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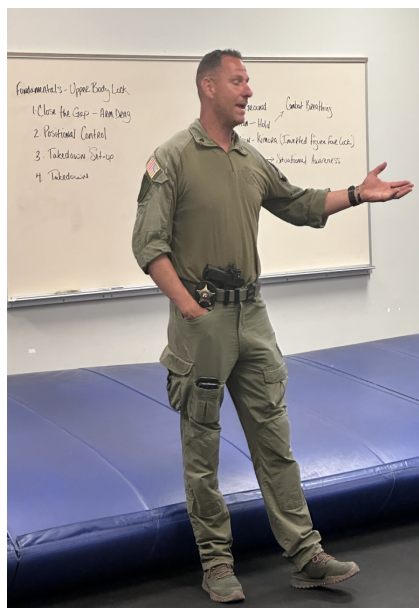


WAGGIN' TALES

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Thank You!!



The May Membership Meeting was out of the ordinary, in the best way possible. Thank you to Sgt. Nick Wolf of the Kane County Sheriff's K9 unit, who gave a fascinating talk to almost 35 club members about the Sheriff's K9 unit, the K9 Academy, their methods, activities, experiences and needs. Sgt. Wolf spoke far beyond the allotted time, and most of us were asking for more. Thank you to the Sheriff's office, and to Sgt. Wolf.

From the AKC – New Canine Travel Rules

[T]he United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) published a new rule for the importation of dogs into the United States. The rule, which becomes effective on August 1, 2024, will require *all dogs* to be at minimum six months of age prior to import into the U.S.

The American Kennel Club (AKC) supports the aims of import regulations that seek to protect pet and public health, including those that seek to protect the United States from reintroduction of DMRVV (canine rabies). However, AKC is disappointed that the new rule is overly broad and disparately impacts purebred dog enthusiasts who import a personal animal or collaborate internationally, or dog event competitors that travel internationally.

Through its new rule, CDC is seeking to prevent and deter the importation of dogs carrying DMRVV (canine rabies) and other diseases or pathogens that threaten public health. Recent cases of such imports have been associated with falsified or fraudulent rabies vaccinations and/or other required health and import documentation.

The new requirements are not legislation. Legislation requires passage in Congress and being signed into law by the President. Instead, the *requirements are part of a final administrative rule promulgated under the CDC's existing legal authority* to take administrative action to protect public health.

Effective August 1, 2024, all dogs imported into the U.S. are required to:

- (1) Appear healthy upon arrival,
- (2) Be at least six months of age,
- (3) Have an ISO-compatible microchip implanted for identification purposes, and
- (4) Be accompanied by a *CDC Dog Import Form* online submission receipt (no cost).

Excerpted from the AKC Web site:

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/understanding-cdcs-new-rule-bringing-dogs-united-states/>

FVDTC recommends that you read the entire article for additional details.

More Travel Updates

Courtesy of Camper Report (<https://camperreport.com/new-rules-for-rving-to-alaska-with-dogs-might-complicate-your-journey/>)

Starting August 1, 2024, all US-vaccinated dogs entering the United States by land, air, or sea, must:

- Be at least 6 months of age at time of entry or return to the United States
- Have an implanted International Organization for Standardization (ISO)-compatible microchip
- The microchip number must be documented on all required forms and in all accompanying veterinary records
- Have a CDC Dog Import Form receipt

The CDC is striving to more rigidly enforce dog importation (including animal rescue efforts) from countries with higher risk of rabies transmission. But what the new CDC ruling will also do is make crossing the US border with dogs more complicated and expensive.

Dogs who have been vaccinated in the U.S. will be additionally impacted by two new requirements when crossing the Canadian border and going into the US.

- All dogs must be microchipped. And you must carry documentation of the microchip number. This must have been implanted prior to any required rabies vaccination.
- The “CDC Dog Import Form” is also now required before crossing the border. The form requires you to upload a full-body photo of your dog too.
- And, your veterinarian must complete either a *Certification of U.S.-Issued Rabies Vaccination* form, or a USDA endorsed export health certificate. Plus, you must carry a printed copy of either form to present to border agents.

Complete requirements are available from the CDC:

<https://www.cdc.gov/importation/bringing-an-animal-into-the-united-states/dogs-entering-us-after-august-1.html>

Coming Soon: 2024 Tracking Test

The 2024 FVDTC Tracking test is on September 7 - 8. We are at a new site this year: Fitchie Creek F.P. on Russell road in Elgin. Come on out to watch or work. Email Kent Hildebrand (tracking@fvdtc.org) if you would like to work or just want some more information.

Membership Report

Maryann Canfield
Batavia, IL
Golden Retriever
Completed puppy class

Calendar

June 2024

06 Thu Regular Training
4H Classes

09 Sun Board Meeting (Zoom)

13 Thu Regular Training
4H Classes

20 Thu Fun Match
4H Meeting
Therapy Dog Testing

27 Thu Regular Training
4H Classes
Puppy Ends (6:00pm)

July 2024

02 Tue Regular Training
Puppy Begins (6:00pm)
4H Classes

04 Thu Happy 4th of July!

09 Tue Regular Training

10 Wed Membership Meeting (Zoom)

18 Thu No Training!
Kane County Fair

25 Thu Regular Training

Membership Meeting Highlights - January 17, 2024

Meeting brought to order at 7:36 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The November 15, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as published.

Phil Nuger (Treasurer) reported on the following highlights of the end of the year report for 2023.

