



## Note from Editor

Woohoo! It's taken nearly 6 months but at long last, Zubie is back to tracking like he was before he stepped in a hole on his track in April. Yes, April. In the end, Zubie injured both back legs stepping in that hole. At first his right leg was so painful we didn't even realize his left knee was also injured. Discovered the knee at the American Spaniel Club Cocker National in July. I ended up pulling Zubie from 3 days of agility and spend another 2 months of rest and rehab exercises.

I am so excited to be back tracking with Zubie. We have several TDX tests coming up, entries have been mailed and now we wait for the draws.

Happy Tracking Everyone!

Jean-Maria



### Next Meeting

**Date: Dec 20, 2014**

**Time: 2:00pm**

**Location:**

**Olive Garden**

**Irving, TX**

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# President's Message

## IT TAKES A VILLAGE

As our summer comes to a close, so goes the “lazy days” and bring on the fall, winter, and spring activities. We are heading into our busiest time and need “all hands on deck”. Being part of the club is more than just paying dues and voting. We need each and every member to help. Together more hands make the work go faster. So please, help out where you can.

- Fall Classes—Compressed class due to the heat. Lead instructor: David Bull, assisted by Charlene Dunn and Jean-Maria Higginbotham.
- Fall Play Day at Fossil Ridge Ranch—Email Sarah Helber to help. We need tracklayers, flag carriers, cross track layers, and hospitality.
- Fall TD/TDX test—Email Sarah Helber to help. We need committee members, tracklayers, cross track layers, flag carriers and hospitality.
- Holiday Party—Email Susan Norvell to help. All members are asked to bring a dish, the club provides the meat. Also we will be doing Chinese gift exchange again. Limit is \$25.
- Winter Classes—Lead by Sarah Helber and Marian Beck-Edwards.
- VST—Email Charlene Dunn to help. We need committee members, track layers, and hospitality.
- Spring Classes—Lead by Charlene Dunn, assisted by Cindi Todd.
- Spring TD/TDX test—Email Jean-Maria Higginbotham to help. We need committee members, chief tracklayer, tracklayers, flag carriers, cross track layers, and hospitality.

So where can you help? The descriptions of each duty are listed below. Previous holders of these positions are more than willing to share their knowledge and help you if you decide to take on the role.

- Test Secretary/Chair—Puts together the premium list, judging program, and catalog. Conducts the draw and runs the test. We have templates for all tests.
- Chief Tracklayer—Organizes tracklayers, flag carriers, etc. for the test. Works with the judges on timing of tracks. Makes sure each tracklayer has articles, and is ready when the judges need them.
- Committee member—Present for both days of the test. Can help out where necessary. Must be a current member of the club. In case of any issues, will serve on the hearing committee.
- Tracklayer—Lays tracks for the test. Draws gallery map. Most important member of the test.
- Cross Tracklayer—Only needed on X tracks, will walk with a partner and pick up flags on the track.
- Flag carrier—Needed on plotting day. Carries the flags for TD/TDX tracks. Great way to learn.
- Hospitality—Feeds the herds for two days. Cooking skills not necessary.

