and obedience whereas "OB" is just for obedience. Instead of our regular Correction Clinic in June we will be holding a Sanctioned Match. There will probably be some questions regarding the switch. Hopefully this article will answer those questions.

### **WHAT IS A SANCTIONED OB MATCH?**

AKC defines a Sanctioned OB Obedience Match as an informal event at which dog clubs, judges, stewards, and exhibitors and their dogs gain experience needed for licensed events. AKC obedience regulations apply at Sanctioned Matches. Dog and handler teams will be scored as in an AKC Obedience Trial, however, no points or credit toward an Obedience Title are awarded. Approval from AKC is required to hold an OB Sanctioned Match and the Club will designate a Match Secretary who will assume the duties as a Trial Secretary.

### **WHY HOLD AN AKC SANCTIONED MATCH?**

As mentioned previously it gives the handler and dog, club, stewards and judges the opportunity to gain valuable ring experience. Typically, handlers and dogs are more relaxed in this type of atmosphere than in an actual Trial. It gives them the opportunity to be evaluated and judged against other competitors without the pressures of an actual Trial.

Any person wishing to become an AKC Obedience Judge is required to judge a minimum of 5) novice classes at AKC sanctioned matches prior to submitting their application. A provisional Obedience Judge wishing to move up to the next class is required to judge a minimum of 5) Sanctioned Matches in the class that they are applying for. Sanctioned Matches are necessary in order for the sport to train and obtain new Judges.

AKC has a list of requirements for Clubs to hold future Dog Shows. In order to be licensed to hold a Dog Show the Club must satisfy a minimum of 3 requirements. Hosting an AKC Sanctioned Obedience Match satisfies one of those requirements.

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER A SANCTIONED MATCH?**

Dogs must be AKC registered and be at least 6 months of age. Dogs with a CDX title may be entered in the Open B class but may not compete for any awards in that class. A dog with a CDX title may compete for awards in a Utility class. Dogs with a UD title may be entered in the Open B and/or Utility classes but may not compete for any awards in these classes. The Match Secretary, and the match judges and immediate household and family members are not eligible to participate.

### **WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A CORRECTION CLINIC AND A SANCTIONED MATCH?**

A Correction Clinic is held to allow a handler to train their dog and make suitable corrections as necessary. The Judge of a Correction Clinic may work with the handler on a specific issue, sometimes allowing the team to repeat or modify an exercise.

A Sanctioned Match is held to gain ring experience. Because AKC regulations apply at Sanctioned Matches corrections are not allowed. A person that corrects their dog at a Sanctioned Match will receive an NQ for that exercise as in a Trial and may be excused.

### **HOW DO I ENTER A SANCTIONED MATCH?**

Entry to an AKC Sanctioned Match is made by submitting a completed Official Entry Form to the Match Secretary of the Club hosting the event with the proper fee. The Entry Form could be an existing printed form for any AKC Obedience Trial or is available for download from AKC at <http://www.akc.org/pdfs/AEN999.pdf>. The entry must be complete and include the dog's AKC registration number. Pre-entries are strongly encouraged. Entry may be available until the Sanctioned Match begins providing the classes have not filled or otherwise published.

Hopefully this explains the need and basic rules for Sanctioned Matches. If you have any questions the pamphlet "Match Regulations" is available for download from the AKC website or email [obedience@FVDTC.org](mailto:obedience@FVDTC.org) with your questions.

**Membership Meeting Highlights**  
**May 07, 2008**

Meeting brought to order at 7:59 p.m.

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

Ed Herdes (First Vice-President) reported that he plans to schedule a mat cleaning date this year. He will work with the fairgrounds to determine date. Once that date has been set, it will be well publicized.

Sandi Stephenson (Director of Training) was not at the meeting due to her work schedule, however she sent the following report as read by Carolyn Pearson.

Classes are proceeding well.

It is GREAT having the front table covered by Cheryl Hettinger.

Sandi also reminded club members that for safety purposes, there is to be no more tying dogs to tables.

Handlers must crate their dogs, (or leave them in the vehicle) when they are not able to hold on to the leash. Sandi thanked Terri for making the reminder signs for this.

Sandi also announced that effective immediately, we need an instructor for the 8:00 p.m. Open class and for an assistant instructor for the 8:00 p.m. Puppy class.

Sandi also stated that Kristin Anderson will instruct the 8:00 p.m. Beginner class starting with the August session. Sandi extended big thanks to Dale Swanson, who could never really be replaced, for the time he was the instructor of that class.

