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NEXT MEETING!

September 17th 7 pm. Manakin Fire House -downstairs room-

Covered Pish "Picnic" Election of Officers for 2002-2003

Letter from the President

We did it again! The Specialty went off without a hitch. Barbara did an outstanding job judging the sweeps! Many thanks to her for representing us so well! Thanks to all of you who worked to make it such a success. The trophy committee made excellent selections which were well received by the winners. Special thanks to Mary Ann Massie for keeping us organized and getting everything there on time.

There was an excellent turnout with majors in all 3 coats. Our friends from the Central Carolina Dachshund Club were very supportive. They will be having a specialty on September 27. Please give them all the support possible.

Remember we will be selecting new officers in September. The nominating committee is presently contacting members to run for office. Please step up if asked to serve. None of the offices require a significant commitment of time nor is there any specific knowledge requirement. It is my experience that when work needs to be done, members step up to help. But what we need is a commitment to lead. It would be shame, when we have come so far in the last few years, to have to disband because no one is willing to commit the little time required to keep us going!

Anne Reed

Nominees for Office 2002-2003

President: Marilyn

Palmore V-President: Mary Anne

Teal Secretary: Kitty Johnson

Treasurer: Karen

Wheeler

Board Members: Ann Reed Sherry Sackett

As always, nominations may be made from the floor at our next meeting which will be announced after the earthdog workshop.! We will pick the location and date at the earthdog workshopbring your calendars.

DFCV Officers & Board of Directors

President

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Kitty Johnson 285-1766

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Submitted by Mary Ann Massie

(Draft) Minutes from the May 21, 2002 meeting of the DFCV (Republication)

Members in attendance: Ann and Stanley Reed, Karen Gray, Kitty Johnson, Barbara Friedman, Bill and Betsy Schrage, and Mary Ann Massie.

Ann opened the meeting with old business:

The March meeting minutes were approved as written. (remember, the April meeting was not held).

Mary Ann gave an update on preparations for the June 22 Specialty to be held in conjunction with the Virginia Kennel Club All Breed show. The trophies were on display for members to see. All members are encouraged to support the Specialty by showing or coming to support the exhibitors. The judging schedule will be forwarded to all members so they know when and where to be. At this time everything seems to be under control! Barbara Friedman (sweepstakes judge) reported that the Virginia Kennel Club contacted her to make sure all arrangements were in place.

The Earthdog Workshop is scheduled for Saturday August 17 in Williamsburg. We will join our friends from the Colonial Terrier Club for a workshop to expose our dogs to the concepts of earthdog trials. The rats are not harmed and will be caged the entire time but be aware the dogs will be "teased" with the caged rats. If this will upset you, do not attend this workshop. Preference will be given to DFCV members, then opened to non members if space allows. Contact Mary Ann Massie if you are interested in attending. One dog per handler. The workshop will begin by 9 a.m. and end by noon to avoid the hottest part of the day, then we will picnic with our terrier friends! There will be a small fee per dog to offset the cost of the portajohn.

There will NOT be a meeting in June or July. Discussions are underway for a picnic in August or September.

A nomination committee for new officers is being formed - if you are interested contact Ann Reed.

Meeting adjourned at 8, followed by "Meet My Dog". We met "Anna" Johnson, "Bud" Gray, "Rudy" Friedman, "Penny" Schrage, "Hobo and Chester" Reed, and "Cannon" Massie.

Thanks to Stanley Reed and the folks at the Manakin Fire Station for allowing us to bring in our dogs.

Thank You!!

to the following supporters of the 2002 DFCV Specialty Trophy Fund

Colleen Sipple
Mary Dunn
Anonymous
Patricia Ridgard
Lawrence and Sarah Getzler
CH Laurel Springs Little Dynamo &
CH Nightwind's Travl'n Man
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Dr. June Cohron
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CGC
Rocksolid Mini Longs - Janet Mauldin
Pam Joslin
Southwold Wires - Sherry Sackett
Kathy Turner-Nixon
Karen Gray
Friedox - Barabara Friedman
Beldachs Between the Hills - Connie Fisher
Sandy and Pam Rowe
Cedarbend Dachshunds
Denise Siemssen - Hildisvin

We couldn't have done it without you!

WORKING PUPPY TRAINING ... EARTHDOG TITLES TO FOLLOW!

by Carolyn Pyle, ANTIC, Spring 83 & March 2002 ©1997 by ANTA, used by permission

Although originally written for Norfolk Terrier owners, this practical training article easily applies to our dachshunds.

Very young Norfolk puppies — five weeks and up — can start their "field" training right in the house! To begin cut doorways in the opposite ends of a cardboard box and lay it on the floor, bottom side up. Pups will use this fascinating "toy" to play in and out of and will thus become accustomed to dark spaces and small openings.

