December 7, 2011

Task: Develop a proposal to be presented to the L.T.D.T.C.Board of Directors defining a plan for Top Team Awards for Agility that would be given at the Annual Awards Dinner.

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Method: Using the rules established for the Obedience Title Top Dog Awards presented annually, develop a plan for Agility awards, considering similarities and differences in the two disciplines.

Auxiliary Task: Since Rally teams also do not have an annual recognition, develop an award proposal for Rally as well. Task assumed by Roxanne Dwyer and Erin Rezmer.

Timing: Develop and seek approval from Board in time to present 2011 Awards at the February, 2012 Award Dinner.

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Proposal: Lyons Township Dog Training Club Annual "Top Rally Team" Awards

Three Top Rally Team awards will be given annually, one each at the Novice, Advanced, and Excellent levels.

At each level, all club members in good standing who post AKC Sanctioned Rally Competition scores in the Club Brag Book will be eligible for this award. Top Rally Team awards will be determined by averaging the scores from the three legs that earned the title during the current year. Individual first and second legs toward the title may have been earned in previous years. In the case of a tie, a duplicate award will be issued to both teams.

The Director of Training will appoint an individual to verify entries in the Brag Book to determine candidates for these awards, and will approve proposed award winners prior to presentation to the L.T.D.T.C. Board of Directors. The approved awards will be presented at the Annual Awards Dinner.

The inaugural awards will be presented for 2011 at the February, 2012, Annual Awards Dinner.

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Considerations for Top Agility Team Awards

Obedience has only one event, Agility has three, Standard, Jumpers with Weaves, and FAST. We decided to make the number of titles won during the year the primary concern at each level (Novice, Open, and Excellent). Three titles are better than two, two are better than one. Highest average score is the tiebreaker.

Obedience has only one competition group in events. Agility has two competition groups, Regular and Preferred, in each event. We decided to recognize both as candidates for the same award, since both earn the same Green Ribbon for "Q"'s from the AKC, and the Club has recognized both at the Annual Awards Dinner.

Agility competitors could earn titles in both the Regular and Preferred competition groups. We decided to recognize only the first title earned at each level. We feel that the Top Agility Team Award should be for "First Time" teams at each level. Thus a team may begin its trial career at either the regular or preferred level, and would be eligible for this award for the first title earned in Novice, Open or Excellent.

FAST Agility competitions are scored with a maximum possible score of 80, versus a maximum score of 100 in Standard and Jumpers with Weaves. We decided to develop a mathematical table (see next page) to equalize the score for FAST.

It is the responsibility of club members to enter qualifying runs in the Brag Book in a timely and accurate manner. Only titles completed during the current calendar year are eligible for the current year Top Agility Team Award. First and second legs toward a title may have been earned in a previous year. Also, any missing information for a qualifying run that cannot be otherwise verified disqualifies that leg from Top Agility Team Award consideration.

Obedience has Top Dog Awards for the highest scoring team at the CD, CDX, and UD levels. Similarly, we propose that Top Agility Team Awards should be given at the Novice, Open, and Excellent levels. We also propose that **ALL** competitors who achieve a Masters level title should be given a Special Recognition Award, for attaining ten perfect scores on Excellent level courses.

(Extending this logic, **ALL** competitors in Obedience who achieve a UDX title should also receive a Special Recognition Award.)

FAST Agility Conversion Table

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Novice

FAST	STD/JWW
50	85
51	88
52	89
53	90
54	91
55	91
56	91
57	92
58	92
59	93
60	93
61	94
62	94
63	95
64	95
65	95
66	96
67	96
68	96
69	97
70	97
71	97
72	98
73	98
74	98
75	99
76	99
77	100
78	100
79	100
80	100

Open

FAST	STD/JWW
55	85
56	88
57	91
58	91
59	92
60	92
61	93
62	93
63	94
64	94
65	95
66	95
67	96
68	96
69	97
70	97
71	97
72	98
73	98
74	98
75	99
76	99
77	100
78	100
79	100
80	100

Exc (Advanced)

FAST	STD/JWW
60	85
61	88
62	91
63	92
64	93
65	94
66	94
67	95
68	95
69	96
70	96
71	97
72	97
73	98
74	98
75	99
76	99
77	100
78	100
79	100
80	100

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Proposal: Lyons Township Dog Training Club Annual "Top Agility Team" Awards

Three "Top Agility Team" awards will be given annually, one each at the Novice, Open, and Excellent A levels.

The awards will be based on performance in AKC Standard, Jumpers with Weaves, and FAST competitions (1).

At each level, all club members in good standing who post AKC Sanctioned Agility Competition scores in the Club Brag Book will be eligible for this award. The club member at each level with the most AKC Agility Titles at that level earned during the current year will be considered for the award(2). First and second legs toward the titles can be earned during previous years. When there are multiple club members with the same number of AKC Agility titles at a level, the three qualifying scores for each title will be added together and averaged, with the award going to the team with the highest average score. If a tie still exists, there will be duplicate awards issued.

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(1) FAST scores will modified per the attached table, in order to compensate for the difference in possible score achievement in this competition.

(2) Once an agility team has qualified at a level in any of the agility disciplines, that team will not be eligible later in that same discipline with a title in a preferred category, or the opposite.

Top Agility Team Analysis
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Team	Title 1	Q1	Q2	Q3	Average	Title 2	Q1	Q2	Q3	Average	Comb. Avg.
Novice											
NT1	NA	95	100	100	98.33	NAJ	100	100	97	99.00	98.67
NT2	**NA**	**100**	**100**	**100**	**100.00**	**NAJ**	**99**	**100**	**100**	**99.67**	**99.83**
NT3	NA	90	100	100	96.67	NAJ	95	90	100	95.00	95.83
NT4	NJP	86	96	99	93.67						
NT5	NAJ	99	100	95	98.00						
NT6	NAJ	95	95	100	96.67						
NT7	NA	95	90	90	91.67						
Open											
OT1	**OA**	**100**	**95**	**100**	**98.33**						
OT2	OA	95	95	100	96.67						
OT3	OJP	na	95	95	ne	Q1 score has not been found					
OT4	OF	61/93	58/91	64/94	92.67						
OT5	OA	90	95	100	95.00						
Excellent											
AT1	AX	88	100	100	96.0						
AT2	**AJP**	**97**	**100**	**100**	**99.0**						
Masters											
MT1	MX				Consists of 10 perfect runs to earn MX	Average 100					
	bold and underlined teams indicate current leaders for Top Team Award										