



GDCNC Barker

There's Still Time to Pitch In

It's not too late to help make Specialty Weekend 2007 a huge success!

Lorrie Spencer is our Trophies Chair this year and the club is counting on your support. If you haven't already done so, please rush your check to: Lorrie Spencer, 639 Cement Hill Rd, Fairfield, CA 94533.

The Welcome Committee is looking to put together some nice welcome bags this year, as we have in years past. If you have anything you'd like to contribute to the welcome bags, please contact **Nancy Hawkes** at hawkes9@yahoo.com.

Laura Craig and **Allison Paxton** are chairing the Raffle Committee and need help soliciting donations, covering table duties, and selling raffle tickets. If you think you can help, please contact Laura (rocni@linkunet.net) or Allison (dr_allisonpaxton@yahoo.com). On Specialty Weekend, bring the items you'd like to contribute directly to the raffle table -- we'll be very appreciative and the Raffle Committee will make sure your gift is acknowledged!

Jane Chopson (janechopson@cs.com) will again host our incomparable auction on Saturday night. She invites you to support this fund-raising event by donating items your fellow Dane fanciers would appreciate.

Laura Munro is our Match Chair/Secretary will need some help running (i.e., ring stewards, entries) the match. If you can give Laura some help on Friday afternoon, please drop her a line at daneaffr@surewest.net.

Paul Picciau needs a few people to help distribute lunches both days. If you can volunteer some pre-lunchtime help, please contact Paul at valinor@caltel.com.

Lisa Ellison is again going to be in charge of decorations -- and she could use some help in setting up the banquet room. Please let Lisa know if you can help! lellison@tycoelectronics.com.

And finally!!! **Come to the next GDCNC meeting!** It's the last one we'll have before our Specialty Weekend. We hope to see you at Royce Farms Restaurant in Stockton on Saturday, March 31st at 11am.

Bad News for Dog Fanciers

Recent changes to the Louisville Kentucky Animal Control Ordinance and the news is not good for fanciers, breeders and responsible animal owners. The concern to fanciers everywhere is that the legislation was passed at all; that it happened in Louisville is an indication that it could happen here. Some of the more objectionable provisions include:

- ◆ All impounded dogs will be spayed or neutered.
- ◆ Animal Control Officers can decide if you are "physically able" to control your dog -- if they don't think so, they can impound your dog.
- ◆ If you travel with your unaltered dog for more than 3 days, you must notify Metro Animal Services as to the change in location of your unaltered dog.
- ◆ All unaltered dogs must be in an enclosure approved in writing by Metro Animal Services (i.e., no expens).
- ◆ No unaltered dog can be on a leash more than 4 feet long.
- ◆ If you board your unaltered dog, you must notify the Metro Animal Services Director.
- ◆ You may not purchase an unaltered dog without the written permission of the Metro Animal Services Director.
- ◆ You may not keep your unaltered dog in a house in which the windows are open and only screens present to prevent the dog from exiting.
- ◆ Prong, chain and pinch collars are prohibited.
- ◆ Nuisance Law: If any of your animals "irritates" anyone twice within a 5-year period, you will be forced to give up *all* of your animals and will be prohibited from owning animals again for 2 years.
- ◆ You must have your dog/cat re-vaccinated against rabies and re-licensed every time you remove it from a kennel/cattery.
- ◆ If you own more than 3 dogs, and you live on less than 0.5 acres or if you own more than 7 dogs and you live on less than 2 acres, you are in violation of the ordinance. And there's no grandfather clause.

See www.louisville-pets.com for contact information for Louisville officials and a link to the ordinance. Support the Louisville Kennel Club -- they're fighting for all of us.

Specialty Entries Close on Wednesday, April 11th

Dear Dane Friends,

We're already well into 2007 – time is flying and our annual Specialty shows in Lodi will be here before we know it! Everett is Show Chair again this year, and with your support, I know we'll pull off another great Specialty weekend!

It was great to see so many of you at our Holiday & Awards Brunch in December. I'd like to congratulate all the new title holders that have made some wonderful achievements throughout 2006 and their care givers who have put so much work into making it happen. Congratulations!

November's Rally Workshop was a huge success and a lot of fun, too! Lisa Ellison was nice enough to bring her camera and play photographer for the event – be sure to have a look at the pictures on the club's website. To view the pics, go to www.greatdaneclub.org, click on Calendar and then scroll down to the Rally Workshop heading where there's a link to the pictures.

Thank you to the GDCNC members who attended our Annual Meeting at Royce Farms Restaurant in January. I'd like to announce the 2007 GDCNC Officers and Board and welcome them into service: Pete Fredotovich is our new Vice-President, Everett Van Dyken was re-elected Corresponding Secretary, Dana Wardner was re-elected Treasurer and the Recording Secretary's position has been filled by re-elected Board member Mabel Labiak, Timmi Williams was re-elected to the Board, and the other Open board positions were filled by Laura Craig, Bill Labiak, Terry Toops and Timmi Williams. Jane Chopson will continue to serve as our delegate to the parent club, and I'll continue to serve as your President.

We'll miss outgoing Vice President Ceil Wardner and Board members Judy Benjamin and Sue Dubie-Holbrook. We appreciate the time and energy they put into the club during their service Thank you! We look forward to their continued support in other club activities.

In closing, I'd like to share this with you. In the August 2006 issue of the AKC Gazette the Healthy Dog column was a very interesting article titled Beware – The Surprising Dangers Lurking in Hotel Rooms by Mary-Frances Makichen. The story is about a woman who was staying in a hotel for a show and noticed her favorite pooch had something in his mouth – and the something turned out to be rat poison. Fortunately, she was prepared and had the necessary products available to treat her dog immediately.

I happened to read this article just prior to my trip to Ventura and thought to myself, the very first thing I am going to do when I walk in the hotel room is check it thoroughly. When I arrived it was late and I was tired but I remembered the article so I brought the suitcases in and glanced around the room. I thought to myself, "This hotel room looks great!" It was clean, well-maintained and in general a really nice room. But that article was nagging at me and I knew regardless I was going to need to get down on my knees and look under the bed and in all the dark corners. I am so glad I did as at the foot of the bed just back far enough to be hidden from site by the dust skirt was a rather large piece of broken glass that either one us – person or dog – could have stepped on and surely would have cut deep enough to require stitches. In addition to the broken piece of glass, I also found a French fry, a dandelion and a waded up piece of paper with something in it. Needless to say I was very thankful I checked! Our guys depend on us to provide a safe habitat for them. Be sure to check your hotel rooms thoroughly upon arriving for any "lurking dangers".

