

FVDTC

WAGGIN' TALES

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A Note From the President

Hey Folks -

All too often, I hear members say "I didn't know anything about it" when talking about club events. So, how do you find out about "stuff"? Let's look at the options:

1. The club web site (www.fvdtc.org) has an enormous amount of information, including the latest news, the calendar of events, membership and other forms, sign-ups for drop-in classes, sign-ups for volunteer opportunities, back issues of the newsletter, a record of your work credits and membership info, a roster of club members and much more.
2. Every two months, the club holds an all-member meeting via Zoom. (Check the calendar on the web site for date and time). Board members and committee chairs report on activities, needs and events.
3. The club sends out news via email. Get event info, volunteer opportunities and other news right in your inbox. If you're not already on the list, contact Miriam Zarate (news@fvdtc.org) to sign up.
4. The *Waggin' Tales* comes out toward the end of each month. It (almost) always has minutes from the last membership or board meeting, a calendar of events, volunteer opportunities, club and AKC news. It is available via USPS, or on the club web site.
5. Nancy Pederson does an excellent job putting club information on Facebook (www.facebook.com/FVDTC/). Again, find event info, volunteer opportunities and other club news.

So, there are lots of ways to get club news, but they all require some action on your part. Make a little effort and you'll know everything there is to know.

The next big thing to talk about is club's need for volunteers. Annual membership dues are \$180, but you can save half by earning work credits and you can earn those credits by filling one of these essential positions:

Public Education Coordinator – This is a board position, mandated by the AKC. You would be responsible, with help from the AKC, for promoting projects that educate club members and the public on responsible dog ownership.

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 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." Contact me if you are interested in either one of these jobs.

Thank you to all the volunteers that make FVDTC run.

See you at training,

Dave Lewis

Membership Report

Julia Davies

St Charles, IL
Mixed breed
Completed Beginner class

Sharon & Zoe Egger

Hampshire, IL
Golden Retrievers
Completed Puppy class

Frank & Lori Panek

Batavia, IL
Mixed breed
Completed Puppy class

Calendar

May 2023

04 Thu Regular Training
4-H Classes
10 Wed Membership Meeting
11 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)

June 2023

01 Thu Regular Training
4-H Classes
Puppy Begins (8:00pm)
Adv. Puppy Begins (6:00pm)
Beginner Begins (6:00, 7:00, 8:00pm)
08 Thu Regular Training
12 Mon Board Meeting
15 Thu Fun Match
Therapy Dog Testing
22 Thu Regular Training
Puppy Ends (6:00pm)
29 Thu Regular Training

Tracking News

Kent Hildebrand reports that we're good to go for the Fall Tracking Test (September 9-10). Take advantage of the opportunity get some fresh air, to earn some work credits, and learn the sport by becoming a tracklayer. Email Kent (tracking@fvdtc.org) for more information.

Board Meeting Highlights – April 10, 2023

Meeting brought to order at 7:43 p.m.

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

Phil Nuger (Treasurer) reported that year-to-date:

- The class revenues were up approximately \$500.00.
- The guest training fees were up approximately \$150.00.
- The agility trial revenue was up approximately \$3,300. Although expenses were also greater than last year, there was a \$6,000.00 profit, approximately \$1,500.00 more than the 2022 Spring Trials.
- The electronic timers, sold by Kent Hildebrand, offered a one-time revenue of \$400.00.
- The 2022 obedience/rally trials lost about \$1,500.00. This is a typical, with one of the largest expenses is the cost of the building rental.

Phil also reported that he has downloaded the tax software and will submit the appropriate tax forms by the May 15th filing deadline.

Will Short (Director of Training) reported that Donna Nuger will be attending a training seminar the weekend of April, 22nd and 23rd. He will let her know that per the club's policy, as an instructor she can be reimbursed for 50% of the cost of the seminar, to a maximum of \$100.00 annually.

Will also stated that there are nine children signed up for the 4-H classes beginning on April 27th. They will enter and exit through the north doors directly into Ring 8.

Taffy Wille (Obedience Trial Chairperson) reported that with the exception of the Wild Class, the judges panel has been approved by AKC. Due to unknown reasons, the Wild Class did not automatically transfer into 2023 from the 2022 trial. Taffy is submitting the application for the Wild Class.

