


the RECALL FCDTC 2025

AUGUST 2025

Forest City Dog Training Club

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Important Dates to Remember:

August 26 – Drop in Registration

August 27 – Instructor's Meeting

August 29-31 – Agility Trial

September 4 – Club Meeting

September 19-21 – Rally/Obedience Trial

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AGENDA		FOREST CITY DOG TRAINING CLUB BOARD MEETING AGENDA August 7, 2025	
CALL MEETING TO ORDER	<p>The Board meeting of FCDTC was called to order by Judy Olson at 6:00.</p> <p>Board Members Present were: Judy Olson, Meg Hennessey, Gail Schumacher, Sarah Kittner, Sharon Robertson, Sandy Allen, and Kay Rieff.</p> <p>Absent: 0</p> <p>Approval of Minutes</p> <p>Motion to approve the minutes for the June FCDTC Recall. Sharon Robertson made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Kay Rieff. Minutes are approved as published.</p>		
GUESTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 		
REPORTS	President (Judy Olson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration fees Session 4 – due and owed have now been distributed to each person. 	
	Vice President (Meg Hennessey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Point of Sale Equipment – will purchase new front desk handheld equipment • Getting quotes from several companies regarding our website and registration software. 	

Secretary (Kay Reiff)	Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Meeting • 2nd Meeting • Joan Mrkvicka (absent) Jessica Knoll • Grant and Whitney Rupp • 3rd Meeting Upcoming Rentals/Seminars/Trials: 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8/16-8/17/2025 FCDTC Fastcat • 8/29-8/31/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 9/6-9/7/2025 Australian Shepherd Club Obedience and Rally Trial • 9/19-9/21/2025 FCDTC Rally/Obedience Trial (both sides) • 10/4-10/5/2025 FCDTC Fastcat • 10/25-10/26/2025 Rock Valley Federation UKC Club (both sides) • 11/7-11/9/2025 Medallion Rottweiler Club Agility Trial • 11/28-11/30/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 12/27-12/28/2025 Great Lakes Belgian Tervuren Club Agility Trial • 12/29-12/30/2025 Border Collie Society Agility Trial 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/24-1/25/2026 Janesville Beloit Obedience/Rally Trial (one side) • 2/20-2/22/2026 Weimaraner Club Agility Trial • 3/6-3/8/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 3/27-3/30/2026 FCDTC Obedience/Rally Trial (both sides) • 4/24-4/26/2026 Rand Park Obedience and Rally Trial • 5/4-5/5/2026 American Belgian Tervuren Club (both sides) • 6/26-6/28/2026 FCDTC Agility Trial • 8/28-8/30-2026 FCDTC Agility Trial • 9/18-9/20/2026 FCDTC Obedience/Rally Trial (both sides) • 11/27-11/29/2026 FCDTC Agility Trial
Treasurer (Sharon Robertson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June Financials
Director of Training (Gail Schumacher)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fecal testing requirements will be changed.
Director of Trials (Sandy Allen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fast Cat is full • Agility trial end of August • Agility Ring time on September 6 and 7
Past President (Sarah Kittner)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lakeshore Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club will be putting on an All Breed Farm Dog Test on October 18th at the Kittner farm. • Request to hold a VST 2025

PENDING BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
NEW BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
ADJOURNMENT	<p>Meg Hennessey made the motion to adjourn. Sandy Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 8:06</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Kay Rieff Secretary</p>

AGENDA	FOREST CITY DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA August 7, 2025
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CALL MEETING TO ORDER	<p>The General meeting of FCDTC was called to order by Judy Olson at 8:23.</p> <p>Board Members Present were: Judy Olson, Meg Hennessey, Gail Schumacher, Sharon Robertson, Sarah Kittner, Sandy Allen, and Kay Rieff.</p> <p>Absent: 0</p> <p>Members: 60 Guests: 4 Approval of Minutes</p> <p>We need a motion to approve the minutes from the June FCDTC Recall. Joan Krumm made the motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Pat Nordenberg. Minutes are approved.</p>
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GUEST SPEAKERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
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BRAGS	MEMBER	DOG	BRAG
	Connie Crum	Emmy	Emmy PACH published in Partners Bulletin
	Dawn Pfluger	Olivia	Fit Dog Bronze
	Sally Coggeshall	Cara	FCAT4
	Sally Coggeshall	Blossom	FCAT2
	Lee Files	Badger	MACH3
	Deb Davis	Apple	CD and FCAT
	Deb Davis	Remi	Alliance of Therapy Dogs
	Dawn Smith	Brea	BCat
	Meg Hennessey	William	Passed therapy dog observation
	Meg Hennessey	Jason	New Champion
CONGRATS TO ALL!			

BOARD REPORTS	President (Judy Olson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board will be refunding overpaid fees for Session 4. Sharon will email those who underpaid for session with the amount due.
	Vice President (Meg Hennessey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be purchasing a new handheld Square point of sale for the front desk • You can log in on the front screen of our website with your own email address to the classes you have signed up for in the past. • Board will be getting quotes from several companies for new software for our website and registration programs.

