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## President's Message: Specialties Get Rave Reviews

Dear Dane Friends,

Congratulations to this year's winners at the GDCNC Back-to-Back Specialty Shows! Thank you, Show Chair Everett Van Dyken, for yet another excellently planned event. Everett applauds all of his helpers elsewhere in the Barker – and I want to echo Everett's thanks. Big thanks to all of the members and exhibitors who helped to make the shows a huge success!

In addition to expressing my gratitude for the group effort on another very successful Specialty Weekend, I offer special thanks to Jane Chopson and Sandy Schneider for putting together the lovely tribute film on Eva Robinson's life. The film was presented at the Specialty dinner – it was both touching and informative, offering a glimpse into Eva's incredible life. Thanks, too, to all the members who so generously donated to the auction and raffle – there were some great items! Much appreciation also goes to our sponsors Louise Peterson, Eagle Pack Pet Foods, and to Merial (the maker of Heartgard and Frontline) for their very generous support.

We have received numerous compliments on the beautiful show grounds, hospitality, welcome bags, dinner, fun auction and the great time had by many. There was even a group of people that had been "email pals" for the past few years but had never met in person. And they chose to meet at our Specialty for their firsttime get together, coming from Georgia, Indiana, Arizona and California – our shows did not disappoint! They had a fabulous time!

For those of you who did not attend the dinner this year there was a very special award presented – an *Award of Appreciation*. The award went to a dub member who has dedicated countless hours of her time to the GDCNC website, keeping it current and adding new items such as the latest "Our Dogs" where members can post ads for their dogs. She is responsible for the dub newsletter the *Barker* – this is not just an ordinary newsletter, it's entertainment! Kate finds all sorts of interesting/fun articles to put in it and she makes the simplest brag sound so exciting. I know I speak for all when I say "Thank you, Kate Jackson, for the outstanding job and all of the time you have dedicated and continue to dedicate to the dub's website and newsletter."

On another note, GDCNC is sponsoring a Pet First Aid Seminar on Saturday, July 22nd – and I want to encourage everybody to attend what will undoubtedly be a very well-spent half-day. The deadline for signups is June 23rd – see the enclosed flyer for additional details. And don't forget that we'll be having a dub meeting on Saturday, June 24th at Royce Farms in Stockton – I hope to see you there!

On a final note, we have three new AKC Champions in the dub: Champion Charlie, Champion Kohl and Champion Tashi. Big congratulations to their people!

Your Humble President, Kathryn Netser

# The Rabies Challenge Fund

PRESS RELEASE Date: September 19, 2005

World-renown vaccine research scientist and practicing veterinarian, Dr. W. Jean Dodds of California, and pet vaccine disclosure advocate, Kris L. Christine of Maine, have established The Rabies Challenge Fund to raise money to fund a 7 year rabies vaccine challenge study in the United States.

In addition to the challenge study, the fund will finance a study of the adjuvants used in veterinary rabies vaccines and establish a rabies vaccine adverse reaction reporting system.

Rabies vaccination is the one immunization required by law across the country for domestic dogs and cats. Researchers believe this vaccine causes the most and worst adverse reactions in animals. The Rabies Challenge Fund has been founded to improve the safety of rabies vaccines and to determine, by challenge, if they confer immunity for 5, 6, or 7 years.

The Rabies Challenge Fund's first official sponsors are Deb Odom (Florida) and Dawn Turner (Arizona), who have committed to donating a portion of the proceeds from the sale of their pet vaccine informed consent posters and informational flyers.

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It has been several weeks since our specialties and I still haven't gotten around to sending out thank you notes so I'll offer my thanks here.

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First, a big "thank you" to all of those people who showed up to help with the setup and an even bigger "thank you" to those who hung around after the Sunday show to help with the break down of equipment and repacking the trailer.

Putting on the Specialties is a long process that starts in the summer before the shows ever happen. Two people who have done a fabulous job in "looking over my shoulder" and keeping everything on track are my two Assistant Show Chairs, **Kate Jackson** and **Kathryn Netser**. Thank you both!

