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**by Nate Baxter, DVM**Submitted By Barbara Moffett

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### Meeting Minutes July 1, 2009

GDCNC Meeting: July 1, 2009

The meeting was called to order July 1, 2009, at 7:11 p.m. by Nancy Hawkes. In attendance were officers and board members Nancy Hawkes, Pete Fredotovich, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Barbara Moffett, Terry Toops, Jenny Kenton, and Brittany Williams. Everett Van Dyken, Jane Chopson, Kathryn Netser, Pat Dousman, and Conley Netser were excused. Two additional club members were in attendance.

#### Introduction of Guests

None

#### **Minutes**

Bill Labiak made a motion, seconded by Brittany Williams, to approve the minutes of May 16, 2009 as amended:

- 1) add Kathryn Netser to the list of excused board and officers:
- 2) indicate that Barbara Moffett was not appointed to the show review committee at the last meeting; and,
- 3) change the judge noted as Michael Eng to Alvin Eng.

Passed.

#### **Show Chair**

Item tabled until next (August) meeting.

#### **Show Review Committee**

Members of the show review committee determined that their purpose must extend beyond reviewing just show finances in order to effectively serve the club. The committee will review all activities of the club—not just the show activities—to help determine how to make the

committee will act without prejudice in making these determinations and in their recommendations to the Board.

club more profitable. This

On a motion by Pete Fredotovich, seconded by Bill Labiak, the Board agreed to rename the "Show Review Committee" to "Finance Review Committee" to better reflect their purpose. Passed.

**Finance Review Committee Appointments** 

President Nancy Hawkes recommended the following appointments to the Finance Review Committee: Pete Fredotovich Terry Toops, Bill Labiak,

Barbara Moffett, and Nancy Hawkes. On a motion by Jenny Kenton, seconded by Terry Toops, the Board approved the selection of Finance Review Committee members as stated above.

### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Mabel Labiak, Recording Secretary



### Cooling

Evaporative cooling is the most efficient mean of cooling. However, in a muggy environment, the moisture will not evaporate so cooling does not happen well. I cool with the coldest water I can find and will use ice depending on the situation. The best way is to run water over the dog, so there is always fresh water in contact with the skin. When you immerse a dog in a tub, the water trapped in the hair coat will get warm next to the dog, and act as an insulator against the cool water and cooling stops. If you can run water over the dog and place it in front of a fan that is the best. Misting the dog with water will only help if you are in a dry environment or in front of a fan. Just getting the dog wet is not the point, you want the water to be cool itself, or to evaporate.

# Just getting the dog wet is not the point, you want the water to be cool itself, or to evaporate.

For MOST situations all you will need to do is get the dog in a cooler environment, in shade, or in the cab of the truck with the air conditioning on (driving around so the truck does not overheat and the AC is more efficient). Up to a couple of years ago, I was very concerned about my dogs getting too hot in the back of my black pickup with a black cap. New white truck fixed a lot of that problem. When I had one dog I just pulled the wire crate out of the car and put it in some shade and hopefully a breeze. But having 2 dogs and running from one stake to another, that was not feasible. So I built a platform to put the wire crates on, this raises the dog up in the truck box where the air flow is better. Then I placed a 3 speed box fan in front blowing on the dogs with a foot of space to allow better airflow. I purchased a power inverter that connects to the battery and allows the 3 speed fan to run from the truck power. It has an automatic feature that

# Emma!

CH Allegro's Delta Breeze Rhapsody,
CGC, TT gracefully turned 11 years
young today. She was born July 3rd,
1998. Her sire was our first homegrown
champion, CH Delta Breeze Life of Riley
and Dam was CH Allegro's Ms Maestro,
Marissa from Suzanne Kelley, Allegro
Danes. Emma started her day with a
special breakfast and will go for her
morning walk around our 7 acres.
She will hang out with her daughter,
Violet who is almost 8 and her nephew,
Higgins who is 4. Keep
healthy and happy our

Love, Mom and Dad.

dear, sweet girl.

### LitterBox

Skyranch Danes is pleased to announce a ALL BLUE litter is due at Skyranch on August 14, 2009 between Coleridge's Bluejacket V Skyranch "Sailor" (CH. Coleridge's Bandito de Macleo x CH. Coleridge's Blue Amidala) and CH. Coleridge's Message From Above V Skyranch "Sage" (CH. EIO's Danes Wild Blue Yonder, CGC, TDI x Coleridge's Blue Mys Tori) Proud Breeder/Owner is Pat Dousman.

