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A MESSAGE FROM THE DOT

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We had an incident occur at training in May that wasn't brought to my attention until almost two weeks after the fact. One student kicked another students' dog during the course of the class. The instructor didn't see the event, it was brought to my attention by another student in the class. This type of behavior will NOT be tolerated. There was no aggressive behavior that endangered another dog or a human. If anything like this happens again, the kicker will be removed from the building and their membership will be in jeopardy. If it were a quest trainer, they would be barred from the training grounds. I ask all of you to be aware of this and if you ever witness anything along these lines, come and get me or Carolyn Pearson, who has accepted the assistant DOT position. In the absence of both of us, any board member can step in for us.

Realistically, if it ever came down to a dog attacking another dog or a person, whatever means needed to stop the situation would be employed, including physical force. That was not the case this time, this was a young dog wanting to make friends with the dog ahead of it.

On any given night ANY dog can make an aggressive move. If it continues, we will require that the dog be in a muzzle the entire time that it is on the training grounds. It is our duty as a club to help people and dogs overcome such problems, but we need to assure the safety of each and every dog that attends our training classes.

On a more positive note, we have started a Beginning Utility class at 7:00 with Mary Bradley. The Pre-Open class will be held at 8:00, leaving a ring open for trainers to share at 7:00. Will Short will be back from the Flat Coat Nationals and taking over the Utility Run-thrus at 7:00. Rick Cox will be doing the Open run-thrus at 7:00. Cathy Fleury has taken over the Ring Ready class at 7:00. As always, we are looking for assistant trainers for the beginners and advanced classes. We have some instructors who cannot be at class when we are switched to Tuesday night. Brenda Rivera will be doing utility and open run thrus at 8:00 on the nights that she can be there.

A gentle reminder to all of our members – if your dog has a stool on the Fair-grounds – you must pick up after your dog and dispose of it in either a dumpster or garbage can OUTSIDE the building. There are bags available inside the building in the red bucket if you get caught without one in your pocket. Also, there is to be no solicitation by a non-club member for any for profit enterprise while on the training grounds. Nor is there to be any private paid training while on our grounds. If you have questions, please feel free to see me, Carolyn or any member of the Board.

Until next month – Train – Don't complain!

If you think you're a person of influence, try ordering somebody else's dog around

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

A New Member of the Family!!! (Heidy & Lew Terlizzi, Tina & Ricco)

Dear Members & Friends:

We are happy to introduce a new member of our family. Her name is Tina, a 5-month-old Standard Poodle. Ricco is happy to have a playmate again.

Tealaska Valiant Highlander "Duncan" (Cathy Fleury)

06/01/2001 Skokie Valley KC Conformation, Best of Winners
 New CDX 5 times shown, 4 1st places and 1 second

UAGII Candlewood's Ribbonquest "Peggy" CGC, TDI, CDX, OA, OAJ, MH (Tim & Anne White)

04/21/2001 Mid-Illinois Retriever Club Earned her 3rd MH leg
 Banner, IL

05/06/2001 Golden Retriever Club of Illinois Earned her 4th MH leg
 Wilmington, IL

05/13/2001 Fox Valley Retriever Club Earned her 5th MH leg and MH title
 Waukesha, WI

05/19/2001 Manitowoc County Kennel Club Earned her 6th MH leg
 Valders, WI Only 8 of 26 dogs qualified

Stony Creeks Sargent Jake "Jake" (Sally Dillow)

05/12/2001 Lyons Twp DTC Earned a third leg for his CD, placing 3rd with 192 points

Buzz (Trudi Kimm)

05/13/2001 Scott City Finally - we got a BOB that will put us in contention for Top 10 Canaan

05/27/2001 Apple Blossom Cluster Dog - he went up over a special Buzz was Best of Breed Sat thru Mon at Kalamazoo. This firmly

PUT YOUR BRAGS ON THE WEB

See 3 years of electronic brags on the club web site (<http://www.fvdtc.org/news>). You can also add your dog's accomplishments to the list for all the world to see

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From David Lewis, Editor

PUT YOUR NEWS IN WAGGIN' TALES

If you have news or announcements you would like to share with the club, put it in the Waggin' Tales.

There are a few guidelines to follow to ensure that your message is presented in the way **you** would like:

Submit your articles to:

David Lewis
 Waggin' Tales
 232 Mistwood Lane
 North Aurora, IL 60542
 (630) 897-4267
 waggintales@fvdtc.org

Plain text E-Mail is the best way to get your article included. Attachments in Rich Text Format will work

also. Typed letters and faxes are OK, too, but hand-written notes are the most likely to result in errors.