Charlene Dunn

# OCTOBER, 2014

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## EVENTS

- October 05: TD/TDX-Springfield, MO closes September 23 Renee Wilson  
rjwilso1020@gmail.com
- October 05: VST-Golden, CO closes September 17 Mr. Martha Rosner  
martharosner@gmail.com
- October 05: TD/TDX-Gray Summit, MO closes September 18 Kathleen Cook  
kathleen.cook@l-3com.com
- October 12: VST-Golden, CO closes October 02 Ms. Lynn Kaemmerer  
badblackcorgi@gmail.com
- October 19: TD/VST-Sullivan, MO closes October 09 Sandi Thompson  
gatewaytracking@yahoo.com
- October 19: TDX-Elgin, IL closes October 09 Ms. Nancy Bartosch  
nancyspetsitting2@yahoo.com
- November 02: TD/TDX-Smithville, MO closes October 23 Lisa A Kramer  
lksscottis@kc.rr.com
- November 02: TD/TDX-Houston, TX closes October 23 Glenda Robbins  
bwdogs@sbcglobal.net
- November 09: TD/TDX-Smithville, MO closes October 30 Jan Winner  
tracknhounds@aol.com
- November 09: TD/TDX-Valley View, TX closes October 30 Sarah Helber  
shelber@att.net
- November 15: TDX-Littleton, CO closes October 29 Ms. Patti Pigeon  
ppigeon105@aol.com
- November 16: TDU/VST-Columbia, MO closes November 06 Judy Harris  
riverpoodes@embarqmail.com
- November 16: TD/TDU/TDX/VST-Fort Worth, TX closes November 06 Mr. Wayne Jackson  
jjblitzt@hotmail.com
- November 23: VST-Springfield, IL closes November 12 Connie Austin  
curace@comcast.net
- November 30: VST-Houston, TX closes November 20 Mr. Tom Hacholski  
tilbury.hac@netzero.net
- November 30: VST-Albuquerque, NM closes November 19 Penni Adrian  
penni@elyancardigans.com



# DECEMBER, 2014

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## EVENTS

- December 07: TD/TDX-Bellvue, CO closes  
November 25 Jane Jonas  
janejonas46@gmail.com
- December 07: TD/TDX-Skiatook, OK  
closes November 21 Sue Young  
syoung@indiannationstrackingclub.org
- December 07: TD-Smithville, MO closes  
November 27 Mrs. Susie Long  
suez17@aol.com
- December 07: TD/TDX-Houston, TX closes  
November 27 Cynthia Krohn  
cynkrohn@gmail.com
- December 07: TD/TDX-Penfield, IL closes  
November 25 Carol Ruthenberg  
tervtrax@netzero.net
- December 07: TDX-Sullivan, MO closes  
November 25 Patricia Thayer  
conobtra@gmail.com
- December 07: TDX-Smithville, MO closes  
November 27 Mrs. Susie Long  
suez17@aol.com
- December 28: VST-Houston, TX closes  
December 18 Pat Sayles psayles@att.net

# JANUARY, 2015

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- January 01: TD-Columbia, MO closes  
December 22 Kathy Echols  
krechols@aol.com
- January 04: VST-Las Cruces, NM closes  
December 16 Norma Rust njust@aol.com
- January 04: TD/TDX-Houston, TX closes  
December 25 Kathy Daniel  
vkdaniel@comcast.net
- January 11: VST-Bedford, TX closes  
December 31 Charlene Dunn  
crdslabs@yahoo.com
- January 11: TD-Placitas, NM closes  
December 31 Rosemary Burtch  
rosybee@earthlink.net
- January 25: TD-Fort Bliss, TX closes  
January 13 Sharon Jolly  
spaniels@elp.rr.com

# DFWTC Club Meeting Minutes

Approved

## Minutes of August 15, 2014, Olive Garden Restaurant, Irving, TX

President Charlene Dunn called the meeting to order at 12:25 pm. In attendance were members Marian Beck-Edwards, Horst Bungarz, Jane Bungarz, Charlene Dunn, Tracy Freeling, Sarah Helber, Jean-Maria Higginbotham, Laurel Hoeveker, and Cindi Todd.

Motion made to amend the June minutes with regards to the President's Report. "No report" will be replaced with "Practice date in September date TBA." Motion made to approve June minutes. Seconded and motion passed.

President's Report – Practice date at Fossil Ridge Ranch slated for Saturday, September 20.

Secretary's Report – No report.

Treasurer's Report – Provided in absentia.

### OLD BUSINESS

Budget Committee – No report. [Budget approved at June meeting.]

Judges Committee – No report.

Seminar Committee – No report.

Newsletter – Jean-Maria plans to publish a new issue soon. [Hopefully by Labor Day.]

Fossil Ridge Practice Day – Sarah will coordinate event. \$15/TD, \$30/TDX. Volunteers needed to track lay.

