

NEWSLETTER
December 2023

NEXT MEETING
January 4, 2024
8:15 PM

THE RECALL



2024
HAPPY NEW YEAR

AKC AGILITY TRIAL

December 28-29, 2023

There is still time to earn more credits working at the trial, sign up on events page.

Please make sure ALL your work credits are logged in by 12.31.23!

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FOREST CITY DOG TRAINING CLUB BOARD MEETING AGENDA December 7, 2023

Call Meeting To Order

The Board meeting of FCDTC was called to order by Vice-President Meg Hennessey at 6:03 pm.

Board Members Present were: Meg Hennessey, Sharon Robertson, Sydney Baldwin, Jennifer Walker and Pat Schroder.

Absent: Sarah Kittner, Tammy Tucker.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November meeting were approved as published in the Recall. The motion was made by Jenn Walker and seconded by Sharon Robertson.

GUESTS

Presidents Report: (Sarah Kittner)

- None

Vice Presidents Report: (Meg Hennessey)

- Don't bring sick dogs to class.
- Annual membership dues are due by 12/31/2023.

Secretaries Report (Meg Hennessey)

- Motion made by Meg, seconded by Sydney to purchase a hard drive for the Secretary's club laptop.
- The Board approved the building rental request from the Medallion Rottweiler Club for the next three years.
 - 2024 November 8-10
 - 2025 November 7-9
 - 2026 November 6-8

We will hold these dates for the Rottweiler Medallion Club but they will have to submit a new rental contract each year and pay the going rental rate.

- Going forward, rental contracts will be handled as follows:
 - Secretary will be responsible for bringing rental contracts to the Board for approval. The Treasurer will be responsible for following up to get the final payment and the certificate of insurance liability.

Applications

- **2nd Meeting-**
 - Kathy Carr
 - Donna Ashcroft

- **3rd Meeting –**
 - Amy Hill
 - Sarah Lingel
 - Bayley Marie Kirchner
 - Mary Urda Hill

- ***Upcoming Rentals/Trials:***
2023
 - 12/28-12/29 FCDTC (Agility Trial)
 - 12/30-12/31 GLBT (Great Lakes Belgian Tervuren Club (Agility Trial))

- 2024**
 - 1/27-1/28/24 Janesville-Beloit Kennel Club Trial (Obedience Trial)

Treasurers Report: (Sharon Robertson)

- October Financials
- Received thank you letter from AKC, regarding a donation FCDTC Made to them, using funds raised from the dog first aid class held at the club earlier in the year.
- Received a request to have an Emily Klarman agility seminar at the club on July 20-21, 2024. This was approved by the Board, but the seminar must be done by **4:00 pm** on that Sunday, so as not to interfere with agility classed being held that day.
- Received a donation of \$50.00 received from Bonnie Robinson for agility equipment.

Director Of Training Report: (Sydney Baldwin)

- Due to a recent issue when fitting a dog for a collar, we will have a slip leash available to use in the Collars & Leashes area to help keep dogs under control when being fitted for a collar.
- Deb Davis will be doing the CGCA testing for her current class at the Farm & Fleet on Riverside Blvd. on December 17th.
- Next instructor's meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 21st.
- Sydney is working on the 2024 club calendar that is posted in the building.
- The trailer that holds the agility equipment needs to be painted.

Director Of Trials Report: (Jenn Walker)

- Our 2024 Fast Cats dates are posted on the AKC web-site. We will be having events in June, August and October.
- Looking into having an agility photo shoot done by Mary Huff. More information to come
- Our leash stand was broken at the last agility trial. Sydney made a motion, and Sharon seconded, to get a new leash stand. Club will pay for materials.
- Jenn will be updating the slide show photos each session.

Member at Large: (Patricia Schroder)

- Jane Fluegel recently had surgery.

Pending Business

New Business

- Gayle Dixon reported that the agility side is in need of two tunnels. The cost would be approximately \$1,000 for the two tunnels, which includes shipping. Gayle will bring this up at the general meeting.
- Regarding the sign-up sheet for volunteers to work agility trials, some scribe positions are filled prior to posting sign up sheets, as this task requires someone with prior experience. If someone is interested in learning to scribe, they can make arrangements to sit with a scribe at a trial to see what the task entails. See Gayle or Cheerie.
- Discussed rental repairs done to the heating system.
- Discussed conducting personal business on club property. Tabled until next meeting.

Adjournment

Jenn Walker made the motion to adjourn, Sharon Robertson seconded the motion. Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Tucker
Secretary



FOREST CITY DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA
December 7, 2023

Call Meeting to Order

The Membership meeting of FCDTC was called to order by Vice-President Meg Hennessey at 8:21 pm.

Board Members Present were: Meg Hennessey, Sharon Robertson, Sydney Baldwin, Jenn Walker and Pat Schroder.

Absent: Sarah Kittner, Tammy Tucker.

Members: **54** Guests: **6**

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November meeting were approved as published in the Recall. The motion as made by Rick Lilly and seconded by Mona Lilly. Motion carried. Minutes approved as published.

GUEST Speaker(s)

None

BRAGS

Member	Dog	Brag
Beth Wilshire	Luna	UKC: CD, R01 & R02 First wild duck retrieval AKC: RN & 1 st leg of CD
Dora L. Mc New-Clarke	Jake Jr.	RI, THD
Bayley Kirchner	Merle Marie	BN, CGCA and FDC titles
Patricia Schroeder	Rocky	Earned CD on 11/12 at Car-Dun-Al.
Tammy Lozzio	Shimmer	Got out of open jumpers & open standard at our trial with help by Gayle Dixon, Barb Faulkner, Cheerie & Kelli.
		CONGRATS TO ALL!

