



The GDCNC Barker

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President's **Message**

Dane Friends:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all of the great volunteers that helped to make this last Specialty show such a success. Pete Fredotovich, Kate Jackson and Everett Van Dyken did an outstanding job as Show Co-Chairs, handling the hundreds of details with grace and expertise, including a last minute judging change. Kitty Kenyon, Chair of our Obedience and Rally events and Laura Monroe chairperson of the Match on Friday evening.

Our ring stewards, Bill Labiak, Sue Dubie-Holbrook, Kitty Kenyon, Tom Holbrook and Randy Valentine kept the rings running smoothly. And a special thank you goes out to Mabel Labiak who kept all our judges happy and well looked after.

Laura Craig for her work as chair of the raffle, the prizes were impressive and her mighty band of helpers managed to keep anything from blowing into the lake on Sunday. A huge Thank you to Bree Williams, for all her help at the raffle, hospitality and welcome table, she seems to be able to be in 3 places at the same time.

Pete Fredotovich made sure we all had wonderful munchies and coffee to get us going in the morning. Terry Toops, and Barbara Moffet as co-chairs of the welcome committee put together some very nice items for our exhibitor's welcome bags and Mick Galvin kept the sound system up and running .

Thanks also to the following folks who helped out, selling raffle tickets, handing out welcome bags, answering questions and pitching in where and when it was needed. Tom Hawkes, Kate Jackson, Mick Galvin, Timmi Williams, Bari Costello, Renee Broden, Shannon Rich, Linda Lauremann, Kim Holcombe, Pat Dousman, Jenny Kenton, Katherine and Conley Netser and Paul Picciau.

If I have overlooked anyone please accept my apologies, and know that your efforts were appreciated.

Nancy Hawkes
President GDCNC

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GDCNC Specialty Results

Saturday:

Sweepstakes

Judge Sharon Sakson

BISW - Daynakin's Stairway to Heaven

BOSW - Daynakin's Soulja Boy

Conformation

Judge Carmen Battaglia

4 points dogs; 5 points bitches

BOB - Ch Bayside Just Another Day In Paradise

BOS - Ch Divine Acres Sugar & Spice Girl

AOM - Ch Bayside Lore's Just The Way You Are

AOM - Ch Daynakin's Quiet Spirit At Bricarlo

WD/BW - Danemark's Royal Affair V Aldawn

WB - Bignutt's Wild Irish Thyme Of Magnus

RWD - Mercerwood's Boston White Socks

RWB - Four D's Ms Diamond

Best Puppy - Lazy U's Livin' For The City

Best BBE - Daynakin's Soulja Boy

Best Veteran - Ch Aldawn's I'm The Intruder



GDCNC Specialty Results

Sunday:

Sweepstakes Judge Jo Kurtz

BISW - Mercerwood's Boston White Socks

BOSW - Ellenni's Show Me The Money, Honey!

Conformation Judge Carmen Battaglia

4 points dogs; 5 points bitches

BOB - Ch Double D Daynakin Party Brew

BOS - Ch Bayside Lore's Just The Way You Are

AOM - Ch Daynakin's No It All V Paradise

AOM - Ch Bayside Just Another Day In Paradise

WD/BW - Mercerwood's Boston White Socks

WB - Stiegerhill Shasta Montcalms

RWD - Double D No More Mr Ice Guy

RWB - Valinor's Isis Rocks The River

Best Puppy - Daynakin's Stairway To Heaven

Best BBE - Daynakin's Soulja Boy

Best Veteran - Ch Aldawn's I'm The Intruder

Best Junior Handler - Dakota Smith handling Double D Daynakin Fools Gold RN

A Message from our Show Chairman, Pete Fredotovich

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK

Well another specialty weekend is in the books and as show chair for the first time it is very important to me I to take this time to say thank you to everyone who helped and worked so hard to make our 2010 specialty weekend a **HUGE** success. Mother Nature at times made it a challenge to put this show together but she could not stop the members of GDCNC and our supporters. No matter whom the judge pointed to for the win a tremendous amount of time and effort is put forth putting on this show. So much time and effort is spent well before show time by our members I just want you to know it was very much appreciated. I asked your forgiveness in advance if I omitted any one by name; Give yourself a **Big Pat on the Back!**
THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

I want to thank Ceil, Dana and Everett for their time inventorying and organizing the trailer before show which produced a cost saving for our club by not over purchasing or duplicating items in stock.

Thank you Nancy, Tom, Bari, Ceil, Dana, Jenny, Ann, Chuck and others for your help, food and support with the after show set up HOT DOG BBQ which it appears everyone enjoyed.

