



# Great Dane Club of California

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*Ink Spots Fashionably Late*  
*"Belle"*



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# Ink Spots Bring Me Diamonds

**Watch For Our Beautiful Girl  
"Gem"  
Shining in the  
Open Harlequin Class!**

Bred-By, Owned, Loved, and Handled by Lisa Garrison  
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**2008 GDCC MEETING CALENDAR**

**November 18,  
2008  
(Tuesday)**

**General Closed Meeting & Board  
Meeting**  
Location: **Pepper Tree Café,  
Glendora, CA**  
Time: 7:00pm

December 27,  
2008 (Saturday)

General Open Meeting/Awards &  
Christmas Dinner  
Location: Shiloh Inn, Pomona, CA

**Please Note  
New Meeting  
Date**

**Directions to November General Closed Meeting  
Tuesday, November 18, 2008 — 7:00pm**

**The Pepper Tree Cafe**  
1020 E. Route 66 (aka Alost) Avenue,  
Glendora, CA 91750  
(Between Lorraine & Elwood)  
(626) 914-9741

This meeting is **closed** to guests.

**From Orange County:** Take "57" Frwy North to "210" West. Take Grand Ave/Glendora exit towards Baseline Rd. Turn Right on Baseline Rd. Turn Left on Glendora. Turn right on Route 66 (Alost). Restaurant is on the right.

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**From Riverside:** Take "57" North to Auto Centre Drive. Turn Left on Auto Centre. Turn Right on Lone Hill. Turn Left on Rte 66 (Alost). Do U-Turn at Elwood. Restaurant is on the right.

*Note: Please remember to verify these directions yourself. They are from the internet and may not be accurate for your location.*

**Bulletin Advertising Ads**

Showcase your dog in the bulletin and support the club!

Payment for ads are as follows:

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
<b>Front Cover</b>	\$35.00	\$45.00
<b>Full Page</b>	\$25.00	\$35.00
<b>Half Page</b>	\$20.00	\$30.00

It's on a first-come-first-serve basis excluding previous reservation commitments. If you would like to include your ad in upcoming issues, please contact Mindy at [MLDT@earthlink.net](mailto:MLDT@earthlink.net) or (909) 628-8289 to submit your reservation!

**Note:** The Great Dane Club of California recognizes that individual members may support any Great Dane Rescue efforts they choose; however, the Great Dane Club of California as a Club endorses the Great Dane Club of America's Rescue Programs.

## Membership Update

Please update your membership roster accordingly:

New Mailing Address: Joe & Maren Cornish

New Mailing Address: Bobby Ray & Karen Dwerlkotte-Ray  
High Point Ranch  
High Point Danes

## GDCC Awards & Deadlines

There are two important deadlines to keep in mind for this year's Award Nominations. Please note them down, so you don't miss them! The sooner you apply for your award(s) the better!

**November 6, 2008:** You may only apply for awards that have been earned on or before this date.

**November 13, 2008:** Please notify Susan Richards by this date (6:00pm) for any and all awards that you are eligible for during this past year.

For your convenience, the GDCC Award Rules have been included in this bulletin and have been posted on the club web-site at: [http://gdcc.org/awards\\_rules.html](http://gdcc.org/awards_rules.html).

## Membership Applications

The following applicants will be voted on at the November 19, 2008 Closed Meeting. If you are a sponsor, you need to attend this meeting. At least one of the sponsors will need to speak on behalf of these applicants.

**Final Publication:** Jennifer Jo Costantinidis

Sponsors: Lora Thill  
Mort Evans

**Final Publication:** Janet Lampe

Sponsors: Maryann Wilson  
Mindy Donovan-Tandy

**Final Publication:** Dana Litzinger

Sponsors: Patricia Schmepp  
Beth Whitcher

The following applicants will be voted on at the February, 2009 Closed Meeting. If you are a sponsor, you need to attend this meeting. At least one of the sponsors will need to speak on behalf of these applicants.