Cathy Fleury (Agility Trial Chairperson) reported that the recent agility trials went well and will be sending reimbursement requests to Phil Nuger shortly. Cathy stated that she ordered ten more MACH bars to replace the remaining three bars which were awarded during the Spring Agility Trial. Cathy also stated that she needs to purchase additional Double-Q ribbons and will contact Obedience Trial Awards Chair, Pat Senne, in attempt to consolidate the orders.

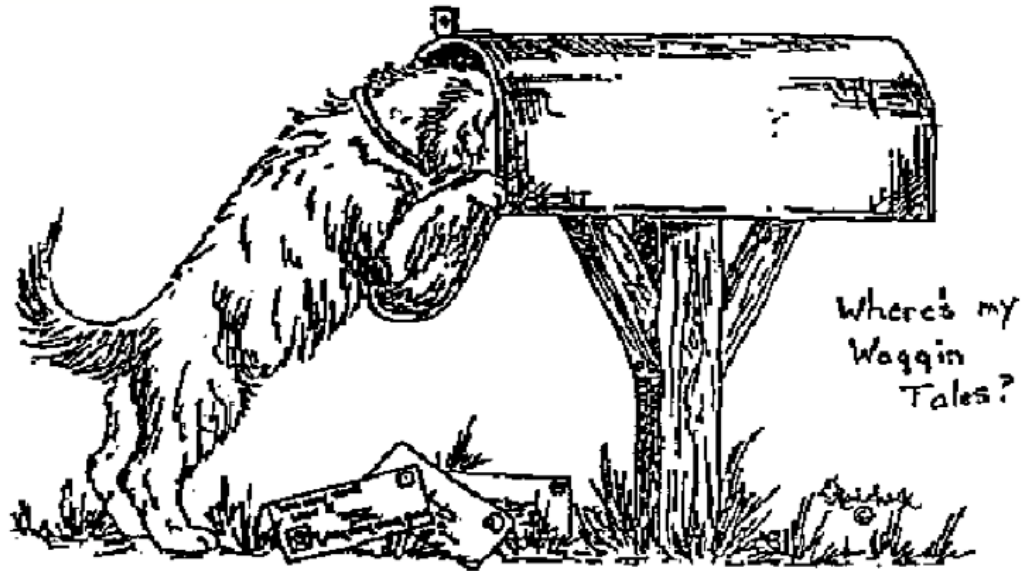
Old Business

- Taffy reported that she will get the final entry count for the Car-Dun-AI obedience and rally trials, and for the FVDTC trials. She stated that the second rally trial on Saturday was full and had a wait list. Carolyn will contact Chris Unger next week to determine whether there is any flexibility in the rent paid to the fairgrounds.

New Business

- Sue reported that there were several nominations for the Sally Compton Outstanding Service to the Club award. She will request that a Constant Contact with the nominees names be sent out to enable the club members to vote for the winner. Although several individuals were nominated for the Rookie of the Year (ROTY), they did not meet the three years or less length of membership criteria. Per the rules, the Membership Chair determines the eligibility, based on the membership years. Sue moved the ROTY nominees' names to the Sally Compton list.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.



Congratulations to FVDTC's 2022 Award Winners

High Qualifying Average in Novice A	<i>No Submissions</i>
High Qualifying Average in Novice B	<i>Pat Senne and Gracie</i>
High Qualifying Average in Open	<i>No Submissions</i>
High Qualifying Average in Utility B	<i>No Submissions</i>
High Qualifying Average in Rally Novice A	<i>No Submissions</i>
Ed Kneip Memorial Award	<i>Sandi Stephenson and Secret</i>
Founders Award	<i>Francene Andresen and Airen</i>
Heather Memorial Award.....	<i>Barb Misch and Friday</i>
Kanosak Award	<i>No Submissions</i>
Debbie Orr Memorial Award	<i>Cheryl Lewis and Echo</i>
Diane Ott Award	<i>No Submissions</i>
Tucker Memorial Award	<i>No Submissions</i>
Natalie Memorial Sward	<i>Carol Schmidt and Friday</i>
Rookie of the Year Award	<i>No Submissions</i>
Sally Compton Service Award	<i>Sally Boeke</i>
The Boner Award	<i>Taffy Wille</i>