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President's Message



Well, here we are in the "off-season" again. We'll be having our Annual Meeting on Saturday, August 11 at Charlene's house. Come join us for burgers, visiting and a meeting, although you're welcome to meet and visit and not eat if you wish.

We have some new officers stepping forward at the meeting. Thanks to Pat McGowan for taking on the Vice-President's job and to Jean-Maria Higginbotham for taking on the Director position. Unfortunately, Tracy Freeling has now officially moved to Houston and Pam Joyce wanted to take a break. Thanks to each of them for their service. And a sincere thanks to Charlene for continuing as Treasurer and Pandora as Secretary.

I seem to always approach the writing of this column by thinking about our tests and activities, and yet there is one on-going activity I don't think I usually recognize - that of our Newsletter Editor Laurel Hoevker. I think she puts out a super (and timely, I might add) newsletter with just the right amount of prodding. I know she has help reviewing from Cindi and Charlene too, and I don't want to overlook that, but there's a lot of work that goes into putting out *Tracks*.

Planning is continuing on the Jean Hilbig tracking seminar to be held the weekend of December 1-2, 2018.

Also keep these dates on your calendar and when the time comes if you're not ready to enter please volunteer to help:

- November 10-11, 2018 - TDU/VST
- January 12-13, 2019 - TDU/VST
- March 9-10, 2019 - TD/TDX

Stay cool and especially keep your dogs cool!

Sarah



DFW TRACKING CLUB

Tracks



Annual Meeting Saturday, August 11, 2018

1:00 p.m.

at the home of

Charlene Dunn

8425 Whistling Duck

Ft. Worth, TX 76118

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The Club will provide the burgers. Please bring a side dish to share.

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Comments on the Changes to the Dallas Animal Control Rules and Regulations

by Cindi Todd

There are many changes that were made to the Dallas Animal Control rules and regulations (some of which may be changed in the fall if enough information/public outcry is made to refute the need for them) and some were regarding dangerous dogs and those were actually sane.

However, "impounded dog" rules were changed and are very scary to me since I travel through Dallas proper frequently with my dogs. If a dog is impounded and has information on it's body, they will send "notices" to the information they gather from microchip or collar or tag. From the date of when receipt **should** occur the owner has 2 days to reclaim dog or 3 days from when information was sent. In another location I found that if your dog is impounded for **one** full day these are the fees:

SEC. 7-2.6 REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS.

- a) *To redeem an impounded animal from a city animal shelter, the owner of the animal must provide proof of ownership and pay to the director the following fees for services rendered before redemption:*
- 1) *on all animals held at least one full day, a redemption fee of:*
 - A. *\$27 for an animal delivered for impoundment to a city animal shelter by a person other than a city employee in the performance of official duties; or*
 - B. *\$27 for an animal delivered for impoundment to a city animal shelter by a city employee in the performance of official duties;*
 - 2) *on all animals held at least one full day, \$10 for each night the animal is housed in a city shelter;*
 - 3) *\$10 for a rabies vaccination of a dog, cat, or ferret if the owner cannot show either:*
 - A. *a current certificate of vaccination for the animal; or*
 - B. *a letter from a licensed veterinarian on office stationery dated prior to impoundment stating that the animal was not vaccinated due to health reasons*
 - 4) *\$15 for a microchip implant and initial national registration of a dog or cat, unless:*
 - A. *the animal was injected with a microchip implant prior to impoundment;*
 - B. *a letter from a licensed veterinarian on office stationery dated prior to impoundment stating that the animal should not be injected with a microchip implant for health reasons; and*

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Laila Joyce VST TDU CGC
January 13, 2009 – April 12, 2018

Laila Joyce VST TDU CGC **January 13, 2009 – April 12, 2018**

by Pam Joyce

Laila was one of 11 in her litter. She was the prettiest and smallest female in the litter. So began her life at six weeks of age with her family who cherished and spoiled her every day of her life. As time went by, she became protector of the family but mostly her Mom. She loved going for walks, playing catch, playing soccer, and trying to communicate with the humans. She had a talent for hide and seek. She was able to find her Dad behind closed doors. At the age of five, we decided to find her a job. We tried an obedience class but we decided that wasn't a fun place to be... so many

restrictions. So we searched again and found tracking classes which were on Saturdays and close to home. At first they seemed pretty risky and it was hard to figure out just what the game was. Her mom seemed to enjoy it so she continued on slowly progressing. Nursing her mom through an illness and with much patience she finally taught her Mom how to follow her and passed a TDU. A year later, she passed a VST. In between she went to many obedience classes and a rally class with the Dallas County Dog Training Club. She earned her CGC in the summer of 2017 and also welcomed a sister in the same month. She went to New Mexico in search of a TDX title but with no luck was just happy for the adventure. Her last test was in March 2018 at the LBJ grasslands. She was diagnosed with Hemangiosarcoma two weeks later. She passed at 12:30 a.m. on April 12th surrounded by family. She left behind many loved ones both furry and skin.

“Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.”

