



GDCNC Barker

"Thank you for all your hard work!"

Now that another specialty weekend is behind us, I want to take the time to thank everybody who helped to put another successful pair of shows together. Regardless of who the judge points to for the win, a lot of time and effort go into putting on a show starting the summer before the specialties and those members need your appreciation. A lot of the "behind the scenes" work is done by a few people including Ceil and Dana Wardner who help with trailer inventory and getting supplies needed for the shows.

Our raffle chairpersons, Laura Craig and Allison Paxton, did another fine job this year and it takes a lot of prep work to pull it together. They were assisted at manning the tables by Bree Williams, Tom and Nancy Hawkes and others. Tom and Nancy did yet another outstanding job at putting together our "goody bags"! We did miss your cookies though, Tom.

Speaking of food, Paul Picciau did a great job of getting the meals done for us this year. The food was excellent as usual and we will miss having him as our meal chairman next year. Pete Fredotovich deserves lots of thanks for putting together a very delectable "breakfast" spread and served it with coffee and a smile. We kicked off the weekend with a barbeque on Friday put together by the incomparable Dale Bassano. Thanks Dale, Pete and Paul!

Our dinner attendance was smaller than in the past but the decorations were phenomenal with centerpieces that were the envy of those who couldn't take one home with them. Lisa Ellison was our decorations chair and she did another outstanding job! She was ably assisted by the "birthday boy" John - thanks to both of you. Jane Chopson did another stint as auctioneer and handled everything thrown at her with her usual finesse and aplomb. Terry Toops, Jenny Kenton and Kathryn Netser worked on getting a system put together that took the pain out of tracking items sold in the auction. Thank you ladies!

The rally and obedience events were a success this year under the capable leadership of Kitty Kenyon and her crew, including Connie Hastings and Tom Holbrook. The prizes were terrific and donated by Kitty and Connie. Our ring stewarding was beyond reproach and capably done by Bill Labiak and Sue Dubie-Holbrook. Mabel did another fine job as judge's liaison and took care of their needs.

Thanks also to Laura Munro and her crew (Terri Burley-Hammond for one) for pulling together an excellent match on Friday. My assistant show chairpersons also need a big thank you for keeping the show planning and relevant details on track. This year I was excellently assisted by the "mistress of details", Kate Jackson, and the ever-steady Kathryn Netser. Thanks also to my other committee chairpersons: Pat Gallup, Conley Netser, Barbara Moffett, Sharon McCrary, Mick Galvin, Lorrie Spencer, and Cherie Moses. They all did a great job, making my job easier as a result.

A lot of people show up to set up for the show on Friday, but the biggest thanks go out to those who stay around afterwards to help cleanup and pack things away. You are awesome! My heartfelt thanks to Timmi, Ceil, Pete, Jane, Bob S (New Mexico), Bob P, Paul, Kathryn, Conley, John, Lorrie, Cherie and the few others (all a fog now) that stayed around to help.

Let's do again next year!
Everett Van Dyken
GDCNC Show Chair

New Judges Selection Process Implemented

The new judges selection process is as follows — we hope to begin this October.

October

A list of all judges licensed to judge Great Danes will be distributed to the membership along with dues letter. The judge list will include instructions to select ten judges from the list and ask for recommendations for sweepstakes and/or match judges. Members will return their judge picks with dues in the SASE envelope provided.

November

A letter will be mailed to members requesting that they vote for the three conformation judges from the member-generated list. Votes will be tallied and the top ten vote getters will be placed on list for membership vote at the GDCNC Specialty Shows in April.

April

Members will vote on top ten conformation judges receiving the most votes as a result of the mail vote in November. The purpose of this vote is to rank the top ten judges. The Show Chair will contact the judges in the order of popularity based on this vote.



2007 Show Report & 2008 Specialty Planning

Specialty Weekend 2007 is hardly behind us and we're already working next year's shows. We did not do as well financially with the 2007 shows as we have in the past due to several issues. MB-F was our show superintendent this year and, while they did a fabulous job in putting all the pieces together, their price has me looking for a new superintendent for next year. Attendance at the dinner was down this year as well. Last-minute requests could have put us in the 80 range, but we had a good time with the 70 people in attendance. Still, this was about 30 people less than we normally have. We may need to revisit the idea of having a dinner in conjunction with our Specialties. Our total show entries were down by about 20 Great Danes; theories as to why that happened are as varied as the people offering their opinion. Some attribute it to high gas prices or competing shows on the same weekend. Others feel that the judges selected had a detrimental effect on show attendance.

