

# Waggin' Tales

"A Well-Trained Dog is a Happy Dog"

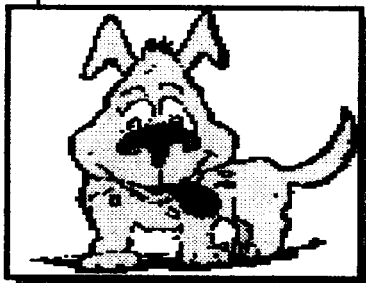
From Terri Sidell:

## What's News? Legs & Brags

**T**errifick Silbar Topas -- TT, UD,  
Can CDX

Topas earned an American UD in three consecutive trials. He is my first Am. UD dog since I started showing in 1965. His Dam -- Tobe -- was my first Canadian OTCH. Topas earned every obedience title in three consecutive trials:

6-21-97  
Dunes OTC  
1st Leg, 2nd place  
  
9-20-97



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The January Membership Meeting

## Board Election Results

**F** E.V.D.T.C. 1998 Slate of Officers

### Board Members

President  
First Vice-President  
Second Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Director of Training  
Trial Chairperson  
Trial Secretary  
Waggin' Tails Editor  
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Membership Chairperson  
Public Education Liaison  
Tracking Secretary  
Director at Large

Drew Graham  
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Cindy Pakenas  
Carolyn Pearson  
Cathy Fleury  
Cheryl Lewis  
Will Short  
Taffy Wille  
Dave Lewis  
Peggy Sue Seehafen  
Judy Anderson  
Tracey Mohr  
Heather King

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- ④ 50-Year Celebration
- ⑦ New AKC Regs
- ⑪ McConnell Seminar

## January Membership Meeting

## Welcome to 13 New Members

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| <p>1. BAUMANN, CHARLOTTE<br/>134 TOWERHILL RD.<br/>GILBERTS, IL. 60136<br/>847-426-5077<br/>COCKER SPANIEL, LABRADOR<br/>RETRIEVER, GOLDEN RETRIEVER</p> <p>2. CLARKE, PAT<br/>204 APRIL LANE<br/>NORTH AURORA, IL. 60542<br/>630-896-9363<br/>GOLDEN RETRIEVER</p> <p>3. COLBY, BEN &amp; TRACI<br/>1420 RIDGE ROAD<br/>SOUTH ELGIN, IL. 60177<br/>847-289-0910<br/>AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD</p> <p>4. FROST, DEL &amp; GINI<br/>12 N 762 BAHR ROAD<br/>HAMPSHIRE, IL. 60140<br/>847-464-0619<br/>YELLOW LABRADOR</p> <p>5. GREEN, CATHY<br/>9N152 BARRON ROAD<br/>MAPLE PARK, IL. 60151<br/>815-899-3597<br/>LABRADOR RETRIEVERS</p> <p>6. GUSTAFSON, JIM &amp; JOANNE<br/>2112 HARTFORD LANE<br/>GENEVA, IL. 60134<br/>630-232-4733<br/>SHELTIES</p> <p>7. HOLL, BLAIR &amp; LORI<br/>1141 COCHRAN ST.<br/>AURORA, IL. 60506<br/>630-897-0820<br/>BEAGLE</p> <p>8. HOMANN, CAROL<br/>614 STEEPLECHASE ROAD<br/>ST. CHARLES, IL. 60174</p> | <p>630-443-1262<br/>BELGIAN TERVUREN, GOLDEN<br/>RETRIEVER</p> <p>9. JOHNSTON, ANDREA M.<br/>718 RIVERSIDE AVE.<br/>ST. CHARLES, IL. 60174<br/>630-584-0180<br/>GERMAN SHEPHERD</p> <p>10. MONTGOMERY, DREW<br/>&amp; KELLI<br/>635 ARLINGTON LANE<br/>SOUTH ELGIN, IL. 60177<br/>847-742-2883<br/>AIREDALE TERRIERS &amp;<br/>LHASA APSO</p> <p>11. QUARNSTROM, PHILIP<br/>2170 VALLEY CREEK<br/>DRIVE<br/>ELGIN, IL. 60123<br/>847-741-2637<br/>GOLDEN RETRIEVERS</p> <p>12. SALL, HOLLY L.<br/>2 S 799 S. RADDANT ROAD<br/>BATAVIA, IL. 60510<br/>630-761-1624<br/>GOLDEN RETRIEVER,<br/>MALTESE MIX</p> <p>12. SWENSON, CAROL<br/>RR #1 BOX 255<br/>SANDWICH, IL. 60548<br/>815-786-2786<br/>MIX</p> <p>13. UNRUH, BRAD &amp; CATHY<br/>1220 BURNHAM LANE<br/>BATAVIA IL. 60510<br/>630-879-3220<br/>GERMAN SHORT HAired POINTER</p> |
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These FVDTC members  
are signed up for the  
McConnell seminar  
(February 14-15)