Two people who continue to work so hard behind the scene year after year are **Ceil and Dana Wardner**. They help with trailer inventory, buying needed supplies, double checking accuracy, arranging for tables and chairs, arranging for the Porta Potties, and so much more. **Ceil** did an outstanding job with designing and creating the backdrop for the pictures this year. A much needed improvement bringing that look of quality to our club's shows.

As a club, we do a lot of our work and play around food and Specialty Weekend 2006 was no exception! Thanks to **Dale Bassano** for her fabulous barbeque on Friday to start us off with a bang. The next morning, **Pete Fredotovich** wowed us all with his wonder ful selection of goodies to go along with the coffee. Thanks Pete and his wonder ful helpers! This year we changed up the fare for lunch and dinner and it was well-received by those who partook. **Paul Picciau** did an exceptional job his first year in the role. He spent most of the day on Satur day running back and forth to ensure that all were fed and fed well. Thank you, Paul!

Our pre-match handling clinic and match got the weekend off to a great start! The match chairperson this year was **Kathryn Netser**. The match secretary was **Laura Munro** who did an excellent job with the "nuts and bolts" of putting a match together. **Brittany Williams** and **Terry Toops** were good "teachers" for our pre-match handling class. The match followed with **Denise Williams** doing a very capable job of judging. Thank you all, ladies!

Accolades go out to Paul Heijn, who did a tremendous job of singing the National Anthem.

Our Welcome Bag was wonderful with its useful contents. The cookies were "Oh so good". Thank you to the efforts of **Nancy Hawkes** who was the chairperson of this committee. She was ably assisted at the show by her committee members, **Paul and Agneta Keeslar**.

Year after year, our judges are very thankful for the hospitality provided by our club. A large portion of the credit goes to the fine job done by **Mabel Labiak** in the role of Judge's Liaison. She is wonderful in that role and continues to volunteer as does her husband Bill. **Bill Labiak** has been our ring steward and announcer for the past several years and is absolutely fantastic in both those roles. Thank you very much Bill for all you do! Bill shared his role as ring steward with the equally capable **Sue Dubie-Holbrook**. They both do a lot of ring stewarding for other clubs and that expertise is appreciated in our ring!

Thanks also to **Jane Chopson** who not only continues to do an outstanding job hosting our auction but also does so much more. Jane has provided memorable presentations at our dinner capably assisted by **Sandy Schneider**. This year's tribute to Eva Robinson was one of the highlights of the day. Jane also was there to help set up the Challenge Trophies and then stayed after the show to help pack them up.

In her debut as Trophy Chairperson, Lorrie Spencer did an outstanding job in collecting money and selecting trophies for the shows. Thanks Lorriel

Also in her debut, **Laura Craig** was phenomenal as Raffle Chairperson! She jumped into her job with both feet and pulled together a nice assortment of raffle items. Not only did she do that, Laura was also nice enough to pick up toys for the match and for sweeps.

# The Rabies Challenge Fund

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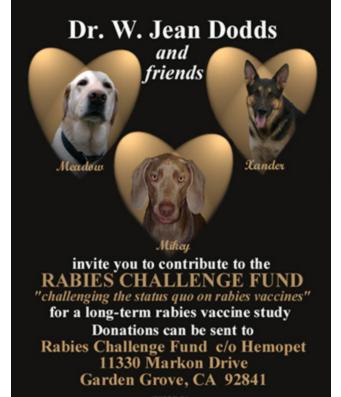
Donations can be sent to THE RABIES CHALLENGE FUND, c/o Hemopet, 11330 Markon Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92841.

### March 30, 2006: UPDATE on The Rabies Challenge Fund

The Rabies Challenge Fund has received IRS tax-exempt status (EIN # 84-6390682 as the official 501(c)(3) exempt registration). It has Public Charity Status 170(b) (1) (A) (vi). Effective Date of Exemption is December 12, 2005 and our Advance Ruling Ending Date is December 31, 2009.