**First Publication:** John & Cynthia Neet

Sponsors: Bruce Powell  
Doety Marks

## Nomination Committee

Four (4) nominees plus an alternate will be nominated at the September General Meeting which will complete the Nominating Committee. The committee consists of Don Rendall, Dick Shaefer, Bruce Powell, Lisa Garrison, Doety Marks, Vicki Kimbell, Suzzane Kelleher-Duckett, Susie Powell (alternate), and Joy DeGruccio (alternate).

The Committee will meet prior to the November 18th Board Meeting to select the 2008-09 slate/nominees for Officers and Board of Directors. The requirements for selection for the Nominating Committee and Officers/Director are per Article VI. See the attached list of member attendance for eligibility in this issue.

*Inside Cover Story!*


Our Beautiful Belle goes WB, BOW & BOS at Burbank KC on 9/28 for a 3 point Major!!! A Wonderful Win out of The Bred By Class for This Stunning Young Girl!!!

**INK SPOTS**

Thank You To Judge Mrs. Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna!!!

And Thank You to all our ring-side supporters, you guys rock!!!

**GREAT DANES**



## Announcements &amp; Brags –

✦ *In Loving Memory –*

CH. SURFSIDE'S STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN V. P.B.J.S. aka "Two Evers-Two Evers" to his best of friends. ~ April 26, 2004 - August 16, 2008. "Evan" was undergoing surgery to remove a High Grade Chondro Osteoblastic Osteosarcoma involving his liver. After four hours of surgery, my decision was to let Evan go. He was peacefully put down on the table. Evan was by far the sweetest dog I have ever known, an easy keeper, and made his mark in my heart forever. Mort, Cash and I have added Evan's Daughter "Havanna" to our little pack. Thanks to all that loved him.

*Beu Evans*

☺ **Litterbox Brag!** CH. WINDY HILL

SPUROFTHEMOMENT (Ch. Maitau's Never Better x Ch. Windy Hill's Diamond Solitaire) is expecting puppies on September 26, 2008, with Finess's Miss Alexis (Ch. Bridane's Randy Dandy V. Raseac x Finess's Miss Cleopatra) (a double Ch. Bridane's Dizzy Miss Lizzy granddaughter). All fawn litter. ~ Update!! Harry and Alexis had eight puppies - 4 boys and 4 girls, born September 29, 2008. Contact: Lora Thill - Bridane @ 760-434-2452 for further information.

☺ **Litterbox Brag!** Puppy

Breath! Puppy Breath!  
CH. Orion Turbo The Buck Stops Here "Buck" and CH. PASK-Summer Be-Bop-A-Lula PBJs "Lula" (aka



"Mama Melon") had a beautiful litter on July 22, 2008 ~ 6 girls and 1 Boy - All Fawn. Contact: Peggy Smith-Schilling for



puppy info: 503-477-6524.

☺ **Litterbox Brag!** Warm Aloha's to our new litter!

BISS CH Bridane's PI InThe Sky bred to Anadane's TransPac Pyewacket!! Litter born September 3, 2008 - One Brindle Male, One Brindle Bitch, Two Fawn Males and One Fawn Bitch. "Squeeze" and her babies are all doing well and thriving! Anadane Kennel, Registered - Susan and Putt Richards - 808-638-0268

✦ *In Loving Memory –*

CH. TESIGOR'S DARLING LILY ~ May 20, 1999 - September 17, 2008 (CH Anadane's Nicholi Beau Fauna X Von Graff's Alexandra). Lily's presence and love is greatly missed by many and all in our home. *Putt, Susan, Caroline, Dot, Squeeze, Christie and Mo Richards*

✦ *In Loving Memory –*

CH. DOGGONE OFF LIKE A SHOT OA OAJ CGC ~ July 31, 1996 - September 7, 2008. "Tuffy", was a wannabe Great Dane. He never met a person or a dog he didn't like. He is sorely missed by *Mindy, Jerry & Scott Tandy*

✦ *In Loving Memory –*

NAPLES BLK MKT ENTER THE NIGHT ~ August 21, 1999 - October 18, 2008. "Night" was the consummate wonderfully natured guy with incredible character. He is very loved and missed by *Mindy, Jerry & Scott Tandy*

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If you are interested in receiving an e-bulletin instead of a hard-copy, please contact Mindy.