Always include your name and a phone number with your article.

What Gets Included

Waggin' Tales is the primary means of communication for the Board to the membership, so announcements from the Board and meeting minutes get highest priority. Next are news, brags and stories from the membership. If space permits, dog-related classified ads and for-sale items from members will be included.

I am always interested in your comments (both good and bad) and suggestions for improving Waggin' Tales.

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

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06/09/2001 Lake Minnetonka
 06/10/2001 Lake Minnetonka

places him in the top 10 Canaan dogs
 3 points, Puppy Herding Goup 4 from a full group.
 4 points! Championship!!!He went breed over 3 Specials, 2 in the
 top ten. He's also top 10 now.

From Sandi Stephenson

Madison Wisconsin, May 5, 2001. Scout's (AmStaf) daughter Sassy needed a major (few and hard to find, harder to win!) to finish her championship. We only entered one of the 3 day cluster, darnit, only one shot. Then we have the Rottie, Abel, or UnAbel as he has been more affectionately known. He needs one more leg for his C.D. Even scarier, he needs a 195 or better for a prestigious Dog World Award.

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From Suzan Scott

CORRECTION CLINIC

The next Fox Valley Dog Training Club Correction Clinic will be held on Thursday, June 21. There is still room in all classes if you're considering entering.

Stewards are needed for the June 21 FVDTC Correction Clinic. If you can work that night, either sign up on the board at training or contact Ingrid at (630) 365-3248 or matchsteward@fvdtc.org.

The remaining clinic dates for 2001 are:
 August 16 September 20
 October 25 November 29

E-MAIL WAGGIN' TALES

If you would like to save the club a few dollars, receive your Waggin' Tales up to a week before everybody else, and get your pictures in color:

Get your Waggin' Tales via E-Mail!

You need to install the Adobe Acrobat Reader (free from <http://www.adobe.com>) and send an e-mail to waggintales@fvdtc.org.

Currently 50 people are getting electronic copies of the Waggin' Tales, saving the club a total of \$600 each year.

From Kathy Hubbard

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

James and Sandy Frigolett
 4N280 Pheasant Run Drive
 St Charles, IL 60175
 (630)584-7329
 Labrador Retriever Mix
 Completed Beginner Class

Paul and Cornelia Gonsalves
 1552 S. Tyler Rd
 St Charles, IL 60174
 (630)513-6087
 Brittany Spaniel/Golden Retriever Mix
 Completed Beginner Class

Sue MacPherson
 405 Joliet St.
 West Chicago, IL 60185
 (630)293-5741
 suemac325@aol.com
 Cocker Spaniel, Pomeranian

Completed Beginner Class

 Keith Nelson
 1076 Bluestem
 Batavia, IL 60510
 (630)406-9361
 Golden Retriever
 Completed Beginner Class

Rich and Nancy Nielson
 2889 Caldwell Lane
 Geneva, IL 60134
 (630)208-0235
 artstart4484@aol.com
 Labrador Retriever
 Completed Beginner Class

Cathy J. Schmidt
 14 Manchester Ct.

Streamwood, IL 60107
 (630)837-3626
 awaywegous4@juno.com
 Labrador Retriever
 Guest Trained

Deb Connolly Schomer/Doug Schomer
 802 W. Downer Place
 Aurora, IL 60506
 (630)896-6265
 degdub@aol.com
 Standard Poodle
 Completed Beginner Class

Susan M. Wakefield
 129 W. Blair St.
 West Chicago, IL 60185
 (630)231-2203
 Cocker Spaniel
 Completed Beginner Class

From Carloyn Pearson, Secretary

JUNE BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting Highlights June 06, 2001

Meeting brought to order at 7:40 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). March Meeting Minutes approved as published. Several items of correspondence read.

Cathy Fleury (Treasurer) reported that our taxes have been filed. A financial report for the first six months of 2001 will be published with the July issue of Waggin' Tales, but will not be posted on the web site.

Trudi Kimm (Director of Training) stated that the primary instructors for several advanced level classes have switched classes. The changes are as shown. In addition to those changes, the Pre-Open class (Sandi Stephenson, instructor) is now at 8:00 p.m.

Mary Bradley is currently teaching a beginning Utility class from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Ring Ready	-	Cathy Fleury
Open Run-Throughs	-	Rick Cox
Utility Run-Throughs	-	Will Short

There are enough primary instructors for this current session, but Trudi reported that she would like to have more assistant instructors. Trudi will need a primary instructor for the 7:00 p.m. for the next session, which begins on Tuesday, August 7th.