Board Reports

Presidents Report: (Sarah Kittner)

- None

Vice Presidents Report: (Meg Hennessey)

- Sarah Kittner is home recuperating from recent surgery.
- Do not bring sick dogs into the building.
- Two members have paid for their membership dues at the front counter and there is no way of identifying who made the payment. Contact the Treasurer if you are one of those members.
- Annual membership dues are to be paid on 12/31/23.

Secretaries Report (Tammy Tucker)

- **Upcoming Rentals/Trials: 2023**

- 12/28-12/29 FCDTC (Agility Trial)
- 12/30-12/31 GLBT (Great Lakes Belgian Tervuren Club (Agility Trial)

2024

- 1/27-1/28/24 Janesville-Beloit Kennel Club Trial (Obedience Trial)
- The Board has approved the building rental request from the Medallion Rottweiler Club for 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Applications –

- **2nd Meeting-**
 - Kathy Carr
 - Donna Ashcroft
- **3rd Meeting -**
 - Amy Hill
 - Sarah Lingel
 - Bayley Marie Kirchner
 - Mary Urda Hill
- **New Applications**
 - Kendra Miles
 - Linda Dillon

Treasurers Report: (Sharon Robertson)

- October Financials
- We received a thank you letter from AKC, for a donation we recently made, using funds raised from the dog first aid class
- Donation of \$50.00 received from Bonnie Robinson for agility equipment.
- Teaching stipends were recently issued so please cash/deposit these checks **ASAP**. Stipends are issued after the 4th week of classes are completed.

Director Of Training Report: (Sydney Baldwin)

- Current session is going well and last day of classes is December 18th.
- Will post Season 1 classes that have low registration numbers on Facebook.
- Next instructor's meeting is February 21st.
- The CGCA test for current students of Deb Davis will be held at the Farm and Fleet on Riverside.

Director Of Trials Report: (Jenn Walker)

- 2024 Fast Cat trial dates are posted on the AKC web-site. Our events will be in June, August and October.
- Our agility trial at the beginning of December went well. We have another one at the end of December.
- Slide show photos will be updated each session. Please send your photos to Jenn at fdctphotos@gmail.com.

Member at Large: (Patricia Schroder)

- None

Committee Reports

- **Agility Chair** (Cheerie Ohda/Gayle Dixon/Sandy Allen/Anita Wolney)
 - Gayle said our recent agility trial went well and thanked everyone who helped with the trial.
 - Anita Wolney said \$524.00 was made at the agility raffle and thanked members who helped make the baskets.
 - Gayle said we are in need of two 15 inch agility tunnels. Cost would be about \$1,000 which includes shipping. Motion made by Kathleen Alsup, seconded by Judy Olson, to purchase two tunnels.

- **Building & Equipment** (Lloyd Fulcer/Pam Johnson)

Meg Hennessey read Lloyd's report in his absence:

The following repairs were made:

- Two heaters in the matted area got connected to WiFi thermostats for automation.
- Replaced a dead ceiling fan on the turf side.
- Serviced the fire extinguishers for the year throughout the building.
- Installed a new light over the potty area behind the matted side.
- Installed a new flood light over the north field at the end of the building.
- One of the rooftop furnaces was not heating-got that serviced and operational.
- Replace some failing handicapped parking signs along the building.

- **Collars & Leashes (Ronda White)**

-We are well staffed for the end of Session 6, and will be posting sign-up for Session 1.

- **Conformation (Pati Wiedel)**

-Confirmation classes will be held on Sunday afternoons in January and February.

- **Education (Mona Lilly)**

-No report.

- **Obed/Rally Chairperson (Dawn Pfluger)**

-Instructors are set for Session 1 which is from January 6th through February 10th. Some classes are already full.

- **Registration (Deb Kolberg and Dawn Pfluger)**

-No report.

- **Therapy & Demos (Kathleen Smiley-Alsup)**

-Kathleen thanked the therapy dog teams who participated in the recent blood drive at Guilford High School.

-Also thanked members who helped out at our recent holiday photo shoot, which raised \$490 for the Rockford Boys & Girls Club.

-Ida Public Library is looking for therapy dogs on December 22nd from 11am to 2pm. Contact Kathleen if you are interested.

Pending Business

- Meg Hennessey said the Nominating Committee submitted the following names for the Board positions coming open in 2024:

Judy Olson for President
Sharon Robertson for Treasurer
Sandy Allen for Director of Training
Sarah Kittner for Member at Large

Meg asked if there were any nominations from the floor for these Board positions, There were no nominations from the floor.

NEW BUSINESS

- Elizabeth Alex is still recovering from breaking her leg and unable to work. If anyone would like to make a monetary donation or a meal donation to Elizabeth, you can do so on the following Meal Train website: <https://mealtrain.com/trains/re05rd>.

Vote on New Member Applicants:

- Applicants to vote on at tonight's meeting 4 person(s) to vote on.

New Members:				
Last Name	First Name	Phone Number	Sponsor 1:	Sponsor 2:
Hill	Amy	815-565-8459	Stephanie Schneider	Kathleen Alsup
Lingel	Sarah	815-721-4642	Anita Wolney	Stephanie Schneider
Kirchner	Bayley Marie	815-241-8918	Gail Schumacher	Kathleen Alsup
Urda Hill	Mary	815-291-4129	Sally Coggeshell	Meredith Wendt

Adjournment

Denise Scanlan made the motion to adjourn. John Bowman seconded the motion. Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Tucker
Secretary