*Your Humble President,
Kathryn Netser*

2006 Award Winners

Many member Great Danes and their people were recognized for their 2006 titles and/or achievements. Awards were presented at the Annual Holiday & Awards Brunch in December:

- ♦ *Adelaide's Sweet Nalla Piche CGC*
- ♦ *Allegro's Delta Breeze You R The Top CGC*
- ♦ *Amador's Red Thunder CGC*
- ♦ *Bellemarc's The Mona Lisa V Oneida RN, RA, RE*
- ♦ *Ch. Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset, BIS; Winner of the Top 20*
- ♦ *Ch. Belldane's Breakin All D Rules*
- ♦ *Ch. Daneridge-Tered Some Like It Hot CGC*
- ♦ *Ch. Danemar's Rocketman*
- ♦ *Ch. Daynakins Naturally In The Money*
- ♦ *Ch. Daynakins No It All V Paradise*
- ♦ *Ch. Harlwood Intuition V G And D*
- ♦ *Ch. KC Danes Gone With The Wind*
- ♦ *Ch. KC Danes Mystic River*
- ♦ *Ch. KC Danes National Treasure*
- ♦ *Ch. Legacy's High Society*
- ♦ *Ch. Pask-Summer Bebop-A-Lula PBJs*
- ♦ *Ch. Pask-Summer Ticket To Ride*
- ♦ *Ch. Please Dn't Squeeze Da Sherman*
- ♦ *Ch. Remo's Spirit Of Pandora, Venerable Dog*
- ♦ *Ch. Sasdania Icon's Last Dance*
- ♦ *Ch. Tered's Confidential Affair CGC*
- ♦ *Ch. Valinor Etar's Kiss My Brass*
- ♦ *Ch. Valinor's Forest Winds, Venerable Dog*
- ♦ *Ch. Von Bruno's Flash V Bazildanes*
- ♦ *Elan's The Critics Choice, Best In Futurity*
- ♦ *Int'l / Am Ch. Payaso's Secret Star-Agent 86*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Abida Louie's Hocus Pocus*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Cassiopeia V Magnum*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Isis Shades Of Magnum*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Magnum's Sirius Blue*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Mystique Devin's Dream*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Titan Sun Of Magnum*
- ♦ *Int'l Ch. Kenyons Wyatt Aldea Anij RE*
- ♦ *KC Danes The Untouchable E Nes, BBE In Show*

Rally On!

We had a nice turnout for our first-ever Rally Workshop in November: about 9 dogs and 15 people. The day started with an overview of Rally judging, and then our instructor Debra Harper demonstrated with her own very novice Pointer that Rally courses can present problems to even the most seasoned handler. Anij and Zeke, the two RE (Rally Excellent dogs) at the workshop, then walked the course to show how it's really done. Deb then walked us through the novice course, describing each station and explaining what judges look for when the particular station is performed.

Then it was time to work the dogs! Each dog and handler went through the course, with Deb scoring them. She was impressed by everyone's enthusiasm – both dogs and handlers. She thought that every dog/person team there could easily earn an RN (Rally Novice) title.

The last part of the event was a demonstration of the excellent course – first Deb's Golden and then Kitty Kenyon's blue girl Anij navigated the course with ease. Yes! Great Danes can be excellent Rally/Obedience dogs!

Because of the success of our first Rally Workshop and the enthusiasm of the participants, we want to think about organizing another more comprehensive seminar, focusing on all the signs and individual training on each station. She would charge \$15 per dog-handler team, and would require a minimum of 10 teams to sign up to make it worthwhile. If you're interested, please tell Kitty (dockitty99@yahoo.com) so she can book Deb's time and contact Kathryn (knetser@excelics.com) so we can reserve a location.

Rally is a great venue at which we can work with our young dogs and retired champions alike.

Old dog trainers
never die,
They just
drop on recall.



**Important
DATE!**

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
April 27th ~ 29th
Specialty Weekend 2007



**Important
DATE!**

Sunday, December 9th
Holiday & Awards Brunch
Pleasanton Hotel

Saturday & Sunday
January 5th & 6th, 2008
GDCNC presents
Breeding Better Dogs

A Weekend with Dr. Carmen Battaglia



**Important
DATE!**

Additional details will be announced shortly — but mark your calendars now!
You won't want to miss this valuable seminar!!! More details on Dr Battaglia,
the seminar topics and registration information will soon be available at
www.greatdanecub.org.

For more information:

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Dr. Allison Paxton ~ Dr_Allison@prodigy.net ~ 707.2531743

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

*A Belated Welcome to
Ruth Yaffe, Our Newest GDCNC Member
Ruth was voted into the club at the November 18th meeting.*

First Publishing:

♦ **Pablo Grodnitzky**

Sponsored by Kathryn Netser and Everett Van Dyken

Connie Andronico, our Membership Chair, reports that we added 8 new GDCNC members in 2006, while we lost 13. We value each and every member and we welcome your input. If you have any suggestions on how we can help you get more out of your club, by all means, tell a Board Member. We also want to encourage you to solicit new members. And to make it easier to convey a bit about the GDCNC, we'll soon have club business cards to offer anybody that expresses interest in our breed or in our club.



For Sale: 1990 Monaco Crown Royal Signature Series; Pusher Diesel Cummins L10 300 hp 3-speed Allison 2 speed rear end. Features include window awnings, awning, power entrance step, hitch, full length mud flap, full body paint, back up monitor, aluminum wheels, fiberglass roof, diesel generator, leveling system, air horns, roof AC, full pass thru basement, convection oven, 202 gallon diesel; 100 gallon fresh water; 6 new tires. Call (209.772.1394) or email (skylane19641@mac.com) for details and photos.



FINANCIAL REPORT

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are
Available
to members
on request

New Dog Laws for 2007

Kate Jackson recently became the club's Legislative Liaison to the AKC. She hopes to keep us advised of laws and pending legislation that affects us as dog fanciers. If you learn of pending legislation in your community, please drop Kate a line at kate@gantel.com so that she can let other club members know. She sent the following letter to the AKC to express her concerns about some new California dog laws:

Hello.

I recently became the Legislative Liaison for the Great Dane Club of Northern California. I just learned of the following new California legislation that was signed into law and became effective January 1, 2007:

SB 1578 makes it illegal to tie a dog to a stationary object for more than three hours. Depending on the specific offense, violation of this new law could result in an infraction or misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per dog and up to six months in county jail.

SB 1806 gives animal control officers authority to break into cars to save pets that are in distress, such as those inside vehicles parked outside in the sun. Previously, they would have had to call a law enforcement officer to enter the vehicle to save the animal. Under the new law, the owner of an unattended hot vehicle containing a pet will face a fine of up to \$500 and as much as six months in jail.

To see text of both Senate Bills, go here:

<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.html>

SESSION: Select 2005-2006(PRIOR)

Search by: Bill number then enter the bill of interest (SB 1578 or SB 1806)

While thoughts of a dog chained in the yard around the clock or suffocating in a hot car are certainly abhorrent, my opinion is that new dog laws are often bad dog laws. Existing California law provides that any person who subjects any animal to needless suffering, or inflicts unnecessary cruelty upon an animal, or in any manner abuses any animal or fails to provide an animal with proper food, drink, or shelter or protection from the weather is guilty of a crime punishable by a fine not exceeding \$20,000, imprisonment in a county jail, imprisonment in the state prison, or both fine and imprisonment.

I'm active on a few dog lists and hear about anti-dog legislation sweeping across the country. Laws that look to be in the best interest of our animals in fact provide animal rights groups a "foot in the door" for additional, more restrictive legislation. That said, I'm also editor of our club's newsletter, and I feel my position is to "report the facts" rather than my opinion. I would like to provide to my club the AKC's opinions/positions about these new California laws. I did not find a suitable AKC Position Statement online.

Thank you.

Kathryn A Jackson

GDCNC Legislative Liaison & GDCNC Barker Editor

The AKC responded by saying that it did not take an official position on either of bills, though one of their California federations, the Animal Council, did oppose them. You can read more on their website at <http://www.theanimalcouncil.com/CABills.html>.

Training: Nothing In Life Is Free

*This article is a great reminder of some training advice I learned years ago. It's reprinted here from <http://k9deb.com/nilif.htm>.
-Ed.*

Undesirable behavior can be caused by many things, including undetected illness. No behavior modification program should begin without first taking the dog to a veterinarian for a complete physical examination. While you're there, give your vet a printed copy of this page and ask if it would be an appropriate technique for you to try. The NILIF program is an accepted standard in dog training/behavior but it is not, and is not intended to be, a substitute for an in-person, professional evaluation of your dog's behavior. This technique is intended for dogs in good health and of sound mind and stable temperament.



The NILIF program is remarkable because it's effective for such a wide variety of problems. A shy, timid dog becomes more relaxed knowing that he has nothing to worry about, his owner is in charge of all things. A dog that's pushing too hard to become "top dog" learns that the position is not available and that his life is far more enjoyable without the title.

It is equally successful with dogs that fall anywhere between those two extremes. The program is not difficult to put into effect and it's not time consuming if the dog already knows a few basic obedience commands. I've never seen this technique fail to bring about a positive change in behavior, however, the change can be more profound in some dogs than others. Most owners use this program in conjunction with other behavior modification techniques such as coping with fear or treatment for aggression. It is a perfectly suitable technique for the dog with no major behavior problems that just needs some fine tuning.

ATTENTION ON DEMAND

The program begins by eliminating attention on demand. When your dog comes to you and nudges your hand, saying "pet me! pet me!" ignore him. Don't tell him "no", don't push him away. Simply pretend you don't notice him. This has worked for him before, so don't be surprised if he tries harder to get your attention. When he figures out that this no longer works, he'll stop. In a pack situation, the top ranking dogs can demand attention from the lower ranking ones, not the other way around. When you give your dog attention on demand you're telling him that he has more status in the pack than you do. Timid dogs become stressed by having this power and may become clingy. They're never sure when you'll be in charge so they can't relax. What if something scary happens, like a stranger coming in the house? Who will handle that? The timid dog that is demanding of attention can be on edge a lot of the time because he has more responsibility than he can handle.

Some dogs see their ability to demand attention as confirmation that they are the "alpha", then become difficult to handle when told to "sit" or "down" or some other demand is placed on them. It is not their leadership status that stresses them out, it's the lack of consistency. They may or may not actually be alpha material, but having no one in the pack that is clearly the leader is a bigger problem than having the dog assume that role full time. Dogs are happiest when the pack order is stable. Tension is created by a constant fluctuation of pack leadership.

EXTINCTION BURSTS

Your dog already knows that he can demand your attention and he knows what works to get that to happen. As of today, it no longer works – but he doesn't know that yet. We all try harder at something we know works when it stops working. If I gave you a twenty dollar bill every time you clapped your hands together, you'd clap a lot. But, if I suddenly stopped handing you money, even though you were still clapping, you'd clap more and clap louder. You might even get closer to me to make sure I was noticing that you were clapping. You might even shout at me "Hey! I'm clapping like crazy over here, where's the money?". If I didn't respond at all, in any way, you'd stop. It wasn't working anymore. That last try -- that loud, frequent clapping is an extinction burst. If, however, during that extinction burst, I gave you another twenty dollar bill you'd be right back in it. It would take a lot longer to get you to stop clapping because you just learned that if you try hard enough, it will work.

When your dog learns that the behaviors that used to get him your attention don't work any more he's going to try harder and he's going to have an extinction burst. If you give him attention during that time you will have to work that much harder to get him turned around again. Telling him "no" or pushing him away is not the kind of attention he's after, but it's still attention. Completely ignoring him will work faster and better.

YOU HAVE THE POWER

As the human and as his owner you have control of all things that are wonderful in his life. This is the backbone of the NILIF program. You control all of the resources: playing, attention, food, walks, going in and out of the door, going for a ride in the car, going to the dog park. Anything and everything that your dog wants comes from you.

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If he's been getting most of these things for free there is no real reason for him to respect your leadership or your ownership of these things. Again, a timid dog is going to be stressed by this situation, a pushy dog is going to be difficult to handle. Both of them would prefer to have you in charge.

To implement the NILIF program you simply have to have your dog earn his use of your resources. He's hungry? No problem, he simply has to sit before his bowl is put down. He wants to play fetch? Great! He has to "down" before you throw the ball. Want to go for a walk or a ride? He has to sit to get his lead snapped on and has to sit while the front door is opened. He has to sit and wait while the car door is opened and listen for the word (I use "OK") that means "get into the car". When you return he has to wait for the word that means "get out of the car" even if the door is wide open. Don't be too hard on him. He's already learned that he can make all of these decisions on his own. He has a strong history of being in control of when he gets these resources. Enforce the new rules, but keep in mind that he's only doing what he's been taught to do and he's going to need some time to get the hang of it all.

You're going to have to pay attention to things that you probably haven't noticed before. If you feed your dog from your plate do you just toss him a green bean? No more. He has to earn it. You don't have to use standard obedience commands, any kind of action will do. If your dog knows "shake" or "spin around" or "speak" use those commands. Does your dog sleep on your bed? Teach him that he has to wait for you to say "OK" to get on the bed and he has to get down when you say "off". Teach him to go to his bed, or other designated spot, on command. When he goes to his spot and lays down tell him "stay" and then release him with a treat reward. Having a particular spot where he stays is very helpful for when you have guests or otherwise need him out of the way for a while. It also teaches him that free run of the house is a resource that you control. There are probably many things that your dog sees as valuable resources that I haven't mentioned here.

The NILIF program should not be a long, drawn out process. All you need to do is enforce a simple command before allowing him access to what he wants. Dinner, for example, should be a two or three second encounter that consists of nothing more than saying "sit", then "good dog!", then putting the bowl down and walking away.

ATTENTION AND PLAY

Now that your dog is no longer calling the shots, you will have to make an extra effort to provide him with attention and play time. Call him to you, have him "sit" and then lavish him with as much attention as you want. Have him go get his favorite toy and play as long as you both have the energy. The difference is that now you will be the one initiating the attention and beginning the play time. He's going to depend on you now, a lot more than before, to see that he gets what he needs. What he needs most is quality time with you. This would be a good time to enroll in a group obedience class. If his basic obedience is top notch, see about joining an agility class or fly ball team.

