

Great Dane Club of America



From the President.

Dears Friends and Fellow GDCA Members;

There are some very exciting projects being looked at by the Board and the Charitable Trust. The most exciting proposal would be to sequence the Great Dane Genome. This is only in the discussion stage but we could see a proposal in the next 12 months. The benefits could be enormous. Just the fact that the information gained would help every researcher who is studying diseases that affect our guys is enough justification to fund the research. This will help with DCM, Wobblers, HOD and so much more.

The second project which is just as exciting is funding the continued research of Kate Meurs in searching for the gene responsible for DCM in Great Danes. Many of you have joined discussions on the boards about the longevity of our breed. Help support the research that is being done into the diseases that take so many of our guys.

AKC has approved the changes to the standard which were submitted to them in January. Now it is our turn to vote on those changes. The ballots will be in the mail to all of you in June. Please remember the proposed changes came from the membership. I urge all of you to support them.

The ballots for the 2012 judging slate will be coming to you shortly. We have over 800 members and only about 50% of you vote. You cannot change the outcome of anything if you do not participate.

For those of you who participate in the Futurity please remember that Dianne Powers is the new Futurity chairperson as of May 1st. Check our website for Dianne's contact information. I have enjoyed being your futurity chair for the last six years and wish all of you good luck.

The next board meeting will be on July 24th in Boston. As always we welcome all members to these meetings.

It is such a pleasure to hear from so many of you with your ideas for a better Dane community. The final revision of the National Specialty rules is in process and should be published by mid summer.



Dave

**Great Dane Club of America,
Inc
Board Meeting
April 24, 2010
Baltimore, Maryland**

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by President David Miller. The following members were in attendance (all):

Cindy Harwin, Dianne Powers, Nancy Ridgway, Paul Hardiman, Chuck Crawford, Lynda Moriarty, Joe Longo, Doug Toomey, Jane Treiber, Jean Highlands, Dave Miller, Susan Davis Shaw, Jane Chopson, Rita Suddarth, Linda Ridder, Tom Sandenaw

Guest: Michael Boa

Minutes

MOTION

To approve the minutes of the January board meeting as submitted.

Moved: Dianne Powers
2nd: Chuck Crawford

Treasurer's Report

MOTION

To accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted.

Moved: Dianne Powers
2nd: Paul Hardiman

MOTION

To accept Arnie Eckenrode's request for reinstatement and to accept Kathy Lucy's request upon receipt of an additional \$11. in dues.

Moved: Jane Chopson
2nd: Nancy Ridgway

Affiliate Representative

MOTION

To approve the by-laws submitted by the Great Dane Club of El Paso.

Moved: Tom Sandenaw
2nd: Dianne Powers

MOTION

To approve by by-laws submitted by the Heart of Ohio Great Dane Club with edits made.

Moved: Chuck Crawford
2nd: Tom Sandenaw

National Specialty 2011

MOTION

Due to their prior commitments, an exception to the rule that specialties not be held before the national will be made to allow the Western Division to hold a Great Dane Club of Tucson Specialty Show before the 2011 national with the elimination of a 50/50 raffle.

Moved: Joe Longo
2nd: Cindy Harwin

Junior Showmanship –

MOTION

To recommend to the Charitable Trust that they fund the following scholarships:

Mallory Wesley - \$2,500
Shannon Soafer - \$2,000
Emily Marcus - \$2,500
Lindsay Snider - \$2,000

Moved: Paul Hardiman
2nd: Joe Longo

Membership

To vote the following applicants into membership:

J. Anthony Sheridan

Moved: Dianne Powers
2nd: Cindy Harwin

Janene Borini

Moved: Nancy Ridgway
2nd: Cindy Harwin

Mary Martha Woodworth

Moved: Jane Chopson
2nd: Dianne Powers

Rebekah Michal Woodworth (Jr. Member)

Moved: Paul Hardiman
2nd: Jean Highlands

Steve & Jody Hill

Moved: Cindy Harwin
2nd: Dianne Powers

Barb Bristol & Ronnie Wilson

Moved: Nancy Ridgway
2nd: Doug Toomey

Jeffrey Brucker

Moved: Doug Toomey
2nd: Chuck Crawford

Jonathan & Donna Potter

Moved: Dianne Powers
2nd: Doug Toomey

Kenneth & Diane Bocian

Moved: Cindy Harwin
2nd: Doug Toomey

William & Beverly Ballard
 Moved: Nancy Ridgway
 2nd: Dianne Powers

National Specialty

MOTION

To tell the Great Dane Club of Las Vegas that the rules state that no specialties may be held on weeks 41-44. Last year's approval was given as an exception to the rules.

Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Cindy Harwin

Rescue

MOTION

To recommend to the Charitable Trust that they fund the following rescue grants:

Great Dane Rescue of Las Vegas
 – 2 grants - \$1,000

Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Dianne Powers

Rocky Mountain Great Dane Rescue – 1 grant - \$500.
 Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Tom Sandenaw

Dane Outreach – 2 grants - \$991.46
 Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Tom Sandenaw

Great Dane Club of Western PA (Dane Connection) – 2 grants – 829.18
 Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Dianne Powers

Great Dane Club of New England – 1 grant - \$500.

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Moved: Chuck Crawford
 2nd: Dianne Powers

Top 20

MOTION

To take the 10 champions out of the criteria for Top 20 judges but they must have 10 years experience breeding dogs.

Moved: Joe Longo

2nd: Dianne Powers

8 yes, 6 no – The motion passes.

MOTION

To recess the meeting at 5:28 PM.

Moved: Chuck Crawford

2nd: Dianne Powers

The next meeting will be held on July 24th in Boston, Mass.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Davis Shaw
 Recording Secretary

AFFILIATE CLUB REPORT

The revised by-laws for the Great Dane Club of El Paso and the Heart of Ohio Great Dane Club were approved at the April Board meeting. Congratulations to both clubs for a great job.

As I have mentioned this will be my last year as your Affiliate Representative. Our by-laws stipulate no more than 9 consecu-

tive years for Board members.

This means that a new Representative will need to be elected.

Anyone interested will need to be willing to attend the Board meetings (4 times per year) and make themselves available to questions from the Affiliate Clubs. I have found it to be a wonderful experience and will miss it. If you have any questions about the position or the election please contact me

(diannepowers@comcast.net)

The process for the election is as follows:

Election of the Affiliate Club Representative (ACR):

1. The Affiliate Club Delegates Committee (ACDC) secretary, during the election year, shall receive and accept written nominations for the office of ACR. Such nominations must be submitted before August 15 of the election year, accompanied by the written consent and signa-

ture of each nominee.

2. The name of any affiliate club member, who is also a member of the GDCA, in good standing with his/her affiliate club and the GDCA, can be placed in nomination.
3. The ACDC secretary shall mail the list of such nominees and a voting ballot to each Delegate by August 27 of the election year. It will be the Delegate's responsibility to present the slate to his/her club for consideration/direction of the election of one (1) candidate. Each Delegate will then mark the ballot, sign same and have the affiliate club secretary certify the bal-

lot by signing the front of the ballot before it is placed in the envelope and sealed. The ballot must be returned to the ACDC secretary before October 10 of the election year.

The ballots **MUST BE SEALED** if more than one candidate is nominated.

NOTE: If the ACDC secretary is one of the nominees, another person shall be appointed by the ACDC to perform all functions for the election normally performed by the secretary.

4. The counting of the votes to verify election results of the ACR shall be done by the ACDC secretary (or

acting secretary) in the presence of a Notary Public. Said secretary shall immediately inform the ACR of the results so the ACR can then notify the Delegates, newly elected ACR, and the GDCA secretary of the ACDC choice for Representative.

5. No person shall serve more than three (3) consecutive three year terms as ACR.

Please give some serious thought to who you would like to have representing you on the GDCA Board.

The Board of Directors approved the following for membership on April 24, 2010. We welcome them to the GDCA!