## Announcements & Brags (cont'd) —

- ☺ LAMPE'S ELEANOR'S SWEET HONEY LAGER ("Eleanor") captured Winners Bitch and Best of Winners for 2 points on August 9th at the South Bay Kennel Club Show, and then went Reserve Winner the following day. Eleanor went on to earn Reserve Winner (to a major) on Saturday's Burbank Kennel Club Show. Eleanor is shown beautifully by her junior handler, Danielle Lampe.



- ☺ PAXTON'S A CHANCE ENCOUNTER AT DE ROBLES ("Lena"), was Best Puppy at an International show on Sat., 9-20-08 under Judge Patti Long Smith. She just turned 4 mos. and showed like a trooper! Lena is adored and loved by Shari and Ken Ziegenbein.



### Attention all Winners !!

Our Club Historian, Cindy Hurley, is working on transferring many of our club pictures onto CDs for storing. She is also looking at trying to fill the gaps of missing pictures of GDCC Specialty winners, in addition to new champions owned by GDCC members!

Please send your pictures with complete show info (dates, judge, dog's name, owner, etc.) to Cindy at [churley@bak.rr.com](mailto:churley@bak.rr.com). If you have any questions, please contact Cindy at her e-mail address or (661) 636-4389.

## Extra Awards Reminder!

→ DON'T FORGET!

When you are submitting your information for your awards, please provide the following info — (you can do it by snail mail or e-mail!):

**LIST EACH DANE SEPARATELY** — As Awards will only be processed from each individual requesting the award, please forward this information to all those who are eligible to apply for the award!

**Your Name:**

**AKC Registered Name:**

**DOB:**

**Dam:**

**Sire:**

**Award Category (List All That Apply):**

**Breeder's of record:**

**Owners of record:**

**Award Category (List All That Apply):**

**Date Title Was Awarded:**

**ATTACH THE AKC CERTIFICATE FOR THE AWARD OR INSERT A COPY TO THE AKC LINK  
ATTACH POINTS AWARDED FOR THE AWARD OR INSERT A COPY TO THE APPROPRIATE LINK**

**For Top Breeder, Top Stud Dog & Brood Bitch**

**(Please fill in the upper portion in addition)**

**List the AKC Names of Get awarded Championship within the year:**

**ATTACH THE AKC CERTIFICATES FOR EACH OF THE GET FOR THE AWARD OR INSERT A COPY TO THE AKC LINK**

**Questions, Please contact Awards Chairperson, Susan Richards - Contact Info: See Attached Awards Rules!**



# IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!



## The Great Dane Club of California Invites You To Attend The Annual Awards Party

Date: Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Place: The Shiloh Hilltop 3101 Ave. Pomona, CA 91768

Time: 6:00 pm

Price: \$35 per person

Reservation Deadline: December 15th

Our Buffet choices will include a variety of salads, Roast Tri-Tip of Beef Au Poivre, Apricot Glazed Breast of Chicken, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, an assortment of desserts, coffee, tea, iced tea and milk.

*Please send you reservation, with your check,  
by December 15<sup>th</sup>, to:*

*Mrs. Jackie White-Vorst  
4141 Valley Meadow Rd.  
Encino, CA 91346  
818-762-7135 or 818-817-4588*

We will be keeping our tradition of sharing during this special time of year. Please bring a food item to be donated to the needy, and an unwrapped toy for a deserving child. Even though Christmas will have passed, these toys will be given to Children's Hospital where they will be gratefully received. We will also celebrate with each other by bringing a "doggie item" to exchange.

In addition to celebrating our dogs and their achievements for 2008, we will also be remembering our dear friend,

*Jay Stratton*

and enjoying all the fond memories we have shared with him.

Please come and share your favorite memory with all of us as we raise our glasses in a final toast to Jay!