NILIF DOES *NOT* MEAN THAT YOU HAVE TO RESTRICT THE AMOUNT OF ATTENTION YOU GIVE TO YOUR DOG. The NILIF concept speaks to **who** initiates the attention (you!), not the amount of attention. Go ahead and **call your dog to you** 100 times a day for hugs and kisses!! You can demand his attention, he can no longer demand yours!

Within a day or two your dog will see you in a whole new light and will be eager to learn more. Use this time to teach new things, such as 'roll over' or learn the specific names of different toys.

If you have a shy dog, you'll see a more relaxed dog. There is no longer any reason to worry about much of anything. He now has complete faith in you as his protector and guide. If you have a pushy dog he'll be glad that the fight for leadership is over and his new role is that of devoted and adored pet.

Oscar Retires Number #1 – and His Get Are Making Their Mark

Oscar (MBIS MBISS American Canadian Champion Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset AOM HOF) retired at the end of 2006 as the Number One Great Dane in both Breed Points and in the All Breed System, defeating 3,264 Danes in the Breed ring and 12,472 dogs in the All Breed System. During 2006, Oscar garnered 107 Breed wins, 3 Bests In Show and 5 Specialty Bests In Show and was the winner of the Top Twenty competition at the National Specialty. Oscar is owned by Lorraine Matherly, his handler Jane Chopson, and his breeders David Vitagliano and Steve Stevens.

Oscar will continue to shine through his progeny, who have taken the show world by storm! Oscar has already watched his 10th & 11th champion offspring finish: Ch Jewel's Emerald Asset and Ch Lore's Kind Hearted Quincy. Another Oscar son, Ch Daynakin's Naturally In The Money, picked up a BISS win at the Willamette Valley GDC Specialty show in January, handled by Jane Chopson – and he's already ranked in the Top 10.

GDCNC Meeting: October 28, 2006

The meeting was called to order on October 28, 2006 at 3:33 p.m. Attending the meeting were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Ceil Wardner, Dana Wardner, Everett Van Dyken, Timmi Williams, Conley Netser, Sue Dobie-Holbrook, Mabel Labiak., and Pete Fredotovich. Excused were Jane Chopson, Judy Benjamin and Connie Andronico.

The minutes were approved as published.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT:

- All new title holders for the year must let Kathryn know by November 12th to receive an award at the Holiday & Awards Brunch.
- The business meeting will be at Royce Farms on November 18th at 10:00am. Dana will bring books to be audited at the business meeting.
- The Holiday & Awards Brunch is scheduled for December 10th.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Incoming

- Letters from AKC approving our '07 specialties.

Outgoing

- Responses to AKC's letters about Mr. Acena judging juniors and obedience discrepancies.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account balance details are available to members on request.

MEMBERSHIP:

There are no new member applications.

COMMITTEES:

Education

A veterinary dentist, Dr. Bebe wants to do a presentation on dog dentistry, probably can conduct the presentation at Royce Farms. Mabel will look into booking a date after the first of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

- Kate had made copies of the business cards to be reviewed. Nothing decided as yet.
- Kate is contacting other clubs in regards to a supported entry for Danes.

NEW BUSINESS

This year's nominating committee is: Ceil Wardner, Paul Piccau and Denise Williams. The motion was made by Everett and seconded by Pete Fredotovich and passed. Please notify the nominating committee if interested in running for office.

The next meeting will be the business meeting held at Royce Farms on November 18th at 10:00am. The Annual Meeting will be held at Royce Farms on January 13, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55pm (moved by Timmi; seconded by Mabel; passed)

Respectfully submitted,
Timmi Williams, *Recording Secretary*

In Loving Memory of Deja

Just a few short months after we celebrated our sweet girl Deja's (Ch. Oneida's Current Affair) 11th birthday in September, she developed a small lump on the inside of her left hock, which turned out to be cancer. While she did quite well for a while with medication, the tumor started to grow aggressively and really bother her. With breaking hearts, we made the decision to let her go. She was a very special lady to us and we were blessed to have her for so long. Deja produced two Champions: Ch. Oneida's Nash Bridges & Ch. Oneida's A View To A Kill. Her one other son went on to become a model for Vogue magazine and other publications and is now living in Colorado. Deja herself was a TV star and had done commercials. She is missed so much. We would like to send prayers and comfort for all those that have also lost a gentle giant, young or old.

Judi & Ed Grimaldi

GDCNC Business Meeting: November 18, 2006

The meeting was called to order on November 18, 2006 at 10:08 a.m. Attending the meeting were officers and board members Timmi Williams, Sue Dobie-Holbrook, Dana Wardner, Ceil Wardner, Mabel Labiak., Kathryn Netser, Conley Netser, Connie Andronico and Pete Fredotovich. Excused were Jane Chopson and Judy Benjamin.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

Discussion on adding other accomplishments to our awards: the winner of the Top 20, and Best Of's from the National will be added to the list of qualifying awards for plaques. This will be added to the standing rules. Also added will be Best Bred By and Best Puppy at all AKC all-breed shows, as well as a Venerable Dog award for Great Danes aged 10+ years. These will all begin January 1, 2006.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Incoming

- Letters from AKC approving our 2007 specialties
 - Letter from AKC seeking a legislative liaison from the club membership
 - E-mail from Lynn Rosebrock regarding supporting the Yosemite KC and Sierra Tuolumne KC shows in April.
- There was no outgoing correspondence.*

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account balance details are available to members on request.

MEMBERSHIP:

- An application for Denise Matulich was received. No one knows her yet so this was tabled for 6 months.
- Ruth Yaffe was voted into the club. Moved by Connie and seconded by Everett.

COMMITTEES:

There was no Education Committee report.

Nominating Committee

- A slate was presented; it will be mailed to members.

Show

- Discussion on auction monies was held. The monies will not go to GDCA this year.
- Trophies will need to be added for Best Veteran, Veteran Dog and Veteran Bitch. They were retired last year. :Lorraine Matherly will donate the retired trophy.
- Kathryn will help with Sweepstakes.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Balance the budget. Approval of the completed budget was moved by Timmi, seconded by Dana and passed.
- Discussion of email from Lynn Rosebrock.
- Motion (by Everett) to support Saturday and Sunday at the shows in Merced; seconded by Timmi and passed. Everett will provide trophies to the clubs.
- The next meeting will be our annual meeting at Royce Farms on January 13, 2007 at 11:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm (moved by Everett; seconded by Conley).

Respectfully submitted,

Timmi Williams, *Recording Secretary*

We are sad to share that Intl Ch. Riverwood's Ann's Dream (Annie) died the week before Christmas. After a month of testing and different medications, we found she had a tumor on her spine that was inoperable. While we thought we would have some time with her, it was only a week after the diagnosis before she was in too much pain to go on. Needless to say, we all miss her very much – including her "pups" (at 21/2) and Chewy (who is now 9+). We're fortunate that Annie left us three wonderful "grandchildren." Annie was a great mother and teacher. We enjoyed every minute of the six years we had with her.

