



Note from Editor

By Pam Raymond

Yeah! Finally some cooler weather. Fall classes have started and we had more requests for the beginner class than we could handle.

Hopefully everyone is busy tracking their dogs and enjoying the cooler weather. I know I am!

Our tracking test and seminar are quickly approaching. They seemed very far off and now they will be here before we know it.

As always, please feel free to write an article for the newsletter. I'd be very happy to publish it! I know several people have very good stories they could share.

Next Meeting

Date: November 27th

Time: after Tracking Test

Location: TCC NW

Our Tracking Test:

November 27th

TCC NW

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President's Message

Finally, Fall is here (at least on the calendar). At least it IS cooler most mornings, thank goodness.

Now that the worst of the summer is over, it's time to hit the tracking fields/parking lots in earnest. Over my tracking career I've had to stop tracking for months at a time for various reasons, and I've always been amazed that my dogs don't forget. Sometimes I forget what issues I was working on, but my dogs don't seem to lose anything from laying off. If anything, they're glad to get back to tracking.

Also with Fall comes our Club's busy season. We've already started our Fall classes with thanks to Pam Raymond, Cindi Todd, Susan Norvell and yours truly. Premium Lists will be out soon for our TD test to be held the Sunday following Thanksgiving (November 27) at Tarrant County College's Northwest Campus. The Club is hosting Charlene Dunn's "A Step in the Right Direction - A Beginner's Tracking Seminar" near Ferris the weekend of December 17-18. And that's just the events in the few months remaining in 2011. We are also deep into preparation for our VST test January 15 and TDX test March 11, 2012.

I did want to mention an AKC Tracking Regulation change that anyone who is tracking needs to be aware of. Chapter 1, Section 10 now includes a paragraph stating: "No exhibitor may show a dog under a judge at a tracking test if the exhibitor has participated in a training session taught by that judge within thirty (30) days prior to the date of the event" and the Glossary of Terms includes "Training – as related to where a student-handler/teacher-judge relationship is established, with or without compensation." Please note, however, that a judge can still certify you and judge you within the 30 day period. That has not changed.

Enough with the rules - get out there and enjoy your dogs and being outdoors. I hope to see you in some of our upcoming tests!

Sarah



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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.

DFW Tracking Club is an AKC recognized club, and a 501(c) tax exempt organization.

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

OCTOBER, 2011

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EVENTS

October 2: VST—Overland Park, KS closes 9/22— rvonfintel@kc.rr.com

October 9: TD/TDX- Springfield, MO closes 9/14- aandjfreeman@sbcglobal.net

October 9: VST—Golden, CO closes 9/21— mrosner@frii.com

October 15: TD/TDX—Littleton, CO closes 10/5— cjoyevert@hotmail.com

October 16: VST—Golden, CO closes 10/5— cjoyevert@hotmail.com

October 16: VST—Albuquerque, NM closes 10/6— penni@elyancardigans.com

October 30: TD—Littleton, CO closes 10/12— Lynn Kaemmerer (303)794-2946

November 6: TD/TDX—Smithville, MO closes 10/27—lksscottis@kc.rr.com

November 6: TDX—Littleton, CO closes 10/19— Patti Pigeon (303)279-8334

November 6: TD/TDX—Houston, TX closes 10/27— bwdogs@sbcglobal.net

November 19: TDX—Littleton, CO closes 11/9— Patti Pigeon (303)279-8334

November 20: TD/TDX—Smithville, MO closes 11/10— tracknhounds@aol.com

November 20: TD/TDX—Ft. Worth, TX closes 11/10—richard@bobacbassets.com

November 27: VST—Houston, TX closes 11/17— zeeangel@aol.com

November 27: TD—Ft. Worth, TX closes 11/17—crdslabs@yahoo.com

DECEMBER, 2011

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EVENTS

December 4: TD/TDX- Bellvue, CO closes 11/17- ma22corgis@aol.com

December 4: TD/TDX- Skiatook, OK closes 11/16-
syoung@indiannationstrackingclub.org

December 11: TD/TDX—Smithville, MO closes 12/1— chris@tesofkc.net

December 11: TD/TDX—Houston, TX closes 12/1— cyn@krohncentral.com

December 18: VST—Fort Collins, CO closes 12/1— everdill3@gmail.com

December 18: TD—Sullivan, MO closes 12/8— mboyer12@aol.com

January 1: VST—Houston, TX closes 12/22— kmilford@flash.net

January 8: TD/TDX—Houston, TX closes 12/29— vkdaniel@comcast.net

January 8: VST—Las Cruces, NM closes 12/14— spaniels@elp.rr.com

January 15: VST—Bedford, TX closes 1/5— sunrunnerirish@gmail.com

January 22: TD—Placitas, NM closes 1/11— leslie_swisher@comcast.net

January 29: TD—Fort Bliss, TX closes 1/19— sunwray7@aol.com

JANUARY, 2012

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June DFWTC Club Meeting Minutes

Approved
Cindi S. Todd

DFW Tracking Club Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2011 7:08 p.m.