Both Days  
Ginny Cushna  
Dianne Ott  
Joyce Waldeck  
Ginger Romano

Saturday Only  
Penny Brcich  
Cynthia Pakenas  
Nancy Hammarlund

Sunday Only  
Cathy Fleury  
Ronnie Bizer

## Seminar Confirmation



From Sally Compton

## Old Bones

**T**hese are the awards from the 1977 dinner.

(These mentioned were 1977 members and were members in 1988)

### 23 CD's:

Ruth Anderson with a Dobe (not a Bloodhound!)  
 Robin Compton (Urich) age 15 - with 2 CD's with Rotts - Tig & Brutus  
 Debbie Cox - Duke  
 Bob Gillum (now in Arizona) with his Sheltie  
 Ed Kneip (then the DOT) with his Rott - Gino  
 Chuck Libberton (now in Florida) with a Golden  
 Fred Scharringhausen with his Elkhound - Shawnee

More of the '87 Awards

Coming In February

Georgia Sledder with her Elkhound - Kia  
 Mary Zaun with her Sheltie

### 11 CDX's

Bonnie Barry with a Dobe (not a Border Collie)  
 Robin Compton (Urich) with her Rott - Tig  
 Laura Cunningham with her Sheltie - Nasty  
 Denise Schiele with her Gordon Setter - Jake  
 Sharon Kaptina with her Sheltie - Sparky  
 Diane Ott with her Bloodhound - Blossom  
 Dick Kallal with his Standard Poodle - Jason  
 Pattie Wiedel (Art & Ruth Anderson's daughter) with her Bloodhound - Maggie

### 3 UD's

Edith Blaze with her Miniature Poodle - Susie  
 Mary Bradley with her Samoyed - Whitie  
 Diane Ott with her Bloodhound - Rebel

### 3 TD's

Ruth Anderson with her Bloodhound - David  
 Diane Ott with her Bloodhound - Blossom  
 Jane Weidel with her Rott - Grey Lady

### 14 Championships

Ruth Anderson with her Bloodhound - David  
 Sandra Kiley with her Terv - Jasper  
 Ed Kneip with his Rott - Gino  
 Dorothy Vettel & Jane Libberton with their Miniature Poodle - Tori  
 Denise Schieb with her Gordon - Justin  
 Robin Compton (Urich) with her Rott - Brutus

You will notice that CD, CDX, UD, TD and CH were the only awards offered by FVDTC in 1977 - and there were no choices - you received what FVDTC offered:

- Picture for a CD
- Articles, or a check toward them for a CDX
- Silver Revere bowl for UD
- Plaque for TD and CH

Back then we trained our dogs for companionship and titles, not for awards.



**JOIN US FOR OUR 50TH**  
**Fox Valley Dog Training Club**  
**Celebrating 50 Years**

When: March 14, 1998  
Where: Shannon Hall Batavia (Old Holy Cross Church)  
(North East Corner of Wilson and Van Buren)  
Time: 7:00 Cocktails & Social Time - (Cash Bar)  
7:30 Dinner - Buffet (Beef, Chicken, Pork, Veggy, Pasta)  
Cost: \$12.00 per person (Buffet, Beverages, Dessert)  
RSVP: By March 1, 1998

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I Will Be Attending

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

No. Of Persons: \_\_\_\_\_

Return To : Michelle Cufu  
1192 Boxwood Dr  
Crystal Lake IL 60134

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From the Director of Training

## In Case of Bad Weather...

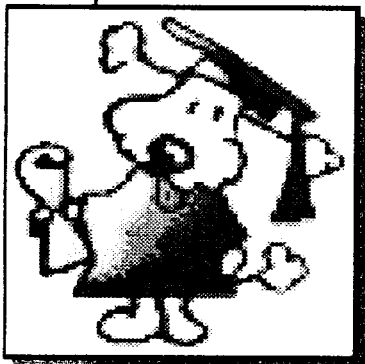
Listen to WFXW 1480 after 5:00pm for cancellation notices

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## Legs & Brags

Forest City DTC  
2nd Leg

9-27-97  
Greater Freeport KC  
3rd Leg, 2nd Place



Conditions at the last trial at Freeport were very bad -- it was a rabbit barn with dirt floor and rabbit "raisins", birds flying to and from their nests in the rafters, and one open side of the ring to street of passing cars. A "Big Thank You" to Mary Bradley for all the run-thrus. And another

"Big Thank You" to all the instructors through the years.