J. Anthony Sheridan
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 No email address

Sponsors: Nancy Lerch & Jessie Gerszewski

GREAT DANE CLUB OF AMERICA	TREASURE'S REPORT
Jean Highlands	Treasurer
MARCH 31, 2010	CASH BALANCE
ANCHOR BANK CHECKING	\$16,768.15
CHASE BANK CHECKING	\$9,142.16
CHASE BANK SAVINGS	\$2,000.62
NATIONAL CITY BANK CHECKING	\$35,577.14
NATIONAL CITY BANK SAVINGS	\$58,604.39
TOTAL CASH BALANCE	\$122,092.46
1/1/2010 - 3/31/2010	1ST QTR P&L
INCOME	\$47,285.12
INTEREST INCOME	\$164.68
EXPENSE	-\$33,212.09
QUARTERLY NET INCOME	\$14,237.71

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FUTURITY REPORT

Dianne Powers

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As of June 3, 2010

Litters	262
Dogs	143
Bitches	147
Puppies	290

All 2nd nominations are due to me by July 16, 2010. That is a **firm** deadline. Final entries will be mailed by July 21 and will be due back to me no later than August 20. That too is a **firm** deadline

ALERT

Children's stuffed animals can be treated with flame retardant material in the stuffing. This is deadly to animals if ingested. Don't lose an animal who chooses to "help kill" your child's toys. Make sure you know the origin of your dog's toys and keep them safe.



Letters concerning the approval or disapproval of applicants should be directed in writing to:

Lynda Moriarty
PO Box 410
Wayne, IL 60184

The following applicants have been approved by the Membership Committee for publication in the GDCA Bulletin. The Membership Chairman must receive comments concerning these applicants during the forty-five (45) day period following publication.

Any comments received after July 14, 2020 will not be accepted.

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Sponsors: Jennifer Bell & Margo Gaither

JUDGES EDUCATION

A seminar for Judges was held in New Castle, PA on May 29, 2010 in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Dog Judges group. The seminar was conducted by Jane Treiber, Judges' Education Chairman for the Great Dane Club of America. The following judges attended the seminar:

1. Mary Alice Eschweiler
 Judges # 415639
 32022 W. Highway K, Hartland, WI
2. Bill Schnarrenberger
 Judges # 18114
 1174 Freedom Rd., Cranberry Twp, PA 16066
3. Angela Kusmiesz (has not applied to judge yet)
 44 Gwynwood Dr. Pittsgrove, NJ 08318
4. Roger Fry Judges # 6924
 11120 Broadway Alden, NY 14004
5. David Haddock Judges # 18846
 1410 Chicksring Rd., Nashville, TN 37215
6. Elizabeth Trainor Judges # 7284
 25 Lovett Rd. Oxford, MA 01540

Please consider these participants for sweepstakes or match assignments.
 Jane Treiber



THE GREAT DANE CLUB OF AMERICA CHARITABLE TRUST

...supporting Great Dane welfare in **Rescue** efforts, **Educational** programs through Affiliate Clubs, **Medical Research** and **Scholarships** and any initiative that creates a greater awareness of breed specific problems in an effort to improve the life and quality of Great Danes.

You can participate in the welfare of the Breed with a tax deductible donation of any amount as a gift in memory of a loved and lost Great Dane, or a friend; a gift to honor a person or a faithful companion or a monthly pledge.

Letters will be sent to every donor and acknowledgment cards will be mailed to those you honor with your contribution.

Make check payable to: **The Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust** and mail to:
Terry Wagner, Administrator
2281 Alton Road
Deltona, FL 32738

DONATION FORM

Name of donor: _____

Address of donor: _____

Telephone and or e-mail of donor: _____

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

Address of recipient: _____

Amount: _____ Monthly Pledge: _____

Trustees: Jane Chopson; Paul Hardiman; Don Carmody; Jay Miller; Linda Ridder; Linda Tonnancour; Lisa Foltz, Treasurer; Terry Wagner, Administrator

THANK YOU FOR HONORING THE BREED!



Congratulations!

Conformation

William Stebbins
Robert Edison
Cathy De La Garza
Karen Martin
Sharon Hennessey
Judy Harrington
Lisa DeRoulet
Collette Jacobsen
Nikki Riggsbee
Nancy Simmons

Futurity

Lorraine Matherly
Paddy Magnusson
Fran Lass
Tiffany Cross
Neil O' Sullivan
Linda Cain
Diane Collings
Winkie Assell
Joe Longo
Normand Vadenais

The Finalists for 2012

If you want to make your vote count,

look for your Ballot when it comes in the mail
and

VOTE!!!!!!

