

## Great Dane Club of Northern California

March 26, 2016

In Attendance: Everett Van Dyken, Terri Burley-Hammond, Janet Purdy, Olga Maderych, Irina Maderych, Pat Dousman, Michelle Gillette, Sam Gillette, Brittany Williams, Denise Williams, Sue Holbrook, Kevin Forrest, Kate Jackson, Sharon McCrary, Adrianna Blair, Patricia Blair, Lorrie Spencer, Denise Matulich, Barbara Kreszyn, Vince Mulligan

Guests: Alicia Morgan, David Morgan

Meeting called to order at 11 A.M. by club president. Board members in attendance represented a quorum.

Kate moved to approve our February minutes. Denise M seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence: No correspondence to report.

Treasurer's Report: The February budget report was disseminated.

Education: Sharon McCrary reported on a possible educational seminar. This would be a two-day handling event by Eric Salas. You can see videos on YouTube. Cost for the speaker would be \$1500 plus transportation, lodging and meals. Riney would rent out his training facility (indoor event) for \$100 per day. Cost would be \$175 for the two-days (30 maximum on participants) and \$100 for observers. We could open the event to all-breed handlers as well. We can try to schedule toward the end of 2016 or the start of 2017. Sharon will contact Riney about the possibility of RV parking for participants. Sharon will contact our Education Chair (Yvonne Messimer) to work on specifics.

Other Committee Reports: Nothing to report from membership, web site and discipline committees.

2016 GDCA National: Denise Matulich has raffle tickets for the 2016 GDCA National room raffle. Two packages are being raffled this year:

- *Deluxe Room Raffle*  
Winner will receive 7 free nights at the Tulsa Renaissance Hotel (choice of king bed or two doubles), tickets for Top 20, Auction and Awards night dinners, 100 raffle tickets, and a National Catalog. Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20.
- *Presidential Suite Raffle*  
Winner will receive 7 free nights in the Presidential Suite at the Tulsa Renaissance Hotel, two sets of dinner tickets for Top 20, Auction and Awards nights, 200 raffle tickets, and National, Futurity and Top 20 Catalogs. Tickets are \$10 each or 12 for \$100.

Tickets can be purchased from Denise or online at the GDCA store (<http://national.gdca.org/Special-Room-Raffle-Package/>).

#### Show Committee/Specialty Report:

- Closing date is only 17 days prior to the show; seems to reduce the amount of time to get ribbons ordered in a timely fashion.
- Obedience/Rally ribbons needed for Dane entries and for all-breed. Since no date is required to be printed, this should be just a matter of clarification.
- Performance ring stewards: 3 non-member stewards have been secured; Sue and Kevin will fill the other two spots.
- RVs will be allowed on the grounds at 11 AM.
- Club members will be allowed to park at 12:30 PM in order to be ready to help with ring set up.
- No personal setups will be allowed until after ring set up is finished.
- Everett and Lorrie requested space for raffle tents and personal tents to be reserved.
- All exhibitors will be allowed to park by 1 PM.
- There will be a 50/50 on the days of the show. Denise Williams is in charge.

#### 2017 Specialty Shows:

Motion made by Sam to have three shows at our specialties slated for 2017; with two shows being held on Saturday and one on Sunday. Kate seconded. Discussion followed; some points raised:

- Longer lunch requested to allow a rest time for dogs and exhibitors
- Extra ribbon and trophy expenses with money donated at the two-show level
- It can be really hot and/or windy; lots of wear and tear on dogs and exhibitors
- More entries; more money generated

Vote was 13 in favor and 5 opposed. Motion passed.

#### Old Business:

- Discussed a potluck picnic for members and dogs at a park this summer. Location is still needing a decision. Elk Grove was considered along with Lodi Lake. More discussion needed.
- Board ratified their email vote on the purchase of the medallions needed for the specialty trophies.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be scheduled for June. Date will be announced at a later date.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM.