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GDCNC Barker

The Newsletter of Great Dane Club of Northern California

www.greatdaneclub.org

2005 Specialties: Two Thumbs Way Up

Showdanes (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/showdanes/>) is one of the most popular Internet groups for Great Dane fanciers worldwide. After our very successful Specialty shows, Georgia Hymmen of Daynakin Great Danes shared this with showdanes members:

First, I want to say what a lovely job the Great Dane Club of Northern California does in putting on specialty shows. They hold back-to-back specialties at the lovely Sycamore Lane Kennels in Lodi. As you enter the venue, you go down a lane lined on both sides with sycamore trees, white picket fences, sculptured box hedges and lovely rose bushes in full bloom. Fields on the perimeter of the grounds abound with cherry trees and grape vines.

The ring area is on thick, wonderfully-maintained grass inside a chain link fenced area. The whole facility is spotless – but most of all, the club members are gracious, friendly and just plain do a great job of putting on a show. Each entrant received a gift bag, spit cloth and other goodies. In the AM, coffee, donuts and bottled water was available to exhibitors and spectators. They offer a meal plan so you do not have to leave the grounds for lunches and dinner. The dinner was BBQ, there was a great auction, and even the weather was great! Definitely a show to go to!

See Results & Pictures at www.greatdaneclub.org



Complete Specialty results – and LOTS of pictures – are online at our clubsite: www.greatdaneclub.org. Here's what Bob Frank of DX Harlequin Great Danes about our Specialty pages:

The results of your efforts to capture show results are by far the best I have ever seen. For us out here on the East coast it is so helpful to put a picture with a name. Your dub should be very proud of your hard work!

GDCNC Generosity Recognized

This appears on the GDCA homepage at www.gdca.org:

The Great Dane Club of Northern California held an auction during their back to back specialties on April 30 and May 1st and the membership decided to donate all of the proceeds to the Charitable Trust. The total amount of \$8230.00 will help in education, health grants and rescue.

To the Great Dane Club of Northern California and all of its members and to the participants in the auction, **THANK YOU** for honoring our Breed.

Big Thanks From the President

Dear Dane Friends,

Congratulations to all of this year's winners at the GDCNC Back-to-Back Specialty Shows – and many thanks to the people that made our shows a huge success! Thank you, Show Chair Everett Van Dyken for a well-planned event. Even though a few curve balls got thrown your way at the last minute, you pulled through with flying colors. Great job! Thank you Assistant Show Chair Kate Jackson for all your help and for putting on a very successful match after setup on Friday.

Thank you, Bill Labiak and Laura Munro for the great job of stewarding the conformation ring – and thanks also to Tom and Sue Holbrook for ring stewarding Obedience. Good work! I would also like to thank Mabel Labiak for her help as Judges Liaison. Thanks to Conley Netser for overseeing the grounds set up and to all who helped: Dana Wardner, Paul Picciau, Pete Sorensen, Ed Grimaldi, John Ellison, Tim Sutherland, Alison Paxton, Mick Galvin, Kate Jackson, Laura Munro, Kathleen Davis, Elizabeth Artle and Jim Curnutt. Bill & Mabel Labiak, the trophy table looked beautiful! Ceil Wardner and Jenny Kenton, the dining area looked great! None of this could have been done without all of your help.

Big thanks to Pete Fredotovich for taking care of hospitality (what would we do without that coffee and the great pastries in the morning!) and Donnell Giambastiani for the beautiful welcome bags. Thank you, Everett & Ann, for making all the lunch and dinner arrangements. Special thanks to Jane Chopson for her outstanding job as Madame Auctioneer – what a huge success the auction was, not to mention a ton of fun!

Thank you, Bob and Mary Ann Pors, for your generous donations to the auction and raffle. Thanks also to Jane Chopson for her generous auction donations and to all members who so generously donated items for the auction and raffle and participated in all the fun. Thank you Lorraine Matherly and Dale Bassano for handling the raffle items and ticket sales – great job! Thanks go to Conley Netser and Ceil Wardner for their hard work on the beautiful Dane planter boxes and table decorations and to Kathleen Davis and Elizabeth Artle for the fabulous palm trees – people are still talking about them! Pamela Preston did an outstanding job on this year's catalog, in spite of her computer crashing at the last minute – thank you, Pamela! And thank you, Kate, for your expert eye reviewing the catalog.

Many thanks to our Show Secretary Gay Bunnell and to this year's judges: Lois Seibak, Obedience; Shalein Bonney, Sweepstakes; Susan Yotiv, Conformation on Saturday; M.J. Cohen, Conformation on Sunday. And thank you, Vickie Cook, for your time and the outstanding photography.

This year's "Louise Peterson" trophies have set a standard for our club for many years to come. Thank you, Everett, for working with Louise on these – they are absolutely beautiful and will always be recognized in connection with the Great Dane Club of Northern California.

We have received numerous compliments on the beautiful show grounds, hospitality, the welcome bags, dinner, fun auction and the great time had by many. It was great to see so many of you stay to help tear everything down and clean up the grounds, load the trailer, etc. It went very quickly and because so many pitched in, we were all able to leave at a decent time. Thank you all for your help! I hope I didn't leave anyone out – if I did it was purely unintentional (blame it on post-specialty show fatigue). Without your involvement, this event would not have been the huge success it was.

Again, many thanks to all of you for your participation!

And now for a bit of new business

- ❖ A draft of the Club's bylaws was handed out to club members at the Specialty. If you did not receive a copy, one will be mailed to you.
- ❖ Everett Van Dyken has been appointed Show Chair for our 2006 Specialty Shows; Kate Jackson and myself are the Assistant Show Chairs.
- ❖ The next meeting will be held on July 23, 2005 at 11:00 at Royce Farms Restaurant in Stockton. I look forward to seeing you there!
- ❖ A final note to those of you attending this year's National in Chandler, Arizona: As part of the Western Division, host of this year's National, we as GDCNC members need to provide our support! Volunteers are needed to help with the raffle and hospitality rooms. Details about the National and how you can help are on the next page.

Your Humble President,
Kathryn Netser

2005 National The Western Division Needs You!

Hi, Everyone!

As most of you already know, the Western Division of the GDCA is hosting the 2005 National in Chandler, Arizona from October 16th through 21st. Putting on a National is exceedingly hard work – but it's definitely worth it! Our dub is part of the Western Division and because of that we will share in its success. We must also share in the work of putting on what promises to be a fabulous National! We need volunteers to help with both the Raffle Room and the Hospitality Suite. The schedule is posted below; the times that have been assigned to our dub are highlighted. All we really need is an hour or two of help from each of you to fulfill our obligation. If you're planning on attending, please be generous with your time by signing up for an hour or two. Call me at (925) 831-6172 or email me at bellemarc@sbcglobal.net — I can almost guarantee you that this will be fun!!!

We also need funds to pay for the beautiful Virginia Perry Gardiner trophies that make winning or placing at a National so special. Please either contact me directly or go to www.gdca.org and download the trophy donation form. Please complete the form and send it to me with either your check or credit card number. Any amount will be very much appreciated.

Thanks!

Lucretia Marcus, GDCNC Western Division Rep and Trophy Donations Chair

2005 National Hosted by The Western Division Schedule of Events

Saturday October 15	Sunday October 16	Monday October 17	Tuesday October 18	Wednesday October 19	Thursday October 20	Friday October 21
GDCAZ Specialty	Futurity Rally I, II Judging Agility Seminar	Futurity Obedience	Agility Golf Day	Conformation Dog Judging Veteran Dog	Conformation Bitch Judging Veteran Bitch	Juniors Best Puppy Stud Dog Brood Bitch Veterans
<i>Morning Hospitality Schedule - Welcome Room</i>						
	GDCC 7:00 – 10:00	GDCSD 7:00 – 10:00	GDC Tucson 7:00 – 10:00	GDCNC 7:00 – 10:00	GDCLV 7:00 – 10:00	GDCAZ 7:00 – 10:00
<i>Raffle Room and Afternoon Hospitality</i>						
	GDCAZ 10:00 – 12:30	GDCLV 10:00 – 12:30	GDC Hawaii 10:00 – 12:30	GDCC 10:00 – 12:30	GDCWV 10:00 – 12:30	8:00 – 11:00 <i>Closed for Drawing</i>
	GDCSD 12:30 – 3:00	GDCNC 12:30 – 3:00	GDCSD 12:30 – 3:00	GDC Mat-Su 12:30 – 3:00	GDC Tucson 12:30 – 3:00	Open for Review and Pickup
	GDCNC 3:00 – 5:00	GDC Tucson 3:00 – 5:00	GDCC 3:00 – 5:00	GDCMB 3:00 – 5:00	GDCAZ 3:00 – 5:00	
Welcome Party	Free Night	Futurity Dinner	Top Twenty	Theme Night	Auction	Awards Dinner