Rick Cox (Obedience Trial Chairperson) reported that he received notification from AKC that the Open A/Utility A Judge for the 2008 Obedience/Rally Trial was ineligible to judge our trial due to a time/distance conflict. According to AKC's rules, a judge cannot judge the same class within 30 days. Although we had a confirmation from the judge, the judge was scheduled to judge Open A/Utility A at another trial. Rick reported that he searched for another judge within the four connecting states, who was available AND could judge both the Open A and Utility A classes AND was on the list of suitable judges to hire. To resolve this dilemma, Rick proposed that Edree Olson be hired as the Open A judge and that Nancy DeFiesta would remain as the Utility A judge. Rick stated that he would re-address Nancy DeFiesta's contract due to the reduction in her judging assignment. Rick also reported that he contacted Donna Darland to judge Open A, however she is not yet approved for Open A. Although she is scheduled to do her interview with AKC for Open A in June, there is no guarantee that the remaining process would be completed by the obedience trial date. Taffy stated that she has e-mail confirmation messages for all 2009 judges.

Rick also announced that in spite of class-to-class 'begging', the Booths chair position for the Obedience/Rally trial is still vacant. Rick stated that this is truly an easy job because it is usually working with the Booth Chair for the Car-Dun-AI dog training club.

Taffy suggested that although we have a Trial superintendent, we should still seek a club member to be listed as a Trial Secretary in the Premium list.

Terri reported that Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) dropped off a packet of applications to present at the meeting and went home with strep throat. All applicants were published in the April Waggin' Tales. Terri read the list of eight applicants. Francene made a motion to accept the list as read and published. Taffy Wille seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present with no one opposed or abstaining. Welcome to all new members, especially Dave DeFrank who was present at the meeting.

Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson) reported that the planning is going well. She will continue the planning after she returns from her vacation.

Terri stated that a special election will be conducted at the September 3<sup>rd</sup> Membership Meeting to elect Rosemary Anderson for the Public Education Coordinator position.

Helen Castellano (Agility Trial Chairperson) reported that the fall agility trial will now be indoors. The new venue is the Robert Vaughn Athletic Center in Aurora. The AKC has approved the September 13<sup>th</sup> and

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14<sup>th</sup> event, including the new site. The entries are \$24.00 for the first entry and \$14.00 for the second entry. Helen reported that Sally Gichner and Kera Holm are the judges. The opening date is July 9<sup>th</sup> and the closing date is August 27<sup>th</sup>. Helen stated that all chair positions have been filled for the Agility Trial Committee, with the exception of the Hospitality Chair. Any club members interested in the position can contact Helen at [agility@fvdtc.org](mailto:agility@fvdtc.org).

Terri expressed kudos to Cheryl Hettinger (Annual Dinner Chairperson) for doing such a super job on the Annual Dinner. Taffy stated that the favors presented to all 43 guests were phenomenal. Cheryl stated that Randy Sales and Francene Andresen were taking photographs throughout the evening. To allow all club members the opportunity to see the pictures, Cheryl planned to give Mary Szczurek, Librarian, the photographs and the CD. Cheryl Hettinger volunteered to chair the Annual Dinner next year and said she will be seeking committee members to help. Cheryl will seek input from club members whether there would be an interest in having a pizza party at a rented hall for the Annual Dinner. Cheryl thanked Rick Cox for doing a fantastic job as the emcee for the dinner. Cheryl also asked club members to loan her programs from past events. Francene Andresen and Ingrid Hamburger volunteered for next year's annual dinner committee.

Colleen Kent (CGC & TDI Test Coordinator) was not in attendance, however it was announced that the next CGC/TDI test was May 15<sup>th</sup>. The TDI evaluator is Tom Stephenson and the CGC evaluator is Terri Byerly. Terri stated that there were still spots available for the CGC test, but not the TDI test.

Terri Byerly announced that Shelly Kellums has graciously volunteered to be our Demonstrations chairperson. The jumps used for the demonstrations are currently in the shed. Francene stated that she volunteered to demonstrate tracking should the need arise.

Sandi Stephenson was not at the meeting due to her work schedule, however she sent the following report on behalf of the Match Committee Chairs (Penny Bricich/Jan Schomer/Sandi Stephenson) as read by Carolyn Pearson.

Although Sandi reported that the sanctioned match slated for June 18 was set, Rick reported that he has received the approval for the Rally match, but not the Obedience match. He stated that he will verify the approval status with AKC. Penny Bricich, Match Secretary, is handling the entries. Rick Cox is doing the judges books and sheets. Sandi extended a thank you to Rick and Penny!

