



Welcome to the Club

It's a new day and there is a new tracking club in town!

Welcome to DFWTC, otherwise known as the DFW Tracking Club. DFWTC was conceived from the need to have a local club whose sole purpose is to train people and their dogs to track and to hold tracking tests. There is an ongoing need for this type of event. Not only for the obtaining of a title, but for real life situations such as the tragedy that happened south of the Metroplex where a car overturned and a dog was lost (she has been found).

We will strive to teach people the steps to successful tracking, and provide the community with much needed tracking tests. Each class we offer allows people to gain knowledge about tracking, scent patterns, map making, track laying, and how to read their dog, but more importantly they are learning what fun it can be to spend time with their canine companion in an activity that is highly based on trust in their dog.

There is a saying, "Let the wind be your guide and follow your dog!" To that end, we have followed our dogs to form this club so that others can enjoy their canine companions.



In the end, the glove is the key!

Letter from the President



Is your dog unemployed? Has your dog become a couch potato or maybe a La-Z-Boy lounge lizard? If so, the DFW Tracking Club has classes available to get you and your dog started on the right track!

We are in the process of submitting the required paperwork to AKC for the formation of the DFW Tracking Club. With the formation of our club, there will be training opportunities for beginner, intermediate, and advanced handlers. There will also be opportunities to help with AKC sanctioned matches and tests. We hope that you will come out and get involved in the sport of tracking.

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Special points of interest:

- Letter from the President
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Schedule of Events

- 8/7/05—Tracking Class 7am AA Credit Union
- 8/13/05— Flag making meeting 4pm Spring Creek BBQ
- 8/14/05—Tracking Class 7am AA Credit Union
- 8/20/05—Board of Directors Planning meeting 4pm Spring Creek BBQ
- 8/21/05—Tracking Class 7am AA Credit Union
- 8/28/05—Tracking Class 7am AA Credit Union

August 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 <i>class</i>	8	9	10	11	12	13 <i>flags</i>
14 <i>class</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20 <i>BOD</i>
21 <i>class</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 <i>class</i>	29	30	31			

Minutes from Board of Director Meeting

DFW Tracking Club August 20, 2005

Meeting called to order 4:00 p.m.

Attending: John Hubacek, Dana Hubacek, Charlene Dunn, Monica Becherer, and Pat Tackett.

Election of temporary officers:

President -- John Hubacek

Vice Pres – Dana Hubacek

Secretary -- Pat Tackett

Treasurer - Charlene Dunn

Member at large –Monica Becherer



Follow your dog!

Dana made a motion to accept temporary officers. Charlene seconded the motion. Motion passed by acclamation.

Club meetings – DFW Tracking Club will meet bi-monthly in the greater DFW Metroplex. Notification for the club meeting place and time will be per the By-laws.

Discussion of Club activities – We are currently conducting classes for general public and members. Within the time parameters according to the AKC regulations, we will be conducting sanctioned matches and will eventually be licensed to hold AKC tracking tests.

Classes:

- Beginner classes will be offered for 6 weeks for \$60.00 to non-members. Members who teach or assist one class session will have fees waived for one class session. Other members may sign up for classes at half price.
- Intermediate classes will be offered for 6 weeks for \$40.00 to non-members. Members who teach or assist one class session will have fees waived for one class session. Other members may sign up for classes at half price.



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***In the End, it's the glove that counts
and the friends you make in-between.***

DFW Tracking Club was founded in the summer of 2005 by members of the tracking community who wished to offer tests, teach classes, and serve the tracking needs in the DFW area.

The mission of the DFW Tracking Club is to provide a need to the tracking community for tracking tests, tracking classes, and tracking education.

DFW Tracking Club has instructors who can service all levels of tracking from the novice to the advanced tracker. Our classes are structured to teach dogs and their humans to track for an AKC tracking test. However, we do have instructors who can teach for other venues.

For more information about the DFW Tracking Club, check out our yahoo group at dfwtrackers@yahoo.com or email the club secretary at Pat_tackett@yahoo.com.

We are on the Web!
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dfwtrackers/>

Minutes Continued

The Constitution and By-Laws were read and a motion was made by Monica to accept them as written. Dana seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Articles of Incorporation – There was a discussion regarding what state in which to incorporate. Charlene will pursue the least expensive state in which to incorporate. Charlene will be getting a Do Business As certificate based in Tarrant County. She will then set up the club's bank account.

Membership – There was a discussion on the amount of dues to charge members. Pat made a motion for dues to be \$20 per person and \$30 per family. The motion was seconded by Monica. The motion passed.

Club Equipment – Storage boxes, bandanas, and flags (10 sets of 12) have been purchased for future tracking tests. General consensus was to buy the pigskin leather gloves (\$3.99 per pair) from Northern Tool for future tracking tests. Each beginner student will get a starter set which includes 10 survey flags with carrying case, a bandana, and a glove. A starter set for the intermediate students will be determined at later date. All of the items above were purchased with the money collected from the summer classes.

Other business – Monica is working on the club logo.

Meeting adjourned at 6.p.m. The next meeting will be October 16, 2005 at 5pm at Spring Creek BBQ, I-20 and Wheatland, Duncanville.

Upcoming Events

Join us for our next meeting, October 16, 2005 at 5pm at Spring Creek BBQ I-20 and Wheatland.

Our next beginner tracking class starts September 18, 2005 at 7 a.m. at the AA Credit Union, DFW Airport. If you know someone who is interested have them contact Charlene Dunn at cr_dunn@earthlink.net. There are only 4 slots available for each class.

Deb Duncan is holding a tracking seminar in November. She is a great tracking resource and this would be a good, local seminar to attend. Working slots are \$75 and observer slots are \$40. For more information about the seminar contact Deb at westyluv24@msn.com or call her at 972-276-9569.



Come join a class!