

The Great Dane Club of Northern California
Special Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 22, 2022
6:30 PM
Remote Network Meeting

In Attendance: Michelle Gillette, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Lorrie Spencer, Kate Jackson, Pat Dousman, Laura Munro, Denise Matulich, Diana Wallace, Terri Hammond, Kathy Bowler

Michelle Gillette, President of GDCNC, called a Special Board Meeting to revisit the decision regarding the venue for our 2023 Specialty Shows. Sycamore Lane Kennels (SLK) has substantially increased their costs (email attached to the minutes), which would be a financial burden for the Club.

- A. Call to order:** President Michelle Gillette called the meeting to order at 6:39 PM.
- B. Summary of costs for different venues** (compiled by Michelle Gillette and Kate Jackson)
Board comments from this meeting are noted under PROS and CONS.

1. SLK Arena - total \$2200

- \$475 per day, so \$950
- \$250 waste bins
- \$300 per day for porta-potties, so \$600
- \$400 for stanchions
- fenced area to exercise dogs – free per deal with SLK

PROS

covered
easier set-up and take-down
able to socialize better

CONS

no x-pens allowed in arena
extra cost for stanchions to use once

2. SLK Lake Lawn - total \$1670

- \$200 per day, so \$400
- \$250 waste bins
- \$300 per day for porta-potties, so \$600
- We purchased step-in posts already, so no cost
- + labor @ \$35 per hour (Riney has said we can use his men. I estimate 2 men for 6 hours (3 set up and 3 tear down so \$420)
- fenced area to exercise dogs – free per deal with SLK

PROS

beautiful
spacious
already have step-in stanchions
fenced area included with lake area
use hired help for set-up and take-down
can use x-pens

CONS

difficult for stewards to leave table
use hired help for set-up and take-down
may be unpredictable

3. SLK Fenced Lawn - total \$1620

- \$175 per day, so \$350
- \$250 waste bins
- \$300 per day for porta-potties, so \$600
- + labor @ \$35 per hour (2 men for 6 hours estimate, so \$420)

easier to patrol	<u>PROS</u>		smaller	<u>CONS</u>
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4. Turlock – join SCVKC and have concurrent specialties

- Can have up to 3 shows per day (at least 1 a specialty) per AKC
- Outdoor ring with shaded area free per SCVKC
- Ring setup:
 - ◇ Club responsibility, no idea if help is available
 - ◇ If use BaRay as event secretary, they will set up ring, but we still need to set up tables and canopies
- Show secretary pricing
 - ◇ Karey Krauter (used in 2022): \$7.50 for first entry of a dog/\$5.50 for each additional entry of same dog per AKC event number. BaRay will set up ring for \$275 but we still need to set up tables and canopies.
 - ◇ BaRay: \$9.75 per entry

<u>PROS</u>		<u>CONS</u>
		difficult to plan for 2023

5. Turlock – ask SCVKC if we can rent rings from them

- We emailed SCVKC about this possibility and they have not responded. There is nothing in it for them, so I don't know if they would agree to this.

After reviewing the pros and cons for the above options, the board agreed that the decision for 2023 was to stay at Sycamore Lane Kennels and decide between the lake lawn area and the arena. The consensus from the board was to discuss the venue for 2024 later.

Mabel Labiak M/S Laura Munro to stay at Sycamore Lane Kennels using the lake lawn area for the four specialty shows in 2023 and hiring help for set-up and take-down. MPU

On an additional matter, the Board agreed to provide drool towels (donated to the Club), embroidered with the GDCNC logo, for the 2023 National in October.

C. Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM.



EVENT PRICING 2023

GROUNDS RENTAL (PER DAY)

ARENA (100ft X 200ft).....	\$475.00
TRAINING BUILDING (60 ft X 60ft).....	\$450.00
FENCED TRAINING LAWN (130 ft X 103 ft).....	\$175.00
FENCED AGILITY LAWN (145 ft X 102 ft).....	\$175.00
LAKE LAWN (not fenced 179 ft X 118 ft).....	\$200.00

MANDATORY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES

WASTE BINS PER UNIT.....\$250.00

(This is a two day event price. Includes one PM refresh, is a per event price, which includes pickup and delivery. Each bin should accommodate approximately 75 entries.)

ON SITE BATHROOMS

We have a three stall VIP portable bathroom and one ADA compliant portable. They rent for \$300.00 per day; refreshed as needed.

PARKING

ALL PARKING FEES TO BE COLLECTED BY SYCAMORE LANE.

\$5.00 per car (day of show)

\$35.00 per RV Advance reservation \$40.00 day of (each night)

Capacity: RV 20 – 35 & Cars 120 – 175 (depending on number of RVs)

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- All trash to be removed and cans to be refreshed on Saturday night by Sycamore Lane.
- There is a \$250.00 damage/cleaning deposit to be paid at time of booking and held on account until after the event.
- Any clean up charges will be billed out at \$35.00 per hour, and any repairs for damages to grounds will be billed to club accordingly and deducted from above damage/cleaning deposit.
- Certificate of liability insurance must be given to Sycamore Lane at least 30 days prior to event.