## Upcoming Shows

- **Saturday, November 1, San Gabriel Valley Kennel Club,** Santa Fe Dam Rec Area, 15501 Arrow Hwy, Irwindale, CA  
Sweepstakes Judge: Stephen Cabral  
Judge: Gina Jaeblo
- **Sunday, November 2, San Gabriel Valley Kennel Club,** Santa Fe Dam Rec Area, 15501 Arrow Hwy, Irwindale, CA  
Sweepstakes Judge: Zee Da Silva  
Judge: Mark Van Alstyne
- **Friday, November 14, Tucson Kennel Club** Pima County Fairgrounds, 11300 S. Houghton Rd, Tucson, AZ  
Judge: Patricia Nemirovsky de Alsina
- **Saturday, November 15, Tucson Kennel Club** Pima County Fairgrounds, 11300 S. Houghton Rd, Tucson, AZ  
Judge: Cathy De La Garza
- **Saturday, November 15, San Luis Obispo Kennel Club** Calif-Mid-State Frgrnds, 2198 Riverside, Paso Robles, CA  
Judge: Joan Anselm
- **Sunday, November 16, Greater Sierra Vista Kennel Club** Pima County Fairgrounds, 11300 S. Houghton Rd, Tucson, AZ  
Judge: Donavon Thompson
- **Sunday, November 16, San Luis Obispo Kennel Club** Calif-Mid-State Frgrnds, 2198 Riverside, Paso Robles, CA  
Judge: Houston Clark
- **Friday, November 21, Golden Valley Kennel Club** Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, Turlock, CA  
Judge: Warren Hudson
- **Saturday, November 22, Golden Valley Kennel Club** Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, Turlock, CA  
Judge: Kenneth Buxton
- **Sunday, November 23, San Joaquin Kennel Club,** San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, Stockton, CA  
Judge: James White
- **Monday, November 24, San Joaquin Kennel Club,** San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, Stockton, CA  
Judge: Eric Liebes
- **Friday, November 28, Yuma Kennel Club,** Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E. 32nd St., Yuma, AZ  
Judge: Robert Matchett
- **Saturday, November 29, Yuma Kennel Club,** Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E. 32nd St., Yuma, AZ  
Judge: Sandra Walker
- **Sunday, November 30, Imperial Valley Kennel Club,** Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E. 32nd St., Yuma, AZ  
Judge: Debra Thomton
- **Monday, December 1, Imperial Valley Kennel Club,** Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E. 32nd St., Yuma, AZ  
Judge: Faye Strauss
- **Friday, December 5, Shoreline Dog Fanciers,** Orange Co. Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA  
Judge: Joan Scott
- **Saturday, December 6, Shoreline Dog Fanciers,** Orange Co. Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA  
Judge: Glen Lajesky
- **Sunday, December 7, Malibu Kennel Club,** Orange Co. Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA  
Judge: Andre Schoen
- **Monday, December 8, Malibu Kennel Club,** Orange Co. Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA  
Judge: Patricia Mowbray-Morgan

Important  
DATE!

Other Announcements!

Next Bulletin Deadline:  
December 1, 2008



Just let me know if  
**ANYONE**  
messes up  
your day today!



**I GOT YOU  
COVERED!**

Submitted By Doug Gillson (GDCT)



# "Hanes" & Scott



**MDT's Let's Be Brief V Naples**  
**Handler: Scott Tandy**

*Captured Best Junior Handler In Show*  
*Barbank Kennel Club*  
*September 27, 2008*

Owners: Mindy Donovan-Tandy  
Scott Tandy

# PROFESSIONAL HANDLER - CLIENT RELATIONSHIP

By Dick Schaefer, Professional Handler

The relationship between the professional handler and his client is a special one, deserving of time and effort expended by both parties to make it a successful one. Of prime importance, I think, is the understanding that each party has a right to expect that the commitments made by the other will be kept. When that basis for trust is met, the other aspects of the relationship will usually fall into place. Each party may ask for whatever considerations they choose, but at the time that the commitment is made between handler and client, all requests and requirements should have been discussed and decided upon to the mutual agreement of both. Whatever arrangements are made, regarding fees, seniority, boarding, conditioning, etc., they must be agreed to by both parties at the start of the relationship, so that there are no unwelcome surprises along the way.

In choosing a handler, the prospective client should observe those handlers he is considering at a dog show to see not only how the handler actually shows the dogs in the ring, but also how the animals in his or her charge are cared for at the show, if arrangements are provided for water, shade, crates, and/or pens, etc. For some clients these are a must, others do not wish to relinquish the care of their dogs at the show to anyone until the time the dogs is to be shown. If a dog is to travel with a handler for a specific show or circuit, the client needs to ask what arrangements will be made for feeding and bedding the animal. What is the handler's policy if the dog gets sick? Is the handler prepared to offer emergency care in the event of bloat, until proper veterinary care can be obtained? All these questions should be answered by the handler to the client's satisfaction before sending a dog with him/her.

The client should also be able to ask for and receive the benefit of the handler's experience as to the proper class in which to show the dog, as well as his thoughts as the dog's possible appeal to various judges. Many clients are "gung ho" to show at each opportunity, but there are some circumstances in which a handler's advice that "you would just be wasting your entry" should be taken seriously. An example of this might be that judge that has a very strong preference for the large, big-boned, heavy-headed type of dogs, and has rarely, if ever, been known to put up the more refined, elegant specimen. Your handler can advise you of this, and save you the effort and expense of showing on that

particular day if your dog falls into the latter category.

In regard to the business arrangements, fees, bonuses, seniority, etc., the client has the right to know the facts up front, and to expect that they will not change unless he is notified ahead of the time the dog is to be shown. Many handlers present their clients with a rate card, listing fees for class dogs, specials, out of town rates, specialty rates, bonuses, travel and boarding fees, conditioning, etc. If a rate card is presented, the client should study it well, and if he has any questions, be sure to have them answered in advance of the first show. There are handlers, however, who do not present a rate card, who have only one standard fee for handling in their area, and one for out of town shows. These handlers consider bonuses just that, an extra benefit given by the client for a particular win, thus they do not publish a fee that is expected for those wins. Some handlers have an additional charge for group competition, and most expect an additional fee for a Group placement. Again, discuss this with your handler ahead of time so that you know all of the charges you may expect for your winner.

Your handler will have the right to expect that you meet certain obligations, including payment of fees, arriving on time with your dog to each show entered, etc. In regard to the matter of fees, you must realize that while this may be a hobby for you, it is definitely a business for the handler, many of whom support themselves and their families on the income derived from showing dogs. But whether this is the case or not, if you contract to have a handler show your dog, you must fulfill your obligation to pay that handler at the time you have both agreed upon. This may be at the time of the show, on a monthly basis, or in some circumstances, such as when the handler takes your dog on a circuit, prior to the actual show. Such excuses, such as "well, there were a lot of shows this month, and I really can't afford to pay you the full amount," have no place in a business arrangement. Any special financial arrangements that need to be worked out should be done ahead of time, and in most circumstances the handler will be willing to discuss these matters if given enough notice. The Professional Handlers

# PROFESSIONAL HANDLER - CLIENT RELATIONSHIP

(CONT'D)

By Dick Schaefer, Professional Handler

Association requires that all financial obligations to one handler be met by the client before another handler can show for that client.

The handler can also expect that each dog that remains in the care of its owner will be brought to the show in good condition, clean, in proper weight with nails trimmed and ears clean, groomed and healthy. Those dogs that he will be assisting the owners to groom should be taken care of prior to the show if possible. Owners should bring their young and inexperienced dogs to the show early, to give the handler and dog time to adjust to each other.

Another thing that many handlers appreciate is the owner who takes the extra time before or after the show to discuss business matters or ideas for advertising, etc., rather than calling during the week if at all possible. Others wish to discuss all business arrangements from their home or office, where they may have more complete records. Be sure to discuss this so you can come to a mutually agreeable arrangement.

Most handlers ask that if a problem develops, whether it is a business problem or one concerning his expertise in the ring, that the client discuss it first with the handler, so that it can be settled between the parties concerned, rather than by "ringside." Most handlers would like to have some type of input as to the advertising of the dogs they handle, the frequency of advertising, what publications are used, etc. Many handlers are really well qualified to advise their clients in this regard if given the opportunity.

Most handlers strive to be true professionals, that is, according to Webster's definition, "worthy of the standards of a profession." They truly enjoy taking on the training of a new young showing off that spectacular "showing fool," and even the molding, pushing, prodding, baiting, and sweating needed to present those dogs that aren't exactly dynamic by nature. The true professional will encourage the novice client to enjoy the hobby he has taken up, to examine the competition and be aware of the good points the other dog exhibits, as well as his own dog's strong points. It doesn't cost any more in terms of time, money, and effort to show a good dog

than a poor one. The professional may help you to enjoy your hobby more by suggesting which of your dogs are worthy of competing, and perhaps, if necessary, where you might look to purchase that special dog or bitch to upgrade your line. Don't hesitate to discuss anything with your handler, just as you would with any professional who is providing a service. Ask questions, sit and watch, contemplate before choosing.

Showing your dog should be fun. It is a hobby that provides us with many hours of enjoyment and education. Each show is unique, and should be experienced as such. You and your handler should be in agreement that, while your dog may be the greatest specimen in the history of the breed, if he doesn't win on a particular day, there is another show tomorrow. Poor sportsmanship, either by the handler or the client, is not to be tolerated. There is just too little time in life to allow the outcome of one particular show to spoil your day.

Hopefully, if you and your handler can come to agreement on the above issues, as well as any others you may feel important, you will both enjoy a long relationship, which will prove mutually beneficial.

# My Kind Of Dog!



The K9 above is Brutus, a military K9 at McChord.

He's huge - part Boxer and part British Bull Mastiff and tops the scales at 200 lbs. His handler took the picture. Brutus is running toward me because he knows I have some Milk Bone treats, so he's slobbering away! I had to duck around a tree just before he got to me in case he couldn't stop, but he did. Brutus won the Congressional Medal of Honor last year from his tour in Iraq . His handler and four other soldiers were taken hostage by insurgents. Brutus and his handler communicate by sign language and he gave Brutus the signal that meant 'go away but come back and find me'. The Iraqis paid no attention to Brutus. He came back later and quietly tore the throat out of one guard at one door and another guard at another door. He then jumped against one of the doors repeatedly (the guys were being held in an old warehouse) until it opened. He went in and untied his handler and they all escaped. He's the first K9 to receive this honor. If he knows you're ok, he's a big old lug and wants to sit in your lap. Enjoys the company of cats.

## *K-9 Congressional Medal of Honor Winner*

Thought you'd find this interesting. Talk about animal intelligence and bonding with humans!

Remember that they can't do a lot of things for themselves and that they depend on you to make their life a quality life!

### A PET'S TEN COMMANDMENTS.....

1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you is likely to be painful.
2. Give me time to understand what you want of me.
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial for my well-being.
4. Don't be angry with me for long and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your friends, your entertainment, but I have only you.
5. Talk to me. Even if I don't understand your words, I do understand your voice when speaking to me.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I will never forget it.
7. Before you hit me, before you strike me, remember that I could hurt you, and yet, I choose not to bite you.
8. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, I have been in the sun too long, or my heart might be getting old or weak.
9. Please take care of me when I grow old. You too, will grow old.
10. On the ultimate difficult journey, go with me please. Never say you can't bear to watch. Don't make me face this alone. Everything is easier for me if you are there, because I love you so.

**-Take a moment today to thank God for your pets. Enjoy and take good care of them. Life would be a much duller, less joyful experience without God's critters.**

**-Now please pass this on to other pet owners. We do not have to wait for Heaven, to be surrounded by hope, love, and joyfulness. It is here on earth and has four legs!**



GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

## GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA 2008 AWARDS RULES

All awards must have been earned during the club awards year with the exception of membership pins. **Beginning date for the year 2008 is November 7, 2007 through November 6, 2008. Every club member who is the owner/co-owner or breeder/co-breeder of a dog earning an award must personally apply for the award to the Awards Chairman or no award will be given.** You may elect to send an 8 x 10 show photograph of your dog to the Awards Chairman as well. This photo will be retained by the Historian in the club's records. Photos will *not* be returned. If your dog earned his award BEFORE you became a club member no award will be given.