# CHAMPIONS! Jessie

New Champion Affaire's Taken by Storm v Blanton! "Jessie" completed her championship title on July 11. Jessie is owned by Kim Blanton and co-owned by breeder, Laura Munro. She has been bred to BISS Ch Equus Diamond's Are Forever, CGC and we expect a futurity nominated litter on or about September 4th!

# Gabby

New Champion Icon-Hudson Olivia's Dream Girl (Gabby), finished 6-7-09 WB, BOW at the Great Dane Club of San Diego Specialty. Judge Mrs. Katie Edwards. She went on to the Montana Circuit, winning 3 BO in her first month of being specialed. She is finishing up in portland this weekend and I will be sooooo excited to get her back!!

### Justin

Justin finished his Canadian championship with a 5 point major Thursday he finished under Judge Neil Graves - July 23, 2009
Pacific Kennel Club Results for Pacific Kennel Club, Canada - Friday Judge Jon Cole (US). Well today Justin really outdid himself. His first day as a special he took Best of Breed and then took a Group 1 under renowned judge Jon Cole from the US.

prevents it from draining the battery. When I turned that fan on medium I would find that the dogs where asleep, breathing slowly and appeared very relaxed and comfortable in a matter of 20 minutes or less, even on very hot muggy days.

### Alcohol

I do carry it for emergencies. It is very effective at cooling due to the rapid evaporation. It should be used when other methods are not working. You should be on your way to the veterinarian before you get to this point. We recommend using rubbing alcohol, which is propylene alcohol, not ethyl, for those of you not aware. So do not try to drink it. Alcohol should be used on the pads and lower feet area where there is little more than skin and blood vessels over the bones. Use a little bit and let it evaporate, you can use too much as some is absorbed through the skin. There are concerns about toxicity, but you have to get the temperature down.

I purchased those cooling pads that you soak in cold water, but found that the dogs would not lay on them. I would hold them on the back of a dog that just worked to get a quick cool, but have not use them for years. I also bought a pair of battery operated fans but found them pretty useless. Spend your money on the power inverter and get a real fan.

# Watching temperature

If you feel your dog is in danger of heat injury, check its temp and write it down. Keep checking the temp every 3 minutes. I recommend to get a "rectal glass thermometer.

The digital ones for the drug store I have found to be very unreliable, Don't forget to shake it down completely each time, sounds silly, but when are worried about your companion, things tend to get mixed up. This is VERY IMPORTANT\*\*once the temp STARTS to drop, STOP ALL COOLING EFFORTS. The cooling process will continue even though you have stopped. If the temp starts at 106.5, and then next time it drops to 105.5, stop cooling the dog, dry it off, and continue monitoring. You will be amazed how it continues to go down. If you do not stop until the temp is 102, the temp will drop way too low. I cannot emphasis this point enough.

# Starts to drop STOP ALL COOLING EFFORTS.

When the dog is so heated that it is panting severely, only let it have a few laps of water. Water in the stomach does not cool the dog, you just need to keep the mouth wet so the panting is more effective. Do not worry about hydration until the temp has started down. A dog panting heavily taking in large amounts of water is a risk of bloat. Due to the heavy panting they will swallow air, mixed with a large amount of water they can bloat. Once the temp is going down and panting has slowed to more normal panting then allow water. The dog will rehydrate it self after temp is normal. If the dog has a serious problem and even though you have gotten the temp normal, get the dog to a vet, as it can still need IV fluids and some medication. Also, a case of heat stroke can induce a case of hemorrhagic gastroenteritis (not parvo), with a ton of very bloody diarrhea and a lot of fluid and electrolyte loss. These cases need aggressive treatment.