TCC NE, Hurst, TX

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by President Sarah Helber. In attendance were members Sarah Helber, Rod & Nancy Barclay, Charlene Dunn, Marsha Muse, Jerri Lindsey, Terri Lindsey, Jane and Horst Bungarz, Monica Becherer, Tracy Freeling, Susan Norvell, Betsy Watkins and Cindi Todd.

April Meeting Minutes were passed around. Charlene moved to accept the minutes, Nancy second. Motion approved.

President's Report – Thanked Jerri Lindsey for obtaining our meeting place. Congratulations to Charlene for becoming a TDX judge of record.

Secretary's Report – Applications have been sent to AKC for the upcoming tracking tests. Cindy Morrow is also receiving inquiries for information on the upcoming classes.

Treasurer's Report – The Income/Expense report was passed around and discussed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

November 26/27 2011 TD Test. Premium list will be available for proofing at the August meeting.

January 14/15, 2012 VST. Application due to AKC July 21, 2011. Hospital contact needs to be made soon.

March 10/11, 2012 TDX. Judges' Committee recommended 4 judges from which to choose one to judge with Jeff Shaffer. Discussion followed. Cindi moved, Nancy 2nd, to ask Linda Baschnagel first with Carol Clark as backup option. Motion passed. Charlene will ask the judges if either are free to judge.

November 2012 TD – Moved and passed to invite Tom Hacholski to judge.

Seminar Committee. Nancy moved that the Club will offer a beginning seminar, following **Step in the Right Direction**, to encourage people of the community with no tracking experience to explore tracking. There was a 2nd and the motion carried. Dates will be 12-17/18-2011 at Toni Skiles' residence. Charlene will be the instructor. Seminar will have 12 working spots with unlimited (space providing) auditor spots.

Budget – no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee – All current officers have agreed to stay in their positions. Elections will be at the August meeting. President: Sarah Helber, Vice President – Tracy Freeling, Secretary – Cindy Morrow, Recording Secretary – Cindi Todd, Treasurer – Charlene Dunn, Member at Large – Monica Becherer.

Fall Classes – Classes should start 9/17 or 9/24/2011. Location will have to be explored. Instructors still needed. Pam Raymond has expressed interest in teaching.

Golden Retriever National Show – It will be a combined TD/TDX test. The Club has stated they will put up the tracklayers and pay for meal. It will be held on the last weekend of October, 2013.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual Meeting - moved to hold Annual Party in August rather than at Christmas. Motion passed. Chinese Gift Exchange!! 8-27-2011 at Susan Norvell's house at 2:00 pm.

Next meeting to be held Saturday, 8-27-2011. Susan Norvell's house, 2:00 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made, 2nd, passed and adjourned at 8:40

August DFWTC Club Meeting Minutes

Unapproved

Cindi S. Todd

DFW Tracking Club Meeting Minutes

Susan Norvell hosted

August 27, 2011.

The meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm. In Attendance were: Sarah Helber, Horst and Jane Bungarz, Rod and Nancy Barclay, Susan Norvell, Charlene Dunn, Tracy Freeling, Sherry Creighton and Cindi Todd.

June Meeting Minutes had been posted on the Yahoo Groups. Motion to approve, second and motion passed.

President's Report— Thank you to everyone for coming to the Christmas in Summer party and club meeting. From AKC, effective January 1, 2012 all applications to hold a test will be due to AKC at the same time as the Judging Panel. This changes it from 24 weeks prior to closing to 18 weeks prior to closing.

Secretary's Report— None.

Treasurer's Report— The Income/Expense report was passed around. Nothing transpired in the last 2 months.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

November 26/27 2011 TD Test. *Chief Tracklayer:* Tracy Freeling. *Chair/Secretary:* Charlene Dunn. *Hospitality:* Nancy Barclay. *Committee:* Sarah Helber, Charlene Dunn, Rod Barclay. Discussed possible judge's gifts: embroidered vests or Cabela's gift cards. Judges are Tom Hacholski and Jon Bishop.

January 14/15, 2012 VST. *Chief Tracklayer* - Cindi Todd. *Chair/Secretary:* Jeanine Wilson. *Hospitality:* Nancy Barclay (conditionally – she wants to be inside) *Committee:* TBA. Sarah received an email from Alice Landers saying our use of the hospital grounds was fine, and our contact at TCCNE said our request was approved pending approval of the Facilities Agreement. Sarah will follow up this next week (when classes were back in session at the College) with the College contact. Judges are Connie Austin and Ulysses James.