Big Kudos's to Nancy & Tom Hawkes, Bari Costello and Cliff Hawkes for the tasty lunches and a bountiful Saturday BBQ dinner. This is always a time consuming task but Nancy and Tom pulled it off (GREAT JOB). Nancy and Tom were multi-tasking for the three days of the show where help was needed. The Hospitality table was also among the tasks Nancy and Tom assisted and Nancy's idea of a donation drawing for hospitality was a success. While we are talking about food thanks to all the members who brought a dessert and food dish for the BBQ dinner Saturday night. By the attendance and the positive comments I received, I think it was successful.

The Clubs unique welcome bags organized by the dynamic duo of Terry Toops and Barbara Moffett were filled with a multitude of items. The stuffing and hand out efforts were assisted by Nancy & Tom Hawkes and Cliff Hawkes. Bari Costello tastefully provided our club gifts for the judges which were stylishly wrapped with card attached.

What a great job by our raffle chairperson Laura Craig (toy person) and her staff Denise Williams, Bree Williams (Miss Go to Girl), Nancy, Ceil, Everett, Timmi and many others whom provided all the prep work and had their hands full just keeping the raffle items on the tables and the tickets in the bags. Winds provided by Mother Nature wanted to fly items in the lake, on the ground or anywhere else but on the tables. Big Thanks to all the members who donated items or time for the raffle. This also was our first year for a silent auction chaired by the incomparable Jane Chopson assisted by Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau. This group also endured the same adverse weather conditions. However they too prevailed and had a

successful auction in spite of Mother Nature. You all deserve the Club's Medal of Effort.
(Thank You Jane for the help you provide in my time of need with the judges)

The rally and obedience events again were a success due to the fixed leadership of Kitty Kenyon and her steadfast group including Tom Holbrook and Randy Valentine. The ring stewarding for conformation as always was outstanding and steady in the hands of Bill Labiak and Sue Dubie-Holbrook. Mabel Labiak hit a Home Run as judge liaison, organizing the judge's transportation, correspondents, meals, tours of the facility and anything else they needed. Special thanks to Cliff Hawks (The Ever Ready Rabbit) assisting with transporting the judges and all the other tasks he performed.

Thank you Laura Munro and her staff (not sure of names) for making our Friday match another success in a long line of successes. I must thank Assistant Chair ("Mr. Show") and my mentor Everett Van Dyken for stepping up in my time of need in the past months for his patience, support and efforts making this show a success. And my immeasurable gratitude to Assistant Chair Kate (Detail Person) Jackson without her expertise at detail our show literature might not be worth reading. Trophy Chair Kathryn Nester who was asked late the game to chair trophies for all her time and efforts spent on trophies, toys, and ring lay out Thank You. Many Thanks to all the other committee chairpersons: Conley Nester (Grounds), Mick Galvin (The Sound Man), Denise Williams (Challenge Trophies) and any I might not have mentioned. What a wonderful job by all of you and in doing so made my job so much easier.

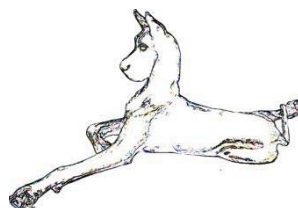
We had a great turnout for setting up of the show on Friday. Despite the windy conditions which made setting up a real challenge for humans, equipment and dogs the work began. The team work displayed by our members and supporters working together was a sight to behold. But my heartfelt thanks go to those who stayed after the show to help. I know though tired and tested by the elements they knew the real effort laid ahead and yet they stayed tearing down and packing the equipment was truly great. Special thanks to these brave souls, you are the best: Conley, Kathryn, Ceil, Dana, John, Kate, Mick, Kevin, Tom, Denise, Bree, Brittany, Chuck, Ann, Nancy, Tom, Cliff, Jan, Everett, Paul, John, Jenny, Terry and the others (worn out at the time) I might have omitted.

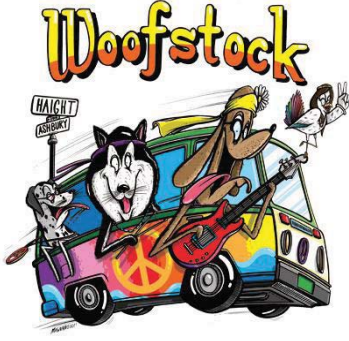
After a few weeks rest I think we should do it again next year!

Many thanks again,

Pete Fredotovich

GDCNC Show Chair/Vice President





WOOFSTOCK HEALTH CLINICS

As a service to our exhibitors, we are proud to offer
the following clinics:

PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY!