Sandi also reported that the match committee would like member input regarding hosting a sanctioned match every year.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) reported that stewards are needed for May 15<sup>th</sup> Correction Clinic. She stated that she will ask Jan Schomer to send a request for volunteers.

Buffy Cramer-Hamman (Publicity) was not in attendance, however it was announced that the brochure is ready for board approval.

Francene Andresen (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next Waggin' Tales deadline is Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Monthly Dollar Bucket**

...and the winner of \$3.50 is Rosemary Anderson as drawn by new club member, Dave DeFrank. In addition to the Tracking Committee receiving the remaining \$3.50, Rosemary also donated her \$3.50 to the Tracking Committee.

### **Old Business**

#### **4-H Trial Volunteers**

Terri stated that Judges and Stewards are needed for 4-H Trial on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Terri said the judging volunteers must have a basic knowledge of AKC obedience exercises and patterns.

Ed stated that he will verify with the fairgrounds that we can gain access to the fairgrounds for set-up on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and the 4-H Trial on Wednesday.

#### **Handicapped Parking**

Terri reminded club members to respect the handicapped parking sign in back. She stated that she ob-  
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served that 2 weeks ago there were two vehicles squeezed in there, both with handicapped parking permits. Please remember to respect this area of parking for those who need it.

### **Seminar**

Terri asked whether the club should continue with seminar inquiries to the membership as to determining the level interest, seeking volunteers to do research, etc. Although club members affirmed that the club should host a seminar, no one volunteered at the meeting. It was also suggested that club members could seek input from the Glenbard All Breed Obedience Club (GABOC) committee who put together the Diane Baumann seminar.

### **New Business**

Terri announced that copies of the membership survey will be available on training nights. She reminded all club members that everyone's opinion is requested.

Cheryl Hettinger presented an idea as a way of thanking merchants for their support and donations. Cheryl suggested that we offer window clingers to merchants, who donate something to the club and who are dog friendly. Cheryl displayed a frame with the four ideas that she designed. Cheryl suggested that the club offer the clingers for the merchants to announce that they are dog friendly and to put the club's name and logo in front of shoppers. Cheryl stated that she briefly checked on the internet and did not see anything that indicated that this program would be a liability to the club.

Cheryl said that she would present this idea to the Board for approval before continuing this idea.

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



## **BRAGS AND WAGS**

**Woo, woo!! Dallas and I did it. We had our first Rally Novice trial and did fantastic. We scored 97 out of 100 points. I blew 2 points and she blew only 1. We tied for first place with 2 other teams. The tie was broken by time and we were the slowest of the 3 so we got 3rd place. Best part, she loved it, the judged loved my talking to her and all were impressed with her doing so well at 11 years old!! We are happy and going for her title next. Nadine**



### **From the Trophy Chair**

I thought I would brag on our club one more time (well, maybe not just one more time). We have ONE class yet to be sponsored and SIX trophies to sponsor for our November Trial! Great job those of you that have helped make this part of the trial financially beneficial to the club.

Thank you

Peggy Sue Seehafer

Trophy Chair - November Trial

[artisticpeggysue@yahoo.com](mailto:artisticpeggysue@yahoo.com) or 630-584-1595



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT by SUE MACPHERSON

### ATTENTION MEMBERS

**A REMINDER IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.  
SEE RENEWAL FORM AND INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE**

**Below are new members to be voted on at the next membership meeting.**

Laura Cronan  
1824 Riverside Ave  
St Charles, IL 60175  
(630)479-0377  
Border Collie mix & Coonhound  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: lcrona9@yahoo.com

Harlan Houska  
2055 Belvidere Line Dr  
ELgin, IL 60123  
(847)429-1958  
German Shepherd  
Guest trained 5 times  
e-mail: harlan@dogwoodshop.com

Danamarie Izzo  
501 Pinewood Dr  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630)892-6935  
Siberian Husky  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: daizzo@msn.com

Gregory & Barbara Moore  
222 South Jefferson St  
Batavia, IL 60510  
(630)761-3404  
Chesapeake Bay Retriever  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: barbaramoore@advocatehealth.com

Brian & Dana Jarrell  
344 Timber Oaks Dr  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630)742-8347  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: cj@mcmachinery.com

Tania, David, Megan & Amanda Chizzo  
2913 Sterkel Rd  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630)907-2049  
German Shepherd, Brittany Spaniels, Poodle  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: trbl4ux2@aol.com