Fall Classes – David Bull will be the instructor. We will need one or more assistants to help out. This will be a 4-week course starting Saturday, October 4th. Registration deadline will be September 4th.

Winter Classes – Sarah and Marian will be the instructors. This will be a 8-week course starting Sunday, January 4th.

November 2014 TD / TDX tests – Charlene will chair hospitality. Peggy Kirkland will replace Betsy Watkins on test committee.

### NEW BUSINESS

Election of New Officers – As no nominations were made from the floor, the slate proposed by the Nominating Committee was declared elected.

New Membership Applications – 2nd reading for Pam Joyce. Pam's application for regular membership was approved by secret ballot of members present.

Proposed Revisions of AKC Regulations – Members were encouraged to contact AKC to express their opinion of the proposed revisions.

2015 Club Events – Motion made to approve holding a VST test on January 11, 2015. Seconded and motion passed.

Club Christmas Party – Charlene will contact Susan Norvell regarding date and details.

Next Meeting – Saturday, September 20th at Fossil Ridge Ranch at 4 pm. A motion to adjourn was made and passed. Meeting concluded at 1:32 pm.

Tracy Freeling,

Secretary

# DFWTC Club Meeting Minutes

Approved (continued)

## Minutes of September 27, 2014 DFW Tracking Club Meeting, Fossil Ridge Ranch, Valley View, TX

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm by President Charlene Dunn. In attendance were members Charlene Dunn, Tracy Freeling, Sarah Helber, Jean-Maria Higginbotham, Laurel Hoevker, Pam Joyce, Kirk Kirkland, Peggy Kirkland, Jeanine Wilson. Tom Hacholski present as a guest.

Motion made to correct August minutes. Seconded and motion passed.

President's Report – Charlene thanked Tom for plotting our TDX practice tracks. She also extended the club's thanks to the Kirkland's for the use of the ranch.

Treasurer's Report – Statement passed around to membership.

### OLD BUSINESS

Judges Committee – Motion made to allow committee to select and hire March 2015 TD/TDX judges. Motion seconded and passed.

November 2014 TD / TDX tests – Betsy Watkins replaced as a member of the test committee by Laurel Hoevker.

January 2015 VST test – Sarah signed agreement with TCC NE. Still need a hospitality chair.

March 2015 TD / TDX tests – Need a test secretary and committee. Jean-Maria volunteered to secretary with the caveat that Zubie had earned his TDX beforehand.

Club Christmas Party – Charlene still needs to contact Susan Norvell regarding dates in December.

### NEW BUSINESS

Next Meeting & Club Christmas Party – Tentatively set for Saturday, December 20th at Susan Norvell's home. Time to be announced.

A motion to adjourn was made and passed. Meeting concluded at 4:32 pm.

Tracy Freeling,

Secretary



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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 website at <http://www.dfwtc.org> or email the club secretary at

[info@dfwtc.org](mailto:info@dfwtc.org)

## Practice Day at Fossil Ridge Ranch

Thanks to all who worked and/or entered our test at Fossil Ridge Ranch in Valley View. Thanks also to our hosts Kirk and Peggy Kirkland!

For those of you who have been to FRR, the sight was amazing. They've had record rainfall, and the fields were green, green, green! The burn piles are now burn pads. Unfortunately, it was still hot and humid.

Thanks to our judge Tom Hacholski, who knows the ranch a whole lot better now - including where to go and where not to go with a track! He should be well prepared to judge our November test.

Thanks to tracklayers Charlene and Tracy, cross-tracklayers Horst, Laurel, Pam and Peggy, and entrants Jeanine, Jean-Maria, Charlene and myself.

Thanks to Kirk and Peggy also for transportation. Their new Polaris "Dino" is very nice!

Thanks to Marian for her wonderful desserts. There is a slight chance some of us walked off the calories from our indulgence.

And another thanks to Charlene for providing hospitality (along with Marian) and also doing all the other miscellaneous but important things she always does..