One of the world's leading authorities on veterinary vaccines, Dr. Ronald Schultz of the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine, will be conducting the rabies challenge studies. Dr. Schultz has been performing challenge studies on canine vaccines since the mid-1970's, and his data formed the scientific base for the American Animal Hospital Association's 2003 Canine Vaccine Guidelines.

He is set to begin the rabies challenge studies as soon as the fund can raise the first year's budget of \$177,000. The University of Wisconsin is waiving its overhead charges for these studies. The only expenses coming out of the pre-grant funds are those for filing annual returns with IRS -- there are no salaried officers, building costs, etc... Except for IRS fees, all the money donated to The Rabies Challenge Fund will go directly to funding these studies.



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Thanks for the extra effort Laura! Laura was assisted by two equally capable committee members, Allison Paxton and Timmi Williams provided all the "muscle" to make the raffle a success. Nice job ladies!

Our dinner was a success due not only to the efforts of the Auction Committee, the Meals Chair, and the tribute to Eva, but also to the efforts of the Decoration Committee. Kudos to Lisa Ellison for the beautiful table settings! Lisa was assisted by Connie Andronico.

Thank you to my other committee chair persons whose jobs may be perceived as being small but without whose help we would have floundered. The Sweepstakes Chair was **Donnell Giambastiani**; the Parade Chair was **Sharon McCrary**; the Sound System Chair was **Mick Galvin** and the Lodging Chair was **Barbara Moffett**. Thank you one and all!

Another unsung hero of the Specialties is our Grounds Chair, **Conley Netser**. He gives it his all and then some. He is there from the beginning of the setup and is one of the last to help finish up — and cracks jokes throughout! You're aw esome!

Finally, a big thank you to **Pamela Preston** who started off as an assistant show secretary and then developed as so much more as the demands grew bigger. Talk about your behind the scenes worker! Pamela has done a terrific job under adverse conditions and working with unwieldy situations. We are hoping to work with a professional show superintendent (e.g., Jack Bradshaw, MB-F, Onofrio) next year but we owe a lot to Pamela for getting us through the last few years. Thanks Pamela and to all of you other un-named members who are so willing to help when I ask. You make my job so much easier!

Respectfully,

Everett Van Dyken, GDCNC Show Chair

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This story was forwarded to me but not credited to anyone. It was such a beautiful thought I had to share it. I hope it gives those who have lost a dear canine friend another perspective. - Editor

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife, Lisa, and their little boy, Shane, were all very attached to Belker and they were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family there were no miracles left for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home. As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for the fouryear-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away. The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion.

We sat together for a while after Belker's death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why." Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life – like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The four-year-old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

Cathy De La Garza

The Club voted for the following conformation judges in the first round of judge selection for the Donald Carmody 2008 National: Cathy De La Garza, Gina Jaeblon, Dale Tarbox, and Louise Van Alstyne. Our Futurity judge selections were Lorraine Matherly and Terry Toops. GDCA member and affiliate club votes have been tallied to yield yet another ballot. Please get your votes to Everett Van Dyken. The "winners" (i.e., the judges for the 2008 National) will be announced in October at the GDCA's Annual Meeting in Topeka, KS.

The Votes Are In — And We Need You to Vote Again The Qub voted for the following 2008 National Judge Selection Ballot

Dana Cline

Specialty (please choose three separate names):

Lisa DeRoulet Karen Desjardins **Connie Hunter** Betty Lewis Margaret Shappard Dale Suzanne Tarbox Jane Treiber Susan Yotive Futurity (Please choose two separate names): Georgia Hymmen Tiffany Cross Francette Lass Lorraine Matherly \_\_\_\_Sue Mahany Peggy McQuillan David Miller Monica Stavenborn Lousie Van Alstyne Mark Van Alstyne