– from an Irish headstone

Changes to the Dallas Animal Control Rules and Regulations by Cindi Todd continued

5) \$60 for sterilization of an animal, unless:

- A. *the animal was spayed or neutered prior to impoundment;*
- B. *the animal is under six months of age;*
- C. *the owner provides a letter from a licensed veterinarian on office stationary dated prior to impoundment certifying that the animal should not be spayed or neutered for health reasons or is permanently non-fertile as confirmed by a health examination within 90 days prior to impoundment;*

...sections b) through d) omitted by the author

e) *Kitten litters, puppy litters, and mothers nursing litters impounded in the city's animal shelter cannot be redeemed and immediately become the sole property of the city and are subject to disposition as the director deems appropriate.*

Note that if your dog is impounded for one full day you are charged and must pay for sterilization before the dog is released to you.

Yes there are, it appears, some ways around some of the charges but there are not ways around the sterilization of an intact animal that would pertain to performance animals. NO EXEMPTIONS AS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ON THE BOOKS.

(Ordinance sections italicized by the editor reflecting content from the Dallas City Council - Agenda Item 9 in the “Complete Final Agenda & Addendum Combined” June 27, 2018)

Upcoming Tests

September 20: VST, TD
Gray Summit, MO - closes Sept 7
Denise Lumpkin
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September 20: TDX
Eureka, MO - closes Sept 7
Denise Lumpkin
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October 7: VST
Golden, CO - closes Sept 18
CJ Evert
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October 7: TD, TDX
Springfield, MO - closes Sept 27
Tom Hawkins
Hawkins.tom@mchsi.com

October 14: TDX, VST, TD
Gray Summit, MO - closes Oct 4
Gail Stiefferman
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October 14: TDU, VST
Golden, CO - closes October 2
Lynn Kaemmerer
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October 21: TDX, TD
Littleton, CO - closes Oct 10
Bernie McDowell
mttoop1@outlook.com

October 28: TD, VST
Sullivan, MO - closes Oct 17
Sandi Thompson
getawaytracking@yahoo.com

November 4: TD
Littleton, CO - closes Oct 24
Diane Thompson
badblackcorgi@gmail.com

November 4: TD, TDX
Houston, TX - closes Oct 25
Ms. Pat Sayles
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November 4: TD, TDX
Smithville, MO - closes Oct 24
Debbie McHenry
mmc5301@aol.com

DFWTC
November 11: TDU, VST
Bedford, TX - closes Oct 31
Ms. Charlene Dunn
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DFWTC Meeting Minutes June 2, 2018 - for approval

Minutes of the June 2, 2018, DFW Tracking Club Meeting
Charlene Dunn's home, 8425 Whistling Duck, Fort Worth, TX, 76118

Sarah Helber, President, called the meeting to order at 2:12 p.m.

In attendance were Charlene Dunn (Treasurer), Pandora Galbraith (Secretary), Sarah Helber (President), Jean-Maria Higginbotham, Laurel Hoevker, Pam Joyce (Board Member), and Cindi Todd.

The minutes of the March 11th meeting were approved as published on the dfwtrackers Yahoo Group.

President's Report

- ◆ The letter from the AKC concerning charges against Mr. Loucks was read by Sarah Helber.
- ◆ Sarah shared some changes being made by the AKC concerning Lifetime Achievement Titles that will be possible.
- ◆ AKC is campaigning to fund relocating their Dog Museum to New York; there was no interest in donating at this time.

Secretary's Report - no new business

Treasurer's Report-

- ◆ The report was passed around for review
- ◆ Charlene will check on the clubs 990-N form
- ◆ Charlene will send updated Quicken Actuals to Sarah so that she can update the budget for presentation at the August meeting

Committee Report-

- ◆ Judges Committee needs to meet for March Test- will meet after board meeting
- ◆ Cindi Todd agreed to be on the Budget Committee
- ◆ Nominating Committee Report-
Nominations for the 2018-2019 Slate of Officers were read after they had been sent out in an e-mail via dfwtrackers at yahoo.
 - ◇ President- Sarah Helber
 - ◇ Vice-President- Pat McGowan (not present but gave secretary e-mail of consent)
 - ◇ Secretary- Pandora Galbraith
 - ◇ Treasurer- Charlene Dunn
 - ◇ Board Member at Large- Jean Marie Higginbotham
 - ◇ There were no additional nominations made

Unfinished Business-

- ◆ T-shirts
 - ◇ Charlene discovered she must order 25 shirts in one or the other of designs chosen, and could not split her order, so she did not order
 - ◇ There has been no sale on long sleeve t-shirts, but she will buy some for club use when available
 - ◇ Jean Marie made a motion for blue and the motion passed

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DFWTC Meeting Minutes June 2, 2018 - continued