### Terrifick Ivorie Tiara -- TT, Am/Can CDX

Tiara is Topas' daughter. She earned her Canadian CDX in three consecutive trials and finished with a 4th place.

10-19-96  
London Canine Assoc.  
1st Leg

10-20-96  
London Canine Assoc.  
2nd Leg

8-30-97

Essex County KC  
3rd Leg, 4th Place

8-31-97  
Essex County KC  
4th Leg

Tiara is also showing in Breed:

- 10-4-97 - Great Lakes Poodle Club
  - Best Standard Poodle Brood Bitch (shown by Laura Yee)
  - Best Brood Bitch in Specialty

### Terrifick Silber Tresor

8-29-97 Essex County KC -- 1st in Breed by Exhibitor to Canadian Reserve Winner's Bitch

10-04-97 -- Great Lakes Poodle Club. 3rd in BBE, and shown with Tiara as get to Best Brood Bitch in Speciality by Hannay Yee.

### Terrifick Snowflake Obsidian (co-owned by Susan Yee)

10-04-97 -- Great Lakes Poodle Club. 2nd in 9-12 month Puppy Bitches and shown with Tiara as get to Best Brood Bitch in Speciality.

Laura and Hanna Yee did a fantastic job showing my dogs for the first time at the Specialty. The girls worked very hard going twice a week to confirmation classes for months.



From Jean Airey

## Front and Finish Schedule

### FRONT & FINISH SCHEDULE

In Preparation for the Center Page AD in "Front And Finish," please note the following instructions.

This Ad typically recognizes those club members whose dog(s) earned recognition for their work in obedience over the last year.

If you want your dog's honors in the Ad, please complete the following information (PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY!) exactly as you want it in the Ad:

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

Dog's Name & Titles: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed and this year's  
honors: \_\_\_\_\_

(See examples below. What you print is what you get.)

Front And Finish charges \$8 per picture used in the ad. Since the Ad is already very expensive, club members who want a picture in the Ad are asked to underwrite that cost. You may furnish your own picture, or you may have the club publicity chairperson (moi) take a picture at one of the scheduled times. When the picture used is returned by Front and Finish you may keep the picture. There is no additional charge to you or the club for this. Pictures must be accompanied by a check made out to the club for \$8 per picture.

**The ABSOLUTE, POSITIVE, FIRM deadline for all  
information to be in my hands is April 1, 1998.**

Loretta Lazzara

Driftwood Final Frontier, CD, SKC-CD  
Shetland Sheepdog - Am. CD; DOG WORLD

Marian Lazzara

U-CD Driftwood Love That Bob UDX, Can CD  
Pomeranian - Am. UDX

Int. CH. Jasmine's Heather Morn, CD  
Shetland Sheepdog - Am. CD

Andrew Graham

Kanosak's Melostar Talkeetna, CDX  
Golden Retriever - Am. CDX

Eastwood Wild One O'Melostar, Can. CDX  
Shetland Sheepdog - Can. CDX

From the American Kennel Club

## New AKC Obedience Regulations

(The following is excerpted from the AKC web site. The full text is at <http://www.akc.org/>)

**T**he Board of Directors approved the following changes to the Obedience Regulations effective February 1, 1998.

### Chapter 2 Section 17. Collars.

Dogs in the obedience ring must wear properly fitted collars approved by the Judge. Collars with prongs or spikes on the inside or outside, electronic collars,

special training collars, or collars that are either too tight or so large as to hang down unreasonably in front of the dog, are not permitted. Nothing shall be hanging from the collars.

### Chapter 3 Section 1. Novice A Class.

The Novice A Class shall be for dogs not less than six months of age that have not won the title CD. A handler must own the dog entered, or be a member of the owners household or immediate family

and may not have previously handled any other dog that has earned an American Kennel Club Obedience title. A person may enter more than one dog in this class but the same person who handled each dog in the first five exercises must handle each dog in the Long Sit and Long Down exercises. However, if a person has handled more than one dog in the first five exercises he/she must have an additional handler for each additional dog, when more than one dog that he/she has handled in the first five exercises is judged in the same group for the Long Sit and Long Down. No dog may be entered in both Novice A and Novice B at any one trial.