Bobbie and Clyde Malloy

GDCNC Annual Meeting: January 13, 2007

The meeting was called to order on January 13, 2007 at 11:07a.m. Attending the meeting were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Ceil Wardner, Everett Van Dyken, Dana Wardner, Timmi Williams, Sue Dobie-Holbrook, Mabel Labiak, Conley Netser, Connie Andronico, and Pete Fredotovich. Excused were Jane Chopson and Judy Benjamin. Guest attending: Corinne Ellison.

The meeting minutes for October & November 2006 were read. A correction to the November meeting minutes was made (Everett was there). Everett made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; Pete seconded the motion (approved).

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

- Supported entry for Sat & Sun in Merced
- Holiday brunch location/contract

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Incoming:

- AKC requesting the names and address of Club Officers
- Letter from Mel Beck in response to membership lapsing.

Outgoing:

- Letter to membership regarding nomination slate for 2007
- Letter to Mel Beck in regards to his membership lapsing

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account balance details are available to members on request.

MEMBERSHIP:

- There are no new membership applications.
- Officially the club lost 5 members after collection of dues for 2007 due to moving, etc.

COMMITTEES:

Education

- A seminar by Mr. Battaglia was brought up by Barbara Moffett. Also, another seminar from Jane Chopson on genetics of coat color would be explored as well. Barbara Moffet will explore the Battaglia and genetics seminars and present information at next meeting.

Show

- Discussion on auction monies was held. The monies will not go to GDCA this year. After the cost of using MB-F is established. A donation would then be made.
- Premium list has been submitted to MB-F.

OLD BUSINESS:

A full copy of the standing rules was issued to the board members after the election.

NEW BUSINESS:

- There will be a supported entry at the Yosemite KC and Tuolumne KC shows in April. There will be no sweeps. Kate inquired as to the number of supported entries the club would like to do per year. Everett said 3 to 4 would be plenty.
- Kate Jackson has been appointed Legislative Liaison to the AKC.
- The election of officers was held. The officers are: Kathryn Netser, president; Peter Fredotovich, vice president; Dana Wardner, Treasurer; Mabel Labiak, Recording Secretary; Everett Van Dyken, Corresponding Secretary. The 4 new board members are Laura Craig, Bill Labiak, Terry Toops and Timmi Williams
- The Holiday & Awards Brunch will be at the Pleasanton Hotel Inn on December 9, 2007. It was moved by Conley Netser and seconded by Sharon McCrary. It was moved (Barbara Moffett) and seconded (by Timmi Williams) to explore a new site for the 2008 Holiday & Awards Brunch.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

- February 24 at Royce Farms
- March 31 at Royce Farms
- May 12 at the Camellia Capital KC show in Woodland immediately following BOB

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m. (Moved by Everett, Seconded by Kate).

Respectfully submitted,
Timmi Williams, *Recording Secretary*

GDCNC Meeting: February 24, 2007

The meeting was called to order on February 24, 2007, at 11:05 a.m. Attending the meeting were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Peter Fredotovich, Everett Van Dyken, Dana Wardner, Mabel Labiak, Connie Andronico, Laura Craig, Bill Labiak, Conley Netser, Terry Toops, and Timmi Williams. Excused was Jane Chopson.

Kate Jackson's mother passed away, which has delayed *GDCNC Barker* distribution. Sympathy card was sent around for members to relay condolences.

The minutes of January 13, 2007, were read. Motion to approve was made by Everett Van Dyken; seconded by Barbara Moffett. Passed.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

New Business: New member instructions on website.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

- With the Board's approval: appoint Connie Andronico to continue as Membership Chair; appoint Barbara Moffett as Education Chair. All in favor.
- New Business: No. 9 of standing rules—where awards to be presented
- New Business: Supported entry

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Incoming:

- 01/22/07—AKC memo regarding the requirement of a minimum of two gated ex-pens at all shows.
- 01/22/07—AKC survey regarding International Obedience Invitational Trial
- 01/30/07—AKC "Responsible Dog Ownership Day." Email from Lisa Peterson at AKC.
- 0/31/07—Email from Pat Wright of Legalize Ferrets organization asking for club support to legalize ferret ownership.

Outgoing:

- Faxed officer information to AKC.
- Outgoing: Emails to/from Hangtown KC in regards to getting donations of leads for our specialties and our tentative support for 2008 shows.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Income = \$500 (\$475 from trophy donations and \$25 from club dues).
- Expenses = \$136.55 (\$43.62 for awards plaques and \$92.93 for office supplies/copies).
- Account balance details are available to members on request..

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Education

- Barbara Moffett presented information regarding Battaglia seminar. Proposed dates of event for January 5-6, 2008. Speaker cost is \$450 plus airfare, hotel, car rental, meals, etc. Requires \$225 deposit to guarantee date. May want to have PayPal on our website to handle payments. Have Kate advertise event on GDCNC website. Propose registration fee for non-members with a reduced fee for members. Also preferred fee for early registration. Terry Toops and Pat Gallup offered to assist with seminar details. Alison will write a grant request to GDCA. Catering (hot lunch) will be provided (include cost in registration fee?). More information about Battaglia seminars is at www.breedingbetterdogs.com.
- Barbara Moffett made a motion to schedule the seminar for January 5-6, 2008 in the multi-purpose room at her school in Lodi and send a deposit of \$225 to Dr. Battaglia. Timmi Williams seconded. The ayes have it.
- Terry Toops made a motion that any profits from the seminar go back to the education fund. Conley seconded. Need discussion on this. Due to the presentation following today's meeting, this subject is tabled to the next meeting on March 13, 2007.

Membership

Pablo Grodnitzky, first publishing in next newsletter.

Show

- Need toys
- BBQ and potluck on Friday, 27th
- Premium list week of Feb. 25
- Judges list

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Big News at the Keeslars

Paul and Agneta are have some really big news!!! Olympus' Heroic Victory aka Heracles aka Herky) joined their household! Herky was sired by Lorraine's Bernie (Lore's Hunk Of Burning Love) and his dam is Denise's Nike (Ch Olympus' Sweet Victory). This very special not-so-little guy joins Rose, her "uncle" Boomer and the "littlest Dane" Boston Terrier Mojo to round out the Keeslar household. Herky made his ring debut at the Santa Clara All-Breed match in February, winning BOS. He's spoiled, trained & owned by Paul & Agneta Keeslar, co-owned by Denise Williams & Lorraine Matherly who all expect great things from this little boy!

A Titan Son Joins the Andronico Pack

Grandma Connie Andronico is very excited and pleased with the five beautiful and adorable puppies in born in Florida this past fall. Three black boys, one black girl and like the last two Titan-sired litters, a "token" fawn girl. Dam is Ch. Rylaur's Keeping the Faith (CHIC) and sire is Connie's own Am/Int'l Ch Amador's Titan V Sharcon (CHIC). So thrilled with these babies, Connie just *had* to keep at least one! Look for her showing off her baby boy Atlas around show rings this spring and summer!