Tammy Washington  
6 Cebold Dr  
Montgomery, IL 60538  
(630)892-3771  
German Shepherd  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: tawashington\_308@yahoo.com

Nancy Cornelison  
40W693 McDonald Rd  
Elgin, IL 60124  
(847)809-3885  
German Shepherd, Parson Russell Terrier  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: ncornelison@foxvalley.net

Nettie & Dan Lambert  
517 Downing St  
Elburn, IL 60119  
(630)365-1462  
Alaskan Malamute  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: nettiedan@sbcglobal.net

Pat & Mark Schubert  
540 Parkside  
Elburn, IL 60119  
(630)365-2579  
Samoyed  
Completed Beginner class  
e-mail: pschuberg@sbcglobal.net

**PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE**

**REGULAR TRAINING: \$90.00**

**REGULAR NON-TRAINING: \$45.00**

**LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING: \$45.00\*\***

**LIFETIME OR BOARD NON-TRAINING: FREE**

INSTRUCTORS: Earn 1/4 Credit Towards Dues Per Quarter Or Class Taught (Max 4)  
Your Teaching Status Must Be Confirmed By The Director Of Training

\*\*If you are planning to apply for an award at next year's banquet, be sure that you select a Training membership.\*\*

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_ \*

***\*In accordance with our By-laws,  
a \$5.00 re-instatement fee will be charged  
for dues not received by 7-10-08***

Please mail this application with your dues to the address below.

Make checks payable to:

**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**

(630) 584-1002	MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON Sue MacPherson 4N791 Chaffield Dr St. Charles, IL 60175	membership@fvdtc.org
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**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

**THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JUNE 1, 2008**

**DUES FOR THE 2008-2009 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 2008.**

Your name will be omitted from the 2008-2009 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the July issue unless your check and this completed form are received by 7-9-08

**Please take a moment to complete and return this entire form, even if you do not owe any dues. This allows us to make our roster as accurate as possible.**

Please print the information below as you would like it to appear in the roster, e.g.: John & Mary Jones.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

You must include your e-mail address if you select the "Via e-mail" method to receive the newsletter.

Breed(s) of dog(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Training areas of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check your preference for receiving the Waggin' Tales newsletter.

Mailed to my house \_\_\_\_\_ Via e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Do not want to get at all \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer for the Grievance Committee?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

FVDTC continues to believe that all club members have a commitment to sportsmanship, community and canine welfare. All individuals living in your household, who are to be considered voting club members, should read the following. Please sign on the line below stating that you have read this statement.

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| <b>I shall endeavor to conduct myself at all times in a manner that reflects credit upon Fox Valley Dog Training Club, regardless of the location or the circumstances. I will protect and advance the interests of the Club by encouraging sportsmanlike behavior at training nights, correction clinics, obedience trials, tracking tests, and agility trials. I will uphold the Club's commitment to good sportsmanship, community support, and the welfare of the dogs with which we work.</b> |                    |
| _____<br>Signature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | _____<br>Signature |





**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**

**QUESTIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP** Circle your answers  
(remember to do page 2 on reverse side)

**Would you like daytime or earlier hours to be available to train at FVDTC?**

yes – no – don't know

**Do you feel FVDTC's costs (membership, student, guest) are fair and comparable to other facilities?**

yes – no – don't know – comments

**Do you feel FVDTC keeps you well enough informed of upcoming events and news?**

yes – no – don't know – comments

**What do you think would increase volunteerism within the club?** \_\_\_\_\_

**I would volunteer more often for various things if:**

**Do you understand the current work credit system?**

yes – no – don't know –

comments \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you feel the current work credit system is fair?**

yes – no – don't know –

comments \_\_\_\_\_

**How often do you visit FVDTC's website?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Why do you use FVDTC's facility? (circle all that apply)**

the building – the instructors – close to home – works with my personal schedules – cost

other \_\_\_\_\_

**What would make attending membership meetings more appealing to you?**

Earlier start time (current is 7:30) – more social atmosphere with snacks and coffee

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you feel FVDTC should be offering seminars / workshops?**

yes – no – don't know – comments

**If FVDTC did offer seminars, I would be willing to help organize such an event** Yes No Maybe





## UPCOMING AKC CGC and TDI TESTS

Are you looking for testing in our area? Here you go!  
American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen and Therapy Dog International testing will be conducted in conjunction with the North Aurora Days Pet Parade.