### Chapter 4 Section 1. Open A Class.

The Open A Class shall be for dogs that have won the CD title but have not won the title CDX. Obedience Judges or persons who have trained, or exhibited a dog that has earned an OTCH may not enter or handle dogs in this class. Each dog must be handled by its owner or by a member of the owners household or immediate family. Owners may enter more than one dog in this class. The same person shall handle the dog in every exercise. However, if a person has handled more than one dog in the first five exercises he/she must have an additional handler for each additional dog, when more than one dog that he/she has handled in the first five exercises is judged in the same group for the Long Sit

*There was this bloke who had a dog which he was attempting to train, but alas had very little success. He was on the verge of despair when he happened across a very charismatic American evangelist. He unburdened his soul to the American, who promptly informed him to leave the dog with him, and he would have it trained in a jiffy.*

*The next day the man returns, and asks how the evangelist got on. The reply was positive, and the evangelist calls the dog to give a demonstration.*

*Picking up a stick, he throws it and says 'Fetch.' Instantly the dog takes off, grabs the stick and returns. The evangelist says 'Drop' and the dog drops the stick at his feet. 'Roll over' and the dog rolls over. By this time the dog's owner is very excited, and asks if he can have a go.*

*"Sure," replies the evangelist.*

*"Heel," says the owner*

*And the dog lifted one paw, placed it on the man and said "I command this sickness to leave you..."*

A (Small) Bit of Humor

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## New AKC Obedience Regulations

and Long Down. No dog may be entered in both the Open A and Open B classes at any one trial.

### Section 26 Training and Warm-up on the Grounds (new heading)

There shall be no intensive or abusive training of the dogs on the grounds or premises at a Licensed or Member Obedience Trial or Sanctioned Match. No practice rings shall be permitted.

Collars with prongs or spikes on the inside or outside, electronic collars or other special training collars shall not be used on the grounds or premises at an Obedience Trial or Match.

### Chapter 4 Section 10. Retrieve over High Jump

The minimum jump shall be set at the nearest multiple of 2 inches to three quarters the height of the dog at the withers for the following breeds -

Great Pyrenees  
Mastiffs  
Newfoundlands  
Irish Wolfhounds  
Bernese Mountain Dog  
Basset Hound  
St. Bernards

The minimum jump shall be set to the nearest multiple of 2 inches to the height of the dog at the withers for all other dogs, with no dog jumping

less than 8 inches nor more than 36 inches.

The side posts of the High Jump shall be 4 feet high and the jump shall be 5 feet wide and shall be constructed as to provide adjustment for each 2 inches from 8 inches to

36 inches. It is suggested that the jump have a bottom board 8 inches wide including the space from the bottom of the board to the ground or floor, together with three other 8-inch boards, one 4-inch board, and one 2-inch board. A 6-inch board may also be provided. The jump shall be painted a flat white. The width in inches, and nothing else, shall be painted on each side of each board in black 2-inch figures, the figures on the bottom board representing the distance from the ground or floor to the top of the board.

For breeds that jump three quarters the height of the dog at the withers, the minimum jumps shall be set in accordance with the following table -

Height of dog	Height to be jumped
Less than 12 1/2"	8"
12 1/2" to less than 15"	10"
15" to less than 17 1/2"	12"
17 1/2" to less than 20"	14"
20" to less than 23"	16"
23" to less than 25 1/2"	18"
25 1/2" to less than 28"	20"
28" to less than 31"	22"
31" to less than 33 1/2"	24"
33 1/2" to less than 36"	26"
36" to less than 39"	28"

#### New Jump Heights



**T**he AKC also made changes to Tracking Regulations, effective February 1, 1998. These changes will be excerpted in the February *Waggin' Tales*, or you can see the full text at the AKC web site (<http://www.akc.org/>).



## The January Membership Meeting

# Minutes from the January Meeting

## Membership Meeting Highlights January 7, 1998

Meeting brought to order at 7:53 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary) the November Meeting minutes approved as published, with one correction: The minutes stated "Long time member Jay Schindlbeck, was present at the meeting and spoke briefly about the club's history. He announced that he brought a club related scrapbook for everyone to peruse, following the meeting." Mr. Schindlbeck's first name is Jake, not Jay - my apologies. Several items of correspondence read.