The best method of treatment is prevention. Learn to watch your dog, and see the changes in the size of the tongue, and how quickly it goes

## Tango

Lucas, Isabella, Galia and Pablo Grodnitzky are proud to announce that their handsome blue boy Tango has finished his AKC championship (our first Dane and first champion) and is now Am Intl Champion Kappadanes It Takes Two To Tango, CD, CGC. He finished with a flourish at the Del Monte KC on Sat, July 11 under Judge Judith Brown going BoW for his second 4 pt. major. He was handled exclusively by Denise and Brittany Williams, to whom we will always be grateful for their loving and gentle handling, and guidance in our show campaign. Tango will be going back to work as an obedience dog and be shown only occasionally

### Mack And More...

KC Danes is proud to announce their newest Champion "Mack" KC Danes Mackenzie River. Mack finished with a four point major at just 13 months old at the Del Monte show under Judge JoAnn Dutton. Prior to the Del Monte show Mack took Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex at the Coyote Hills KC under Judge George Marquis and Winners Dog at the Contra Costa "Woofstock" show under breeder Judge Karen Martin where he singled out.

Mack's sister **Laney** (KC Danes Delaney River) also caught Breeder Judge Karen Martin's eye at the Contra Costa show beating her brother with Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex.

Both these beautiful pups are out of Ch. Sarjacks Ain't Whistlin Dixie ROM & Ch. KC Danes Mystic River. Both were Bred by Susan Douglas and Kathryn Netser and presented in the ring by Kathryn. Mack lives with the Douglas's and momma Katie and Laney lives in the Netser household with her other favorite human Conley Netser.

# RIVER Plus more from the Paxton gang...

The summer has been \* HOT \* for the Paxton Dane crew! We finished our first Homebred Champion in June ....it is now CH Paxton's Happen Chance AOM Miss **Rylee** finished at the Yellowstone Valley Kennel Club by taking her 3rd major (a 4 pointer) under judge Mary Ann Alston! We could not be more proud of this puppy ... A NEW CHAMPION at 12 months old, breeder owner handled!!! Rylee was awarded all but her first 2 points (at 7 months). including her 3 majors, from the Bred By Exhibitor class. This pretty girl was also recognized her first time out as a special...Awarded a specialty AOM by Pamela Winter at the Monterey Bay Great Dane Club at 13 months!!

Littermates **Lena** (Paxton's A Chance Encounter at De Robles) and **Linus** (Paxton's Chance Spartan Glory) swept the sweeps at the Monterey Bay Great Dane Club Specialty!! Mom/Owner piloted too I should add. The Lovely Lena was Best in Sweepstakes and brother Linus was Best of Opposite .... making their moms Shari Ziegenbein and Linda Tkach very proud. Thank you judge Bert Rettick for starting off what was to be a wonderful weekend with nice sweepstakes wins for these littermates! Both Lena and Linus are pointed from the puppy classes.

And not to be outdone .... My reserve princes **Piper** (Paxton's Phat Chance) was happy to be showing without having to compete directly with her sister Rylee. She strutted her stuff like the princess that she is ..... and came away with a WB/BOW for a 4 point MAJOR from the Bred by Exhibitor class under Mrs. JoAnn Dutton at the Del Monte shows.

These pretty puppies are by Shari's boy, the late BISS CH De Robles Colorado Caper CGC CHIC (Chance) and my girl CH Shady Crk's Lady Smith N Wesson CHIC (Schatzi). As you can imagine both of us are very proud Grammies indeed!

BIG Congratulations to ALL of the New Champions as well as their owner, handlers, and Breeders!

down. Learn your dogs response to the different environments, and be careful when you head south for an early season hunt test or trial. I have been to Nashville at the end of May, only 5 hours away, but the difference in temp and humidity did effect the dogs as they were used to more spring weather in Ohio. Try different things in training to help the dog cool and learn what works better. Another very important point=> Do not swim your hot dog to cool it then put in put in a box/tight crate. Remember, evaporation can not take place in a tight space, and the box will turn into a sauna and you will cook your dog.

### The best method of treatment is **prevention.**

Carry a stake out chain, and let the dog cool and dry before putting it up. I demonstrated this lesson this spring with my 10 month old pup. After doing a 15 minute session in yard drill on a warm 70+ degree day, she was panting pretty hard and was pretty hot. She was OK but it was time to stop. Just for the heck of it I took her temp. She was 103.6, above normal but too bad for a dog that had just finished working. In my back yard I have a 300 gallon Rubbermaid tub filled with water. I took her to it and she jumped in and out 3-4 times. She appeared totally improved, tongue was much smaller, and eyes brighter and her full spring was back into her step. So I re-took her temp and it was 104.2, so even though she looked better she was hotter. This is a perfect lesson to show not get a hot dog wet and then put them in a box. The water on her skin caused the blood vessels to constrict, decreasing blood flow to the skin. Therefore the hot blood was shunted back to the dog's core and retained the heat. You may have felt the same thing, after exercising but still being very warm, take a shower and get cooled off but as soon as you turn the shower off you start sweating again.