Secretary (Kay Reiff)	Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Meeting • 2nd Meeting Joan Mrkvicka Jessica Knoll • Grant and Whitney Rupp • 3rd Meeting • Upcoming Rentals/Seminars/Trials: 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8/16-8/17/2025 FCDTC Fastcat • 8/29-8/31/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 9/6-9/7/2025 Australian Shepherd Club Obedience and Rally Trial • 9/19-9/21/2025 FCDTC Rally/Obedience Trial (both sides) • 10/4-10/5/2025 FCDTC FCDTC Fastcat • 10/25-10/26/2025 Rock Valley Federation UKC Club (both sides) • 11/7-11/9/2025 Medallion Rottweiler Club Agility Trial • 11/28-11/30/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 12/27-12/28/2025 Great Lakes Belgian Tervuren Club Agility Trial • 12/29-12/30/2025 Border Collie Society Agility Trial 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/24-1/25/2026 Janesville Beloit Obedience/Rally Trial (one side) • 2/20-2/22/2026 Weimaraner Club Agility Trial • 3/6-3/8/2025 FCDTC Agility Trial • 3/27-3/30/2026 FCDTC Obedience/Rally Trial (both sides) • 4/24-4/26/2026 Rand Park Obedience and Rally Trial • 5/4-5/5/2026 American Belgian Tervuren Club (both sides) • 6/26-6/28/2026 FCDTC Agility Trial • 8/28-8/30-2026 FCDTC Agility Trial • 9/18-9/20/2026 FCDTC Obedience/Rally Trial (both sides) • 11/27-11/29/2026 FCDTC Agility Trial
Treasurer (Sharon Robertson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June Financials • There was discussion of the last ComEd bill. The dollars had increased and it was felt that the old A/C units on the agility side are the reason for the heavy draw.
Director of Training (Gail Schumacher)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a long line leash missing from the club. Let Gail know if you have any info. • The Back Door was found unlocked one afternoon. Check ALL doors. • The calendar for the remaining year will be completed soon. • Late registration 8/26, Instructors Meeting 8/27
Director of Trials (Sandy Allen)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August FastCat filled • Agility the last weekend of August • September Obedience/Rally trial is open for entries • October FastCat is open • The Aussie club has rented the matted area of the agility room on 9/6 and 9/7 for their trial. If you come in to use the ring, please be considerate and do not let your dogs bark or disrupt their trial.

	Past President (Sarah Kittner)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCDTC will be holding a VST in April 2026. • Freeport DTC will be holding a Fastcat for all breeds on September 27 and 28. • Lakeshore Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club will be putting on an All Breed Farm Dog Test on October 18th at the Kittner farm.
COMMITTEE REPORTS	Agility Chair (Cheerie Ohda /Gayle Dixon/Sandy Allen/Anita Wolney)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
	Raffle Chair (Anita Wolney)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always needing donations • Anita is slowing down on the # of Raffles for a bit. We will hold a 50/50 Raffle at the Obedience trial.
	Building & Equipment (Lloyd Fulcer/Pam Johnson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replaced the ladies room toilet on north side • Replaced exit lights • Cleaned the A/C units • Installed new camera for agility trials
	Collars & Leashes (Ronda White)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
	Conformation (Pati Wiedel)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every Thursday at 7:00 Drop in classes
	Education (Mona Lilly)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
	Obed/Rally Chairperson (Dawn Pfluger)	<p>Dawn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All classes are up for registration.. <p>Kay:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The September trial premium is on our website. Entries close Sept 3rd • Volunteers needed: Karson Paris – Stewarding, Mikki Razor/Deb Swain Set up/Tear Down, Judy Olson - • Hospitality
	Registration (Deb Kolberg/Kathy Carr)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
	Therapy & Demos (Kathleen Smiley-Alsup)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy teams needed for the Ida Library in Belvidere.
PENDING BUSINESS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question was asked about any monies spent so far on the website and registration programs since the first of the year. As of today, we have spent zero dollars on any revisions, trial programs, etc. We are discussing new programs with 3 third party companies.
NEW BUSINESS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

VOTE ON NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS

New Members:	None			
Last Name	First Name	E-Mail	Sponsor 1	Sponsor 2
Please Welcome Our New Members!				

ADJOURNMENT

Ron Meidinger made the motion to adjourn. Pati Weidel seconded the motion. Motion carried, and meeting was adjourned a 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Rieff
Secretary



Scout has been dock diving. It is a thrill to watch her doing something she loves!

Claudia

SNIPS & SNAILS AND PUPPY DOG TAILS

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BIRTHDAY CORNER!

Deacon Faulkner	August 2, 2018
Fire Lapi	August 5, 2022
Scout Aschbrenner	August 11, 2013
Tazmo Appleby	August 12, 2023
Maddie Page	August 12, 2011
Sadie Wolter	August 15, 2016
Kye Reynolds	August 19
Biscotti Alfano	August 21, 2020
Stoney Czarnowski	August 21, 2010
Abby Wendt	August 22, 2014
Spartacus Anderson	August 24, 2021
Ruby Anderson	August 24, 2021



NATIONAL PET HOLIDAYS

- August 1: DOGust Universal Birthday for Shelter Dogs
- August 3-9: International Assistance Dog Week (observed the first full week in August)
- August 4: International Assistance Dog Day
- August 5: Work Like a Dog Day
- August 8: International Cat Day
- August 10: Spoil Your Dog Day
- August 15: Check the Chip Day
- August 16: Clear the Shelters Day (observed the third Saturday of August)
- August 16: International Homeless Animals' Day (observed on the third Saturday of August)
- August 17: National Black Cat Appreciation Day & International Black Cat Day
- August 22: National Take Your Cat To The Vet Day
- August 23: International Blind Dog Day
- August 26: National Dog Day & World Dog Day
- August 28: Rainbow Bridge Remembrance Day
- August 30: National Holistic Pet Day

DOGOSCOPE



Virgo: August 24 – September 23

Virgo pets are the meticulous ones of the zodiac, often displaying an attention to detail in their habits. Influenced by Mercury, they're sharp, observant, and might even come across as a bit picky at times. In training, they're quick learners, absorbing commands and routines with a desire for perfection.

Cleanliness and order appeal to them; you might find them grooming often or having a favorite organized spot. They appreciate calm environments, toys that stimulate their brains, and consistency in their daily routines.



MISS DAISY – ADVICE FROM A DIVA

When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.