Cindy Pakenas (Second Vice-President) reminded the members that the Dr. P. McConnell seminar will be held on February 14th and 15th. Kay stated that there are still reservations available for people and subject dogs. Dr. McConnell will select the subject dogs from the applications submitted, but club members will receive priority. Volunteers to work will be needed for both days, just a couple for Saturday and more will be needed for Sunday.

Cheryl Lewis (Director of Training) announced that the new session of classes begin January 8th. There are four Beginner's classes: one each at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. and two at 8:00 p.m. There is one puppy class at 7:00 p.m.. The advanced beginner's classes needs permanent instructors for the 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. classes. Two of the four Beginner's

classes are in need of an assistant instructor. Please let Cheryl know if you are available to instruct or assist with any classes. As this is the start of the session, rings will be rearranged again. Cheryl will post a sign-up sheet at training to determine the interest level in conducting a CGC test at the February Correction Clinic.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) announced that she has received confirmation for four of the five judges for the 1998 Obedience Trial. The panel consists of:

Class	Judge
Novice A & B -	Chuck Gear
Open A -	Cindy Pischke
Open B -	Fred Buroff
Utility A -	Diane Propst
Utility B -	Doris Fromann

Judy Anderson (Membership Chairperson) read a list of 13 new membership applications. A motion to accept the individuals as new members was made by Judy Anderson, seconded by Sandy Stephenson and approved by all.

Tracey Mohr (Public Education Liaison) stated that the Anderson Animal Shelter Dog Expo will be held on April 18th and 19th. Volunteers will be needed for both days. As in the past, the club will have a booth. If any club member has any pictures and/or ideas that can be shared at the Expo, please give them to Tracey. The Expo is held at the fairground's Trade building, there will also be an obedience demonstration.

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## Minutes from the January Meeting

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson ) announced that stewards are needed for the January Correction Clinic.

Helen Castellanos (Match Chairperson) stated that she has judges for January 15th Correction Clinic. There will be one judge for Novice A and B, one judge for Open A and B, one Judge for Utility A and one judge for Utility B.

Jean Airey's (Publicity) report was read by Taffy Wille. Jean will be contacting the Front and Finish newspaper regarding the annual club "centerfold". As was done last year, club members will be asked to pay the \$8.00 set-up fee for each photo for the club's "centerfold". The dates for photos will be published in the Waggin' Tales. Checks should be made payable to Fox Valley Dog Training Club and given to Jean at the time of photo. Any club members wishing to submit a group picture would only pay one \$8.00 set-up fee per photo.

Another mailing will be done within the next month to local vets to announce our classes and introduce ourselves to their clients.

Kay Weber (Statistician Chairperson) stated that per the vote in September membership meeting, beginning in January 1, 1998, members are required to be at training 12 times during the year. There will be a sign-in log at training on the front table.

Kay Weber/Heather King (Awards Dinner Chairperson) reported that there would be more information in the next Waggin' Tales. Sandy Stephenson expressed disappointment that there was confusion regarding the changes in the

awards. Sandy was sorry that it was announced that non-AKC awards were going to be offered, when in fact they were not be offered.

### Monthly Dollar Bucket

And the Winner of \$11.00 is Jim Gustafson as drawn by Joanne Gustafson (yes, that would be Mr. and Mrs. Gustafson). Jim and Joanne were voted in as new members during the meeting - one would suspect that perhaps we might be paying people to join the club. That is a fallacy.

### Old Business

#### Training Members and the Awards

- Continuation of "Training Member for Awards" Definition. The background:
  - At the October 1st Membership Meeting, Will Short made a motion that we continue the discussion that at a future meeting concerning what constitutes a "training member as it applied to club members who are applying for awards". The motion was seconded by Penny Brcich and approved by all. There were no disapproval or abstentions. This motion will be addressed as the first item under old business in November meeting, with a time limit set and followed. If a consensus is not reached after the

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## FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

Presents:

**Patricia B. McConnell, Ph.D.**

and the

### **ADVANCED CANINE BEHAVIOR SEMINAR**

Get the real answers to why dogs do what they do!

Learn to speak "dog" like a native!

Learn how to use both Operant and Classical Conditioning to have the dog you want.

Watch and participate in Hands On Workshops on Diagnosing and Treating Aggression-related problems in Dogs.

