A Note From the President

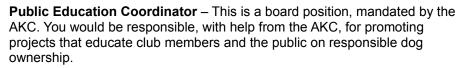


Hello All,

We have received nothing but outstanding feedback from Fred and Joyce Scharringhausen's FVDTC journey, as told in the February Waggin' Tales. Thank you, again, to Fred and Joyce for sharing your story with us. As we look forward to the next 75 years at FVDTC, we'd like to look back as well. If you are a long-time member of FVDTC, send your memories to us at waggintales@fvdtc.org. (We love pictures; we **really** love pictures).

The Spring Agility Trial is ending as I write this. All reports I've received so far say that Cathy Fleury and her team have again done an excellent job, with a smooth-running trial.

As with the agility trial, the day-to-day running of the club requires a lot of work, and there are a couple open positions where we can use some help:



CGC Test Coordinator – This is a committee chair, responsible for coordinating CGC tests for FVDTC and the community.

As with all committee chairs and board positions, the job is not necessarily to do all the work, but to make sure that all the work gets done. So, you are free to surround yourself with friends and helpers to prove that "many hands make light work." Work credits and the associated discount on dues are, of course, included. Contact me if you are interested in either one of these jobs.

Thank you to all the volunteers that make FVDTC run.

One last thing: you'll find the invitation for FVDTC's Annual Dinner in this issue of the Waggin' Tales. Whether or not you're getting an award, come

and celebrate the year with your friends. Fill out that RSVP, and return it to Candy right away.

See you at training.

It's just the most amazing thing to love a dog, isn't it?
It makes our relationships with people seem as boring as a bowl of oatmeal.

-- John Grogan, *Marley and Me*

Membership Report

Carla Ogert Montgomery, IL Weimaraner

Guest trained 8 times

Amber Brown

Aurora, IL Mix breed

Completed Puppy class

Cliff & Beth DeSanto

Elgin, IL Vizsla

Completed Puppy class

Calendar

April 2023

01 Sat Agility Trial02 Sun Agility Trial

06 Thu Regular Training
Puppy Ends (6:00pm)
10 Mon Board Meeting

13 Thu Regular Training

Puppy Begins (6:00pm)

20 Thu Fun Match23 Sun Annual Dinner27 Thu Regular Training

May 2023

04 Thu Regular Training 4-H Classes

10 Wed Membership Meeting11 Thu Regular Training

4-H Classes

18 Thu Fun Match

25 Thu Regular Training

4-H Classes

Puppy Ends (8:00pm) Adv. Puppy Ends (6:00pm)

Beginner Ends (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)

Volunteers Needed!

Kent Hildebrand needs track layers for the Fall Tracking Test (September 9-10). Here's a chance to get some fresh air, and to earn some work credits, email Kent (tracking@fvdtc.org) for more information.

Membership Meeting Highlights – March 8, 2023

Meeting brought to order at 7:34 p.m.

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

Will Short (Director of Training) reported that the Rally workshop that Nancy Pederson is currently teaching is well attended and is going well.

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Candy Ellis (Co-Assistant Director of Training) stated that things are going well, there have been no problems at training.

In **Taffy Wille's (Obedience Trial Chairperson)** absence, Carolyn Pearson reported that AKC is reviewing our judging panel prior to approval.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) read a list of ten new applicants, who were published in the Waggin' Tales. Will Short 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 were present at the meeting.

In **Kent Hildebrand's (Tracking Test Chairperson)** absence, Dave reported that Kent found the club's electronic agility timers at Ingrid and Hermann Hamburger's house and is attempting to sell them because we no longer need them.

Public Education (vacant) - Dave stated that if anyone is interested in volunteering for the Public Education Coordinator position to contact him, Carolyn Pearson or Wendy Waddick.

Candy Ellis (Annual Dinner Chairperson) reported that the 2023 "Diamonds in the Ruff" themed Annual Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, April 23rd at Riverside Reception.

Sally Boeke and Sue MacPherson (Co-Awards Chairs) are working on getting the award completed in time for the dinner, but the timing is very tight for the vendors.

CGC Test Coordinator (vacant) - Dave stated that if anyone is interested in volunteering for the CGC Test Coordinator position to contact him, Carolyn Pearson or Wendy Waddick.

Candy Ellis complimented **Carla Tsoris (Graduation Chairperson)** on the really nice job that she is doing as the Graduation Chair.

Sheryl Gallucci (Sunshine) was happy to report that she had nothing to report.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next deadline is March 20.

Old Business

none

New Business

Candy Ellis thanked the volunteers: Bob Boeke, Bob Casey, Carolyn Pearson, Chris Weller, and many
of Carolyn's Advanced Beginner students for doing the rolling of the mats and breaking down of the ring
gates and jumps, during the recovery from a broken wrist of our breakdown individual. Carolyn also
added that we should be thanking our set-up person for putting all of the equipment in the storage
cabinet each week.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

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From the AKC

Each year, the AKC uses its registration records to determine the most popular dog breeds of the year. For 2022, the top 10 most popular dog breeds are:

- 1. French Bulldogs
- 2. Labrador Retrievers
- 3. Golden Retrievers
- 4. German Shepherd Dogs
- 5. Poodles
- 6. Bulldogs
- 7. Rottweilers
- 8. Beagles
- 9. Dachshunds
- 10. German Shorthaired Pointers

Of course, for every top-ten list, there must be a bottom ten (but we'll go with 5 this time):

- 195. Belgian Laekenois196. American Foxhounds
- 197. Sloughis
- 198. Norwegian Lundehunds
- 199. English Foxhounds

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Fox Valley Dog Training Club 75th Anniversary- Diamond Jubilee Annual Awards Dinner

"Diamonds in the Ruff"

The festivities will be held at Riverside Receptions
On the River at the Bridge
35 North River Ln.
Geneva, IL

Sunday April 23, 2023

The festivities will begin at 6:30 with dinner served at 7:00

RSVP no later than Anril 12th

Tapestry Buffet

Spinach Salad with Seasonal Accompaniments, Roast Sirloin of Beef with Woodsman sauce,
Herb Roasted Chicken, Green Beans Almandine, Red Roasted Potatoes,
Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Fresh Rolls and Butter, Coffee and Tea
Homemade Desserts compliments of the Dinner Committee!

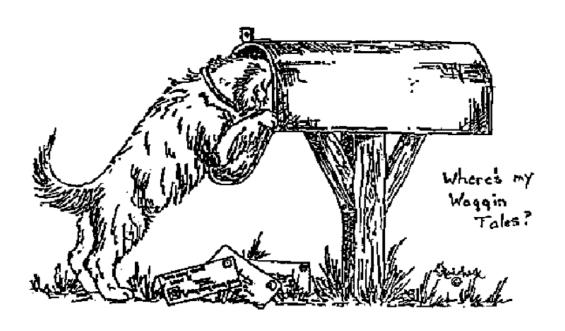
Cash Bar

Drop your form off at the front table on training nights or send the completed form along with your check (made out to FVDTC) to:

Candy Ellis
27W359 Beecher Ave
Winfield, IL 60190
Questions? Contact Candy at
Dinner@fvdtc.org or 630-7504455

YES, I (we) will attend
Enclosed is my check for \$(\$35.00) per person) for reservations for the following people. Please list names as you would want them on the name tag.

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