Date of Tests: **Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Time: TBD

Place: North Island Park, North Aurora  
(at the river near routes 56 and 31)

To sign up, email: [terribyerly@aol.com](mailto:terribyerly@aol.com)  
(630) 553-2363

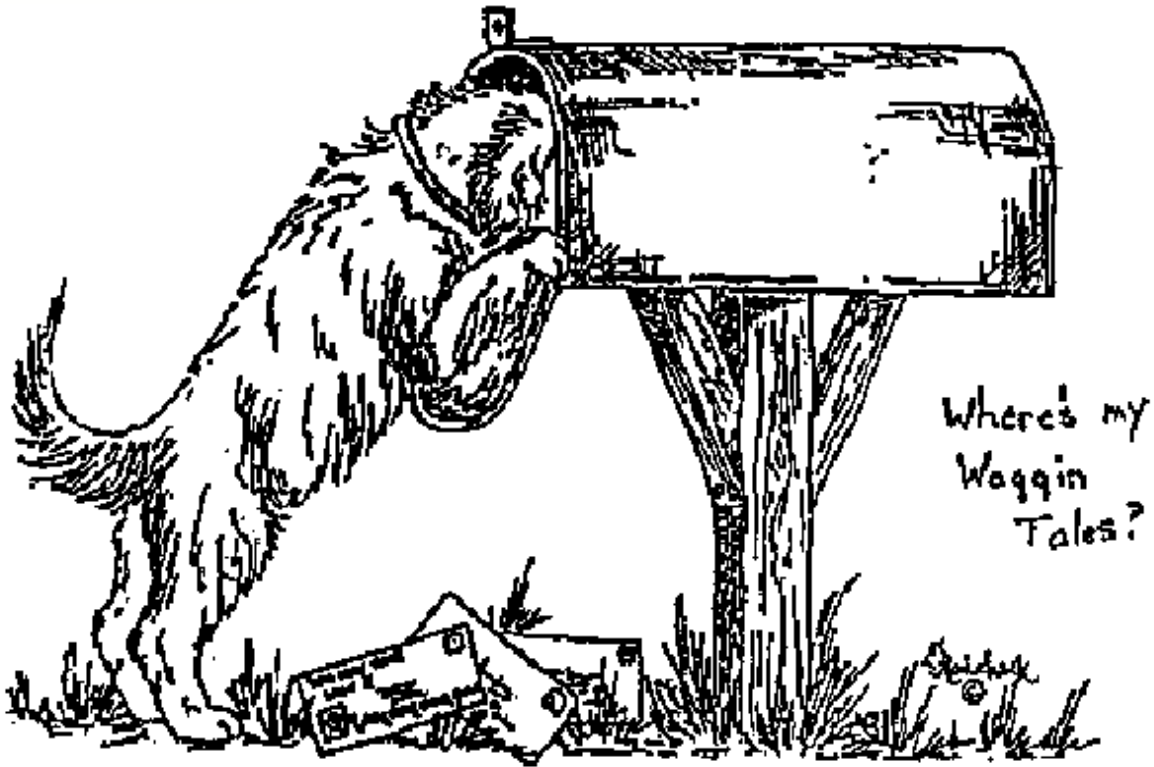


### **North Aurora Days 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Pet Parade**

Extraordinary participation each year marks the success of this event which celebrates the value of pets in our lives.

Entry forms can be found at  
Fox Valley Veterinary Clinic, Messenger Public Library, City Hall  
or online thru Village of North Aurora's website

Keep your eye on Waggin Tails for more information to follow!



| JUNE |           |                                           | JULY |          |                                                               |
|------|-----------|-------------------------------------------|------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5    | Thursday  | Regular Training                          | 3    | Thursday | Regular Training & Start Puppy (8:00)                         |
| 6    | Friday    | Board Meeting                             | 8    | TUESDAY  | Regular Training                                              |
| 8    | Sunday    | Waggin' Tales Deadline                    | 11   | Friday   | Board Meeting                                                 |
| 12   | Thursday  | Regular Training                          | 13   | Sunday   | Waggin' Tales Deadline                                        |
| 19   | THURSDAY  | AKC SANCTIONED MATCH                      | 17   | THURSDAY | KANE COUNTY FAIR NO TRAINING OR CLASSES                       |
| 25   | Wednesday | 4-H Classes End                           | 24   | Thursday | Regular Training                                              |
| 26   | Thursday  | Regular Training & End Puppy Class 8 p.m. | 31   | Thursday | Regular Training Graduation Session 3 Puppy (7:00) & Beginner |