

FVDTC

WAGGIN' TALES

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A Note From the President

Hello All,

Fall is here, which means it's a busy time at FVDTC. Our Fall Obedience & Rally Trials will be held on November 16th & 17th. We will need lots of volunteers to ensure our trials run smoothly. Please consider volunteering for one of the many steward slots, or other positions that need to be filled. The worker signup sheet will be available on the website very soon. (*Editor's Note: it's there now – www.fvdtc.org*) This is a fantastic opportunity to get your work credits before the end of the year. See Pat Senne, our Trial Chair, if you have any questions, and thank you Pat for all the hard work you have put into the trials so far!

We will be having our annual Raffle at our Obedience & Rally Trials on Saturday, November 16th. We need donations of fully-ready to raffle baskets with new or very gently used items, or larger items that can be donated by themselves. If you only have a few items to donate, consider asking a friend to pull together a complete basket. Baskets and items can be brought to the fairgrounds the week of our trial, but no later than Friday night at set up. This year Kathy Bianchetti and Susan Brinkworth have volunteered to run our raffle table, thank you both!

We recently held our Fall Agility Trials. A big thank you to Cathy Fleur and Taffy Wille for organizing and working this event, they each put in a lot of hours and we greatly appreciate all you did! Thank you to all the volunteers that worked at this event, too!

I would also like to give a big thank you to Bob Boeke, our First VP. Recently we had a puppy, from one of our puppy classes, test positive for Parvovirus. This puppy was vaccinated, but it still had the misfortune of getting the Parvovirus. This puppy is doing very well now. After consulting with a local veterinarian, it was determined that only bleach kills this virus and we needed to treat all of our mats and floors with a mild bleach solution. This happened the night before our September fun match. I called Bob that night and asked if he could spray all our mats and floors early the next morning. He didn't hesitate; he went early the next morning and disinfected all of the floors and mats in time for the fun match that night. Thank you very much, Bob, we greatly appreciate all you do for the club!!

We recently had our annual OFA Eye Clinic. It was a very busy night, Dr. Lindley tested the eyes of 46 dogs. We arrived a little after 4pm and stayed till almost 10pm. I really want to thank Shirley Sennebogen and Sharon Madrigan for helping me the night of the clinic. We work back in the kitchen area in the dark so that Dr Lindley can perform her exams. Thank you both!

We need someone to work at the front desk during regular training nights from 6:00pm until 7:00pm. Sue MacPherson has been doing this for a long time and would really like a break. Please consider taking over for Sue. This is a great way to earn your work credits. There will be on the job training for this very important task.

Don't forget about completing your work credits before the end of the year. You need only 3 work credits to get a 50% reduction in your annual dues, and 10 work credits to be eligible for one of our fantastic volunteer or new title awards. Please don't wait till the end of the year, Candy doesn't need 20 people trying to help at the Christmas Party!

Thanks for all you do, and see you at training, Wendy Waddick

Membership Report

Emily Errantz
 Dekalb, IL
 Golden mix
 Completed puppy class

Diana Cruz
 Aurora, IL
 Golden Retriever
 Completed puppy class

Todd & Jeanne Oelerich
 St Charles, IL
 Chesapeake Bay Retriever
 Completed puppy class

Calendar

November 2019

06 Wed Membership Meeting
 07 Thu Regular Training
 12 **Tue** Mat Vacuuming
 14 Thu Fun Match
 15 Fri Obedience/Rally Trial Setup
 16 Sat Obedience/Rally Trials
 17 Sun Obedience/Rally Trials
 19 **Tue** Regular Training
 Puppy Ends (8:00pm)
 26 **Tue** Regular Training
 Puppy Begins (8:00pm)

December 2019

05 Thu Regular Training
 11 Wed Board Meeting
 12 Thu Regular Training
 19 Thu Regular Training
 Puppy Ends (7:00pm)
 Advanced Puppy Ends (6:00pm)
 Beginner Ends (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
 26 Thu Christmas Party
 No Classes – Private Training Only

Help Wanted!

WE NEED SOMEONE TO WORK THE FRONT TABLE DURING TRAINING NIGHTS FROM 6:00PM-7:00PM

This is a great way to earn your work credits! Training will be provided. Please think of helping out your club for this important task. Contact Wendy Waddick at president@fvdtc.org if you have any questions, or to volunteer.