Speaking of judges... Next year we will have international judges: Linda van der Vijver (The Netherlands) and Ray Goldstone (Canada). A judge's committee of five will select the 2009 judges from the list compiled by club members last year. And for 2010, a new judge selection process will be enacted (described above).

That's just a brief overview of how the shows went this year and our plans for the upcoming shows. Please feel free to contact me with your thoughts or advice. I am looking to step down as Show Chair after next year so if you want to fill some voids in your life with an exciting side "job," please let me know.

Of more immediate concern, I am looking to fill some of the 2008 committee chair spots. Some people have already committed to doing a job for next year and I thank them for that effort. Here are the spots I need filled with the name of the person who did it previously in parentheses; and have not yet been asked to "re-enlist."

Assistant Show Chairs: Pete Fredotovich, Kate Jackson

Auction: (Jane Chopson)

Challenge Trophies: (Pat Gallup)

Decorations: (Lisa Ellison)

Grounds: (Conley Netser)

Hospitality:

Friday Welcome BBQ:

Judge's Liaison: (Mabel Labiak)

Lodging: (Barbara Moffett)

Match: (Laura Munro)

Meals:

Obedience/Rally: (Kitty Kenyon)

Parades: (Sharon McCrary)

Ring Stewards: (Bill Labiak, Sue Dubie-Holbrook)

Sound System: (Mick Galvin)

Sweepstakes: (Kathryn Netser)

Trophies: (Lorrie Spencer)

Vendors: (Cherie Moses)

Thanks to Laura Craig and Allison Paxton (raffle) and to Tom and Nancy Hawkes (welcome bags) for volunteering for next year.

Regards,
Everett Van Dyken
GDCNC Show Chair

From the GDCNC 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 yet another excellently planned event. Thank you Assistant Show Chair Kate Jackson and Obedience & Rally Chair Kitty Kenyon for all your help!

Thank you, Bill Labiak and Sue Dubie-Holbrook, for the great job of stewarding the conformation ring. And thanks to Tom Holbrook, Connie Hastings and Elizabeth Bigby for the great job of stewarding the performance ring. I would also like to thank Mabel Labiak for her help as Judges Liaison and Dana & Ceil Wardner for providing a cool relaxing place for the judges to hang out. Thanks to Everett Van Dyken, Dana & Ceil Wardner and Paul Picciau for all of their pre-setup work and to Conley Netser for overseeing grounds setup. And thanks to ALL who helped set up the canopies, rings, tables, etc.

Much appreciation to Pat & Bob Gallup for taking care of the trophies this year and for getting all the previous years' winners added to them and shining them up – they looked great! Thank you, Lorrie Spencer, for handling trophy donations. Thank you, Everett Van Dyken and Sharon McCrary, for taking care of the parades. Special thanks to Paul Heijn for singing the National Anthem. I could listen to Paul sing all day -- what a wonderful voice he has! And the dining room decorations? John & Lisa Ellison outdid themselves with beautifully hand-crafted wind chimes and festive table settings.

Big thanks to Pete Fredotovich for taking care of hospitality -- the much needed coffee and baked goods kept us all going early in the morning. Thank you, Nancy Hawkes, for the great welcome bags. Thank you, Paul Picciau and Everett Van Dyken, for arranging the lunches and dinner. This year's dinner was great! Special thanks to Jane Chopson for her outstanding job as Madame Auctioneer – again another very successful and fun auction. Thank you, Jenny Kenton, for helping organize the auction items – it made tracking auction sales so much easier this year.

Thank you, Dale Bassano, for the pre-show BBQ on Friday – it was a welcome treat for all that helped set up the grounds.

Thank you, Laura Craig and Allison Paxton, for taking care of the raffle, setting up the tables and arranging all the cool raffle items.

Thank you everybody who so generously donated items for the auction and raffle. There were lots of great items this year. Many thanks to our Show Secretary Pamela Preston and to this year's conformation judges Mr. Ronald Acena and Ms. Ann Schwartz, sweeps judge Ms. Sue Acquistapace-Redding and obedience & rally judge Mr. Dorin Jay Ladd.

And thank you, Vickie Cook, for your time and the outstanding photography.