Ten More Beautiful Valinor Blacks

The folks at Valinor welcomed ten black puppies (6 boys and 4 girls) into the world back in November. Proud parents are BISS Ch.Obsidian's Power House ("Samson") and Ch. Valinor's I'll Take You There ("Mercy"). While they won't be quite old enough to show in regular conformation at our upcoming Specialty, it's a good bet that we'll get to see one or two at the Specialty Match!

Pepper's New Puppy

Pepper is pleased as punch about her new little harlequin boy! "Riley" (who's officially known as BLK Destiny Calls) was born 12/19/06. Riley was bred by Dawn Buckland; his sire is Ch. BLK's GMJ Think Tank DD and his dam is BLK's Alchemist (pointed). Sure hope we get to see him at the Specialty match!!!

A New Bundle of Joy at KC Danes

KC Danes is proud to announce the arrival of a fawn baby girl sired by BISS Ch. Avant's Bon Chance V Weaver and KC Danes America's Sweetheart, born 2/3/07. Her registered name will be KC Danes The One N Only and she'll be called Zeva.

GDCNC Meeting: February 24, 2007

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Election of New Members:

None.

b) New Member Website Instructions:

Everett suggested website include clearer instructions for potential new members. Everett, Kate and Connie to set up new instructions.

c) Standing Rules:

No. 9—Awards will be handed out at annual holiday brunch. Everett will take care of rewriting standing rule.

d) Supported Entry:

Hangtown KC is donating leashes for GDCNC Specialty. Also breed and winners bitch prizes. Everett made a motion that we support entries for Hangtown in 2008. Barbara Moffett seconded.

e) Guest Speaker Stipend:

Conley made a motion that we pay for lunch for our guest speaker, Dr. Cristine Mincheff, from the American Veterinary Dental College Animal Dental Clinic. Pat Gallup seconded. Passed. (She kindly declined our offer.)

f) Meeting Schedule:

- Next meeting is March 31, 2007 at Royce Farms.
- Kathryn to send out suggested dates for future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mabel Labiak, *Recording Secretary*

SHOW NEWS

Kim Cross showed her natural-eared brindle puppy to a two-point win at the Salinas Valley KC show in December. Judge Joe Tacker awarded Addie (**Jaya's Tax Advise Of Aldawn**) Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. A very nice start from the 6-9-month puppy class — and a great way to end 2006! Congrats Addie and Kim!



Pepper Riddle and Ava (**Intl Ch BLK Almosta Avatar V Destiny**) have some great news! Ava (always owner-handled by Pepper) has collected these impressive wins:

- ◆ WB at the Santa Cruz KC show in December under Col. Joe B Purkhiser
- ◆ WB at the Golden Gate KC show in January under Pat Hastings
- ◆ WB and BOW at the Oakland KC show this past weekend under Larry Kereluke

In addition to these fantastic AKC wins, Ava earned her International Championship with 4 V-1 ratings in January — and on another note, Pepper and her horse Tex earned the Novice 3-D championship in barrel racing. Awesome wins, Pepper!



Judi and Ed Grimaldi are very proud of their boy Bear (**B & K's Back To The Future**)! Bear was Winners Dog and Best of Winners under Richard Beauchamp at the Golden Gate KC show back in January. Bear's littermate Hummer (**B & K's I Am The General**) has been making some great strides toward his championship, too, picking up back-to-back wins at the Wine Country KC shows in Napa last November, and a 4-point Major in Portland in January. These very handsome boys were sired by Ch. Oneida's Nash Bridges (out of Barbara Kreszyn's "Sunshine" Dynakindanlind Freya B&K) — and Judi and Ed couldn't be prouder of how Daddy Nash has produced!



Speaking of Nash's get... Stan is now **CHAMPION B & K Stanford** (Ch. Oneida's Nash Bridges x Ch. B And K Vassar)! After a nice WD/BOW win at the Del Valle show in October under Bob Busby, he took a break — then finished in a BIG way with a heap of majors in Portland in January:

- ◆ WD and Best Bred By Exhibitor at the Willanmette Valley Specialty under Chris Walkowicz for a MAJOR
- ◆ WD and BOW at the DFA of Oregon show under Donavon Thompson — for another MAJOR
- ◆ WD at the Tualatin KC show in Portland under Dr. Donald A. Gill — for another MAJOR and TO FINISH!!!

Stan was completely breeder-owner-handled to his championship by Barbara Kreszyn; he is co-owned by Judi Grimaldi and Ruth Yaffe.



Ch. Stan's littermate Don (**B & K ROCNL Don Bosco**) is off and running toward his championship, too! Don, handled by "mom" Laura Craig recently picked up these nice wins:

- ◆ WD and BOW at the Golden Gate KC show under Pat Hastings
- ◆ WD at the Santa Clara KC show under Joseph Tomey

Don is owned by Roc and Laura Craig — congrats, guys!



There's a new Champion in the Gallup house!!! Nikki (**Ch. Daynakin's National Treasure**) wowed several judges to finish in style:

- ◆ WB at the DFA of Oregon show in Portland under Donavon Thompson
- ◆ WB and BOW at the Skyline show in San Mateo under Dr Donald Jones
- ◆ WB and BOW at the San Mateo KC show in Vallejo under Edeltraud Laurin

Nikki is owned by Pat and Bob Gallup and was owner-handled to almost all of her points by Pat. Nice job, Pat and Nikki!

SHOWBOUNDS

Valinor's Pink Floyd (Ch. Etar's Consider It Done O'Kyan x Ch. Valinor's The Divine Miss M) picked up a couple of nice wins this past November:

- ◆ WD and BOW under Kathleen Steen at the San Luis Obispo KC show in Paso Robles
- ◆ WD under Albert Holabach at the San Joaquin KC show in Stockton

Floyd is owned by his breeders Everett Van Dyken & Paul Picciau.



Valinor's Rock Me On The Water (By Ch. Servadei Electa Kahn Son Of Thor x Ch. Valinor's I'll Take You There) was breeder-owner handled to a very nice Major under Bernard Schwartz at the Kennel Club of Palm Springs show in January. Robbie is owned by and was bred by Everett Van Dyken & Paul Picciau.



River (**WYSIWYG-Valinor River Of Dreams**) has made her owners Robert & Janet Purdy & Everett Van Dyken very proud with these recent wins:

- ◆ WB and Best of Opposite at the San Joaquin KC show under Vern Harvey
- ◆ WB at the Sun Maid KC show under Robert Shreve

River, bred by Tereas La Brie, is a natural-eared black bitch sired by the Purdy's Indy (Ch. Valinor's N Our Wildest Dreams) out of Ch. WYSIWYG's Watcher Sashay.