Meeting Minutes: May 14, 2005

The meeting was called to order on May 14, 2005 at 11:35am. Attending the meeting were Officers and Board Members Everett Van Dyken, Timmi Williams, Sue Dubie-Holbrook, Dana Wardner, Ceil Wardner, Kathryn Netser, Conley Netser and Judy Benjamin. Excused were Paul Picciau, Lucretia Marcus, Jane Chopson and Ann English.

The minutes were approved as published.

President's Report

This year's show was very successful. The dub received several complements on the location, hospitality etc.

Specialty Show

- Everett Van Dyken has been appointed Show Chair for 2006 Specialty. Kate Jackson and Kathryn Netser will be Assistant Show Chairs to help out with paperwork and the running of the show.
- We need have available information about the breed and dub membership. Judy Benjamin will supply a crate for this information to go in.
- M/S/P to purchase awards ASAP.
- Contract with Riney (Sycamore Kennels) will be signed for next year.
- The auction took in a little over \$8,000.00 and the money was donated to the GDCA Charitable Trust. There will be additional discussion later as to donating only a percentage of the money from next year's auction.

2005 National

- GDCNC's participation at the National was discussed. Volunteers are needed; contact Lucretia Marcus and more info will be posted in the Barker.
- Dana will mail a check to Lucretia for the Trophy donation from the GDCNC.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

- AKC Specialty Approval
- Thank you letters from Eva Robinson and from Colleen and Betty for money to rescue.
- AKC - alert on ear cropping legislation in California.

Treasurer's Report

Account balance detail is available to members on request.

Membership

- New application for Nancy and Tom Hawkes. Their sponsors are Bari Costello and Laura Munro.
- Laura Craig was voted in as a new member.
- The board approved Sherry Wood to renew her membership without going through the whole application process again.

Education

Contact Sandy Schneider to conduct a Rally clinic, and set up date for health clinic.

Unfinished Business

- M/S/P for a Trailer Committee; members are Dana Wardner, Everett Van Dyken and Conley Netser. They are to investigate the sale of the old trailer to the spaniel club for \$2,000.00 and check the price for the new trailer without a trade-in.
- Copies of the Bylaws were distributed to members at the Specialty Show. Those who did not receive a copy will receive copies in the mail within the next few weeks.
- A standing rule was previously established in regards to judge selections for the specialty shows (this was discussed). Everett is working on the previously established standing rules binder and should have it completed soon.

New Business

Clinics in obedience, rally and health were discussed.

The next meeting will be on July 23, 2005 at Royce Farms at 11:00am. The meeting was adjourned at 12:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Timmi Williams
Recording Secretary

What is a Title Really?

"Not just a brag. Not just a stepping stone to a higher title. Not just an adjunct to competitive scores.

"A Title is a tribute to the dog that bears it, a way to honor that dog, an ultimate memorial. It will remain in the record and in the memory for about as long as anything in this world can remain. Few humans will do as well or better in that regard. And though the dog himself doesn't know or care that his achievements have been noted, a Title says many things in the world of humans, where such things count.

"A title says your dog was intelligent, and adaptable, and good-natured. It says that your dog loved you enough to do the things that please you, however crazy they may have sometimes seemed.

"And a Title says that you loved your dog, that you loved to spend time with him because he was a good dog, and that you believed in him enough to give him yet another chance when he failed (or you...), and that in the end your faith was justified.