Thank you, Kim Cross, for the excellent job judging the fun match. And thanks to Terri Burley-Hammond for ring stewarding the match and to Laura Munro for serving as Match Secretary.

Thanks to all who hung around and helped tear down, put away and clean up the grounds. What a great team effort!

I hope I didn't leave anyone out – if I did it was purely unintentional. Without your involvement, this event would not have been the success it was. Again, many thanks to all of you for your participation!

*Your Humble President,
Kathryn Netser*

GDCNC Meeting: May 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order on May 12, 2007, at 3:55pm. In attendance were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Peter Fredotovich, Everett Van Dyken, Dana Wardner, Mabel Labiak, Connie Andronico, Laura Craig, Bill Labiak, and Conley Netser. Excused were Jane Chopson, Timmi Williams and Terry Toops.

Everett Van Dyken motioned to pass the minutes of March 31, 2007; seconded by Nancy Hawkes. Passed.

Introduction of guests Shannon Rich and Linda Lauermann.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Unfinished Business: Judge selection

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Turned over to the Treasurer to report the show expenses/earnings.

TREASURER'S REPORT ON THE SPECIALTY SHOWS

A complete financial show report will be available at our next meeting. Noted below is the preliminary financial status (additional revenue or expenses have not been submitted to the Treasurer at the time of this printing):

Auction	\$ 3890.00	
Dinner	\$ 103.00	
Morning Hospitality	\$ 72.96	(not complete)
Entries	\$ 323.39	
Catalog ads	\$ 490.00	
BBQ	\$ 63.50	(not complete)
Raffle	\$ 1000.00	(not complete)
Trophy	\$ 805.00	(not complete)
Fun Match	\$ 240.00	
Welcome Bags	donated (i.e., no cost to GDCNC)	

SHOW

- ◆ MBF is easier for GDCNC, but they include many items that are unnecessary for our needs and potentially raise the cost of their service. Will look for a less expensive superintendent.
- ◆ Consider options: do not offer dinner? no auction? Table to next meeting, August 11, 2007, for discussion.
- ◆ Paul Picciau is stepping down from meals for next year's show, looking for volunteer.
- ◆ Nancy Hawkes has volunteered to do welcome bags again next year.
- ◆ The Raffle Committee needs more helpers. Nancy Hawkes, Allison Paxton, and Laura Craig volunteered.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Incoming:

- ◆ 03/27/07: Letter from AKC about new microchip product
- ◆ 03/27/07: GDCA Bulletin (first quarter)
- ◆ 04/30/07: Letter asking for \$500 donation to NAIA

Outgoing:

- ◆ 03/27/07: Letter to Assembly Business and Professions Committee to oppose Bill 1634
- ◆ 04/09/07: Faxed judges' nomination ballot for the 2009 National Specialty
- ◆ Letters opposing Bill 1634 sent by our Club President, Kathryn Netser

TREASURER'S REPORT

April:

- ◆ Income: \$4280 (\$250 auction donation; \$155 trophy donations; \$3875 show)
- ◆ Expenses: \$6427 (\$219.62 copy newsletter; \$65.91 newsletter postage; \$6038.86 show)
- ◆ Account balance information is available to club members on request

Show information as noted previously.

Discussion on whether to send \$500 donation to NAIA tabled to next meeting (August 11, 2007).

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Education

An ad for the Battaglia seminar was sent to Dane World.

Reminder to register before September 1 for best rate.

Membership

Patricia Dousman, first publishing in next newsletter.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Judges Selection Process (results of process effective for 2010)

- ◆ *October*: List of all judges licensed to judge Great Danes goes to membership along with dues letter and with instructions to select ten judges from the list and any recommendations for sweepstakes and/or match judges. The member's list of the ten selected judges plus recommended sweepstakes and match judges will be returned with the dues in the SASE envelope provided.
- ◆ *November*: Letter to be mailed to membership requesting their vote for the top three conformation judges from the member-generated list. Votes will be tallied and top ten vote-getters will be placed on the list for membership vote at the Specialty shows.
- ◆ *April*: Members will vote on the ten conformation judges receiving the most votes as a result of the mail vote in November. Show chairperson will contact judges with judging assignment in order of the results of the April vote. Judges for the 2008 Specialty are: Linda Van der Dijen from The Netherlands and Ray Goldstone from Canada.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) *Obedience/Rally at the 2008 Specialty*:

Good turnout this year with about 18 entries. Kitty Kenyon is willing to organize another rally seminar.

b) *Meeting Schedule*:

August 11, 2007 at Royce Farms (11:00am) [Connie Andronico excused]

September 15, 2007 at San Rafael (following BOB)

November 17, 2007 at Royce Farms (11:00am): closed Board meeting

c) *Election of New Members*:

Motion by Connie Andronico to elect Pablo Grodnitzky as a member of the GDCNC. Conley Netser seconded. Passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Nancy Hawkes moved that the meeting be adjourned. Everett Van Dyken seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mabel Labiak, Recording Secretary

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

GDCNC Welcomes New Member Pablo Grodnitzky

First Publishing:

- ◆ **Patricia Dousman**
Sponsored by Pat Gurtner and Kate Jackson
- ◆ **Linda Lauermann**
Sponsored by Everett Van Dyken and Allison Paxton
- ◆ **Shannon Rich**
Sponsored by Everett Van Dyken and Allison Paxton

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial

Information

Is available to

Club

Members

On Request



Acupressure Could Save Your Dog's Life

The following article was published at http://www.iwane.org/A_P.htm with the kind permission of the Great Lakes Irish Wolfhound Association and Dr Chris Krowzack.

It Simply Works
By C.A. Krowzack, DVM

In February of 1998, the Great Lakes Irish Wolfhound Association (GLIWA) held their annual meeting. The meeting is an occasion for fellowship of the members, the club attends to business and also hosts a speaker on a special topic. In the past it has been obedience, therapy dog training, and this year the topic was acupuncture.

Dr. Debbie Mitchell gave an overview of what acupuncture is, its history and its medical uses. Then, using a member's dog, showed the participants several acupuncture/acupressure points that they could utilize. One point was to stimulate gastrointestinal motility to combat bloat.

This week at my clinic, a GLIWA member brought her wolfhound in for an examination. During the night Quinn had begun experiencing discomfort. He sleeps in the bedroom with his owners. The husband had worked a long day and was asleep, but the wife was awakened by the restless behavior of Quinn. When she petted him she found his abdomen severely enlarged and hard to the touch. She knew it was bloat, but didn't know what to do. She is a small woman, and Quinn a large dog. She remembered the acupressure point Dr. Mitchell had shown and began massaging it. Within a few minutes, Quinn began passing "a lot of gas" and his abdomen became smaller and softer. The husband and wife brought Quinn in the next morning to make sure he was all right, and because he had diarrhea.

On examination, Quinn was completely normal. He was not experiencing discomfort upon palpation, and no abnormalities beside the diarrhea could be found. Because she remembered the acupressure point, the wife had saved Quinn's life. The acupressure point is on the hind leg. If you start at the hock, on the front of the leg (anterior) you can feel the tibia. Move your hand up the leg along the tibia's sharp crest; what in humans would be called the shin. As your hand approaches the stifle, or the "knee" the crest becomes very pronounced and then curls around to the outside (laterally). Just inside this curve is a depression. The acupressure point is in this depression. An acupuncturist might insert a needle into this spot, or inject a liquid, but, as Quinn's owners will attest, massaging also stimulates the point. The gastrointestinal tract starts to contract and move (peristalsis) and expels the built up gas before torsion can occur. If torsion has occurred, massaging the spot will not help.

I don't recommend this procedure instead of veterinary treatment, but begun early, or on the way for veterinary treatment, it can save your hound's life!

For Sale: Honda Generator Model EM 3500 S

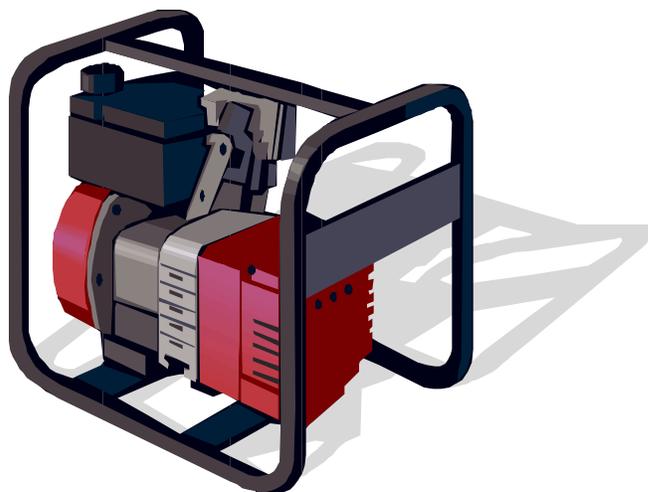
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Contact Dana Wardner at 209.786.6716.