ALL-BREED CARDIOLOGY CLINIC

Sunday, June 13, 2010

Certification for absence of congenital heart disease may be performed on dogs one year of age or older. **Dr. Brian MacKie, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology)** will be performing the tests from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Cost: \$40.00 for auscultation and \$150.00 for echocardiogram. Auscultations will be scheduled in the morning with echocardiograms in the afternoon. We encourage you to pre-register as these clinics are very popular. OFA cardiac forms will be available or you can download/complete the OFA Cardiac form and bring the completed form to the clinic. Please bring a copy of your animal's AKC registration as well as microchip/tattoo information. Owners must submit the results to OFA for a small fee to obtain their dog's OFA number. **Reservations must be received by Friday June 4, 2010.** For reservations or additional information please contact Robin Remondi at robincrest@mindspring.com.

CERF CLINIC

Saturday, June 12, 2010

Dr. Dennis V Hacker DVM (a board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist) will be available from 8:30am – 3:00pm to perform eye examinations to detect inherited eye diseases such as cataracts, progressive retinal atrophy (PRA) and retinal dysplasia. The examination is quick and painless and is required for registration by the Canine Eye Registry Foundation (CERF). Annual examination is recommended for all dogs that are involved in a breeding program.

As eye drops are applied to dilate the pupils, it is recommended that the examination be performed after the dog has completed judging. The effect of the eye drops lasts approximately 3 hours. The cost of the examination is \$30.00 per dog. Please bring your animal's AKC registration number, and birth date with you for identification on the examination form. Also, please note microchip number and tattoo information is required as evidence of permanent identification.

BAER CLINIC

Sunday, June 13, 2010

D. Colette Williams, PhD candidate, University of CA Davis, with 28 years of experience in electrophysiology at the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital; Adjunct Assistant Professor of Neurology at University of Pennsylvania; Veterinary Electro diagnostic Consultant for Purdue, Texas A & M, Virginia Tech and the University of Missouri, Colombia will be available from **10:00am – 3:00pm** to perform BAER (Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response) testing. This is the only accepted meter diagnosis for hearing loss. The test is painless and without sedation. Dogs must be at least 35 days old to have the test be OFA acceptable. One test suffices for the lifetime of the animal. **Cost: \$50.00 per dog** on a first come first served basis, **pre-registration is encouraged**. For registration in the OFA Congenital Deafness database, please complete paperwork, including all AKC information, in advance. Form available at: <http://www.offa.org/deafappbw.pdf>. For pre-registration and/or questions please contact: dcwilliams@ucdavis.edu

MeetingMinutes *March 20, 2010*

The meeting was called to order March 20, 2010, at 11:07 a.m. by Pete Fredotovich. In attendance were officers and board members Pete Fredotovich, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Sue Dubie-Holbrook, Terry Toops, Ceil Wardner, Jenny Kenton and Denise Williams. Nancy Hawkes, Everett Van Dyken, Jane Chopson, and Pat Dousman were excused.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS—No guests

MINUTES—On a motion by Bill Labiak, seconded by Terry Toops, the minutes of February 13, 2010 were approved as presented. Passed.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS— gift amount for judges sweeps judge for Richmond

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE—Vice President Pete Fredotovich thanked everyone for their extra efforts while he is taking care of personal medical issues at home.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT—Nothing to report

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill Labiak reviewed the financial report for February 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Membership: On a motion by Bill Labiak, seconded by Terry Toops, the Board voted to accept Brenda Howard as a new member. Passed.

b) Show: Pete Fredotovich reported that:

- there is progress being made on dinners and parking permits
- no RVs to arrive on the property before 2:00 p.m.
- do not arrive before noon to help with set up
- discussed logistics for BBQ
- hospitality from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.?
- maybe every dollar given to hospitality gets 1 raffle ticket?
- there will be a sign-up sheet/schedule for hospitality and raffle
- email Nancy Hawkes with the dessert item you plan to bring for the BBQ
- there will be a hotdog BBQ on Friday
- trophies are good
- toys are under control
- flyers for welcome bags include 1) No on 250 and 2) Pet Owner's Bill of Rights

NEW BUSINESS

a) Adding a link to West Coast Mastiff and Large Breed Rescue: The Board agreed to table a decision about adding a link to the West Coast Mastiff and Large Breed Rescue to the GDCNC web site until a later meeting when more members are available to give input.

b) Mandatory Spay/Neuter in Florida: Jenny Kenton reported that she researched the topic of mandatory spay/neuter in Florida and found that there is no such program at this time.

c) Judges' Gifts: Pete Fredotovich made a motion, seconded by Bill Labiak, to authorize Bari Costello to purchase gifts for judges for the GDCNC Specialty at a cost of \$20 each. Discussion ensued regarding GDCNC logo items. Passed.

d) Sweeps Judge at Richmond: Ceil Wardner requested suggestions for a gift for the Sweeps Judge at Richmond. Denise Williams suggested candles.