"A Title proves that your dog inspired you to have the special relationship enjoyed by so few; that in a world of disposable creatures, this dog with a Title was greatly loved, and loved greatly in return. And when that dear short life is over, the Title remains as a memorial of the finest kind, the best you can give to a deserving friend, volumes of praise in one small set of initials before or after the name.

"A Title is nothing less than love and respect, given and received permanently."

*Sandy Mowrey
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*"Coach brought joy to us every minute of his life
and was everything a Great Dane should be."*

BISS CH Alano's Defensive Coordinator, AOM
January 5, 1994 - May 20, 2005
Owned and adored by Lucretia and Steve Marcus



Show Blues Available?

Pat Gurtner may have a show male and female available from the Romeo (CH Coleridge's Romeo True As Steel) x Diva (Coleridge's Steel The Show) litter. Contact Pat at coleridgedane@yahoo.com.

Stud Muffin Donzi Sires Black Six-Pack

California Dreaming Great Danes proudly announces the arrival of SIX black bundles of joy! The 2006 Futurity nominated litter was born June 12th to Jade (Can/UKC GR Ch. Hauerdane's Lucky "N" Love, CGC) and Donzi (CH. Daynakin Danelind New Year's Resolution). For more information, please contact Renee Broden at reny4fun@aol.com or 916-765-9186.

Grandma Boasts Litter of 10

Proud Grandma Barbara Moffet wants to share some very exciting news from Suzanne Kelley in Boston! CH Allegro Strauss, CGC and CH Mydane Allegro Stella By Starlight, CGC proudly announce the birth of 10 puppies: 3 brindle boys, 3 fawn boys, and 4 brindle girls. Mom and kids are doing great! Strauss's sire is Barbara's boy, CH Delta Breeze Life of Riley and is out of Allegro's Ms Maestro. Stella is Emma's brother. Stella was sired by CH Kativa's Infrared Of Maitau and is out of Mydane's I'm The Cosmic Star.

"Stormy" Litter Arrives

BISS AKC/UKC/Int'l Ch Lagarada's Aspen Gold ("Travis") and Affaire's For Your Eyes Only ("Sara") are pleased to announce Affaire's "Stormy" litter! The 2006 Futurity nominated fawn litter (six bitches and two dogs) was born May 9. Two bitches are available to serious show homes only. See <http://home.surewest.net/daneaffr> for pictures and pedigree info. Contact Laura Munro at daneaffr@surewest.net or 916-721-3767.

Lore Awaits Fourth of July Litter

Great Danes of Lore would like to announce their upcoming Futurity nominated litter! Lola (CH G'Nhythane's La Terremotos of Lore) was bred to Rudy (BISS CH My-Jon's Valentino of Riverlore). Rudy is a Great Dane Club of America Award of Merit winner. Fawns and brindles expected, ultrasound confirmed. Due on or about the 4th of July!



FINANCIAL REPORT

Account balance detail
is available to
members on request

Membership Update

GDCNC Welcomes New Members
Laura Craig and John & Darlene Gregg

Second Publishing:

- ♦ Christine McNally
Sponsored by Everett Van Dyken, Terry Toops and Donnell Giambastiani
- ♦ Sheri Thomas
Sponsored by Denise Williams and Lucretia Marcus
- ♦ Brittany Williams
Sponsored by Denise Terry Toops and Kathryn Netser

First Publishing:

- ♦ Nancy and Tom Hawkes
Sponsored by Bari Costello and Laura Munro

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Good Weekend for Coleridge Blues At Hangtown

The Hangtown KC shows were good ones for Pat Gurtner and Coleridge Blues! Romeo (CH Coleridge's Romeo True As Steel) went Best of Breed both days by judges Thomas Tracy and Dany Canino. Ms. Canino also recognized Coleridge's Blue Mys Tori, awarding her Winners Bitch. And if wins in the Great Dane ring weren't enough, Pat's Boston Terrier also took BOB honors!