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- Maxwell (Payaso's Secret Star-Agent 86) boasts a couple of recent wins, including a very nice 3-point major in Carson City a couple of weeks ago.
  - Sacramento KC: WD under Mrs. Robert D. Smith ▶
  - Reno KC: WD/BOW under Mrs. Anitra Cuneo •
  - His parents Andy and Debbie Port are no doubt very proud!
- Kohl (Davishire's Furst Knight) has been getting the nod from judges guite a bit lately with wins in Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Woodland, Carson City and Claremont - including two Majors, a Best of Breed, and a Specialty AOM!
  - Sacramento KC: WD/BOW under Miss Joan E. Luna ▶
  - Mensona KC: WD/BOW/BOB under Col. Joe B. Purkhiser
  - Camellia Capital KC: WD/BOW under Dr. Eric Liebes
  - Reno KC: WD under Mr. John P. Wade ▶
  - GDCC Specialty: WD/BOW and AOM under Ms. Alice Bonne to finish!!! ۲
  - Big congrats to Champion Kohl and breeder-owner Kathleen Davis!
- Nikki (Daynakin's National Treasure) is picking up points all over the place! Her impressive list of wins indudes:
  - Yosemite KC: WB/BOW under Mr. Jon R. Cole
  - Sacramento KC: WB/BOW/BOS under Mrs. Robert D. Smith ▶
  - Chief Solano KC: WB/BOS under Mrs. Marian Mason Hodesson
  - Hangtown KC: WB/BOW/BOS under Mr. Burton Yamada
  - And almost always owner-handled by Pat Gallup and supported ringside by roadie Bob Gallup - way to go Team Gallup!
- Nellie (Daynakin's No It All V Paradise) has really shined lately, picking up wins that include a Specialty Best in Sweeps, a 5-point Specialty Major Reserve and a 3-point Major.
  - GDCNC Specialty: BISW under Ms. Jennifer Tritschler-Jacobs
  - GDCNC Specialty: RWB under Ms. Colette Jacobsen ۲
  - Camellia Capital KC: WB/BOS under Mr. Dana P. Cline ۲
  - Reno KC: WB/BOW under Mr. John P. Wade
  - Woo-hoo and way to go, Nellie!

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- Arnie (AlDawn's I Won The Recall) was judge Jean Fournier's WD and BOW at the Coyote Hills KC show in Vallejo. The lovely brindle boy was breeder-owner-handled by Kim Cross.
- Atlas (CH Olympus' Pilliar Of The Heavens) has been out as a Special picking up many Best Of Breed wins - and has garnered Group placements under breeder judges Lowell and Arlene Davis. Team Olympus should be very proud of their big man!
  - Ava (BLK Almosta Avatar V Destiny) has two very nice wins to her credit:
    - Mensona KC: WB/BOS under Col. Joe B Purkhiser ۲
    - Coyote Hills KC: WB/BOS under Ms. Pat Hastings
    - Ava is beautifully presented by herowner, Pepper Riddle. Congrats Pepper and Ava!
  - Bella (Kenyon Echo Dance In The Dark) bred by Kitty Kenyon and owned by Timmi Williams, caught the judge's eye in Merced. Judge Robert J. Caswell pointed at Bella for Winners Bitch at the Yosemite KC show.
  - The B And K kids out of Vassar (B and K Vassar) and sired by Nash (CH Oneida's Nash Bridges) have great starts on terrific show careers, boasting these wins from the 6-9 month dass:
    - Stan (B And K Stanford) started out with a 5-point Major Reserve at the GDCNC Specialty, and then took home the purple as WD & BOW under Dana Cline at the Camellia Capital KC show. Stan followed this win with another point going WD under Burton Yamada at the Hangtown KC show.
    - Chico (B And K Chico), not to be outdone by her brother, also shined in Placerville. Chico was WB/BOS for a point under Carl J. Anderson.
    - Stan and Chico are always breeder-owner-handled by Barbara Kreszyn congrats on another lovely litter!