- Class revenue was up \$3,200 from previous year.
- Fun match entries up 50%.
- Insurance cost down \$600 (due to a review of the policy).
- Total profit including investments was \$11,600.

Will Short (Director of Training) reported that classes are running nicely.

Candy Ellis (Co-Assistant Director of Training) stated that the end of night training was running smoothly.

In **Obedience Trial Chairperson, Taffy Wille's** absence, Carolyn reported that we are hosting two obedience trials and two rally trials on Saturday and one each Obedience and Rally trials on Sunday in November, 2024.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) read the name of one new applicant, who was published in the Waggin' Tales. Will Short made a motion to accept the list as published and read. Barb Misch seconded the motion. The individual was approved by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining. Welcome to our new member, who was not present at the meeting.

Kent Hildebrand (Tracking Test Chairperson) was not in attendance, but reported that we must locate a new site for our tracking test. The Kane County Forest Preserve District informed him that they are in the process of introducing buffalo to the Burlington Prairie where we previously hosted our tracking test. Kent stated that he has reserved a shelter at Fitchie Creek Forest Preserve on Russell Rd. in Elgin. He also stated that he is in the process of contracting the judges.

Candy Ellis (Annual Dinner Chairperson) reminded everyone that the Annual Dinner will be held at Riverview Receptions on April 4, 2024. The cost may be a little more than last year's cost. In response to Candy's question whether we were still going to acknowledge club members who received an invitation to any of AKC

Invitational events at the dinner, it was agreed that the dinner RSVP flyer would include a place to provide the following information:

- Handlers' name
- Dog's registered name including titles
- Call name
- Class in which invited to participate

Sally Boeke (Awards Co-Chairperson) stated that the Award forms are due by 6:00 p.m. on January 31st. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Sally Boeke (CGC Test Coordinator) reported that the first 2024 CGC Test will be held on February 15th. There are already six teams entered for the maximum of 12. The evaluator for this test is club member, Kelli Montgomery.

Carla Tisoris (Graduation Chairperson) reported that she needs to order more ribbons for the Graduation Committee and will contact Pat Senne regarding other ribbons orders that may be needed.

Pat Senne [Match Chair (Coordinator)] reported that things are going well with matches.

Anne Stuessy [Match Chair (Entries)] reported that she provided that entry numbers to ensure that the building was set-up appropriately.

Sandi Stephenson [Match Chair (Judges)] reported that the following individuals are the judges for the January 18th Fun Match.

Novice and Beginners' Novice Candy Ellis
 Open and Graduate Novice Sandi Stephenson
 Utility and Graduate Open Will Short
 Rally Pat Senne

Barb Misch [Match Chair (Stewards)] said that she has enough stewards.

Dianne Herold (Therapy Dog Evaluation) was not in attendance but reported that the next TDI Test is scheduled for June 20th and that she will be seeking volunteers in the near future.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the deadline is January 21st – send submissions. Dave also stated that anyone who wants but are not getting the Constant Contact email news should contact him. Conversely, anyone who is getting the messages but do not want them, should contact him as well. Additionally, we need a volunteer to send out the Constant Contact messages.

Nancy Pederson (Workshop Coordinator) reported that she will be presenting a six-week “Intermediate/Advanced Rally” workshop, starting January 25th at 6:00 p.m. The rest of the class dates are: February 1st, 8th, 22nd and March 7th. The workshop is open to those who have participated in any of the previous Rally workshops or are currently trialing or are titled in Rally Novice. Topics to be presented are: rally intermediate and advanced signs, ring procedure, ring etiquette and individual course run-throughs. The class is full with 11 participants

Monthly Dollar Bucket

None - Need to come up with some way of reminding trainers that it is available at training.

Old Business

None

Voting for 2024 Board of Directors

Dave extended a thank you to all of the club members who served a Board Members and Committee Chairs for 2023.

Dave read the complete listing of the Nominating Committee’s slate for the 2024 Board positions. There were no nominations from the floor. . Dave announced the following individuals were unanimously elected as the Board of Directors for 2024.

Position.....Candidate	Position.....Candidate
President.....David Lewis	Obedience Trial Chair.....Taffy Wille
First Vice President.....Bob Boeke	Membership Chair.....Sue MacPherson
Second Vice President.....Laura Lagger	Public Education Coordinator.....Carol Nightingale
Secretary.....Carolyn Pearson	Tracking Test Chair.....Kent Hildebrand
Treasurer.....Phil Nuger	Agility Trial Chair.....Cathy Fleury
Director of Training.....Will Short	Director at Large.....Wendy Waddick

New Business

- Vera Nyberg’s Memorial Service - Vera Nyberg’s family has invited us to her memorial service to honor her on Sunday, January 28, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at Valleybrook Community Church at 0N377 N Mill Creek Drive in Geneva. There will be a light reception in the lower level of the Church following the service. This information is also on the web-site and went out via email a few days ago.
- ADOT Ratification – Barb Misch, made a motion to approve Loretta Lazzara, Sandi Stephenson, Brenda Rivera and Candy Ellis as Co-Assistant Directors of Training for 2024. The motion was seconded by Pat Senne. The motion was accepted by all members present, with no one opposed or abstaining.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

If a dog not naturally possessed of the devil will not come to you after he has looked you in the face, you ought to go home and examine your conscience

-- Woodrow Wilson
“Young People and the Church” (13 October 1904)

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