**February 14th and 15th, 1998  
Radisson Hotel Lisle-Naperville, IL.  
(Right off I-88 at Naperville Rd.)**

*Any serious student of dog behavior, whether a professional dog trainer, class instructor, veterinarian, veterinary technician, groomer or devoted dog owner will profit from this information packed, hands-on and entertaining seminar. Attend one or both days. Don't miss it!*

#### **Seminar Curriculum:**

**Saturday, February 14  
9 am to 4:30 pm**

**Canid Ethology:** Saturday morning is devoted to an advanced understanding of who dogs are and why they do what they do. Learn exactly how genetics, in-utero development, early development and environment influence a dog's behavior in any given situation. For example, did you know that a dog's position in the uterus can effect it's behavior toward other dogs as an adult? Did you know that what some people call "socialization" actually should start the day your pup is born? How are dogs different than wolves, and how are they the same? We'll talk about how primates can get in trouble "talking" to canines because they speak different languages!

**Canine Learning:** Operant and Classical Conditioning: Saturday afternoon is devoted to an understanding of how learning effects a dog's behavior, and how we can practically apply learning techniques developed in the laboratory to our canine companions. We will carefully describe and define Operant Conditioning, and do lots of hand-on work with demonstration dogs to illustrate some of the most useful (and fun!) methods of Operant Conditioning and Shaping, including Click and Treat Training.

Less understood, but tremendously powerful, the use of Pavlovian Classical Conditioning to change behavior is an essential ingredient in the repertoire of anyone who is serious about understanding and effecting behavior in canids. After an introduction to the process you will participate in designing programs to use Classical conditioning to improve obedience or solve serious behavior problems for demonstration dogs.

**Sunday, February 15th**  
**9 am to 4:00 pm**

**Diagnosing and Treating Aggression in Dogs:** This workshop will enhance your ability to understand canine aggression toward people and/or other dogs. The entire day will be devoted to aggression: first, diagnosing why an individual is acting aggressively, and understanding what the triggering stimuli are that elicit the aggression. After a thoughtful evaluation, we will communally develop a treatment plan and implement the initial stages of treatment for each demonstration dog. (Any dogs at risk of causing injury will be muzzled.) These case studies will allow participants to consider each situation in depth and significantly improve their ability to prevent, diagnose and help treat this most serious of behavioral problems.

You'll advance your skills at reading canine visual signals by evaluating videos and slides to determine your dog's internal state by reading his or her external visual signals. Accurately interpreting a dog's visual signals can make the difference between diagnosing or mis-diagnosing a dog's aggressive behavior. Participants at the Association for Professional Dog Trainers Conference in Phoenix called these video's "the best footage of dog behavior in the country" --- don't miss them!

**About Dr. McConnell:**

Dr. Patricia McConnell received her Ph.D. in Zoology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison researching dog behavior and communication between professional trainers and working domestic animals. She is currently the owner of Dog's Best Friend, Ltd., a training and consulting business that offers family dog training classes and diagnosis and treatment for serious behavioral problems in companion animals. She is Assistant Adjunct Professor in Zoology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, teaching "The Biology and Philosophy of Human/Animal Relationships" in Zoology and Wildlife Ecology, and "Small Animal Ethology" to students of Veterinary Medicine. Co-host of Public Radio International's "Calling All Pets," Dr. McConnell gives advice about behavior problems over many stations across the country. She is Chair of the Issues in Applied Animal Behavior for the Animal Behavior Society of North America. Besides raising and training Border collies in sheep herding competitions, she travels extensively from her farm in Black Earth, Wisconsin, giving speeches and seminars around the country.

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 YES! I want to attend: \_\_\_\_\_ Both Days (\$75.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Sat. Feb. 14, 1998 only (\$40) \_\_\_\_\_ Sun. Feb. 15, 1998 only (\$40)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a dog you would like to have participate in the workshop? If so, please attach a separate sheet detailing your dog's problem(s). Please include your phone number.

Make your check payable to:  
 Mail to:

Fox Valley Dog Training Club (F.V.D.T.C.)

Kay Weber  
 34W922 Chillem  
 Batavia, IL. 60510  
 (630) 406-8348

Please call Kay with any questions:  
 Attendance is limited so sign up NOW!

An Electronic Waggin' Tales?