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- Mick (Belldane's Breakin All D Rules) had a huge April! He warmed up with a win in Vallejo and followed that with a 5-point Specialty Major!
- Chief Solano Kennel Club: WD under Ms. Dianne Tyssen •
- ۲ GDCNC Specialty: WD under Ms. Colette Jacobsen

Mick was breeder-owner-handled to both of these wins - congrats Jean Bell !!! BTW, Mick's brother Sam (Sir Samson Of Belldane) got a piece of the glory, too, when he went WD/BOW at the Hangtown KC show under Carl J. Anderson. Nice boys, Jean!

+ Mick (Davishire's Knock Your Rocks Off) and Roxette (Davishire's Rock Candy) showed beautifully at the GDCNC Specialty. Mick, owned by John Goldsmith and coowned by breeder Kathleen Davis, was Best Of Opposite Sex in Sweeps under Jennifer Tritschler-Jacobs. And Roxette, Kathleen's keeper, was Best Puppy under Colette Jacobsen. Mick and Roxette are littermates from the union of CH GMJ's The Northtown Rock and CH Davishire's Impetuous A'La AJ.

- Littermates bred by Lorraine Matherly out of CH G'Nhydane's La Terremotos Of Lore sired by CH My-Jon's Valentino V Riverlor, have all had recent show successes:
  - Jack (Lore's Joyride) was Winners Dog at the Kern Country KC show under Ms. Annella Cooper. Jack is owned by Lorraine.
  - Tess (Lore J'Adore), also owned by Lorraine, took a very impressive Reserve at the GDCNC Specialty show under Ms. Judy Harrington.
  - Jolie (Lore Bellmarc's Je T'aime) got her first point going WB/BOS and Best Puppy under ١ Dr. David T. Hayhurst at the Mensona KC show in May. This lovely hellion is on her way!!! Jolie is proudly owned by Lucretia and Steve Marcus.
    - Jaxon (Lore's Mardes Jaxon) owned by Debra & Martin Henderson is on a roll:
      - Skyline Dog Fanciers: WD and Best Puppy under Mrs. Beth G. Speich
      - Contra Costa County KC: WD/BOW under Mr. Darryl Vice
      - Contra Costa County KC: WD/BOW under Ms. Marcia Feld
- Charlie (Tered's Confidential Affair) has been turning judges' heads, too!
  - Chintimini KC: WD/BOW/BOB under Ms. Jane Treiber ۲
  - Chief Solano: WD/BOW under Mrs. Marian Mason Hodesson to finish!!! Champion Charlie and his parents (breeder-owner Terri Burley-Hammond and Eddie Hammond) are very happy to be enjoying dog show-free weekends for awhile!
- Tashi (Legacy's High Society) and her people are very excited about these recent wins:
  - Sacramento KC: WB under Miss Joan E. Luna ►

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Champion Tashi has made her owners Kate Jackson, Sharon McCrary and breeder Marnie Baker very proud!

- Teaks (Ashlex's Caribbean Soul V Legacy) has been making a nice showing from the 6-9 month dass:
  - Chintimini KC: WB/BOS under Ms. Judy Harrington
  - Yosemite KC: Best Puppy under Mr. Jon R. Cole

Teakie's people Sharon McCrary, Kate Jackson and breeder Mamie Baker couldn't be happier with this tail-waggin' brindle girl!

- **Higgins** (Allegro Delta Breeze You R The Top!) has proven he's got both beauty and brains. being awarded his Canine Good Citizenship certificate two days after his 11-month birthday. Jim and Barbara Moffett of Delta Breeze Danes are proudly owned and loved by Higgins.
- ☆ 🔸 **Toomey** (Biscaro's Sock It Toomey vTLC) picked up his first points – and in a big way! Judge Eric Ringle awarded Toomey WD, BOW and Best Puppy from the 9-12-month dass for a 4point Major at the GDCC Specialty show. Toomey was bred by and is owned by David Osorio, Ron Biscaro & Sharon McCrary. Toomey was handled to this awesome win by his daddy David.