Meribell Wins BIG Specialty Major

It is with great pride that Gail and Richard Hunt announce that their Meribell (Sandy Oaks Mardigras Meribell) was awarded a 5-point Specialty Major going Winners Bitch and Best of Winners at the GDCNC show! Ms. Meribell is very pleased, referring now to herself as 'Queen of Quite a Bit.' One more major, and she becomes "Queen of Everything!" Thanks to Georgia Hymmen and Lorraine Matherly for their handling – and much appreciation to the wonderful and highly esteemed judge Susan Yotive. As a family, the Hunts are delighted and so appreciative of this fabulous example of team work!

Oscar's Boy Does Dad Proud

Oscar (BISS Am/Can CH Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset) and Lola's (CH G'NHydane's La Terremotos of Lore) son Monte (Lore's Invaluable Asset) was Best Puppy in Specialty at the Great Dane Club of San Diego show on May 20, 2005! The next day he was RWD and the third day, he was WD!!!! Monte is owned by Nancy O'Connor, handled by Jane Chopson, and was co-bred by Lorraine Matherly and Jane Chopson. Oscar is the sire of multiple champion (one a BISS CH) and pointed get.

Just FOUR Singles to Go

Charlie and owner-breeder-handler Terri Hammond have been tearing up the show rings lately. While we're not seeing them at every show every weekend, we're finding them posing for win pics almost every time they do show! Charlie (Tered's Confidential Affair) picked up a single going WD and BOW under Frandel Brown at the Coyote Hills show last month. And then, to make his people extra proud (not to mention *thrilled* to now have both majors out of the way), Charlie was Judge Michele Billings' Winners Dog and Best of Winners in Carson City for a three-point major! These recent wins bring Charlie's point count to ELEVEN!



Bacon Bites

6 slices cooked bacon, crumbled
4 eggs, well beaten
1/8 cup bacon fat
1 cup water
1/2 cup non-fat dry milk powder
2 cup graham flour
2 cup wheat germ
1/2 cup cornmeal

Mix ingredients with a strong spoon; drop heaping teaspoons onto a greased baking sheet. Bake in a 350 oven for 15 minutes. Turn off oven and leave cookies on baking sheet in the oven overnight to dry out.

What's Cookin'?



Bad Breath Banishers

2 cups brown rice flour
1 Tablespoon activated charcoal (find this at drugstores, not the briquettes!)
3 Tablespoons canola oil
1 egg
1/2 cup chopped fresh mint
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
2/3 cup lowfat milk

Preheat oven to 400F. Lightly oil a cookie sheet. Combine flour and charcoal. Add all the other ingredients. Drop teaspoonfuls on oiled pan, about 1 inch apart. Bake 15-20 minutes. Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.

Braggs!!!



Major Win for Michael

At the Beehive Cluster in Utah, Blanton's Friendly Persuasion (CH Bridanes Randy Dandy Von Rasaec X Blanton's Litl Bit Country) was awarded Winners Dog by Patricia Laurans for a three-point major. Michael was bred by and is owned by Kim & Dannie Blanton, and is always owner-handled by Kim. Congrats to Kim and Michael!

Patrick Shines in Woodland

Judge Monika Pinsker awarded Leahy's Patrick Winners Dog and Best Bred By Exhibitor at the Camellia Capital Kennel Club show on Sunday, 05/15/2005. Patrick (CH Fireside's Batting A Thousand x CH Sunnyside's Holland Leahy) was bred by and is owned by Colleen and Ron Spears. Natural-eared Patrick is always owner-handled by Colleen. CONGRATS!

Another Winner At Mensona

Cpstrn's Let Freedom Ring (CH Fireside's I Got To Be Me x Capstone's Mardi Gras Queen) was Winners Bitch at Saturday's Mensona Kennel Club show under Burton Yamada. The lovely fawn was bred by Lee Perrett, is owned by Allison and Rich Paxton, and is always beautifully Mom-handled by Allison. Nice job!!!

Olympus Boasts New Champion – And More!