Trudi extended thanks to Kim Colyer for donating the white board used for Utility run-through sign-ups.

Trudi also reported that we have been asked by the Geneva Library to do a 20 minute demonstration on Wednesday, July 18th. The demonstration is part of a program for children and will be begin at 1:30 p.m. Peggy Sue Seehafer volunteered. Anyone who is available during that time and would like to participate, should contact Trudi at (630) 673-0527

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that she has already received 3 entries for our November 11th Obedience Trial. There may be a change to the judge listed for the non-regular Graduate Novice class. This would need approval from AKC.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next deadline is Sunday, June 10th. He has added a "Guest Book" to our website, currently the activity

level is low. He is also planning to add a "Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)" Web page in the future.

Old Business

Taffy Wille reported that she has received the latest order of the Shelby Marlo book, New Art of Dog Training - Balancing Love and Discipline. Anyone who would like to purchase a copy should see her at training, call her at 630-365-0423 or via e-mail at taffy@elnet.com. The cost is \$10.00 per copy.

New Business

- Tracey Mohr reported that an individual who is currently not a club member has been observed soliciting individuals at training regarding her desire to "handle" their dog in conformation shows. It was stated that individuals who are currently not club members are not allowed to solicit directly at the training facility. Written information, about services provided, may be placed in the red-box.

Carolyn Pearson reported that this information has already been stated to the individual. The situation will be monitored by Trudi Kimm and Carolyn Pearson for any future violations.

- Peggy Sue Seehafer reported that she was contacted by Chris from AKC regarding a request to donate a door prize of a Beginners Class Session for the AKC Invitational at the Odeum. After a discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of fulfilling this request, Trudi made a motion that we donate a certificate for a Beginners' Class, with stipulation that the enrollment must occur by December 31, 2001. Cathy Fleury seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all present, without any opposition or abstentions.

- Trudi Kimm made a motion that the club donate \$150.00 to the AKC Canine Health Foundation in support of the work that is being accomplished for all breeds. Peggy Sue Seehafer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all present, without any opposition or abstentions.
- Trudi Kimm reported that a club member was observed using unsolicited and inappropriate physical contact to another individual's dog. This behavior will not be tolerated and should be reported immediately to the Director of Training, Assistant Director of Training or any Board member present. Repeated incidents could put the individual's membership in jeopardy.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

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Of course both are to show at the same time, dog shows are all about pressure you know. Remember, its supposed to be fun... The obedience judge kindly obliges us by allowing Abel to go later. I try not to think about how blah he gets when required to wait around. So, with Sassy on first, it's skirt and blazer time. First, need to warm up Unabel. Get slimed. Can't go into the breed ring like this, but - it's time. We are in the Bred by Exhibitor class. I love this class, where you tell the judge how proud you are of your work. It is also harder to win this class. She wins it. Now for Winners Bitch. Settle down heart, its never gonna happen, Then.. It happens! She does it and becomes Scoutie's first champion, HOOORay!!!!!!!!!!!!

Now go (run!)to the obedience ring. "When?" They ask, "pretty soon, I think", I mumble back, and race to get my dog. Drag his sound asleep body from his crate, then realize I really don't want to exercise him in the rain while still wearing a skirt. Cram poor Dog back into crate, grab jeans and race to bathroom. Return, grab Dog again, then put him back again as I decide to check on obedience. A few more dogs to go. God. Oh yeah, I'm supposed to show a BullMastiff. Back to the crating area, DisAbel gives me THE LOOK. Decide to exercise him first. Good Decision. Run to BM ring. Decide fast she tells me. We find another handler.

"Have fun, having fun, Fun", I chant all the way back to the obedience area. Which seems to be in the next county, by the way. Grab Abel from whatever kind person I pawned him off on. Just in time to get into the ring and almost laugh when the judge asks if we're ready.

Survive, though it didn't seem pretty. Dave says he is willing to do the sits and downs if I want to show the Bullie. Do I? I make one more run to that end of the earth, and no, I really DON'T want to. Survive sits and downs, oh yea, its over. Run-off time. You've got to be kidding, UnAbel and I are in it. It's Finally Really over. Qualifiers go back into the ring. First place is a Golden with a 197. Not good when scores go down hill from there and you NEED at least a 5. Then- second place is Abel, with his 195 on the nose, winner of the run-off. God is good. Abel really is. Thank you to wonderful friend Sue Hiller for waking up at 3:30 A.M. to travel with me to the show.