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#### \* KC Danes has a whole bunch of brags for the Brat Pack — the lovely litter sired by CH Windy Hills Gold Plated and CH Sherons Betty D Grandy: Jefferson (KC Danes National Treasure) is now singled out! Oakland KC: WD/BOW under Dennis Morgan Yosemite KC: WD/BOW under Robert Caswell GDCNC Specialty: Best Bred By Exhibitor under Colette Jacobsen GDCC Specialty: Best In Sweeps under JP Yousha GDCC Specialty: Best In Sweeps under Frances Stephens Jefferson continues to make his people proud! He lives with Carrie Muir and family and shares himself with breeder-handler Kathryn Netser. Katie (KC Danes Mystic River) was RWB at the Chief Solano show under Judge Dianne $\overleftarrow{}$ Tyssen and then took the point going Winners Bitch under Judge Jean Fournier at the Coyote Hills KC show. Katie lives with Susan Douglas and family and shares herself with ☆ breeder-handler Kathryn Netser \* Elliot (KC Danes The Untouchable E Nes) is back - thanks to Denise Williams for helping whip this boy back into shape! ☆ San Mateo KC: WD/BOW under Judge May Bernhard handled by Auntie Denise Mensona KC: WD/BOW/BOB under Dr. David T. Hayhurst handled by "mom" Kathryn ☆ We are so proud of this young boy for behaving so well in the ring lately. Elliot is still trying to rule the house but his momma Betty and big sis Lacey continue to put him in his place. $\bigstar$ When not showing, Elliot is glued to his best bud Conley. The Brat Pack has a New Champion! Summer (KC Danes Gone With The Wind) finished on the mission circuit, taking her third major win and three singles. Summer lives with Dick \* & Loy Ann Jones. ☆ Lacey (KC Danes America's Sweetheart), from the first KC Danes litter out of Betty and sired $\bigstar$ by CH Oneida's Nash Bridges, was Best Bred By Exhibitor at the GDCC Specialty Show under ☆ ☆ judge Eric Ringle. Oneida Great Danes has some bragging to do for their Champions' wins at the GDCNC Specialty Show under Judge Judy Harrington: ☆ Nash (CH Oneida's Nash Bridges) was awarded best Stud Dog ☆☆ Deja (CH Oneida's Current Affair) was Best Veteran at 10-years and 4-months of age. Deja's win retires the perpetual trophy for Veteran after Nash and Deja (one day each) went Best Veteran last year. ☆ ☆ Dazzle (CH KC Danes An Affair to Remember v Oneida) won an Award of Merit. Congrats to Ed and Judi Grimaldi! Kali (Valinor's The Rose of Bruport) one of the lovely girls from Valinor's CH Etar's Consider It Done O'Kyan x CH Valinor's The Divine Miss M litter was awarded Winners Bitch under Judge Barbara Alderman at the Pioneer Valley KC show in Massachusetts. Kali followed up that win with WB/BOW at the Framingham, MA show for more two points under Lester Mapes. Kali is owned by Susan Reiter and Everett Van Dyken and has been owner-handled for her seven points including one major.

- Emma (Valinor Etar's Kiss My Brass), not to be outdone by her sister Kali, picked up a win at the Kennel Club of Pasadena show earlier this month. Emma is owned by Tina Dapello and Beth Witcher and was bred by Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau.
- The puppies by BIS/BISS CH Servadei Electa Kahnson of Thor out of CH Valinor's I'll Take You There made their debut under Dr. Eric Liebes at the Camellia Capital KC show last month. Bubba (Valinor's Southern Rock CND) owned by Ceil & Dana Wardner and Everett Van Dyken won his class and went on to Best Puppy competition. His litter sister **Robbie** (Valinor's Rock Me On The Water) won her dass and then too went on to Best Puppy competition. Robbie won the breed's Best Puppy award and is owned by Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau.  $\mathbf{A}$
- ☆ Trudy (CH AlDawn's I'm The Intruder) was the BISS winner at the GDCNC Specialty under Judy Harrington. Trudy is owned by Diane McClelland and her breeder Kim Cross. ☆
- ☆ Oscar (CH Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset) continues his reign as Number One Great
- Dane, with 14 Specialty Bests, many Group placements, and countless Breed wins. ☆ \*

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### GDCNC Meeting: May 13, 2006

The meeting was called to order on May 13, 2006 at 11:28am. Attending the meeting were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Dana Warner, Ceil Warner, Everett Van Dyken, Conley Netser, Mabel Labiak, Peter Fredotovich, Jane Chopson, and Connie Andronico. Excused were Timmi Williams, Judy Benjamin & Sue Dubie-Holbrook.