Echo Danes is very excited about its latest litter!!! FIFTEEN babies were born to Bella (Kenyon Echo Dance in the Dark) by Evan (Ch Surfside Stairway To Heaven PBJs) at the end of June. This was a repeat breeding of Sonny's and Annie's mom and dad - we had 7 fawns (3 boys & 4 girls) and 8 blacks (4 boys & 4 girls). One fawn girl and three black girls are still available. Inquiries to Timmi Williams (timmiw@sti.net).



There is a New Champion in the Paxton household!!! **Schatzi** is now **CHAMPION Shady Crk's Lady Smith N Wesson** and she was beautifully owner mom handled to her title! This dynamic duo picked up the last 2 points to finish on the Mission Circuit in Pomona on May 25th under respected judge Mrs. Karen Riddle. WOO HOO for Allison's and Richard's first Champion!

And not to be outdone by his half sister, the same day Schatzi finished, 11-month-old **Kissinger ~ Equiss Kiss N Mr Big Stuff** ~ went Best Puppy under Mrs. Karen Riddle and then on to a Group 2 in a very competitive Puppy Working Group. Kissinger is also completely owner mom handled to all honors.

More news from the Paxton household in June!!! At 11-months **Kissinger** took his first point by going WD/BOW under esteemed breeder judge Dana Cline in Antioch! WOO HOO!!! Some may recall that Dana awarded **Schatzi** with her first point on her way to becoming a CHAMPION as well. And in the same tradition of FIRSTS, Dana gave CH Schatzi another first: Her first BOB as a Special!!!

And then just 4 days after his first point, **Kissinger** picked up another single by going WD at the Snake River Kennel Club in Idaho under judge Joseph E Gregory giving him 2 points from the 9 – 12 puppy class totally owner mom handled !!!

And there's more news from Paxton Danes!!! **Kissinger**, who has been strutting his stuff with his mom/owner handler, garnered another single at the Santa Cruz kennel Club for a total of 3 points at 12 and a half months old!!!

And Our Lovely **Schatzi (CH Shady Crk's Lady Smith N Wesson)** was recognized at the MBGDC Specialty by long time breeder Judge Donald Booxbaum. Beautifully mom piloted, as always, she was awarded Best Of Opposite in a large field of 19 nice Specials.



Ava is now officially known as **BISS CH BLK Almosta Avatar V Destiny!** Ava, presented beautifully by owner Pepper Riddle, picked up her first Major at the GDCNC Specialty Show under Judge Ron Acena, where Ava was Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and *Best of Breed*. Ava finished her championship in Montana at the Electric City KC show on June 22nd under Col. JB Purkhiser, going WB/BW for a five-point Major. Ava was completely owner-handled by Pepper – awesome job, Girls!!!

Pepper welcomed a new man into her life in February: A harlequin puppy named **Riley!** Here are the vitals:
Registered Name: **BLK Destiny Calls**

DOB: 12/19/06
Sire: CH BLK's GMJ Think Tank DD
Dam: BLK's Alchemist (pointed)
Breeder: Dawn Buckland of Buckland Great Danes

And he got off to a great start in the ring! In May, he went Best of Breed Puppy and on to a Puppy Working Group 1 at the Menzona KC match. He is owned and handled by Pepper Riddle and is co-owned with Dawn Buckland.



Amador's Midnight Star (his friends call him "**Patrick**") took a three-peat in May: Winners Dog and Best of Winners under Roger D Gifford for one point at Saturday's Coyote Hills show, Roland Pelland for two points at Sunday's Coyote Hills show, and another two points at the Hangtown show under Robert Shreve. In June, Patrick made two appearances in Gridley – and strutted out with the purple both days! He was Winners Dog under Jeanne Zuver and then WD/BW/BOS under Adrian Woodfork. Patrick started out July with a four-point MAJOR win under Dr Harry Smith, Jr. His breeders are thrilled! Patrick was sired by Ch Amador's Titan V Sharon and his dam is Ch Amador's Madame Butterfly. Patrick is loved and spoiled by his owners Michele, Frank and Annalissa Andretta.