"ATLAS" wins BEST IN SPECIALTY SHOW!!!! Team Olympus is thrilled and proud to now call him **BISS Am/Int'l Ch. Olympus' Pillar Of The Heavens!!!!** Atlas garnered this fantastic win at the Willamette Valley Great Dane Club under respected judge Ms. Katie Edwards and in tough competition. Boy was THAT fun!!! Atlas also won Best of Breed at the Golden Gate and Sun Maid shows. A huge thank you to all of his supporters, we appreciate you very much!!!



Schatzi (**Shady Crks Lady Smith N Wesson**) has been turning judges' heads everywhere, presented beautifully by owner Allison Paxton:

- ◆ Best Puppy and Puppy Working Group 1 at the Wine Country Kennel Club
- ◆ WB at the San Mateo KC show under Dana Cline
- ◆ Best In Sweeps at the Willamette Valley Specialty in Portland
- ◆ WB and BOW at the Tualatin KC show in Portland under Patti Neale – a MAJOR win
- ◆ WB and BOW at the Santa Clara Valley KC show under Joseph Tomey
- ◆ WB and BOW at the Scottsdale DFA show under Larry Sinclair – a MAJOR win
- ◆ WB, BOW and BEST OF BREED over several Specials at the Skyline Dog Fanciers of San Mateo show under Judith Goodin

Schatzi now has 12 points with both Majors all 100% owner handled by Allison! Way to go, Allison and Schatzi!!! Schatzi is by BISS Ch. Shady Crks Mr Saturday Nite Special AOM CHIC out of Intl Ch. Shady Creek's Forever Yours.



And not to be totally outdone, half-brother Kissinger has a couple of brags, too!

- ◆ Best of Opposite in Sweeps at the Willamette Valley Specialty in Portland
- ◆ Reserve Winners Dog at the Skyline Dog Fanciers of San Mateo show under Judith Goodin

Kissinger (**Equiss Kiss N Mr Big Stuff**) is by BISS Ch. Shady Crks Mr Saturday Nite Special AOM and out of Am/Intl CH Sisco's Sohn Kissed.

SHOW NEWS

Rosie, who's officially known as **PBJ'S Cashin In** (Ch. Penadane's Dream Maker x Offshore's A Page In History) was Winners Bitch and Best of Winners in November at the Wine Country KC show under judge Dr. Alvin Krause. Thanks, Kathryn, for your able and generous help in handling her! Rosie is owned and loved by Agneta and Paul Keeslar.



Teaks (**Ashlex's Caribbean Soul V Legacy**) made her mommies very proud at the Hanford shows! She took back-to-back wins under Norman Kenney and George Marquis. Mr Marquis awarded her Breed over several Specials — it was very exciting to see our little girl out there playing with the big dogs in Group!!! Teaks is owned by Sharon McCrary, Marnie Baker and Kate Jackson — and she's always owner-handled (usually by Sharon).



Vince and Joan Mulligan are thrilled to introduce...

CHAMPION Paradise's Winning Ways

Winnie (Paradise's Prime Vintage - Ch Paradise's U Lil Devil U) was bred by the Mulligans and finished at the Santa Clara Valley KC show last month going WB and BOW under Maggie Alhino.



Higgins (**Allegro Delta Breeze You R The Top!**) picked up two more points in San Mateo at the Salinas Valley KC show under Joe Tacker. Higgins is owned by the Moffets of Delta Breeze Danes and is always owner-handled by Barbara.



Elan's The Critic's Choice V Reimroc picked up two points under respected breeder judge Dana Cline in San Mateo. Henry was bred by Jessie & John Gerszewski and Romie & Sheila Cormier and is owned and handled by Sharon McCrary.



Kappadane's It Takes Two To Tango

(Ch WYSIWYG's Lothario V. Longo - Kappadane's Best Foot Forward) was WD under Frandel Brown and WD and BOW under Larry Kereluke last week-end in San Mateo. Tango is owned by club-member-to-be Pablo Grodnitzky and his wife Galia. Congratulations to the Grodnitzkys and their handsome blue dog!!!

This is the right calf of a club member.
See if you can figure out who it is!

SHOWBOWS

KC Danes is proud to announce Three New Champions!!!

On The Turkey Circuit:

New Ch. KC Danes National Treasure "Jefferson" and **New Ch. KC Danes Mystic River "Katie"**

Both took Winners with Jefferson taking Best of Winners under Judge Mrs. Karen Riddle at the Golden Valley KC show in Turlock. Both were Breeder, Co-owner, Handled to Finish by Kathryn Netser. Jefferson lives with owner Carrie Muir who will take over handling this awesome boy in the specials ring! Katie on the other hand who lives with owner Susan Douglas and family will enjoy the life of a Queen and may make a cameo appearance from time to time.

In Portland at the Rose City Classic:

New Ch. KC Danes Pretty Woman V Sheron "Julia" took Best of Winners for a 4 point major under Judge Mrs. Lisa DeRoulet at the Dog Fanciers Show in Portland. Julia is Number 4 of 5 in the litter to complete her championship. Julia shares herself with Sherry & Ron Acena and Kathryn & Conley Netser. Julia lives with Ron & Sherry and her Grandma Nikki and half sister Ruby.

With the latest KC Dane Champions Momma Betty will receive a register of merit (ROM) for producing 5 champions.....WOOHOO!

Ch. KC Danes Gone With The Wind "Summer" has started the year off with a bang. Summer's first show out for 2007 The Tri-Valley Working Dog Club she took Best of Breed under Judge Mrs. Darcy Quinlan. The following day at the Orange Empire show Summer took Best of Breed and a Group 1 placement under judge Joseph Gregory. Day 2 of the Orange Empire show Summer took Best of Breed under Judge Pete Dawkins. At the Sun Maid KC show Summer took Best of Breed under Judge Mrs. Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna. Summer is expertly handled by Linda Mattson and lives with and loved by Loyann Querin-Jones and Dick Jones.

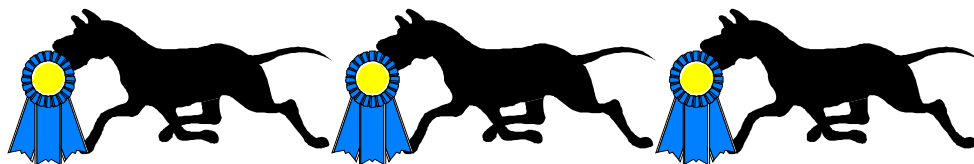
KC Danes The Untouchable E Nes "Elliot" took a major win at the Santa Clara Valley KC show under Judge Margaret Alhino, Elliot is a single from his championship. Prior to the Turkey Circuit shows **"Elliot"** took Best of Winners for 2 points at the Sacramento Valley show while sister **"Katie" KC Danes Mystic River** took Winners and Best Opposite Sex also for 2 points under Judge Mrs. Dorothy Collier. Elliot is loved and spoiled rotten by the Netser household and always breeder/handled.