Top 20 Standings

1/10/10 - 5-15-10

Breed

Rank	Name
1	CH Lobato's JitterBug Ma
2	CH Jerdans Gone With The Wind
3-Tie	CH Raintree Erinwood Dixie Magic Dragon
3-Tie	CH Lobato's Code Red
4	CH Shalako Conspiracy Of Rondomar
5	CH Summerfield's Lady Of Hope
6	CH Double D Daynakin Party Brew
7	CH Echolane-Darlin's Beyond A Shadow Of A Doubt
8	CH Rainmaster's She's A Show Girl
9	CH Rosendane's Just Like Heaven
10	CH Holledanes Kid Rio V Sligo
11	CH Bayside Just Another Day In Paradise
12	CH Bayside's Just Because I Can
13	CH Shoreline-East-West Playit Again Sam
14	CH Shoreline's Som'Thing T' Talk Abt
15	CH Roserun's Bamboo Tiger
16	CH Danemar's Renaissance Man
17	CH Glaciers Usual Suspect
18	CH Laurado's Dragonfly
19-Tie	CH Bayside Just A Gentleman
19-Tie	CH Maitau Cosmics Eye'M A Star In Style
20	CH Raintree Erinwood Dixie Easy Does It V Sarjack

Group

Rank	Name
1	CH Lobato's JitterBug Man
2	CH Lobato's Code Red
3	CH Shalako Conspiracy Of Rondomar
4	CH Echolane-Darlin's Beyond A Shadow Of A Doubt
5	CH Raintree Erinwood Dixie Magic Dragon
6	CH Summerfield's Lady Of Hope
7	CH Jerdans Gone With The Wind
8	CH Rainmaster's She's A Show Girl
9	CH Roserun's Bamboo Tiger
10	CH Double D Daynakin Party Brew
11	CH Rosendane's Just Like Heaven
12	CH Valhalla's Ascent At Rochford
13	CH Shoreline's Som'Thing T' Talk Abt
14	CH Holledanes Kid Rio V Sligo
15	CH Shoreline-East-West Playit Again Sam
16	Crekside's Take A Chance On Me
17	CH Raintree Erinwood Dixie Easy Does It V Sarjack
18	CH Bayside's Just Because I Can
19	CH Glaciers Usual Suspect
20	CH Nikolodeon's In God We Trust

"Helping Our Own"

Many members of the GDCA have aspirations of becoming a judge. An important aspect of your initial application is your ring experience in the form of matches and sweepstakes. Too often the various affiliate clubs do not know the names of our own members that are desirous of a sweepstakes assignment in order to bolster their future application. As a point of interest, your application should contain a minimum of six actual judging assignments. However, a sweeps assignment or specialty match counts as two match assignments. In order to try to get our own (hence the title of this program) these assignments we will begin to accumulate the names of those GDCA members that have aspirations of applying to judge Great Danes.



Individuals that are planning to submit their application within a year have probably already accumulated their necessary requirements and the logistics of compiling this list as well as the individual clubs going through the panels that are already in place would mean that at least 12 months will pass before most clubs would be able to utilize this information. I will maintain this list for the GDCA and updated versions will be sent to the affiliate clubs via their periodic newsletter.

For those that have aspirations of judging but may not have investigated the requirements of the AKC, here is some basic info...

The "current" system (always a work in process) requires 12 years in the breed, 5 litters and 4 champions of record. Keep in mind that these are the MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS!!! In addition you need to show total dog show experience in the form of match/sweeps assignments, stewarding, club membership, seminars (either as an attendee or presenter), etc. The more activity you can document, the better.

If you are interested in judging and would like to be included on this list, please send me your name, and contact information. Hopefully this will make life a little easier for our future member-judges.

Bill Stebbins

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GDCA Bulletin

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CALENDAR

July 24th, 2010
GDCA Board Meeting
Boston, MA

GDCA Southeast Division Specialty
October 17-24, 2010



The GREAT DANE *National Specialty*