Thank you to all my friends who were there for sharing this win - the Fox Valley Faithful - Wil, Shirley, Jan, Sylvia, and all the rest that I forget at this moment, and Dave and Dawn and all my Newfie friends, Jerry, Judy, Theresa, John, all those in the "A" club, thanks for being there. You guys made it most special. Sandi, Sassy, and the no longer un, Abel.

From Vicky Hagens

THIRD WAY

I recently attended a 5-day camp with Chris Bach on her Third Way training techniques (the "next generation in reinforcement training"). I am very excited about the things I learned and would be happy to share them with interested FVDTC members.

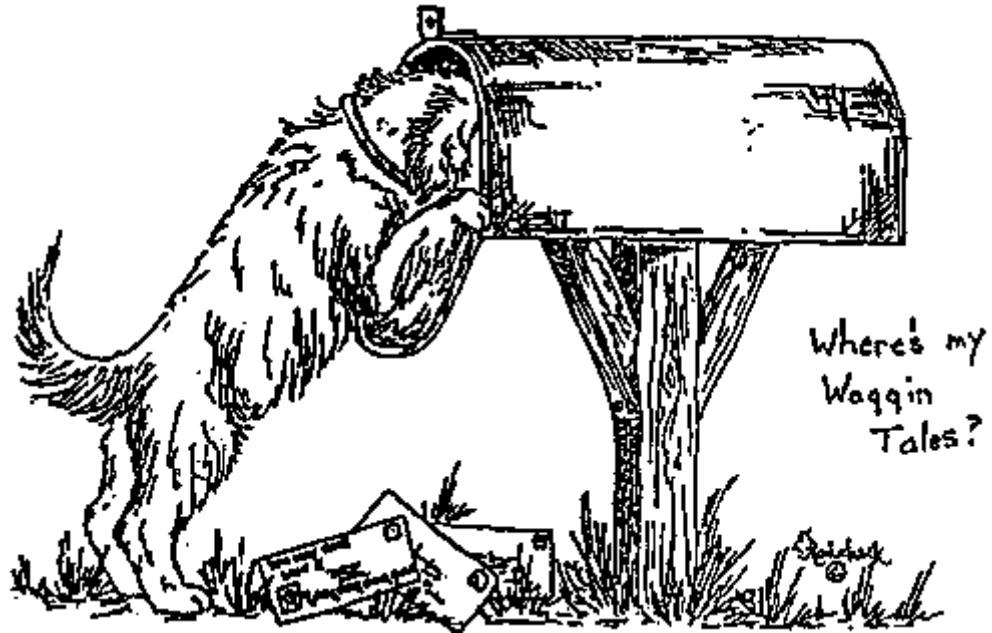
If you are interested in learning more about Third Way training, let me know. One possibility is that we could gather in the Puppy Ring at 8:00 (after my 7:00 puppy class). To contact me, catch me at training before or after puppy class, call me at 847-428-3098, or drop me an e-mail note at p-grosso@usa.net.

HOW TO PHOTOGRAPH A NEW PUPPY

1. Remove film from box and load camera
2. Remove film box from puppy's mouth and throw in trash
3. Remove puppy from trash and brush coffee grounds from muzzle
4. Choose a suitable background for photo
5. Mount camera on tripod and focus
6. Find puppy and take dirty sock from mouth
7. Place puppy in pre-focused spot and return to camera
8. Forget about spot and crawl after puppy on knees
9. Focus with one hand and fend off puppy with other hand
10. Get tissue and clean nose print from lens
11. Take flash cube from puppy's mouth and throw in trash
12. Put cat outside and put peroxide on the scratch on puppy's nose
13. Put magazines back on coffee table
14. Try to get puppy's attention by squeaking toy over your head
15. Replace your glasses and check camera for damage
16. Jump up in time to grab puppy by scruff of neck and say "No, No, outside!!"
17. Fix a drink
18. Sit back in Lazy Boy with drink and resolve to teach puppy "sit" and "stay" the first thing in the morning.

FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

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FVDTC CALENDAR— JUNE / JULY

June	6	Wednesday	Board Meeting	July	5	Thursday	Regular Training
	7	Thursday	Regular Training		8	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
	10	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline		10	Tuesday	Regular Training
	14	Thursday	Regular Training		13	Friday	4H Graduation
	21	Thursday	Correction Clinic Beginner Class		19	Thursday	No Training Kane County Fair
	28	Thursday	Regular Training		26	Thursday	Regular Training