Hannah is now **Ch Marcliff's Long Distance Voyager!** At what was to be Hannah's final show, Judge M Ann Schwartz awarded her Winners Bitch for a four-point Major at the GDCNC Specialty. Hannah was 5 years and 9 months young at the time, retiring from the show ring with style, grace and a new title: *Champion*. Owners Tom and Nancy Hawkes are no doubt very proud of their lovely fawn girl. Hannah was sired by Ch Jerdans Final Countdown out of Jerdan's Lucky in Love.



Oscar's kids continue to do their Dad proud!

- ❖ **Am/Can BISS Ch Daynakin's Nat'rly in the Money ("Bravo")** is a Group winner and a multiple Specialty winner. As of the end of June he was ranked in the Top 10 Danes. He is owned by Rick Meyer, Georgia Hymmen and Jack Henderson and is handled by Jane Chopson and Georgia Hymmen.
- ❖ **BISS Ch Lore's Invaluable Asset RN ("Monte")** owned by Nancy O'Conner is also a Specialty winner, having won the Monterey Bay GDC Specialty in July. As of June 30, Monte was ranked in the Top 20. He is handled by Jane Chopson.
- ❖ **Double D's Daynakin's Party Brew ("Brew")** owned by Brent & Angie Smith and Jane Chopson picked up his second major from the puppy classes and now needs only one single to finish. Brew is also handled by Jane.



Jim Curnutt and Elizabeth Bigby are pleased to announce the arrival of **Danni**, who's officially known as **BigNutt's Wild Irish Thyme of Magnus**. Jim and Elizabeth had quite a ride with their little bundle of joy from NY to Cleveland and then to her new home in California. Danni was sired by BISS Ch GMJ's The General D'kota out of BISS Am/Can Ch Rockbridge Charli Angel A/J Magnus RN. Proud Papa Jim boasts, "This bitch has so much bone, substance, style and personality!" Sounds like they're gonna have a great time with her!



Affaire's Sweet Basil Rain AKA **Basil** is making his family proud! He was WD/BW under Maggie Alhino at the Chief Solano KC show in Vallejo in April. And to make Mother's Day extra special, he was awarded WD, Best BBE and BBE Group 1 at Camellia Capital KC under Sophia Kaluzniaki. Basil (Ch Lagarada's Aspen Gold x Affaire's For Your Eyes Only) is owned by Shelley Hayse and his breeder-handler Laura Munro.



Those beautiful Valinor blacks are doing a whole lot of winning! From the Ch. Etar's Consider It Done O'Kyan x Ch. Valinor's The Divine Miss M litter:

- ❖ **Kali** is Valinor's Champion Number 18! **Ch Valinor's The Rose of Bruport** was Winners Bitch at the Middlesex County Kennel Club on Sunday, July 17, under judge Edeltraud Laurin for her final point. Kali is owned by Susan Reiter and Everett Van Dyken and she was owner-handled all the way by Susan Reiter of Bruport Great Danes.
- ❖ On Sunday, July 8, at the Ventura County Dog Fanciers Association show, **Valinor's Pink Floyd** was Winners Dog for a 4-point MAJOR! **Floyd**, who now needs just a handful of singles to finish, is owned his breeders Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau.

And from Valinor's BIS Ch Servadei Electa Kahn Son of Thor x Ch Valinor's I'll Take You There litter:

- ❖ **Valinor's Chance at Blackjack** took Winner's Dog for FIVE points at the Great Dane Club of California Specialty show on Sunday, June 10th under judge Mari Hayhurst. **Chance** is owned by Brandi Boitnott and handled by her husband Mike. Chance needs four singles to finish.
- ❖ In Ferndale on Saturday, June 30, Chance's sister **Robbie (Valinor's Rock Me On The Water)** was WB/BW/BOS under Marian Mason Hodesson from the Bred By class. Robbie is owned by her breeders Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau.



Tucker, at the tender age of just 8-months, was awarded a very impressive Specialty Reserve at the MBGDC show under Donald Booxbaum. Tucker, who's officially known as **Daynakin's Oh I'm Tuff Too** is owned by Bob & Pat Gallup and is always beautifully presented by "mom" Pat.