The minutes for the February 11, 2006 and March 11, 2006 meetings were approved.

### REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

The 2006 Specialty Shows were a success; the club made money and the auction proceeds of \$4155.00 went to the GDCA Charitable Trust. The floor was turned over to the Club Treasurer for a breakdown.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Dana reported some preliminary numbers from our Specialty (available to GDCNC members on request)
- Reported expense from Sycamore Lane Kennels: A broken chair and a damaged table doth. Hospitality was at a typical loss of about \$75.00.
- The Club received a check for \$2000.00 for our participation in the 2005 National in Arizona.

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY''S REPORT

Received Letter from Judy Harrington thanking the dub and letting the dub know what a great show it was.

### REPORT OF EDUATION COMMITTEEE:

Mabel Labiak reported that we need more people to commit to the First Aid dass in order to keep the date. We have to have a minimum number of people signed up. She is going to extend the invitation to the San Joaquin Kennel Club to see if there is an interest.

### **REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEEE:**

- Ruth Yaffe's application was read. She has been in Danes for over 50 years. Sponsors are Barbara Kreszyn and Everett Van Dyken.
- M/S/P: Connie has revised the membership application to include an area where the membership chair can keep notes as to applied date, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> publishing, voted on date, etc.

### **REPORT OF SHOW COMMITTEEE:**

- Everett Van Dyken volunteered to write a letter of thanks to Sandy Schneider for the great presentation honoring Eva Robinson.
- Jane Chopson suggested that Rescue apply for a grant from the parent dub. Kathryn to contact Colleen Leahy-Spears.

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# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Welcome Roc Craig Our Newest GDCNC Member

**Debra Henderson** will be voted in at the June 24<sup>th</sup> GDCNC meeting.

### **First Publishing:**

 Ruth Yaffe Sponsored by Barbara Kreszyn and Everett Van Dyken

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**



Account information is available to GDCNC members on request

# Club Awards Presented at Specialty Dinner

The following Great Danes were recognized for their 2005 titles at the GDCNC Awards Presentation at this year's Specialty Dinner:

- + Ch. AlDawn's I'm The Intruder
- + Ch. Dynkn Brcrlo Mischief In Black and Gold + Am/Int'l Ch. Furst D'Shire von der Ofne thohle
- + Ch. G'Nhydane's La Terremoto's of Lore
- ✤ Int'l Ch. Marcliff's Long Distance Voyager
- + Am/Int'l Ch. Olympus' The Midas Touch
- + Int'l Ch. Olympus' The Enchantress
- + Int'l Ch. Paradise's Winning Ways
- ✤ BISS Ch. Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset
- + Ch. Valinor's MVP Dream Girl

The following individual received an Award of Appreciation:

✤ Kate Jackson

- + Ch. Daynakin Danelind New Year's Resolution
- + Ch. Kenyon's Sevy Check out Devin CD, CDX, RN, RA
- + Ch. Olympus' Pillar Of The Heavens
- + Am/Int'l Ch. Olympus' Sweet Victory
- + Int'l Ch. Olympus' I Am The Acropolis
- + Ch. Stacia's Courtney of Dane Krest
- + Ch. Von Rie senhof's Cauz 'N' Gossip

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### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### Specialty Judges

The judge selection process was brought up for discussion. Everett has compiled a list of prospective judges based on membership input. It was discussed that we use the same list as GDCA. It was also suggested that we keep the list but have members vote. We could do an elimination process until we got our top 5 to 10 judges. It was also suggested that we keep the list that Everett has and solicit more input from members. Everett agreed to write up a proposal on the judge selection process. Jane Chopson volunteered to help with this.

