

The Great Dane Club of Northern California
Business Meeting
Tuesday, November 2, 2021
7:00 PM
Remote Network Meeting

In Attendance: Michelle Gillette, Sam Gillette, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Lorrie Spencer, Kate Jackson, Mick Galvin, Pat Dousman, Jack Riggsbee, Steven Vigil, Dail Koehler, Jennifer Robb, Kathy Bowler, Barbara Kreszyn, Laura Munro

Guests: None

- A. Call to order:** President Michelle Gillette called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.
- B. Approve agenda; call for additional agenda items:** No additions.
- C. Approval of minutes—Meeting of September 25, 2021:** Kate Jackson M/S Pat Dousman to approve minutes as presented. MPU
- D. President's Report:** Michelle Gillette reported. GDCNC received \$1,000 from the GDCA Education for the ECHO clinic at the Specialty. MBGDC received \$350 from Great Danes and Great Deeds to be applied to the ECHO clinic as well. Out of ~27 appointments available, 13 Danes have signed up, and other breeds have shown interest in participating. Will open up to all breeds on 11/8/21.

The T-shirt fundraiser was a success – GDCNC and MBGDC will equally split the \$1,140.80 net proceeds. Brittany Williams volunteered her time to create the design for the shirts; the clubs are giving her a shirt for her work.

E. Report of the Corresponding Secretary

1. Incoming Mail

- 9/25/21 via email from GDCA: Request for updated club roster; sent roster 9/27
- 10/5/21 via email from AKC: Approval for Sunday's Show -- without Juniors

2. Outgoing Mail: None

F. Report of the Treasurer

- 1. Budget report:** Bill Labiak reported no activity for September 2021. Reported for October 2021 and FYE—financial information is available to club members on request.

G. Report of the Committees

1. Show Committee: Michelle Gillette, Sam Gillette

- Lorrie Spencer is donating toys for Sweeps and veterans.
- Premium list is out—entries close November 10 at 9 pm.
- GDCNC has 2 shows Saturday and 1 show Sunday.
- MBGDC has 2 shows Friday.

- Need volunteers for: 1) RV parking; 2) ECHO clinic; and 3) COVID waivers and wristbands.
 - Site opens at 1 PM Thursday for people helping with set-up. RV parking at 2 if not helping with set-up.
 - No ex-pens or canopies will be allowed in the arena.
 - Dail Koehler is bringing masks and hand sanitizer.
 - Laura Munro is holding a silent auction on Saturday only to benefit Great Dane Rescue of Northern California.
2. **Education:** Cardiac clinic at show on Saturday.
 3. **Membership:** Pat Dousman—Mariah Bradford and Audrey Teichmann have been posted twice. Michelle Gillette called for a member vote to approve both Mariah and Audrey as GDCNC members. MPU
 4. **Ways and Means:** T-shirts for Specialty - see above.
 5. **Web site:** Kate Jackson—Keeping website updated.
 6. **Discipline:** No report.

H. Unfinished Business

1. **Proposed rule change:** Tabled until next business meeting. The text of the proposed rule change, to allow members to review and comment, is:

PROPOSED NEW RULE

Rule 31 – Annual award to be given to members whose Great Dane:

- a. earns any title or award granted or recognized by the AKC, as may be amended from time to time;
- b. earns any title or award granted or recognized by the Great Dane Club of America, as may be amended from time to time;
- c. at the end of the AKC's annual Qualifying Period, earns a placement within the top twenty Great Danes in Conformation, Companion Sports, Title Recognition Program Sports, Performance Sports, or AKC Family Dog Program, as tabulated by the AKC;
- d. earns a Best in Show, Owner-Handled Best in Show, Bred by Exhibitor Best in Show, or Best Puppy in Show at an AKC all-breed show or at the Great Dane Club of America National Specialty;
- e. earns a Best in Show at an AKC-sanctioned specialty breed or group show;
- g. is the sire or dam of a dog that earns any of the above; awarded one time per offspring.
- h. achieves the age of ten, and each year thereafter (Venerable Award).

REVISE RULE 25 AS FOLLOWS:

25 - Award to be given members earning Best Junior Handler at an AKC all-breed show or at the Great Dane Club of America National Specialty.

I. New Business: None

J. Brags

- ◆ Michelle Gillette: Maizie received her DCAT and is currently ranked no. 10 in FCAT
- ◆ Jack Riggsbee: New puppy expected!

- ◆ Jennifer Robb: Griffon is a new Grand Champion and No. 6 NOHS Great Dane
- ◆ Kate Jackson: New puppy from Cassarabal

K. Next meeting date: The Board only budget meeting will be held Friday, November 26, 2021 at Sycamore Lane Kennels, 45 minutes after the second show ends.

The next business meeting, including elections, will be held via Zoom on Saturday, January 8, 2022, at 10:00 AM. The proposed rule change will be voted on and annual awards will be announced at the following meeting.

L. Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.