

September-October
2005



GDCNC Barker

The Newsletter of Great Dane Club of Northern California

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Last-Minute Plea for Help at the National

If you are attending the National, we need your help! I only have ONE volunteer to fill the four-hour time slot assigned to our club for the Welcome table. On Tuesday, 10/18, our club must cover the Welcome Table – and there should be at least 3 of us!

Since the National is in our division this year, we share in the profits *ONLY IF WE SHARE IN THE WORK*. And, since we do have a very large membership, it really shouldn't be the problem that it has become. If you are attending the National, please contact me so we can arrange for required coverage.

Here's the list of folks who have already volunteered their time for the Raffle/Hospitality Room:

- ♦ Kathryn & Conley Netser: Sunday from 3pm to 5pm
- ♦ Everett Van Dyken: Monday from 12:30pm to 3pm
- ♦ Timmi Williams: Wednesday 7am to 10am

And for the Welcome Table:

- ♦ Kate Jackson: Tuesday, 2pm to 4pm

We can use more volunteers on both these posts!

Thank you so much!

Lucretia Marcus, Western Division Rep

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Cardiac Clinic Offered at National

The Western Division is offering a CARDIAC CLINIC at the GDCA National Specialty:

- ❖ DATES: Monday and Tuesday, October 18th and 19th
- ❖ TIMES: All Day (appointments must be pre-scheduled)
- ❖ WHAT OFFERED: Cardiac exam with an ultrasound (i.e., echocardiogram)
- ❖ COST: \$150 per dog
- ❖ REQUIRED: AKC registration; proof of ID (microchip or tattoo); dog's current weight

Participants will receive their complete test results within 14 days of the test date. All information will be kept confidential. Contact Kathy Varian with questions about last-minute availability. Email: onestoprealty@verizon.net; Cell: 661-433-1490; Home: 661-269-5515

GDCNC Meeting Minutes: Saturday, September 17, 2005

The meeting was called to order on September 17th at 2:00pm. The officers and board members attending were Kathryn Netser, Ceil Wardner, Dana Wardner, Jane Chopson, Conley Netser, and Everett Van Dyken. It was established that a quorum was present. Guests attending were Nancy O'Connor, Pat and Bob Gallup, and Carrie Muir.

The minutes were approved with the correction that Donnell did not say she would be the trophy chair – the idea was just discussed.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

- ♦ Hurricane Katrina: There is a call for donations the GDCA website has a listing of organizations you can donate to, in addition the club has a disaster relief fund set aside from which we can donate, will cover in more detail under new business.
- ♦ Monterey Bay Great Dane Club Specialty: MBGDC would like to begin a discussion about the possibility of joining our specialty weekend in Lodi. Jean Bell is researching the mileage issue to see if this would even be allowed as the club is just over the 100 mile distance allowed for.
 - Discussion brushed upon the advantages and disadvantages of combining another clubs specialty with ours.
 - M/S/P – the GDCNC and the MBGDC form joint committees to further explore the possibility of joining specialties in the spring. Contacts will be between Everett and Jean Bell.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

- ♦ 08/09/05: Letter from the AKC on PAWS legislation
- ♦ 08/09/05: Thank you letter from the parent club for our generous donation (proceeds from the 2004 Specialty Raffle)
- ♦ 08/15/05: Ballot on Health testing for the futurity and to be listed on the GDCA breeder referral page

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Account balance information is available to members by request.

EDUCATION:

No dates set for any education/health clinic or Rally clinic. (Lucretia sent an email informing the club that her mother passed away on Sept. 8th 2005. The Club's Sunshine Person will send a card.)

MEMBERSHIP:

- ♦ New member application for Pepper Riddle
- ♦ M/S/P – to approve Tom and Nancy Hawkes as new members

SPECIALTY SHOW:

- ♦ Paul Heijn would like to sing the national anthem at our Specialty. Everett will contact him to make the arrangements.
- ♦ Auction monies discussion was tabled until the next meeting.
- ♦ Regarding having Sweepstakes both days: Saturday's Sweeps judge is secured but we still need a judge for Sunday's Sweeps. Everett will contact Lucretia to get the name of her friend in Alaska.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- ♦ Holiday Brunch at the Pleasanton Hotel
 - We discussed keeping the cost the same as in previous years (\$25 per person). We addressed having a slightly higher fee for late reservations but nothing was set. The Club is willing to cover any costs over the \$25 per person meal ticket.
 - There will be no awards ceremony in conjunction with the brunch this year so there will be more time to socialize. In addition we have reserved the venue for an additional hour – even more time to socialize.
- ♦ Overage of the new trailer
 - M/S/P – to approve that overage costs of the trailer are not to exceed \$500.00. The total cost of the trailer is \$6,470.00.
 - M/S/P – to approve not to spend in excess of \$750.00 to build/rebuild the shed to house the new larger trailer.
- ♦ Standing Rules: Discussion on standing rules tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ♦ GDCA health Testing Ballot: Jane did a brief introduction to the ballot and health testing in general. She explained that the ballot has received much discussion on many levels, essentially the parent club wants to encourage health testing. The 4 ballot items were read and the club vote was cast on the 4 ballot items:
 - Yes on one parent having at least one test for Futurity
 - No on CHIC requirement for Futurity parent

- Yes on stud dog/brood bitch having at least one health test
- Yes on CHIC for breeder referral (GDCA)
- ◆ Disaster Relief: The club has a \$2000.00 CD for disaster relief it was discussed donating a portion of this to the AKC to aid in relief. It was noted that by donating to AKC/CAR Canine Support and Relief Fund that 100 % of the monies would go directly to the relief effort.
 - M/S/P – to donate \$1000.00 to AKC/CAR to help with the animals that were affected by hurricane Katrina.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

M/S/P – to approve the next meeting date to be on October 29th following Great Dane judging at the Sacramento show in Dixon. It was felt that earlier would be too difficult with so many traveling to the National.

GDCA CONSTITUTION:

M/S/P – to approve the new wording of the GDCA Constitution as written.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.

Humbly submitted,
Allison L. Paxton
Acting Recording Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT

Account balance information
is available to
members by request.

Membership Update

***GDCNC Welcomes New Members
Tom and Nancy Hawkes***

First Publishing:

- ◆ ***Pat Gallup***
Sponsored by Kathryn Netser and Conley Netser
- ◆ ***Paul and Agneta Keeslar***
Sponsored by Ed Grimaldi and Denise Williams
- ◆ ***Pepper Riddle***
Sponsored by Ceil Wardner and Everett Van Dyken

2006 Show Committees

First, big thanks to those of you who have offered to step in to fill some of the open positions. I will be listing the filled positions and the awesome people filling them in one of the next issues of the *Barker*. Right now, I'd like to recruit some more of you for the remaining open positions for the 2006 Specialties:

- Sweepstakes Chairperson
- Match Chairperson
- Audio Equipment Chairperson
- Equipment (tables & canopies) Chairperson
- Challenge Trophy Chairperson
- Decorations Chairperson
- Hospitality Chairperson
- Lodging Chairperson
- Parades Chairperson
- Raffle Co-Chairperson (thanks Laura Craig!)
- Sanitation Chairperson
- Trophy Chairperson
- Welcome Chairperson

Please let me know if you are willing to fill one of the listed positions or if you have any questions regarding the duties.
Thanks!
Everett, Show Chairman
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**Mark Your Calendar!
Specialty Weekend
April 28-30, 2006**



Sue Dubie-Holbrook wants everybody to know her new email addresses:

- ◆ tdxdane1@sbcglobal.net
- ◆ tdxdane1@yahoo.com

President's Message

Dear Dane Friends,

I'd like to start by thanking all of you that stayed for the club meeting after the Sir Frances Drake show. Amazingly, we covered a lot of material in a very short time frame! I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new members Tom and Nancy Hawkes.

The other day as I was driving home in bumper-to-bumper commute traffic (the 18-mile drive that typically takes me 1 ½ hours), the stress was almost unbearable, I was really feeling it this particular day then finally I pulled up our driveway, still quite stressed out from the commute and from inside the house there was a dead silence as the four legged fur kids dropped what they were doing to listen for that familiar sound of my keys. As I came through the front door I was greeted by these wonderful vibrating Great Danes that were so happy to see me. The stress that was hanging so heavy on me began to lift and was being replaced with a huge smile from ear to ear.

Isn't life grand you share it with Great Danes??? Isn't it a wonderful feeling to be part of a community that has a common interest, love and support for these beautiful animas and their care takers? Life is good!

The National is just a few short days away – how cool will it be having all of those Great Danes around! WOW! I can't wait!!! If you haven't already stepped forward, volunteers are still needed for the welcome table and catalog table, and trophy donations are still being gratefully accepted. It's not too late to sign up! Please contact Lucretia Marcus (bellemarc@sbcglobal.net or (925)831-6172) or Everett Van Dyken (valinor@gotnet.net or (209)786-1530) or myself (knetser@excelics.com or (510) 790-7091) if you are going and can help out. Even just a half hour of your time would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to wish you all good luck at the National this year and wish you all a very safe trip. See you in Chandler, Arizona!

Your Humble President,
Kathryn Netser



Our hearts and lives are forever changed

Amador's Butterfly Kisses

November 9, 2004 ~ August 15, 2005



Tara was Annalissa's constant companion, a much-loved and integral part of the family. And she was growing into quite a little show girl. Her very first time in the ring at the GDCC Specialty, Tara was Winner Bitch, Best of Winners & Best Puppy for a major.

Tara is very much missed by all who loved her.



Braggs & Announcements

Hall of Fame Inductee

CH Warwick's Valinor Flair, ROM, is now the mother of a Hall of Fame 2006 inductee. Breeder/co-owner Everett was recently informed that **CH Cheshire's All That N' Then Some**, OA, AXJ is now a GDCA Hall of Fame member. Ali is owned by Shalein Bonney, DVM, and was bred by Everett Van Dyken and Paul Picciau. HUGE congrats to all involved!

PUPPIES!!! From Kitty Kenyon:

Anij (Kenyon's Wyatt Aldea Anij CD CDX) Kitty's lovely blue bitch whelped a blue boy, a blue girl (both of which Kitty will keep), two black boys and four black girls on August 15th. The sire is Shades A Shot In The Dark (Magnum) owned by Cynthia Lutz in North Carolina. If you get any inquiries for black puppies, please send them Kitty's way. Email: dockitty@aol.com for more information.

PUPPIES!!! And the Grimaldis share this:

CH. B&K Vassar (CH Avanti's All For One Elan x Dynakindanlind Freya B And K) had a beautiful litter of four fawn boys and four fawn girls on September 28th. All are doing great – and proud daddy "Nash" (CH Oneida's Nash Bridges (CH Dana's Tallbrook Town Crier x CH Oneida's Current Affair) thinks it's real cool. This is Nash's third litter — you'll be seeing his two boys from the last litter in the show ring shortly. And his first litter? Don't forget those beautiful girls he produced: BISS. CH. KC Danes An Affair to Remember V Oneida (Dazzle) and her pretty sister Lacy, KC Danes America's Sweetheart, who only needs a major to finish. Geez! If only there were more majors to be had...

New Purdy Puppy

Jan and Bob Purdy welcome a new member to their household: **WYSIWYG-Valinor's River of Dreams**. "River" is a ten-week-old girl and is out of Am/Can CH WYSIWYG Watcher Sashay sired by CH Valinor's N' Our Wildest Dream. River will be shown with natural ears and will be co-owned by Jan Purdy and Everett Van Dyken. Jan and Everett flew to Albany, New York, to pick up River and had the opportunity to see a dog show as well.

New Valinor Champion!

CH Cheshire's Poetry In Motion finished in Colorado with four majors under his belt. Dylan is by BISS CH Cheshire's Tailor Made V Longo out of CH Valinor's MVP Dream Girl. He is brother to CH Valinor's All That Jazz and Valinor's Blonde Moment. Breeders are Cherie Moses and Everett Van Dyken. Dylan's owners are Doug Walsh and Shalein Bonney, DVM.

News from Tom and Nancy Hawkes:

- ❖ Hannah is now **International Champion Marcliff's Long Distance Voyager** having gotten 3 V1's in 3 shows (and a Best of Breed, too!) at the International Shows in Antioch September 24th and 25th. And at the AKC show in Grass Valley on Sunday, September 4th, Hannah swept the show taking Winners, BOW and Best of Breed over Specials, with Wylie going BOS. A HUGE day for the Hawkes!!!
- ❖ Wylie (**National and AKC CH Daynakin Bricrillo Mischief in Black and Gold**) got 3 SG1's and 3 Bests of Breed Puppy as well as a Group 1 puppy at the International shows.

And From Barbara Moffet:

- ❖ Violet (**International CH Delta Breeze Artistry'N Revelation, CGC,TDI**) and Baxter (**International CH Delta Breeze Artistry'N Rhythm, CGC**) turned 4 years old last month. After a very harrowing July and August during which we almost lost him, we're happy to report that Baxter is doing very well. He's gaining back the weight (24-pounds!) and strength and muscle tone he lost during the ordeal. Getting Baxter back on his feet involved a veterinary malpractice suit – Barbara will share details if you're interested.
- ❖ We are also proud to announce that we have a new baby in the house that we all are enjoying: **Allegro Delta Breeze You R The Top!** (aka Higgins) by CH Allegro Strauss, CGC out of CH MyDane Stella of Starlight, CGC. Higgins is a grandson of our CH Delta Breeze Life of Riley.

Brag & Announcements

Maxwell Picks Up Another Win!

Payaso's Secret Star-Agent 86 was Winners Dog under Lt. Col. Charles W. Ruppert at Sunday's Santa Cruz KC show in August. Maxwell picked up the point from the Open Anorexic class (actually, he was one of four Open Harls). Maxwell is owned by Andy & Debbie Port, was bred by Lucinda Harwin & Walter Salles, and is handled by Larry Schram.

And this news from Lorraine and the Great Danes of Lore:

- ❖ **New Champion Lore's Invaluable Asset!** Monte finished with three majors, handled by Jane Chopson, at 13 months of age. Monte's owner, Nancy O'Connor plans to start working on an obedience title now. Go Nancy!
- ❖ Oscar, **BISS Am/Can CH Sasdania-Vitag's Frozen Asset** recently garnered a Group 1 in Santa Barbara under international judge, Mr. Huidobro Corbett. Oscar also won a Group 1 under Mrs. James Edward Clark, another Group 1 one under Mrs. Terry B. Carter, a Group 2 under Mrs. Michelle Billings and a Group 3 under Mr. Robert Shreve. Oscar was BISS again at the Great Dane Club of Western Washington under Jane Treiber.
- ❖ **Sasdania's Dream Angel of Lore** has been collecting points, all owner-handled. On top of a several singles, Tori won her first major yesterday (Saturday, 9/24) being awarded WB/BW under judge Clay Coody at the Gig Harbor Kennel Club show.

KC "Brat Pack" Collects Points All Over the West!

The KC Dane kids are at it again -- all of "The Brat Pack" have made their mark in the show ring out of the six to nine month class....way to go KC Dane Kids!

- ❖ **KC Danes The Untouchable E Nes** "Elliot" took RWD under judge James Noe at the Santa Cruz show and again the following weekend at the Sierra-Tuolumne show under judge Judith Brown -- then went on to take his first point and Best Bred By Exhibitor at the Gold Country show under judge Edd Bivin. His first time showing in his new class 9 to 12 month boys Elliot took RWD under Judge Cathy De La Garza. Breeder/handler: Kathryn Netser; owners: Conley & Kathryn Netser
- ❖ **KC Danes Mystic River** "Katie" took Winners Bitch and Best of winners under judge James Noe at the Santa Cruz show to add to her major points and continued to shine as she took Best puppy and Reserve Winners Bitch at the Sir Francis Drake show under judges Jay Richardson and Cathy De La Garza out of the 9 to 12 month class. Breeder/handler: Kathryn Netser; owners: Susan Douglas & Kathryn Netser
- ❖ **KC Danes National Treasure** "Jefferson" took Best Puppy at the Redwood Empire show under Judge Donavon Thompson out of the 6 to 9 month class. Breeder: Kathryn Netser; owners: Carrie Muir & Kathryn Netser; handler: Carrie Muir
- ❖ From down south **KC Danes Gone With The Wind** "Summer" took RWB under judge Adrian Landarte at the Santa Barbara KC show. Then decided to knock every ones socks off by taking Back to Back 5 point majors at the Helena Montana KC show under judges Robert Stein and JoAnn Dutton, at just nine months old! Way to go Summer!!!! Breeder: Kathryn Netser; owners: Dick & Loy Ann Jones; handled by: Terri Dillistin
- ❖ In Washington State **KC Danes Pretty Woman V Sheron** "Julia" chalked up another point taking Winners Bitch and Best opposite sex under judge Stan Zielinski at the Longview-Kelso show. Julia took Best Puppy at the Great Dane Club of Western Washington Specialty under Judge Albert Holabach. Breeder: Kathryn Netser; owners: Ron & Sherry Acena & Kathryn & Conley Netser; handler: Ron Acena

These beautiful puppies are by BISS CH Windy Hills Gold Plated out of CH Sherons Betty D Grandy and are 2005 Futurity Nominated – wish them luck at the National!

- ❖ Out of KC Danes first born kids **BISS CH. KC Danes An Affair To Remember V Oneida** "Dazzle" is still out there Dazzling the judges taking Best of Breed both days at Santa Cruz under judges James Noe and Lt. Col. Charles Ruppert and picking up a Best opposite sex at the Gold Country show and both days at Sir Francis Drake. Dazzle is in the Top Twenty and expertly handled by Ed Grimaldi and treated like a Queen at the Grimaldi household. Dazzle is by CH Oneidas Nash Bridges out of CH Sherons Betty D Grandy.

Braggs & Announcements

New RA Title for Gia!

On Saturday, August 20th, Gia successfully completed the last leg of her Rally Advanced title. Gia (aka **Bellemarc's The Mona Lisa V Oneida RA**) is co-owned by owned by Sandy Nowinski, Judi Grimaldi and Lucretia Marcus.

Cali Wins in Carson City

Cali earned a point this Saturday (October 1, 2005) at the Bonanza Kennel Club show in Carson City under Judge Judith A. Park. Cali is now 14 months old and has a 4-point major and this one point win for 5 AKC points to date. Cali is officially known as **Lagarada's California Gold** and was bred by Fran Lass. Cali shares her home with her loving dads Eric Evangelista and Tim Sutherland, and brother Promise.

The latest from the Olympus Crew:

We had a great time at the Int'l shows and enjoyed hanging out with fellow Dane exhibitors. The Olympus kids each took a turn winning BOB's – we thought that was nice of them to share.

- ❖ **New Champion Olympus' Pillar Of The Heavens** "Atlas" finished his AKC championship back in July at 21 months old, winning BEST OF BREED over Specials under Mr. Kenneth Buxton. What a way to finish with a bang!! Atlas was owner-handled ALL the way by Sherry Wood. Excellent job guys and it's great to have you guys back here!! Bred by Denise & Brittany Williams, co-owned by Sherry Wood and Denise Williams
- ❖ **Am/Int'l CH Olympus' The Midas Touch** "Midas" earned his Int'l CH. title and picked up a Best of Breed Adult win, two Best of Breed Bred-by wins, two Group 2's. Bred by Olympus and owned by Denise & Brittany Williams, Peter Fredotovich
- ❖ **Am/Int'l CH Olympus' Sweet Victory** "Nike" also earned her Int'l CH. title winning Best of Breed Adult and Best of Breed Bred-by, Group 2. Owned and bred by Denise & Brittany Williams.
- ❖ **Int'l CH Olympus' The Enchantress** "Myrriah" Joined in on the action earning her Int'l title and won Best of Breed Adult and Best of Breed Bred-by, two Group 2's. Bred by Olympus and co-owned by Sue Dubie-Holbrook & Denise Williams

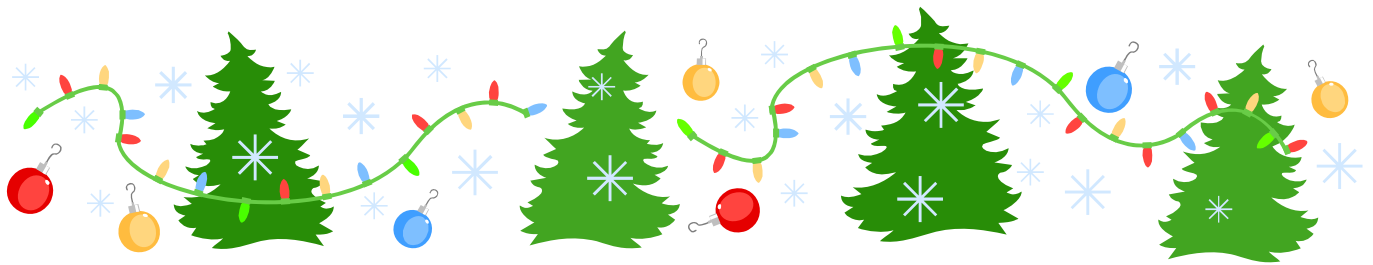
Kate Wins A Point!

Kate, under the able guidance of Tashi, paraded around the ring in Sonora, and was awarded Winners Bitch under Judith Brown. While Tashi (Legacy's High Society) is old hat at this winning stuff, she was thrilled to lead Mama Kate to her FIRST EVER point! Gotta wonder? Was Tashi or Kate Winners Bitch? Regardless, Kate is THRILLED!!! Kate (whose registered name is **Kathryn A Jackson**) is owned by Tashi, Gracie, Duke and Sonny and was bred by her parents, Everett and Yvonne Jackson (who don't understand this dog show stuff but were quite excited by the win just the same).

Late Breaking News from the Donner Trail KC Show!

The Donner Trail KC shows were this past Saturday and Sunday (October 8th and 9th) – and GDCNC members have something to brag about!

- ❖ On Saturday, under Judge Fay Dorval Haupt, **Valinor's Blonde Moment** was Winners Bitch. Blondie is owned by Ceil and Dana Wardner and was handled to this win by Ceil. Blondie was bred by Cherie Moses and Everett Van Dyken. Way to go, Ceil and Blondie!
- ❖ On Sunday, **Leahy's Patrick** was breeder-owner handled to Winners Dog and Best of Winners by Colleen Leahy. WOO-HOO, Colleen!
- ❖ Sunday's Winners Bitch competition was a fierce one – Judge Eugene Haupt kept exhibitors and spectators in hushed suspense as he took his time to decide his Winner and Reserve. Tashi (**Legacy's High Society**) was *finally* awarded the win, with Jon & Jenny Kenton's Nalla (**Adelaide's Sweet Nalla Piche**) the runner-up. Tashi was handled expertly (and seemingly tirelessly) by co-owner Sharon McCrary and Nalla was handled by her "mom" Jenny. Handlers and dogs worked for this point, that's for sure!



GDCNC Holiday Brunch

Date: Sunday, December 11, 2005

Place The Pleasanton Hotel
Main Street, Pleasanton

Time: 9:30am until 1:00pm

Food: Champagne Brunch
All You Can Eat & Drink
A GREAT BIG SMORGASBORD of Food

Optional: If you want to participate in the great fun of our “anonymous” gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift (dog-related or not) and let the games begin!

Cost: \$25.00* for Club Members
if Paid by 11/30/05
(includes Tax & Tip)

* The GDCNC has again voted to pay the difference for early reservations. Space is limited! We've sold out the last **THREE** years so please... **Reserve Now!!!**



Contact Ann for Reservations:

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Name: _____ **Number in Party:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

2005 GDCNC Board and Officers

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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NEXT MEETING:

Saturday, October 29th
Sac Valley Dog Fanciers Show in Dixon
(meeting will follow Great Dane judging)

Holiday Brunch



GDCNC Holiday Brunch
Sunday, December 11th
9:30am - 1:00pm
Pleasanton Hotel



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