Nike finished at just 18 months old garnering all of her points in tough California competition. Nike's brothers "Midas" (Olympus' The Midas Touch) with 12 points and "Atlas" (Olympus' Pillar Of The Heavens) with 11 points are right behind her. The kids were bred by Denise and Brittany Williams and were sired by CH Brislyn's Plain Havoc v Varick out of Int'l CH Olympus' I Am The Acropolis. Needless to say, they've done their people proud! Olympus Great Danes is eternally grateful to Carolyn Richards and Beve Hauer who helped make all of this possible. Big thanks, too, to Auntie Terry Toops who has been there since the day the kids were whelped. Denise is one happy grandma, considering herself very lucky to be among great people ringside to share this with! WOO HOO!!!

To summarize **Nike's** recent wins:

- ❖ WB/BOW/BOS at the Yosemite KC show for 2 points under Kim Meredith-Cavanna
- ❖ WB/BOW/BOS at the Chief Solano KC show for one point under Joan Frailey
- ❖ WB/BOW/BOB (over 3 Specials!!!) for one point at the Mensona KC show under James Polk
- ❖ WB/BOW to **FINISH** at the Camellia Capital KC show under Joan Luna

Atlas, owned by Sherry Wood & Denise Williams and handled by Sherry, has this winning news:

- ❖ WD/BOW/BOS at the Brazos KC show for one point under Harry Smith
- ❖ WD at the Stephenville KC of Texas show for one point under Paula Nykiel

Midas, who is owned by breeders and Peter Fredotovich has accrued these recent wins:

- ❖ WD/BOS – over 2 Specials!!! – at the Mensona KC show for one point under James Polk
- ❖ WD/BOS at Camellia Capital KC for one point under Joan Luna
- ❖ WD/BOS at the Contra Costa KC show for one point under Audrey Lycan

Not to be left out, littermate **Myrriah** (Olympus' The Enchantress) is doing some nice winning as well.

- ❖ WB/BOW at the Coyote Hills KC show for one point under Sharon Weston

Myrriah is owned by Sue Dubie-Holbrook & Denise Williams.

With the exception of Atlas the Texan, the Olympus crew is all handled by Team Olympus (i.e., breeders Denise and Brittany Williams). Congrats, Ladies!!!

The Stages of Canine Pregnancy

Canine pregnancy lasts nine weeks and then you have approximately 8 weeks of rearing to do. I have identified and defined the several stages we go through in this process:

Week One: Was he the right one? Typified by agonizing over whether you chose the right stud.

Week Two: Was she fertile? Indicated by mildly threatening thoughts directed at your bitch and concern about wasted \$\$\$.

Week Three: Oh lord, we missed her! Stupid sterile stud dog!

Week Four: Vet appointments fix everything. You schedule a vet visit for a sonogram and wake up the morning of the planned test to discover she looks like she ate a watermelon!

Week Five: Not enough food in the world to feed this bitch...

Week Six: Oh lord she's lost some babies! (When really she has just moved them around a bit and now she is hanging down more than spread out like a watermelon...)

Week Seven: Dreams of glory featuring puppies with the best parts of both parents.

Week Eight: Nightmares of disaster featuring puppies that look like the neighbor's dog.

Week Nine: Maximum guilt. How could you do this to this sweet little girl, she can't eat or sleep and neither can you.

Stage One Labor: Now? Is it now? No. She's just rehearsing AND she has picked out one fake place for puppies, one real place and just rolls her eyes at the lovely new whelping facility you built for her.

Stage Two Labor: Well the fake place (the closet) has been passed up for the bushes in the front yard and you cannot convince her that her humongous butt is clearly visible to all passers-by...her head is hidden, she thinks she is in a den and to h*** with you, you have no idea what you are doing. Your job is to get her into the whelping box without stressing this delicate little dog mom to be or calling in the crane or forklift.

Actual Delivery of Babies: At this point Time is not on your side...it races, then crawls, races then crawls. Do you call the vet, do you wait. You have lighter moments - like the bitch trying to crawl into the laundry basket with the babies.

Puppies - Day One: Hubby comes in to view the litter, points at one and says "Wow is he cute". He is half the size of the other babies.

Puppies - Week One: Looking for heads in all the wrong places. Now you KNOW better than to look for heads when they have smooshed up muzzles from nursing.