A galvanized stove pipe, 8 to 10 inches in diameter, can be hidden behind a couch and additional tunnels can be built by taping cardboard boxes together. Old socks with knots in them can be left in the cage of pet rats and mice until they've thoroughly absorbed the scent of the rodents. Then, they can be used as toys for the puppies who will play at "killing" them.

At 8 to 12 weeks, as pups get stronger and are outside more, you can add to your backyard:

* another galvanized stove pipe

* a 10" x 8" Transite sewer or drainage pipe

* an underground tunnel liner

Pups will play together, along with their elders, running in and out of the tunnels.

Be very sure that all tunnels have daylight at the end so that puppies will not feel trapped and become scared. They must know they can get out easily. After all, no smart little Norfolk is going to go into a hole that she knows she can't get out of. That's survival!

If you live in an area where you can hunt your adult Norfolks, take the puppies along to romp in the woods and fields. As the adults dig up mice, investigate woodpiles, fallen trees and woodchuck dens, the pups will follow right along ... sniffing, digging, getting excited and "helping" the big dogs do their thing. And, they will be learning.

Always start pups with adults that know what to do. It's the easiest way to train youngsters and they will feel

safe with mom and pop and other adult Norfolks telling them what to do.



Photo by C. H. Brown

The pet rat in this picture is Tammy. She trained many pups until her natural death at the age of three. Pet rats are very smart. Treated gently, they learn to accept the dogs and do not become frightened. They will even sit in their cage at the end of the tunnel, grooming themselves, while the pups scream and scramble at the cage.

Before teaching your Norfolk to hunt and kill unwanted varmints, decide on two different commands. A command to hunt and kill, given in a high, excited voice ("sic 'em", "get it"), is used only when you want the dog to hunt seriously.

A command to be used around small household animals such as tiny kittens, hamsters, gerbils, rabbits, etc. should be delivered in a firm, low, quiet voice. Teaching your puppies to "Be good" or "Be gentle" is important from the very beginning if they are to socialize with your other household "critters." Once in a while, a sharp rap

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Working Puppy Training, continued--

in the hindquarters and a loud "NO!" may be necessary if the youngster shows any aggressive signs while under this command.

Continue using the two different commands for the two types of behavior throughout the dog's life. Remember to reward each type of correct behavior with praise and love.

Most Norfolks have enough common sense and "holding power" to learn the difference between commands without difficulty.

Keeping one or two adult pet rats that have been handled a lot is a good way to teach the pups to follow a rat scent. The pet rat can go through a tunnel, leaving a trail. The rat is then put in a small cage that fits at the end of the tunnel. Pups are then turned loose to enter the tunnel and follow the scent. They "work" their quarry by barking, growling, digging and so on. In this way, they learn to go to ground and work their prey without harm coming to anyone. This is a good training procedure for people who do not want their Norfolk to kill anything, ever. And, this behavior is all that is needed to compete in American Working Terrier Association trials and earn a Certificate of Gameness.

If you allow your Norfolk to hunt "for real", make sure they have all their vaccinations, including leptospirosis.

For further information, [see] Pat Lent's book Sport With Terriers, Arner Publications.

June Specialty Results! CV Specialty Congratulations to the Winners!!

Saturday, DFCV Specialty

Sweeps - Barbara Friedman, Judge

Smooths: Frendach's Just Like the Wind, R & P Eltringham/ M Wheeler (9-12 bitch)

Longs: Dach-C's Silver Highlights ML, Alnee Baldwin & Carolyn Joyce

Wires: Highledge Tom Jefferson SW, Donna & Harold Schafer

BISSw: Dach-C's Silver Highlights ML

BOSSw: Crazy R's Stella McMurphy, Lesley Andrews (wire)

Regular Classes - Gwen Wexler, Judge

Smooths:

WD: Abitibi Royal Diplomat, Lorraine Genieczko/Melissa Wynings

RWD: Pocodox Rock N Roll Swampfox, Wayne & Barbara Bolton WB/BOW: Hellabrunn's Gretchen SS, J & J Stephens/Gisela Murphy

RWB: Wheeler's Hi D Ho Neighbo M, Karen Wheeler Gray

BOV: CH Stardox Here Comes the Sun, Melissa Wynings/Lorraine Genieczko

BOS: CH Melwyn Little Miss Magic, MaryAnne & Gilbert Teal

Longs:

WD/BOW: Bramble's Classic Design, Vernice Johnson

RWD: Sleepytime Shades of Copper ML, Susan & Johnny Jones

WB: Sleepy Hollow's Coco V Elysium, B & A Wlodkowski/A & L Warren

RWB: Briardachs's Cassie-Role, Nancy Bianco & Monika martin BOV: CH Sleepytime's Highly Spiced ML, Susan & Johnny Jones

BOS: CH Elysium Eliza, A & L Warren

Wires:

WD/BOW: Tomar Winjammer W, James Prinz

RWD: Highledge Toby's Bad Habit W, Donna & Harold Schaefer

WB: Jeric's One Step Up W, Lynn Cope

RWB: Laurel Springs Nightwinds Warning, Laurie Crossman & Sherrie Deal

BOV: CH Jeric's Texas Two Step W, Lynn Cope BOS: CH Usonia-Neudorf Apache Dover TD, Waldkirch/B Bolay/F Neuwirth

Buckles



Upcoming Events in MD/NC/VA (September & October) Incomplete list--please check akc.org for a complete events listing

Conformation

Salisbury NC KC, Raleigh, NC, 9/1/02 (closed)

Raleigh KC, Raleigh, NC, 9/2/02 (closed

Danville KC, Danville, VA, 9/21/02 (closes 9/4/02)

Central Carolina Dachshund Club, Charlotte, NC 9/27/02 (closes 9/11/02)

Warrenton KC, Rectortown, VA, 9/28/02 (closes 9/11/02) Columbia KC, Charlotte, NC 9/28/02 (closes 9/11/02)

Piedmont KC, Charlotte, NC 9/28/02 (closes 9/11/02)

Old Dominion KC of Northern VA, Leesburg, VA 9/29/02 (closes 9/11/02)

Met Washington Dachshund Club, Purcellville, VA, 10/6/02 (closes 9/18/02)

Catonsville KC, West Friendship, MD, 10/11 & 12/02 (closes 9/25/02)

Hanover KC, Wilmington NC, 10/12/02 (closes 9/25/02)

Rock Creek KC, West Friendship, MD, 10/14/02 (closes 9/25/02)

Durham KC, Rougemont, NC, 10/19/02 (closes 10/2/02)

Upper Potomac Valley KC, Cumberland MD, 10/19 & 20/02 (closes 10/2/02)

Alamance KC, Burlington, NC 10/20/02 (closes 10/2/02)

Potomac Hound Club, Leesburg, VA 10/24/02 (closes 10/9/02)

Middleburg KC, Leesburg, VA 10/25 & 26/02 (closes 10/9/02)

Charlottesville-Albemarle KC, Charlottesville, VA 10/27/02 (closes 10/9/02)

Gloucester KC of VA, VA Beach, VA 10/31/02 (closes 10/16/02)

VA Beach KC, VA Beach, VA 11/01/02 (closes 10/16/02)

Tidewater KC of VA, VA Beach VA 11/02/02 (closes 10/16/02)

Langley KC, VA Beach, VA 11/03/02 (closes 10/16/02)

Tracking

Blue Ridge DTC, Cross Junction, VA [TD, TDX], 9/29/02 (closes 9/19/02) Winston Salem DTC, Winston-Salem, NC, [VST], 10/20/02 (closes 10/9/02)

Mattaponi KC, Leesburg VA, [TD] 11/10/02 (closes 10/31/02)

Mattaponi KC, Leesburg VA, [TDX] 11/11/02 (closes 10/31/02)

Agility

Catoctin KC, Frederick MD, 9/7 & 8/02 (closed)

Warrenton KC, Rectortown VA, 9/15/02 (closed)

Asheville KC, Black Mtn, NC, 9/21 & 22/02 (closes 9/4/02) Richmond DOC, Gloucester, VA 9/21/02 (closes 9/3/02

Durham KC, Rougemont NC, 9/28 & 29/02 (closes 9/11/02)

Salisbury MD KC, 9/28 & 29/02 (closes 9/11/02) Charlotte DTC, Charlotte NC 10/12 & 13/02 (closes9/28/02)

Gloucester KC of VA, 10/12 & 13/02 (closes 9/25/02)

Directions to Manakin Fire House

From Interstate 64 Take exit #173 Rockville/Manakin Rte 623 (this exit is on the west side of Richmond, one exit west of the interchange for I-64 and 295). Go South on Rte 623 (if you are coming from the west on 64 it is a Right turn; coming from the east it is a Left turn-Look for Texaco on your left and Amoco on your right to know you're going the right way!). Proceed on Rte 623 until it dead ends at Rte 250/Broad Street (there is a Wachovia Bank on your left). Go west (turn right) onto Rte 250. Look immediately to turn Left on Rte 623 as it doglegs back at Red Oak Cafe. Once on Rte 623, you should see a sign for Veterinaary Referral and Critical Care. Keep straight proceeding on Rte 623 until it dead ends at Rte 6/Patterson Avenue. Turn Right on Patterson Avenue and the fire house is less than 100 yards on your right. Go around to the back of the building to park. I believe the September meeting will be in the downstairs room around the righthand side of the building if you are facing it from the back parking lot.

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Covered Pish "Picnic" & Election of Officers for 2002-2003

Bring a dish to share...



Be there to vote for new officers-and to thank outgoing officers for their hard work Our club needs ACTIVE members- YOU!!!

Sept. 17th, 7:00 p.m. Manakin Fire House - downstairs Potluck Supper - Elections!!

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