Terri Hammond would like to express her relief that **Norma Jean** received her Rally Novice tital at the GDCNC Specialty – and with a respectable score of 87, no less! Norma Jean is now officially known as **Ch Daneridg-Tered Somelikeithot RN!**

Norma Jean and her son **Charlie (Ch Tered's Confidential Affair)** appeared together in the conformation ring and were awarded Best Brace, ably guided by mom Terri. Kudos to Terri, Norma Jean and Charlie for doing the brace thing!



Trudy (BISS Ch Aldawn's I'm The Intruder AOM) has collected some nice wins in the last few months:

- ❖ Yosemite KC, Merced: Best Opposite Sex, Judge Donovan Thompson
- ❖ GDCNC, Lodi: Award of Merit, Judge Ron Acena
- ❖ Butte County KC, Gridley: Best of Breed, Judge Adrian Woodfork
- ❖ Butte County KC, Gridley: Best of Breed, Judge Robert Stein
- ❖ Shasta KC, Gridley: Best Opposite Sex, Judge Ms Keke Kahn
- ❖ Del Monte KC, Seaside: Best of Breed, Judge Dr. Alvin Krause
- ❖ Del Monte KC, Seaside: Best Opposite Sex, Judge David Bolus

Trudy (Ch Diamond Danes American Patriot x Aldawn's Holiday In Paris) was bred by Kim & Gordon Cross and is owned by her breeders and Diane McClelland. Trudy's people are very excited about the planned breeding of Trudy to Kahn (BIS BISS Am Int'l Ch Servadei Electa Kahnsen of Thor ROM, CGC). Puppies anticipated in October, 2007!



Jon and Jenny Kenton's girls have both beauty and brains! **Nalla (Adelaide's Sweet Nalla Piche RN)** completed her third leg and earned her RN (Rally Novice) title at the GDCNC Rally Trial on Saturday under judge Dorin Ladd. And while Nalla was showing off her skill with Dad Jon, Jenny was busy in the conformation ring with **Laural (Divine Acres Rising Victory V Adelaide)** collecting these nice wins:

- ❖ WB for her first point in Vallejo under Roland Pelland
- ❖ RWB to a four-point major at the GDCNC Specialty show under breeder judge Ronald Acena
- ❖ RWB in Merced under Donovan Thompson
- ❖ RWB at the Reno KC show in Carson City under Douglas Holloway
- ❖ WB/BOS over Specials at the Reno KC show in Carson City under Jacqueline Rayner
- ❖ WB in Gridley under Keke Kahn
- ❖ WB/BW in Gridley under Jeanne Zuver

At just 15-months old, Laural now has four points toward her championship – and mom-handled all the way by Jenny. Way to go, Girls!

A Reminder About AB 1634, The So-Called "Healthy Pets Act"

Kitty Kenyon sent this email to me — she makes this important point more passionately than I ever could. -Ed.

Letter to the Editor:

Please put out to the membership that this bill is not dead. It will come up again in January when everyone is busy doing other things. That is Levine's plan and why he tabled it. He knew he could not win and he is trying to go to a time when we all have other things to do. So beware and join PetPAC (www.petpac.net) so we're ready to fight it when it comes up in January. Levine is a real stinker and has moved the bill and pulled it because he did not have the support. We have to kill this bill!!!! Please, everyone, do not get tired of fighting — that is exactly what Levine is trying to do: Wear us down so we get tired of fighting this bill but we have to keep on fighting. We have to be as aggressive as the PETA people! I for one will not let anyone interfere with my dogs and me and I will die before I let that happen.



GREAT DANE CLUB

of Northern California, Inc.

PRESENTS

BREEDING BETTER DOGS

A WEEKEND
WITH

DR. CARMEN BATTAGLIA

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AND
JANUARY 6TH 2008 8AM-4PM

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2007 GDCNC Board and Officers

The 2007 GDCNC Officers & Board were elected at the Club's Annual Meeting in January. The note in parenthesis following each name is the expiration year of that person's term.

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Calendar of Events

GDCNC Meeting
Saturday, August 11th at 11am
 Royce Fams Restaurant, Stockton

GDCNC Meeting
Saturday, September 15th
 after BOB at the Sir Francis Drake KC show

GDCNC Board Meeting
Saturday, November 17th at 11am
 Royce Fams Restaurant, Stockton

Holiday & Awards Brunch
Sunday, December 9th at 10am
Save the date — more information soon!

Breeding Better Dogs Seminar
January 5-6th, 2008
See enclosed flyer for registration information