### Clinics

Discussion took place to have a Rally clinic on the Saturday of the Specialty and then to offer Rally competition on Sunday; this would not allow enough time. Kathryn to contact Sandy Schneider to see if she could come to one of the clubs meetings and discuss Rally.

### Offering Obedience / Rally at the Specialty

M/S/P: To offer obedience/rally at the 2007 specialty and see how the turnout is. The vote passed (10 in favor, 5 opposed, 2 abstentions).

### Meeting Schedule

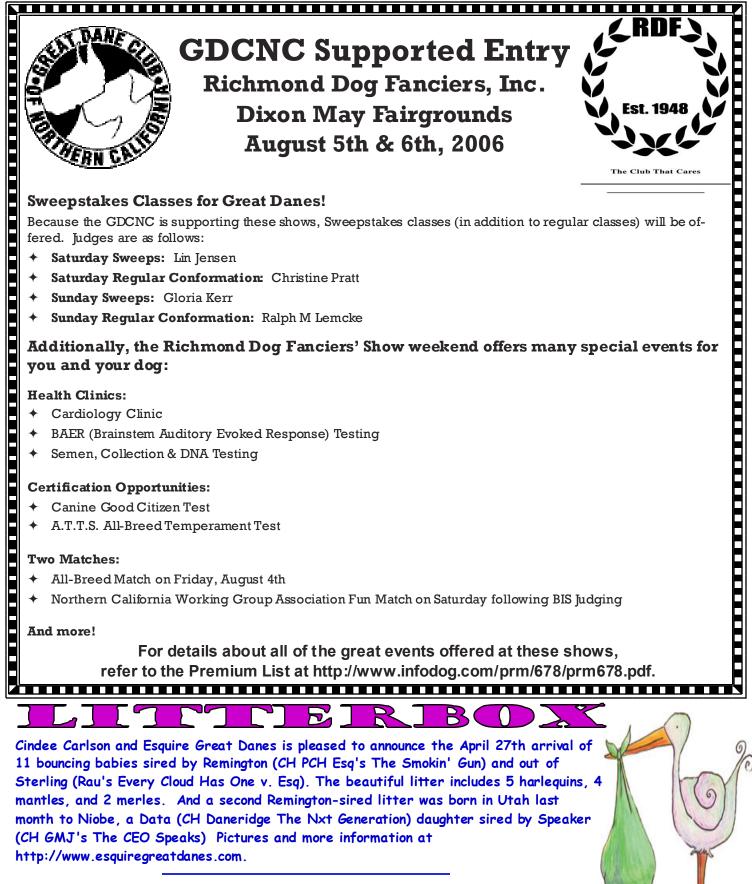
Tentative meeting to be held on 6/24/06 at Royce Farms in Stockton at 11:00am. Will be posted when confirmed.

### Election of New Members

Roc Craig has been published twice and was voted in as a new member.

ADJOURMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Craig, Acting Corresponding Secretary



Tered Great Danes is very excited about their litter born May 21st! Eleven babies in all, including 4 harl males, 1 harl female and 2 lightly marked harl females. Proud Papa is Guido (BISS CH Presidio's Checkmate) and doting Mama is Savannah (Savannah Dana Burnheart of Tered). Pictures and more information at http://home.earthlink.net/~teredh/id18.html. Dear Great Dane Enthusiast:

It is time once again to start thinking of the Great Dane Club of America's Annual National Event, the 2006 National Specialty, *"for the love of our breed."* It will be hosted by the Midwest Division, October 16-21, 2006 at the Topeka ExpoCenter in Topeka, Kansas. Because of people like you, our National continues to be the most prestigious event of the year.



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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**GDCNC Meeting** 

Saturday, June 24th at 11am Royce Farms Restaurant in Stocton

Pet First Aid Seminar

Saturday, July 22nd Signup Deadline: June 23rd (see enclosed flyer)