- ◆ November 10-11, 2018 TDU/VST
 - ◇ Charlene Dunn - Test Secretary/ Chair
 - ◇ Judges- Ray Desmarais and Stephanie Crawford - we have contracts
 - ◇ Application and Judges must be submitted to AKC by June 28, 2018 - can be done on-line
 - ◇ Chief Tracklayer - Jeanine Wilson
 - ◇ Sarah Helber agreed to be a tracklayer and Tom Hacholski will be asked
 - ◇ Laurel Hoevker will be on Committee, along with Charlene, Jeanine and Sarah
 - ◇ Pam Joyce might be tracklayer
 - ◇ Susan and Bill Norvell will be asked to do hospitality, and Susan to serve on the Committee
- ◆ January 2019 VST/TDU
 - ◇ Charlene Dunn - Test Secretary/Chair
 - ◇ Judges – Jean Hilbig and Allison Platt
 - ◇ Application and Judges due to AKC BY August 30, 2018 - TDU application must be added, must do by e-mail
 - ◇ Chief Tracklayer—Jeanine Wilson
 - ◇ Sarah Helber will be on committee
 - ◇ Jean-Maria will be a tracklayer, and serve on the Committee
 - ◇ Nancy Barclay will be asked to do Hospitality and be on the Committee along with Charlene, Jeanine, Jean-Maria and Sarah
- ◆ March 9-10,2019 TD/TDX
 - ◇ Charlene Dunn - Test Secretary/Chair
 - ◇ Chief Tracklayer - Jeanine Wilson
 - ◇ Sarah will be on Committee
 - ◇ Peggy Kirkland will be asked to do hospitality
 - ◇ Judges Committee will need to confer for judges
- ◆ Jean Hilbig Seminar - December 1-2, 2018
 - ◇ Will be held at Hurst Fire Station Meeting Room, with outdoor training at TCCNE Campus
 - ◇ She will need to be reimbursed for travel expenses
 - ◇ The seminar is 2 days, we will clarify with Jean about whether dogs work both days in working slots
 - ◇ She has offered to do some scent work training if we request
 - ◇ Pandora Galbraith made the motion we charge \$120 - 150 for working dog slots, depending on if they work both days; and \$60 per auditor spot and it passed
 - ◇ Cindi Todd made the motion we allow members 15 days to fill the working dog slots first, by notification on dfwtrackers Yahoo Group. Next we will open up working slots to past and current students via e-mail for 15 days. Then we will open all remaining slots to the public on the website - and the motion passed
 - ◇ John is not sure what the people capacity limit is in the room, he will check into this

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More Upcoming Tests

November 17: TDX
Littleton, CO - closes Nov 6
Tracy Griffith
tgriffith755@earthlink.net

November 18: TD, TDX, TDU
Forth Worth, TX - closes Nov 8
Judy Jackson
jjblitzt@hotmail.com

November 25: TDU, VST
Houston, TX - closes Nov 15
Denise McClure
edmundmcclure@comcast.net

November 25: VST
Albuquerque, NM - closes Nov 14
Penni Adrian
penni@elyancardigans.com

December 2: TD, TDX
Bellvue, CO - closes Nov 18
Karen Bever
Karen.bever@colorado.edu

December 9: TD, TDX
Houston, TX - closes Nov 29
Cynthia Krohn
cynkrohn@gmail.com
events@hotdogclub.org

December 9: TDX
Sullivan, MO - closes Nov 26
Pat Thayer
conobtra@gmail.com

December 30: VST
Houston, TX - closes Dec 20
Cynthia Krohn
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January 6: TD, TDX
Houston - closes Dec 27
Kathy Daniel
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DFWTC
January 13: TDU, VST
Bedford, TX - closes Jan 2
Ms. Charlene Dunn
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February 24: TDU, TDX, TD
Fort Worth, TX - closes Feb 10
Judy Jackson
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DFWTC Meeting Minutes June 2, 2018 - continued

New Business-

- ◆ Fall classes -
 - ◇ Jean-Maria Higginbotham is teaching, and hopefully David Bull
 - ◇ 4 Beginner and 4 Intermediate
 - ◇ Classes will start 9-29-18 and run through 11-17-18
 - ◇ On 10-26-18 Jean-Maria will be out, and Charlene and Cindi Todd will cover
- ◆ AKC Scent Work Trials-
 - ◇ Discussion was initiated about the Tracking club looking into holding future trials, possibly next summer
 - ◇ Cindi Todd and Charlene Dunn suggested we would need about 30 workers, and a large area for setting up rings, preferably indoors.
 - ◇ Each ring would need 2 workers and 2 judges - minimum of 30 workers
 - ◇ August 18-19 there are Scent Work Trials being held in Wichita Falls, members who are interested in learning more are encouraged to attend
 - ◇ The schedule for the trial Cindi and Charlene attended was set so that workers could run their own dogs in the trials, as well as work.

The next regular meeting will be held on August 11th, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Charlene's house. The motion to adjourn was made by Charlene Dunn and seconded by Pam Joyce, and the motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:09p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Pandora Galbraith, Secretary

Fall Tracking Classes

Jean-Maria Higginbotham will teach our Fall Tracking Classes. The eight Saturday morning classes begin September 29 and run through November 17. Classes will be held at the TCC-SE campus. Registration begins one month prior to the starting date. Attendance is limited to 4 beginner and 4 intermediate students so plan to have your registration arrive on August 29.... remembering that no enrollments are taken early.





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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 fulfill the needs of 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