## Just Curious ...

**I**t has been suggested that we explore the possibility of distributing *Waggin' Tales* electronically. So, before we start looking for the correct technology, and before we even think about spending any money, we'd like to get your thoughts. Please fill out this questionnaire and return it to:

*Waggin' Tales*  
David Lewis  
232 Mistwood Lane  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
630/897-4267

or, send e-mail to  
dclewis@interaccess.com

Thanks for your input,

Dave Lewis

*If you have something you'd like to see in February's Waggin' Tales, talk to*

*Dave Lewis:*

*232 Mistwood Lane  
North Aurora, IL 60542  
(630) 897-4267  
dclewis@interaccess.com*

**Got Something for Waggin' Tales??**

## Waggin' Tales Survey

Name:

Are you interested in receiving *Waggin' Tales* via e-mail?

What operating system does your computer use?? (eg. Windows '95, Windows 3.11, Unix, etc)

What kind of e-mail do you use?? (Juno, Internet Mail, AOL, Compuserve, etc [If you're not sure, send me e-mail and I'll figure it out]) Does your e-mail support attached files??

Do you have access to the internet??

Other Comments??

from Will Short

## Three Meetings

### S EPTEMBER/OCTOBER/JANUARY

This is the story of three meetings.

In September a process was agreed upon, worked with briefly, scrapped, and then a motion was passed which imposed limitations on exactly what a training member should be. This motion passed by a vote of 18-7. Because of the lateness of the discussion several people found it necessary to leave and probably felt secure in doing so because, after all, no vote was to have taken place in the first place.

In October a motion to continue discussion to define training membership was passed with 18 members voting yes; there were no dissenting votes or abstentions. In other words 100% of those in attendance voted to continue to work for a consensus so that all persons in the club could feel comfortable with the membership requirements and how they pertain to awards. Based upon that vote the club should be moving forward with a continued effort to try to define this thorny issue.

But no, comes the January meeting and we find 70+ members in attendance. I don't recall any regular meeting having such a large number of members present, that is not in the last 10 years. It did seem that more than a few of those present hadn't made an appearance at FV for a long time, and there were others who do not even train dogs. I wonder where all of these members were for the January match night when stewards were needed or at the trial or when the Director of Training was looking for

instructors. Moving on-a vote was taken at the January meeting to rescind the September vote. It passed by a margin of 37-25. Thirty-seven members of the club want to continue discussion until a consensus is reached. We were told after the vote that there was an error, that the necessary 2/3 number wasn't attained. Never mind that the October vote was 100%--that was never brought up. Never mind too, that the 37 who voted yes were twice the number who voted for the September motion.

In my opinion the vote in January was unnecessary; the October vote rendered the motion of September vote null and void. The September motion was clearly out of order and out of the spirit of the consensus reaching process. Now it becomes the job of the board and the membership to work together to arrive at a consensus definition for a training member.

No one to this date has ever come to me as a board member and told me that this question is such a burning one; certainly not one that causes this much rancor. Why can't a member just do his jobs, attend the required number of meetings, promote FVDTC, and do a portion of his training at the club?



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lotted time limit (not determined at this time), the discussion will continue at the next membership meeting, January 1998.

- At the November 5th Membership Meeting, Linda Benson made a motion that the discussion be tabled, Georgia Fiorito seconded the motion. All members present approved the motion. That motion met with no opposition or abstentions.
- At this time of the meeting, we would like to address Will's motion by continuing the discussion. At this time, I would to ask that a motion is made "to suspend Robert's Rules" for this topic. Prior to any motion being made, a discussion ensued.
  - Joan Payne felt that the September meeting was disappointing because the idea of the process using the small groups and regrouping into the large was not given the proper amount of time to succeed.
  - Ronnie Bizer felt that a vote should be taken now. There would not be any benefits to tabling the motion for another month, until March. The people who care are here.
  - Cathy Fleury stated that she was lead to believe (by the process definition published in the Waggin' Tales) that no vote would have been taken at the September meeting. She was unable to attend the September meeting and therefore was unable to express her opinions, but she felt that she would be a part of the discussion, when it was continued.
  - At this time of the discussion, Carol Homann made motion to rescind the vote taken in September to define the training member for awards purposes. Cindy Pakenas seconded the motion. During the discussion for this motion, the following comments were made:
    - Ronnie Bizer felt that ALL awards should be discussed, but early in the year that they would be effective during, not in November. She also asked whether the training members who could not be there on Thursday nights, would be offered some sort of alternative. A training member is more than a member who shows up on Thursday nights - there is much more to offer than just attendance on Thursday.
  - Following the brief discussion, the vote was as follows:
    - Approved - 37
    - Opposed - 25
    - Abstentions - 7
  - Kay Weber stated that the rescind motion requires a 2/3 approval to pass not a simple majority.
- After that vote, Anne White made a motion that we table the discussion of the definition of the "training member as it applied to club members who are applying for awards" until the March membership meeting. The motion was seconded by Carol Homann.
  - Without any further discussion, the vote was as

