

# Fox Valley Dog Training Club

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## Waggin' Tales

### MARDIPAWS BANQUET & AWARDS DINNER

*Francene Andresen, and the 2009 Dinner Committee*

The 2009 Fox Valley Dog Training Club Banquet and Awards was another success for the dinner committee. The 55+ folks attending spent the evening enjoying the conversation and renewal of old friendships and the rewards of the beginnings of new friendships.

The sound of laughter rang out throughout the evening. The only time it became quiet was when dinner was served and mouths were being entertained with good food.

No one escaped the eye of the camera as raffle gifts and awards were handed out to all the lucky winners. Club members were given acknowledgement and thank you for all the work they do to keep the club functioning.



Cheryl Hettinger (Sally Compton Award)

The prestigious Sally Compton Award was given to none other than Cheryl Hettinger, who goes above and beyond the call of duty to assist the club. She is the person that is at the front table greeting everyone coming to training on Thursdays so be sure to say hello to her the next time you see her. She has been our banquet chair for a number of years now, she works at the obedience trials and works the raffle table, and she works the entire tracking trial each year plus a number of other tasks she does throughout the year. Congratulations, Cheryl on your well deserved

award.

The additional awards were issued as follows:

Dorothy Dimond Award

Cathy Fleury & Seeker

Debbie Orr Award

Catherine Fleury

Ed Kneip Memorial Award

Brenda Rivera & Pilot

Kanosak Kennel Utility A Trainer's Award

Nancy Einwich



*Nancy Einwich (Kanosak Kennel Award)*

Founders Award

Brenda Rivera & Pilot

Heather Memorial Award

None

High Qualifying Average Award - Novice A  
None

High Qualifying Average Award - Novice B  
Catherine Fleury & Seeker

High Qualifying Average Award - Open B  
Brenda Rivera & Pilot

High Qualifying Average Award - Utility B  
Brenda Rivera & Pilot



*Dianne Herold (Boner Award)*

Congratulations to all of our members who are working their dogs for the joy of having a well

mannered pet or for the joy of competition or for both of those reasons. Keep up the good work.

The dinner committee was especially pleased to see so many new members coming to the dinner this year. It is always nice to see the new members getting involved and sharing in the fun and taking advantage of the club's activities. We look forward to seeing more of you throughout the year.

Thanks to all of you who either wrote to us or spoke personally to us about how you enjoyed yourselves at the dinner. We really

appreciated all the accolades you gave us this year. From all the laughter and conversations going on, it did seem as though everyone was having a good time.

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to the 2009 Dinner Committee for the outstanding job they did in putting together this year's banquet:

Cheryl Hettinger – Chair  
Francene Andresen  
Connie Crawford  
Ingrid Hamburger  
Barb Misch  
Barbara Runkle



## Oops!

We would like to apologize to Marietta Huber, whose awards were not included at the awards dinner.

Please join us in congratulating Marietta and her dogs on their multiple accomplishments this past year.

- 1) CH Melody's Ricochet in Rhythm - RICKY (beagle) earned his AKC breed championship on 5/24/09.
- 2) Ramapo's Indian Jewelry, OA, OAJ, MXP, MJP, AJP, OFP, CDX - CRYSTAL (lab) earned a CDX at the Labrador Nationals on 10/09/09.
- 3) MACH2 Folklaur Command Performance, MXF, CDX,

JH earned:

- MACH2 (Master Agility Champion 2) on 6/06/09
- MXF (Agility Master Fast Excellent) on 10/23/09
- Performance Standard I (USDAA) on 4/25/09
- Performance Jumpers I (USDAA) on 4/25/09
- Performance Gamblers I (USDAA) on 4/25/09
- Performance Snooker I (USDAA) on 4/25/09
- Performance Relay I (USDAA) on 7/26/09
- Performance Standard II (USDAA) on 7/26/09

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## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – APRIL 23, 2010

Meeting brought to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Carolyn Pearson** (Secretary). The February Meeting minutes were approved as published.

**Dana Weller** (Treasurer) was not in attendance, however provided the Income & Spending report for January 1, 2010 thru March 31, 2010. Dana also reported that Ingrid Weihe has all of the 2009 year-end information and is working on our filing which isn't due until May 15th.