### **Olympus**

It's been a fun couple of months at Olympus. Heracles AKA "Herky," BIS UKC Int'l CH. Olympus' Heroic Victory & Artemis UKC Int'l CH. CaMé Golden Diety (a Midas daughter) both finished there UKC championships. But best of all, Herky topped his off with a BEST IN SHOW this june.

Scooby, BIS BISS CAN/AM CH.

CaMé California Dream (a Midas son)
blew us all away with a Best In
Specialty Show win at the Great Dane
Club of Quebec under Breeder Judge
Donne Connod.

Mesha, Int'l CH. Marcliff's Golden Touch from Olympus (another Midas daughter) Was WB/BOS over specials for 2pts under Mr. Huber.

Apollo, Int'l/Nat'l Puppy CH. WCK-Olympus' Chariot of Fire (an Atlas son) was WD under Kathy Biliew. And last but certainly not least, Cabo Int'l/Nat'l Puppy CH. WCK-Olympus' Rockin' Red Racer (another Atlas son) was WD/BOS under Sharon Candyce Way, up in Canby, Oregon.

Most importantly we'd like to say thank you and congratulations to everyone involved with all these fine Olympians!! We're always so proud.

### Cinnamon

Spicy Cinnamon (Divine Acres Sugar and Spice Girl)does it again. Cinnamon takes WB/BOW/BOS over a special at the Shasta Kennel club under Breeder Judge Kathy Beliew. The second day at Shasta she took WB under Sharon Zacker. Cinnamon continued her role by going WB/BOW at the Butte County Kennel Club under judge Mrs. Houston (Toddie) Clark. Cinnamon continued to capture the judges eyes as she took WB for a 3 pt major under Breeder Judge Pamela Winters at the Monterey Bay Great Dane Specialty. Cinnamon is out of CH Divine Acres Daddy's Girl and Rojon's Dynast O'Northwind bred by Carolyn McNamara. I am having a great time showing Cinnamon and she makes me so proud. Continue to watch for the sizzling duo in the ring.

### **Buckley**

Andy & Debbie Port's Harlequin baby Buckley, (Davishire's The Buck Stops Here) has just become AKC show age "legal". In April, at 3 ½ months, he won Best in Match at the GDCNC specialty (under Laura Munro). At 4½ months, at the 2009 Golden State Spring Sieger in Santa Rosa, Buckley three times won: Best of Breed - Puppy, Bred by Exhibitor - Puppy, and working group placements. He also took a Reserve Best in Show - Puppy and two BBE Reserve Best in Show -Puppy. He gained both his National and International IABCA Puppy Championships. On his 6 month birthday, celebrating his first day in an AKC ring (Del Monte Kennel Club), Buckley took Best Puppy, and Puppy Group 2 under Judith A. Brown and Pamela Winter, respectively.

Buckley was bred by Kathleen Davis & Linda Cullins, is handled by Diane Collings and is cheered on Ch. Maxwell.

#### **John & Janis Robak**

Weed CA

Sponsors: Cecilia Warner & Danna Warner

### Elva L Wilbur-Slish & Michael Slish

Citrus Heights, CA Sponsors: Denise Williams & Pat Dousman

#### **Kevin L Forrest**

Sacramento, CA

Sponsors: Denise Williams & Everett Van Dyken

### Applicants

#### **Renee Truesdel**

Elk Grove, CA

Sponsors: Everett Van Dyken

### **Melissa Pevy & Mike Rogers**

Loomis, CA

Sponsors: Kathryn Netser & Pepper Riddle

- This was a second publishing for all listed. -



#### 2009 GDCNC Board and Officers

The 2009 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

### August 15th

#### Meeting

Royce Farms 11:00

### September 19

#### Meeting

Royce Farms 11:00

#### November 14

### **Business Meeting**

Royce Farms 11:00

#### December 6

#### **Christmas Brunch**

The Liberty House, Pittsburg