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follows:

- Approved - 65
  - Opposed - 1
  - Abstentions - 3
- Anne White suggested a mail in ballot would be an appropriate way to obtain input from ALL club members, not just the ones at the meetings.
  - Alice Larson asked why would people who don't utilize the training facility, want to become a member.

### **YMCA Demonstration**

Georgia read a letter from the Elgin YMCA thanking us for our December 5th demonstration. They also enclosed a donation of \$50.00. A huge thanks to Cindy and all the other club members who made it other

### **Christmas party**

Another HUGE thanks for the work that Cindy Pakenas did for the Christmas and those that helped her. As usual, it was an extremely good time. A lot of laughs from all those who participated in the games.

### **VOTING FOR 1998 Board of Directors**

- Ballots were distributed at this time. Carolyn Pearson read the names slated for each position. A number of club members were nominated from the floor for the various positions. After everyone had voted, Helen Castellanos and Joan Payne collected the ballots. The votes were then counted. The results are displayed in the Waggin' Tales.

Prior to the New Business, Heather King volunteered to act as Tracking Secretary. A voice ballot was conducted, Heather King was accepted as Tracking Secretary.

### **New Business**

Linda Benson asked for input regarding if the Match Committee should plan a Sanctioned match in June. It was the committee's recommendation that the club does NOT hold the sanctioned match, due to the fact that we consistently loose money - we lose entries when people find out it is a sanctioned match. Taffy Wille made a motion made that the club does NOT hold the Sanctioned match for 1998. The motion was seconded by Trudi Kimm.

- Without any further discussion, the vote was as follows:

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- Approved - All members remaining, except:
- Opposed - 1
- Abstentions - 2

Special thanks are extended to Kay Weber and Georgia Fiorito for bringing the refreshments of coffee and cookies. Do we have any volunteers for the March Meeting????

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 p.m..

## FVDTC T-Shirts & Sweatshirts

# FOR SALE FVDTC Clothing

### In Stock Sweatshirts - \$18.00

Quantity	Color	Size
1	Black	Large
1	Red	X-Large
2	Black	X-Large

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Quantity	Color	Size
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6	Red	Large
2	Red	X-Large

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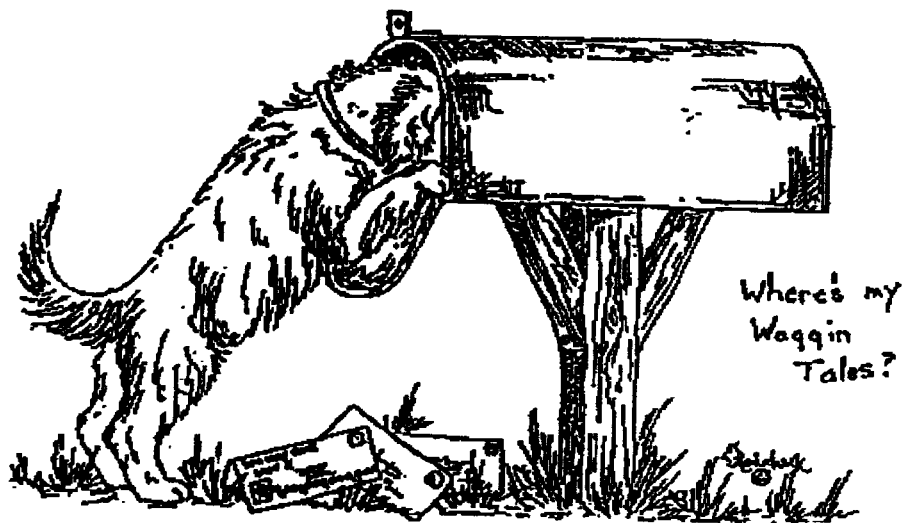
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## February Calendar

# Dates to Remember

Wednesday, February 4..... Board Meeting  
Monday, February 9 ..... *Waggin' Tales* Deadline  
Saturday, February 14 ..... McConnell Seminar  
Sunday, February 15..... McConnell Seminar  
Thursday, February 19..... Match Night