March 10/11, 2012 TDX. *Chairman/Secretary:* Charlene Dunn. Judges contracts have been returned. Judges are Linda Baschnagel and Jeff Shaver.

November 2012 TD. No report.

Seminar Committee. Flyer was passed around and will be posted on the Yahoo Group.

Budget. The Budget was passed around.

OLD BUSINESS:

Elections for Officers and Board. Slate: President - Sarah Helber, Vice President – Tracy Freeling, Secretary – Cindy Morrow, Recording Secretary – Cindi Todd, Treasurer – Charlene Dunn, Member at Large – Monica Becherer.

Since no nominations were made from floor during June meeting, the current slate was accepted as is.

Fall Classes. Classes should start 9/17 or 9/24/2011. Location will have to be explored; looking at a site east of 360 and I-20. Pam Raymond has expressed interest in teaching and Charlene will contact her to see if that is still an option. Cindi and Susan volunteered to assist on a rotating basis due to prior commitments.

Golden Retriever National Show. It will be a combined TD/TDX/VST test. The Club has stated they will pay for housing the tracklayers and their meals. It will be held on the last weekend of October, 2013. Tracy made a motion that we agree to provide tracklayers and equipment for room and board for tracklayers plus a \$100 donation to Club. Susan 2nd and motion passed.

Next meeting to be held 9-24 or 9-25. Charlene will confirm with Jerri as to when the college would be available.

A motion to adjourn was made, 2nd, passed. Adjourned at 4:16 pm to gift exchange.

DFW Tracking Club Presents

“A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION”

A Beginner’s Tracking Seminar



About the presenter:

Charlene Dunn is an AKC & ASCA Tracking and AKC & UKC Rally judge in addition to being a CGC evaluator. With over a decade of experience in Obedience and Tracking, she has handled three Labs to their TD titles, handled one Lab and a Dachshund to a TDX, trained and handled two Labs to TDX/VST level and one Dachshund through to a CT. In Obedience Charlene has handled one Lab to a CDX and RAE, one Lab to a CD and RE, one Lab to a RE & URO2, one Dachshund to a CD, RE, & URO2 and five Labs through their CGCs. In other venues, she has one Lab who is licensed to work as a therapy dog from TDI, two Labs with the highest level Water Rescue titles (WTXX) and one Lab cleared for search and rescue.

She has taught tracking for 8 years having worked with Cocker Spaniels, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Golden Retrievers, Labrador Retrievers, Vizslas, Basset Hounds, Bloodhounds, Dachshunds, Pharaoh Hounds, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Doberman Pinschers, Giant Schnauzers, Great Danes, Great Pyrenees, Newfoundlands, Portuguese Water Dogs, Rottweilers, Standard Schnauzers, Airedale Terriers, Miniature Schnauzers, Skye Terriers, Border Terriers, West Highland Terriers, Papillons, Poodles, Toy Fox Terriers, Australian Cattle Dogs, Australian Shepherds, Belgian Tervuren, Border Collies, Bouvier des Flandres, Briards, German Shepherds, Catahoulas, Rat Terriers and several mixed breeds. Charlene currently teaches all levels of AKC & ASCA tracking and beginning level Schutzhund.

Seminar Particulars: A comprehensive two-day seminar covering everything a beginner needs to know to start tracking, up to, and beyond, earning a TD. This seminar is based on the lesson plans developed by Charlene over the years. These lessons have produced several tracking dogs, with many going on to obtain upper level tracking titles, including a champion tracker. For more information contact info@dfwtc.org

Highlights:

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| 1. What is tracking? | 9. Map making |
| 2. What is scent? | 10. Serpentine tracks |
| 3. Equipment | 11. Turns, turns, turns |
| 4. Books | 12. Does age matter? |
| 5. Article indication | 13. What is "in shape"? |
| 6. "Puppy" tracks | 14. Certifications |
| 7. Line handling | 15. Test day |
| 8. Stride Length | 16. TD! Now what? |

Fees:

Working slot: \$120.00 Audit: \$60

Includes light breakfast and lunch

Make checks payable to DFW Tracking Club and mail to:
Cindy Morrow; P.O. Box 591; Marlow, OK 73055

WHERE: SKILES RANCH - ENNIS, TX

WHEN: DECEMBER 17th & 18th, 2011

Registration:

Name: _____ Name of Dog: _____ Breed: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone No. _____

Working

Audit

(Mail with fees to Cindy Morrow: P.O. Box 591; Marlow, OK 73055)