2010 MEETING SCHEDULE (*and other pertinent events*)

April 30, May 1–2 Specialty

June 26 at 11:00 a.m. Royce Farms *9:30 a.m. Finance Committee meeting*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Mabel Labiak, Recording Secretary



Litterbox

Pat Gurtner & Priscilla Chabal (Coleridge) had a Baker's Dozen of blue puppies.

Dad is Elvis (Caeruleus Coleridge The King) and Mom is Sarah (Coleridge's Gift From Heaven.) Puppies have found wonderful homes all over the country. One beautiful show girl - appropriately named Kim Kardashian - is still waiting for the perfect home.



GDCNC Silent Auction 2010

Donators and Winners

Print of Dane and Bottle (Jane Chopson donation)
Melissa Pevy

Great Dane Statute (St. Bernard people donation)
Kim Cross

Dane bed (Cindy Harwin donation)
Everett Van Dyken

“Glitter” Shirt (Denise Matulich donation)
Ceil Wardner

“Live Large” framed poster (Kate Jackson donation)
Bob Purdy

Great Dane Statute (WWGDC donation)
Diane Collings

Fused glass plate (Wildfire Fusions donation)
Lorrie Spencer

Soft crate (Top Shelf Great Danes donation)
Elizabeth Schneider

Rhinestone collar (Collars by Kate donation)
Elizabeth Schneider

Metal food stand (Glenn/Lorraine Matherly donation)
Sheila Sammons

Great Dane statute (Jane Chopson donation)
Sheila Sammons

Glitter” Shirt (Denise Matulich donation)
Dr. Cindy Hurley

The Marmaduke Movie Educational Effort

Many Dane fanciers have expressed concern about the publicity Great Danes will receive from the release of the "Marmaduke" movie, scheduled for release on June 4th, 2010. Some feel the movie will have a detrimental effect on the breed. The worry is twofold—people may impulse-purchase a Dane without fully researching whether the breed is appropriate for their lifestyle (and pocketbook), and less-than-scrupulous breeders will take advantage of the free breed publicity and mass produce "little Marmaduke" puppies.

Instead of focusing on any possible negative aspects the movie may have on the breed, one could consider this as an educational effort, and a great way to get information out about the breed to the general public. Whether as an individual, rescue group or Dane club, YOU can help provide information and education on the Great Dane breed.

There are many ways this can be done. Below is basic outline of ideas that might be used.

Education at the movie theater with or without a dog

- As soon as possible, contact your local movie theater manager and ask about the possibility of having a table in the lobby or outside the entrance. Have at least two people available to answer questions and pass out literature. If you are allowed to bring a dog, be sure he or she has the temperament to deal with crowds of children.
- Suggestions for props at the table:
 - Bring two empty 40 lb bags of dog food stuffed with newspaper to show how much they eat.
 - Have a couple of empty pill bottles, one Dane size and one for a small dog along with a print out of the difference in costs for even routine things at the vet.
 - Bring a few destroyed items to show the damage a Dane can do. You may also download the "Danes of Destruction" poster from <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MarmadukeMovieEducationalEffort>.
 - Also available on the site is a handout "Safety With Dogs", giving instruction on the proper way to greet dogs. While this is geared more for distribution at a dog show, it may be helpful as a handout.

Be "out there"

- Clubs and rescues might want to consider posting their website address at online sites such as Craigslist. A simple sentence: "Did you enjoy the Marmaduke movie? Are you considering adding a Dane to your household? Be informed

before you buy!" Contact (insert info) for information on Great Danes to help you find out if this is the right breed for you.

- Contact your local radio and/or TV station and see if they would be interested in doing an interview with a Dane-savvy person.
- Post information contact cards at local pets stores, veterinarians offices, groomers, boarding kennels, dog parks and other doggy places.
- Contact your local kennel club and ask if you can have an informational table out during Dane judging. Publicize the event in your local paper and online classifieds.
- If you are involved in the educational field, you may want to see if you can do a presentation, with or without a dog.