RAFFLE BASKETS NEEDED

We need raffle basket donations for our annual raffle at the FVDTC Obedience and Rally Trials on Saturday, November 16th. We are asking for donations of ready-to-go baskets to offer at our raffle table. We have been doing this for the past few years, and it has worked out very well. We were able to offer lots of great items in the already-made baskets. If you only have a few items that you want to donate, you can ask your friends to help make and assemble a full basket to donate.

Kathy Bianchetti and Susan Brinkworth have volunteered to organize the raffle this year. You can drop off your raffle-ready, clear wrapped baskets at the club on the night of the November Fun Match, which will be held on November 14th, or on Friday November 17th, the night of set up.

Thank you, this is a great fundraiser for our club, it helps offset the cost of holding these trials.

Proposed Membership Changes

The Board of Directors is proposing changes to the membership rules for the club, primarily the addition of a *Junior Member* classification. If you've looked around at the club and at trials, you'll notice that most of us are not quite as young as we used to be, so the Board wants to encourage younger folks to join the sport and the club. Along with the by-law changes, the Board is suggesting that attending 4H be added to the current list of classes that serve as a prerequisite for membership. The exact wording of the by-law changes is to be discussed at the November membership meeting, and voted on during the January meeting.

4.2 Types of Membership

4.2.1 The Club shall be composed of Active and Honorary members.

4.2.1.1 Active memberships consists of ~~two~~ **three** types: training, ~~and~~ non-training **and junior**.

(A) A training membership:

- consists of all interested members of a family having the same domicile.
- carries a maximum of two votes and both votes must be present and represented.

(B) A non-training membership:

- consists of all interested members of a family having the same domicile.
- carries a maximum of two votes and both votes must be present and represented.
- has all the privileges of the Club with the exception of using the training facilities.
- has dues of one-half (1/2) of the training membership dues.

(C) **A junior membership:**

- **consists of an individual between the ages of 9 and 18 years.**
- **carries a maximum of one vote.**
- **has all the privileges of the Club.**
- **has dues of one-half (1/2) of the training membership dues.**

4.2.1.2 A lifetime membership in Fox Valley Dog Training Club, Inc. will be granted to any members who have been members, in good standing, for 15 consecutive years.

Lifetime membership:

- consists of having all privileges of the Club for life.
- will consist of two types: training and non-training.
 - training lifetime membership dues will be one-half (1/2) of the training membership dues.
 - non-training lifetime member will not pay any dues.

4.2.1.3 Honorary members are:

- entitled to all privileges of the Club,
- not entitled to a vote.
- exempt from payment of dues
- confirmed by vote of the Club members present.

The term of an Honorary member shall be one year or for life.

Membership Meeting Highlights - September 11, 2019

Meeting brought to order at 7:38 p.m.

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

Bob Boeke (First Vice-President) announced that the annual mat cleaning is scheduled for September 23rd and we need at least 12 volunteers! The sign-up was available at the meeting and will be at training on Thursday.

Will Short (Director of Training) reported that volunteers are lined up for the:

- Beginners/Beginners Novice run-throughs until October 31st.
- Conformation class until the end of the year.

David Thornell is instructing the 7:00 p.m. Beginner's Class starting in October 24th.

Candy Ellis (Assistant Director of Training) reported that things are going well. She reminded everyone to encourage people to move away from the doorway, as soon as possible, to prevent negative dog interactions.

Pat Senne (Obedience Trial Chairperson) was not in attendance but reported that premium lists are available at training, other local training facilities, other local clubs, on Bob Olsen's webpage and AKC's website.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) was not in attendance. Carolyn read a list of six new applicants, who were published in the Waggin' Tales. Joyce Conway made a motion to accept the list as published and read. Candy Ellis seconded the motion. The list was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining. Welcome to all new members, none of whom were present at the meeting.

Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson) was not in attendance. Joyce Conway reported that the test went very well, seven of the eight entered teams passed.