Santa Rosa – International shows:

"Jefferson" earned his International title, he is now **Am/Int'l Ch. KC Danes National Treasure**. Carrie Muir nicely handled Jefferson through all three qualifying shows.

"Elliot" KC Danes The Untouchable E Nes was able to attend two of the four International shows and qualified at both. While there Elliot took Group 2 BBX for one of the shows and Group 1 BBX for the other show. He needs one more qualifying show to earn his international title.

These KC Danes kids are out of: BISS Ch. Windy Hills Gold Plated x Ch. Sherons Betty D Grandy



Renee Broden is very proud of her first home-bred Champion: **Ch. Cadrmn Ptmd's Fashion Statement!** Tyra zoomed to a quick finish with flurry of recent wins:

- ◆ WB and BOS at the Oakland KC show in San Mateo under Ekarat Sangkunakup
 - ◆ WB, BOW and BOB (over Specials!) in Hanford under Joan Frailey
 - ◆ WB and BOW in Hanford under John Ramirez
 - ◆ And finally, BOB over Specials as a move-up from the classes under Edeltraud Laurin in Vallejo
- Tyra was bred by Renee Broden & Lisa Harm, sired by Renee's Donzi (Ch Daynakin Danelind New Years Resolution) out of Lisa's Jade (Can/UKC GR Ch. Hauerdane's Lucky N Love CGC). Congrats, Ladies!

SHOW NEWS

Hannah (**Marcliff's Long Distance Voyager**) was Winners Bitch for a MAJOR under Sharon Cook at the Golden Valley KC show in Turlock. Hannah was handled to this win Brittany Williams and is owned by Tom and Nancy Hawkes.



When Kitty Kenyon's not working her dogs in Rally, Obedience, Carting and just about every other dog sport, she let's them compete in conformation. Titan (**Kenyon's Titan Sun Of Magnum**) has collected several nice recent wins:

- ◆ WD and BOW at the San Joaquin KC show in Stockton under Vern Harvey
- ◆ WD and BOW at the Smi Valley KC show in Ventura under Bruce Voran
- ◆ WD and BOW at the Sun Maid KC show in Fresno under Robert Shreve

Titan was bred by and is owned by Kitty, out of her Ch. Shades A Shot In The Dash x Kenyon's Wyatt Kalalna Janeway breeding.



Several Great Danes of Lore "J" littermates have been doing great in the ring lately!

- ◆ Jaxon (**Lore's Mardes Jaxon**) picked up points in October under Lee Whittier at the Del Valle show and under Patricia Laurans at the Sac Valley DFA show. Then just a couple of weeks ago, Jaxon was Winners Dog at the Skyline show under Dr Donald Jones. Handsome Jaxon is owned by Debbie and Marty Henderson and is "mom-handled" by Debbie.



- ◆ Charlie Parker (**Lore's Jazzmeister**) picked up back-to-back wins in Hanford under Norman Kenney and George Marquis. The Bassanos are very proud of their beautiful brindle boy!



- ◆ And finally, Tess (**Lore's J'Adore**) added another win to her resume at the Sac Valley DFA show in October under Patricia Laurans.

The Lore "J" babies are by Rudy (Ch. My-Jon's Valentino V Riverlor) out of Lola (Ch. G'Nhydane's La Terremotos Of Lore), bred by Lorraine Matherly.



Half-sister to the "J" litter, Kellie (**Lore's Kindred Spirit**) wanted a bit of the limelight, too, going Winners Bitch at the KC of Salinas show in Vallejo last weekend under Frandel Brown. Kellie is a Lola daughter sired by Oscar and owned and bred by Lorraine Matherly.



Nalla (**Adelaide's Sweet Nalla Piche**), recently retired from the conformation ring to try her paws at Rally – and she's doing great!!! At the Sun Maid KC shows in Fresno, Nalla had two days of qualifying scores – one more "q" to go and she'll have her Rally Novice title! Congrats to Nalla and her people, Jon and Jenny Kenton. While Nalla was doing the Rally thing, her little "sister" Laural (**Divine Acres Rising Victory V Adelaide**) was struttin' her stuff in the conformation ring – and was awarded by RWB from the 9-12-month puppy class. Way to go, Nalla and Laural!



AKC Sanctioned Breed Match

in conjunction with the
GDCNC Back-to-Back Specialty Shows

Friday, April 27th, 2007

Sycamore Lane Kennels
5111 West Sargent Road
Lodi, California 95242

Judge: Kimberly Cross

Particulars:

- ◆ Entries* taken ringside from 2:45pm until 3:45pm
- ◆ \$10 entry fee per class
- ◆ Cash or checks (payable to GDCNC)
- ◆ Judging Begins at 4:00pm

* pre-entries will **not** be accepted

Match Classes (divided by sex):

- ◆ 3 - 6 months
- ◆ 6 - 9 months
- ◆ 9 - 12 months
- ◆ 12 - 15 months
- ◆ 15 - 18 months

Match Secretary: Laura Munro, 8249 Bonnie Oak Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610; Phone: (916) 721-3767; Email: daneaffr@surewest.net

GDCNC AKC Sanctioned Breed Match – April 27, 2007

Day of Match Entries Only ◆ **No Dogs with Major Points** ◆ **No Ear Racks or Tapes**

Dog's Name: _____

Sex: ☐ Dog ☐ Bitch

Registration #: _____

Birth Date: _____

Class (circle one):

3 - 6 months

6 - 9 months

9 - 12 months

12 - 15 months

15 - 18 months

Owner(s): _____

Owner's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I agree to hold the Great Dane Club of Northern California, its members, Directors and Officers free from any claims or loss or injury that may result from this match. I further assume all responsibilities and liability claims and accept all responsibility for loss, inquiry or death of my dog.

Signature of Owner/Agent: _____ Date: _____

2006 GDCA Yearbook

Advertise / Order

2006 GDCA Yearbook Submission

The deadline is June 1, 2007 to be included!

Dear fellow members:

This letter is a reminder to all of those GDCA members and affiliate club members who have obtained titles (champion or companion events) and health certificates (two) for the calendar year 2006, it is time to make your submissions NOW. The deadline is June 1, 2007.

I would like to bring it to your attention that the 2006 Yearbook Submission Form is now on the GDCA website and all members can submit their ads on-line. Both on-line and mail-in page are available with instructions here:

<http://www.gdca.org/yearbook/yearbookorder/index.htm>

It is never too early to start putting your submissions together and sending them to me. We would prefer you make your submissions on-line, but you can still mail all of your information to me at the address noted below and also noted on the submission form.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at ltthill1950@sbcglobal.net

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lora Thill
Yearbook Chairman



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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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Terry Toops (2009)	
Timmi Williams (2009)	timmiw@sierratel.com

Calendar of Events

GDCNC Meeting

Saturday, March 31st at 11am
 Royce Farms Restaurant in Stockton

Specialty Weekend 2007

April 27th ~ April 29th

GDCNC Meeting

Saturday, May 12th
 After Great Dane Judging at the
 Camellia Capital Shows in Woodland