**Joan Mazat** (Director of Training) was not in attendance, however she sent the following report. Joan asked all Primary instructors to send her the name of the Assistant instructor for the class. Joan also asked that all instructors keep an eye out for potential new instructors. She stated that the new layout for the 4-H rings has greatly improved the student's flow in and out, and she has received no further complaints about congestion. She also stated that overall, classes seem to be moving forward well.

**Barb Moore** (Obedience Trial Chairperson) reported that she is currently getting volunteers for the 2010 Obedience/Rally Trial. The following are the committees which do not currently have a chair: Booths, Catalog Advertising, Kitchen, and Raffle.

Barb also reported that thanks to Trial Secretary's

Nancy Einwich hard work, we once again have a complete Judges panel. Last week, AKC informed Ronnie Bizer, that there was a conflict due to distance between her judging assignments. After contacting many judges, Nancy has received an e-mail confirmation from Sharon Hodgens-Wood that she can replace Ronnie as the Open A and Utility A judge. Nancy is awaiting the signed contract from Sharon.

**Cathy Fleury** (Agility Trial Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent the following report. The Spring trial is over, with the help of some longtime members and exhibitors, the rings ran smoothly for the most part. Cathy stated that due to the failure to update the worker sheets with the sign-up board information after the trial on Saturday, Sunday morning was a little more hectic than it needed to be. HOWEVER, that has been added as an item on her end-of-day to-do list for Saturday's trials, so it should not be a problem in the future. Cathy also reported that despite the fact that the Spring trials weekend fell on Easter weekend, the trial filled on Saturday and were only short between 20 and 25 runs in both rings on Sunday.

There was one incident that was reported to AKC by the Trial Secretary and one of the judges at the trial.

Cathy extended a big thank-you to Kent Hildebrand, Chief Ring-Captain in the Jumpers Class, and stated that she could not do her job without his help. Cathy also thanked Shelly Kellums, Ring Captain for the Standard class on Saturday.

#### Old Business

- None

#### New Business

- Joan Mazat was not in attendance, however she sent a request asking the Board to consider donating a certificate good for one Beginner's or one Puppy class to be raffled during a fundraiser that she is hosting at her workplace in May. Joan is a member of the Sit Stay Walk for the Cure, which does fundraising for the American Cancer Society. She is hosting a "Doggie 101" meeting that will allow attendees to ask general canine-related questions. All of the money paid by the attendees will be donated to Sit Stay Walk for the Cure.

Carolyn stated that in the past, the club has

donated such a certificate. According to records, the following organizations have received a certificate.

- 1998 – Beginner's class certificate to the Fox Valley Lutheran Academy raffle.
- 2001 – Beginner's class certificate to the AKC Invitational raffle.
- 2006 – Beginner's class certificate to the Rover Rescue Pet Dog Show.

Dave Lewis made a motion to offer a Beginner's or a Puppy class certificate with an expiration date of 5/31/2011. Ed Herdes seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote.

- Terri Byerly addressed the possibility of adding special awards for Rally titles for next year's awards. After much discussion, it was the Board's consensus that our current awards list was satisfactory to honor all title earners.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

## MEMBERSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – MAY 5, 2010

Meeting was brought to order at 8:50 p.m. after a very interesting presentation by Michael Mifflin and Pamela Brown of Lassie Listens about using Jan Fennell's Amichien™ Bonding Method to achieve desired behavior with our dogs. Following an explanation of the techniques, they provided ample time for questions and answers.

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

Terri extended a huge thank-you to **Jill Hansrote** (Second Vice-President) for arranging such great and informative speakers for tonight's meeting.

**Dana Weller** (Treasurer) provided for distribution the Income & Expense report as of March 31st. There were no questions regarding the report.

**Barb Moore** (Obedience Trial Chairperson) reported that she is currently needs the following volunteers for the 2010 Obedience/Rally Trial committees which do not currently have a chair: Booths, Catalog Advertising, Kitchen, and Raffle.

**Nancy Einwich** (Obedience Trial Secretary) reported that according to AKC, the 2010 Obedience/Rally Trial has been approved.

**Dave Lewis** (Director at Large) reported that the

club now has a Facebook page.