Kristina Pomagier (Public Education Coordinator) was not in attendance. Wendy reported that Joan Lester and Angie Schmidt have volunteered to participate in a Public Education Event on September 28th from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm at 1212 S. Naper Blvd, Suite 122, Naperville. However, one more volunteer is still needed.

Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Chairperson) was not in attendance, but reported that starting in 2020, we will be holding three-day Agility Trials. The Friday trial will include the T2B (Time To Beat) and Premier Jumpers classes. The Fall trials occur this weekend.

Candy Ellis (Annual Dinner Chairperson) reported that she has already reserved Riverview Receptions for April 19, 2020 and is seeking ideas for the theme.

Jennifer Cornele (Awards Co-Chairperson) reported that the Award Chairs met today briefly.

Cris Ballenger (CGC Test Coordinator) reported that CGC Evaluator, Terri Vaira, passed all eleven registered teams. All dogs were two years old or younger with half the dogs under one year of age! The club earned a total of \$130.00 for the test. A group photograph and candid shots with text were submitted to our Facebook coordinator. A summary of the test night was sent to David Lewis for Waggin' Tales and the web site. Helping with the test were our wonderful volunteers: Carol Hornbeck, Joan Lester, Barbara Mair, Donna Matthews, Ninette Sandefur and Margi Stuessy.

We have enough AKC forms and ribbons, and FVDTC ribbons for the next test, which is scheduled for March 2020. Registration forms will be available early next year. Cris stated that she appreciated having the use of Ring 8 for the evaluation as the CGC teams left the ring frequently to give their dogs' potty and stress breaks during the evening. Quick access to the outside was helpful. Cris also said that she appreciated having enough chairs for everyone.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) – reported that the deadline is Sunday.

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$6.50 is Joan Lester as drawn by club member, Wendy Waddick. Joan donated her winnings to the Tracking Test. Therefore, Ingrid Hamburger received a donation of \$13.00 towards the Tracking Test expenses.

Old Business

Future Clinics – Wendy Waddick reported that club is hosting the following clinics in the next several months:

- OFA Eye Exam on Thursday October 3rd at the Kane County Fairgrounds. Exams will begin at 5:00 pm and run through approximately 9:00 pm. The pre-paid fee is \$35.00 per dog to reserve your spot.
- Taurine Testing Clinic on Thursday October 8th at the Kane County Fairgrounds. Exams will begin at 6:00pm and until approximately 9:00 pm. Testing the blood for taurine as possible link between grain-free dog foods and a heart condition called dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM). The fee is \$100.00 per dog.
- Canine Heart Clinic on Saturday November 16th from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Kane County Fairgrounds. Two types of exams will be available: Echocardiogram with auscultation (\$250.00) and auscultation alone (\$50.00) per dog.

New Business

None

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

FVDTC Heart Clinic in November

Fox Valley Dog Training Club is proud to host a heart clinic in conjunction with our November Obedience and Rally Trials. Dr. Heidi Kelliham DVM, DACVIM a Clinical Associate Professor of Cardiology, Board Certified Cardiologist at the University of Wisconsin - Madison will be performing the following heart exams:

- AN AUSCULTATIONS EXAM ALONG WITH A DOPPLER ECHOCARDIOGRAM (an Ultrasound of your dog's heart)
- AUSCULTATIONS EXAM (listening to your dogs heart)

WHEN: In conjunction with our trial on Saturday November 16th, 2019 from 8:00 am thru 3:00 pm

WHERE: At our trial site at The Kane County Fairgrounds

COSTS: Echocardiogram exam, which includes an auscultation exam \$250.00 per dog
Auscultation exam only \$50.00 per dog.

This is a great opportunity at a greatly reduced costs!

*** EITHER EXAM MUST BE PRE-PAID BEFORE THE DATE OF THE TRIAL ***

To reserve your spot for either exam, send your pre-registration payment, with checks made payable to Heidi Kelliham DVM, DACVIM. Please include your dog's name and its breed, along with your contact information. Include your email address and phone number. Nancy will set up the time schedule for the exams once the judging schedule is out, she will do her best to work around your ring times. You will need to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your exam time to fill out any necessary paperwork.

For further information contact NANCY LEE at nlee483@comcast.net

Send your pre-paid registration information and check to:

Nancy Lee
230 Shawnee Circle
Bartlett, IL 60103

More Help ~~Wanted~~ Needed!