Literature to consider

- "Discover The Great Dane", by the Great Dane Club of New England and offered by the Great Dane Club of America for educational purposes is an excellent booklet, very nicely done. There is no charge for the booklets (just reimburse for postage). Booklets can be obtained by contacting Dianne Powers at diannepowers@comcast.net.
- Many sites have excellent literature that can be printed off and used. Sights to check out include:
 - www.gdca.org Great Dane Club of America
 - www.daneoutreach.org Dane Outreach

Resource site

- A yahoo group site, "Marmaduke Movie Educational Effort" has been set up. Anyone may join and this site will allow people to download educational information that can then be printed for distribution as handouts. Anyone can join this group without moderator permission, but it does not allow for discussion. To join, go to:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MarmadukeMovieEducationalEffort>. If you have educational literature you would like to add, please email the moderator at MarmadukeMovieEducationalEffort@yahoogroups.com after joining the group.
Please be sure to visit the files section for literature ideas.
- You might want to add a link to your site:
 - <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MarmadukeMovieEducationalEffort>

WELCOME NEW CLUB MEMBER!!

Brenda Howard

Sponsored by Denise Williams & Laura Craig

Memorial

Ch. Sherons Betty D Grandy ROM AOM "Betty"

May 18th 2000 to May 7th 2010

Today we helped our Betty cross over, she has been telling us it is time for a while and we no longer could ignore her request.

Betty was our second great dane and our first show doggie. She is the foundation for KC Danes and has left behind her legacy. She opened a door for us and changed our lives forever. Because of Betty, we have met many wonderful people and made many new friends.

We love her dearly and she will be sorely missed.

Go play with your big boy sweet Betty.

Financial Report *February 2010*

Beginning Checking: \$\$\$\$\$\$

Ending Checking: \$\$\$\$\$\$

Beginning CD: \$\$\$\$\$\$

Ending CD: \$\$\$\$\$\$

Mark your calendar!

June 26th

Meeting : 11am

Royce Farms

9:30am Finance Committee meeting.

The Winners Circle

More wins for Justin!!

Coleridge has been honored with a prestigious win under Breeder/Judge Mr. Eddie Lyons Jr. The only black to be bestowed with the Coleridge name was awarded Best of Breed and Group One under this respected judge in May 2010. He is co-owned by Danna Paine, Pat & Priscilla. And always owner handled by Danna.

Team Justin continues to blow us away!

MBISS CAN / MBIS Intl / MBIS UKC / BISS AM Ch. Coleridge's Just Doin' It In Black A.O.M.(3x), CGC

Sean "BIS Int. Ch. BISS Am.Ch. Bayside Just Another Day In Paradise"

owned by Joan and Vince Mulligan went BOB at the Sacramento Dog Shows both days as always owner handled by Vince. He then went on to take a BISS at the Great Dane Club of Northern California. The next day he took an Award of Merit along with his half sister Nellie. It was a great weekend. As of May 1, 2010, Sean is ranked #12 in the Top 20.

<http://www.paradisegreatdanes..com>

Another champion for Bella (Kenyon Echo Dance in the Dark) !!

She has her fourth champion as of April at Las Vegas. He is Stanley (Echo's Stanley Cup Runneth Over). Congratulations to his owners Norri and Warren Hennigan.

Destiny Great Danes Is Proud to Share the following news:

Maverick (Destiny's One Kool Kat) Takes a 4 point major at the Katchina KC Under Judge Nancy Liebes.

After a string of Reserves Mia (Destiny's Pocketful of Miracles) took her turn winning:

WB/BW/BOS under Judge Mrs. Donna J. Buxton at the Sierra Tuolumne KC

WB/BOS under Judge Mrs. Margaret "Maggie" Alhino at the Camellia Capital

KC. Mia also earned her UKC Champion title taking 5 Best of Breed wins, along with a group 2, two group 3, and a group 4.

Summer (Destiny's Some Like It Hot) continues to bring the heat Taking:

WB/BOS at the Santa Cruz KC under Judge Robert Ennis

WB at the Oakland KC under Judge Dr. John Reeve-Newson

RWB at the Chief Salono KC Under Judge Robert Forsyth

News from Olympus :

"Apollo" (BIS UKC Puppy/Nat'l/Int'l Puppy Ch. Olympus' Chariot Of Fire) won Winners Dog, for 1 pt., under Mr. Donald Gill at the Kings Kennel Club show.

Apollo is now looking for that last major to finish.

Owned by Denise & Brittany Williams, Terry Toops and Mel Eso.

Bred by Mel Eso. Out of "Atlas" (MBISS Am/Int'l CH. Olympus' Pillar Of The Heavens and "Char" (AM/UKC CH. Danosaur's Charlotte v WCK.



2010 GDCNC Board and Officers

The 2010 GDCNC Officers & Board were elected at the club's Annual Meeting in January.

Note in parentheses following each name is the expiration year of the person's term.

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