**Ericka Koehn** (CGC Test Coordinator) Ericka reported that as of today no one has signed up for the May 20th CGC test. Ericka stated that she would mentor to anyone who would like to learn about the CGC Test Coordinator. The possibility of hosting a CGC test on August 20th was addressed. It was decided that anyone who would be prepared to take the test in August should contact her by June 30 at cgc@fvdtc.org or at training.

**Ingrid Hamburger** (Match Steward Chairperson) reported that as always, stewards are needed for the next correction clinic, to be held on May 20th.

**Dave Lewis** (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next Waggin' Tales deadline is Sunday, May 9, 2010.

#### Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$6.50 is Dana Weller. The remaining \$6.50 was presented to Ingrid Hamburger for the tracking test fund.

#### Old Business

- None

#### New Business

- Terri Byerly reported that at the request of

Joan Mazat, DOT, she is asking the membership present at tonight's meeting to ratify Sandi Stephenson as the Assistant Director of Training (ADOT). All members present and voting approved the request, none opposed and no abstentions.

- Terri Byerly is seeking volunteers to steward at the 4-H Graduation to be held on Wednesday, June 23rd. Anyone who would

like to volunteer should contact Terri at president@fvdtc.org, at (630) 553-2363 or at training.

- Francene Andresen stated that the Annual Dinner was fantastic and it appeared that all attendees had a wonderful time.

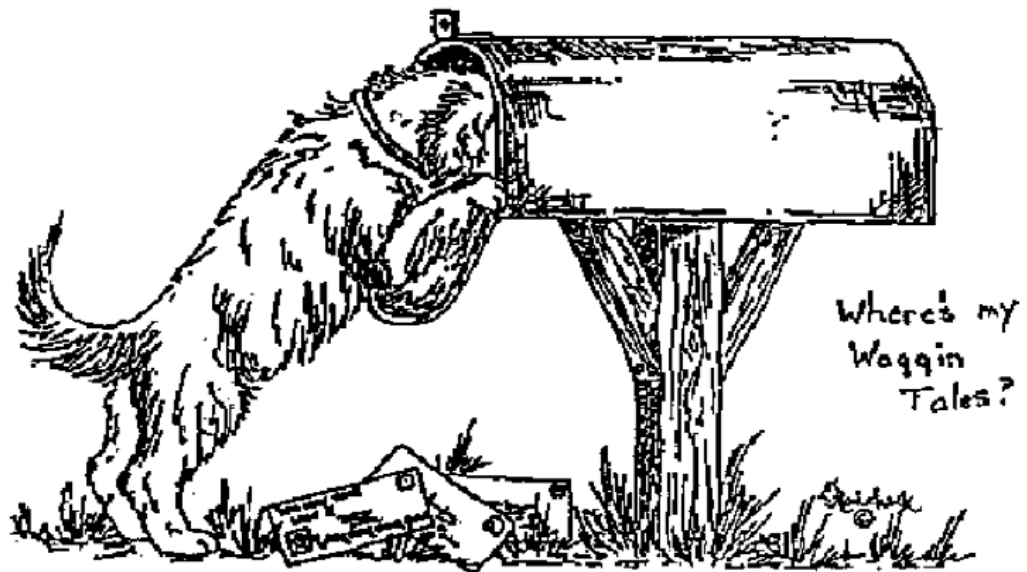
A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

### MORE FUN FROM THE ANNUAL DINNER



*These, and other pictures, are available on the club's web site and Facebook page.*

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### June 2010

- 3 Thursday Regular Training  
Start Puppy/Beginner Session
- 4 Friday Board Meeting
- 6 Sunday Waggin' Tales Deadline
- 10 Thursday Regular Training
- 17 Thursday Sanctioned Match
- 23 Wednesday End 4H
- 24 Thursday Regular Training

### July 2010

- 1 Thursday Regular Training  
End Puppy Session
- 2 Friday Board Meeting
- 4 Sunday Waggin' Tales Deadline
- 6 **Tuesday** Regular Training  
Start Puppy Session
- 15 Thursday **No Training –  
Kane County Fair**
- 22 Thursday Regular Training
- 29 Thursday Regular Training

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