Puppies - Weeks Two and Three: You do their stress activities, monitor weights and every day hubby comes in to check on his boy...yes he is cute... fast, too. Easy to be fast when you are long as a freight train with long legs to match. You've picked out the best rears and tails from watching them nurse. During week three you discuss devotion to motherhood with your bitch when she announces the darn things have sharp teeth.

Week Four and Five: They really are cute and you are caught thinking they are cute, because they are now on solid food and you are fast running out of clean paper. Hubby plays with his boy child and begs you to stack him up and tell him what you think. You develop really good diversionary strategies.

Puppies - Week Six: You are starting serious evaluation and start taking pictures... You notice while doing the photographs that hubby's pick is now the same size as his littermates. The litter looks really good! Aren't you glad you got that generic sperm and they all look like your bitch, who is perfect in every way?

Puppies - Week Seven: While analyzing the photos you keep coming back to one striking male who is very balanced and very proportioned. This cannot be happening - could this be the "little" male your hubby liked? THAT can't be!

Puppies - Week Eight: The puppy party where all your friends and some of your enemies come over to pick your little darlings apart in great detail and make rude remarks about the faults that nasty stud produced. Their decision is unanimous: Pick of the litter is a strong handsome boy who trots wonderfully, comes when called and thinks your hubby hung the moon.

- AUTHOR UNKNOWN

**GDCNC SUPPORTED ENTRY
RICHMOND DOG FANCIERS, INC. SHOWS**



**DIXON MAY FAIRGROUNDS
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 6 & 7, 2005
(ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH)**

Sweepstakes Classes for Great Danes!

Because the GDCNC is supporting the show, Sweepstakes classes (in addition to regular classes) will be offered. Judges are as follows:

- ❖ **Saturday Sweeps:** Mrs. Diane Price
- ❖ **Saturday Regular Conformation:** Wendy G. Willhauck
- ❖ **Sunday Sweeps:** Ms. Gloria Knapp
- ❖ **Sunday Regular Conformation:** Gary Bassett

Additionally, the Richmond Dog Fanciers' Show weekend offers many special events for you and your dog:

Health Clinics:

- ❖ Cardiology Clinic
- ❖ CERF (Canine Eye Registration Foundation) Testing

Certification Opportunities:

- ❖ Canine Good Citizen Test
- ❖ All-Breed Temperament Test
- ❖ All-Breed Carting Test

Two Matches:

- ❖ All-Breed Match on Friday
- ❖ Northern California Working Group Association Fun Match on Saturday following BIS Judging

For information about all of the great events offered at the Richmond DFA shows, the Premium List is online at <http://www.infodog.com/pm/678/pm678.pdf>

Monterey Bay Great Dane Club

FIRST SPECIALTY SHOW

**Keep This Date Open and
Come Join Us !!!**

Date: FRIDAY July 15, 2005

(closes June 29, 2005)

**Location: California State University
Seaside, CA**

JUDGES:

Ms. Connie Hunter — Conformation

Mr. John Jarvis — Sweeps

For Information Contact:

Jean Bell, Show Chairman at (831) 633-3105
or

Barbara Garcia, Club President at (831) 663-4436



SHOW SECRETARY:

Pat Duran
9590 S Century Oak Rd
Salinas, CA 93907-1125
(831) 633-5677

Entry Fee: \$25.00

Entries Closes: June 29, 2005

Regular Classes:

6-9 Mo, 9-12 Mo, 12-18 Mo,
Novice

American Bred

Bred By Exhibitor

Open Black, Blue, Brindle, Fawn,

Harlequin, Mantle

(classes divided for dogs and bitches)

PLAN ALSO TO ATTEND

Del Monte Kennel Club Show, Saturday and Sunday, July 16th and 17th.

Great Dane Judges: Mr. V. Clemente and Mr. J. G. Reynolds Superintendent: MBF-Inc.

NOTE: Reserve your motel early—rooms are limited.

2005 GDCNC Board and Officers

The 2005 GDCNC Board is listed below; the note in parenthesis following each name is the expiration year of that person's term.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NEXT MEETING:

Date: Saturday, July 23rd

Time: 11am

Place: Royce Farms
Restaurant

Online Handling Video



An hour-and-a-half video of one of George Alston's handling seminars:
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