Do you have a shop vac, extension cords and a couple hours available on Tuesday November 12th, starting at 7:00 p.m.?

Since we were unable to power wash the mats this year, we are asking volunteers to come to the fairgrounds to give the mats a good vacuuming before the trial. You will NOT be required to move the mats, we just need people to use their shop vacs to clean the mats where they lay.

PLUS – this is an extra opportunity to earn 1 work credit for this year, in a pretty easy way! Contact Carolyn Pearson at secretary@fvdtc.org or 630-231-5658 to sign up or to get more information. Please consider volunteering; many hands make light work!

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.

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.

Signature _____

Signature _____

PLEASE SELECT YOUR MEMBERSHIP TYPE

*If you are planning to apply for an award at next year's annual dinner, you must select a TRAINING membership type.

Did You Earn 3 Work Credits Last Year?**

	Yes, pay...	No, pay...
_____ REGULAR TRAINING*:	\$90.00^	\$180.00
_____ REGULAR NON-TRAINING:	\$45.00^^	\$90.00
_____ LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING*:	\$45.00^^	\$90.00
_____ LIFETIME OR BOARD NON-TRAINING:	\$00.00	\$00.00

**Check your method for providing your work credits:

Attached form

Recorded online in Members Only

PRIMARY INSTRUCTORS: Reduce Membership Dues by 25% for each Quarter or Session Taught (Max of 4)
Your Teaching Status will be confirmed by the Director of Training.

Sessions Taught	Amount Owed When Dues are...	
	\$90.00^	\$45.00^^
1	\$67.50	\$33.75
2	\$45.00	\$22.50
3	\$22.50	\$11.25
4	\$00.00	\$00.00

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ ***

***In accordance with our By-laws, a \$10.00 re-instatement fee will be charged for dues not received by 01-31-2020

Please mail this application and your work credits form with your dues, and to the address below. Make checks payable to **FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**.

(630) 584-1002	MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON Sue MacPherson 4N791 Chaffield Drive St. Charles, IL 60175	membership@fvdtc.org
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Fox Valley Dog Training Club

Work Credits



for Membership and Awards

Effective May 1, 2019

To maintain reduced membership dues, you must:

- Earn one work credit, in your first year of membership
- or
- Earn three work credits, in each year after your first year of membership

To receive a club award, you must:

- have a minimum of ten work credits for the year, automatically includes the work credits for dues.
- and
- be listed as a Regular or Lifetime Training Member in the roster

Each available "job" in the club has been assigned the following work credits:

ONE credit:

- Attend a membership meeting
- Steward one Kane County Fair 4-H Dog Show
- Steward one Correction Clinic
- Work the Information Table/Front Desk for two nights
- Work 1/2 day at the Obedience Trial
- Work 1/2 day at the Agility Trial
- "Substitute" as an Instructor or an Assistant Instructor for two nights
- Instructor for Conformation Class for two nights
- Work at an Event (not on the committee)

TWO credits:

- Judge one Kane County Fair 4-H Dog Show
- Judge one Fun Match (OR monetary compensation - NOT both)
- Evaluator for one CGC Test (OR monetary compensation - NOT both)
- Work Full day at the Mat Cleaning
- Work Full day at the Tracking Test
- Work Full day at the Obedience Trial
- Work Full day at the Agility Trial
- Chairperson of a Committee for one Event

THREE credits:

- *Primary Instructor or Assistant Instructor for 4-H Class for one year
- Serve on a Committee for one year

FOUR credits:

- *Primary Instructor for Drop-In Classes for one quarter
- *Assistant Instructor for Drop-In Classes for one quarter
- *Primary Instructor for Conformation Class for one quarter
- *Primary Instructor for Registered Class for one session
- *Assistant Instructor for Registered Class for one session
- Serve as Registered Class coordinator for one year
- Serve as a Board Member for one year
- Chairperson of a Committee for one year
- Serve as Kane County 4-H Coordinator for one year
- Serve as Kane County 4-H Dog Projects Superintendent for one year

* Instructors must be present for at least 75% of the classes to receive the work credit.

Work credits for other services to the club may be awarded by the Board on a per-event basis.

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