**TOP GREAT DANE AWARD:** BOB wins only. 1 point for each great dane entry present. These points are to be won in California shows only. (11/80)

**TOP DOG AWARD:** BOB wins – 1 point for each great dane entry present or BOS wins – 1 point for each DOG entry present. California shows only. (1/92)

**TOP BITCH AWARD:** BOB wins – 1 point for each great dane entry present or BOS win – 1 point for each BITCH entry present. California shows only. (1/92)

*The intention of the last two awards is to honor the most consistently winning club member owned/co-owned great dane dog and bitch in California. Club award boundaries include all of California.*

**TOP BREEDER AWARD:** Awarded annually if earned. Given to club member who is the breeder/co-breeder of the most great danes to attain championship title during the club award year. Minimum of three champions required. (1/01)

**TOP STUD DOG AWARD:** Awarded annually if earned. Given to the club member who is the owner/co-owner of the great dane dog producing the most championship titled danes during the club awards year. Minimum of three champions required. (1/01)

**TOP BROOD BITCH AWARD:** Awarded annually if earned. Given to the club member who is the owner/co-owner of the great dane bitch producing the most championship titled danes during the club awards year. Minimum of three champions required. (1/01)

**BEST IN SHOW OWNER AWARD:** Given to any club member owned/co-owned great dane winning a BIS at an all breed show anywhere in the world. (1/92)

**BEST IN SHOW BREEDER AWARD:** Given to any club member bred/co-bred great dane winning a BIS at an all breed show anywhere in the world. (1/92)

**CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS:** Given to all members who own/co-owned; bred/co-bred; own/co-own a sire of a great dane who has attained its AKC championship title. In re: sire awards – must own/co-own the sire at the time of breeding.

**OWNER HANDLER AWARD:** Given to any club member who handled has or her own great dane to all 15 championship points. (1/92)

**BRED BY EXHIBITOR AWARD:** Given to any club member owned/co-owned great dane finished entirely from the Bred By class. (1/92)



GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

## GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA 2008 AWARDS RULES (CONT'D)

**PERFORMANCE:** Given to any club member who owns/co-owns a great dane who has earned a title/degree or certificate which shall include, but not limited to obedience, agility, canine good citizenship, and other service/performance-based activities awarded by certified organizations. (2/05)

**KAY KINOSITA AWARD:** Honors a member who has given outstanding service to the club or the breed. Recommendations must be received in writing by the President prior to the November Board meeting.

**OUTSTANDING NEW MEMBER AWARD:** Honors a new club member(s) that has been a member less than one full year for outstanding service to the club. Recommendations are reviewed and approved by the board. Contact Awards Chairman for full details. (11/01)

**VENERABLE GREAT DANE AWARD:** Given to any member owned/co-owned great dane who is 10 years of age or older. Awarded once during the life of the dog. Reasonable proof required.

**MEMBERSHIP PINS:** Given to any member to recognize 10, 25 and 50 years of club membership. This is an ongoing award and may be applied for at any time once earned. Please provide date of membership. (11/01)

### **YOU MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING TO RECEIVE ANY AWARD. (11/80)**

Any club member may elect not to receive plaques for awards earned during the year. In place of said plaques an amount equal to the cost of the plaques will be set aside for donation to a great dane health and/or welfare program or organization of the club's choice. Club members electing this option must inform the Awards Chairman in writing at the time they apply for the awards. The names of the dogs and their awards will still be read aloud at the annual awards dinner. (1/01)

\*\* You can send your information to:

Susan Richards

59-427 Kawowo Place

Haleiwa, HI 96712

If you have any questions, you may contact Susan Richards at (808) 638-0268 or  
E-mail: [anadanekennel@aol.com](mailto:anadanekennel@aol.com)

Please provide proof of title/award/points earned (AKC certificate or print out) or date of titles. Please send your awards as they are earned if possible.

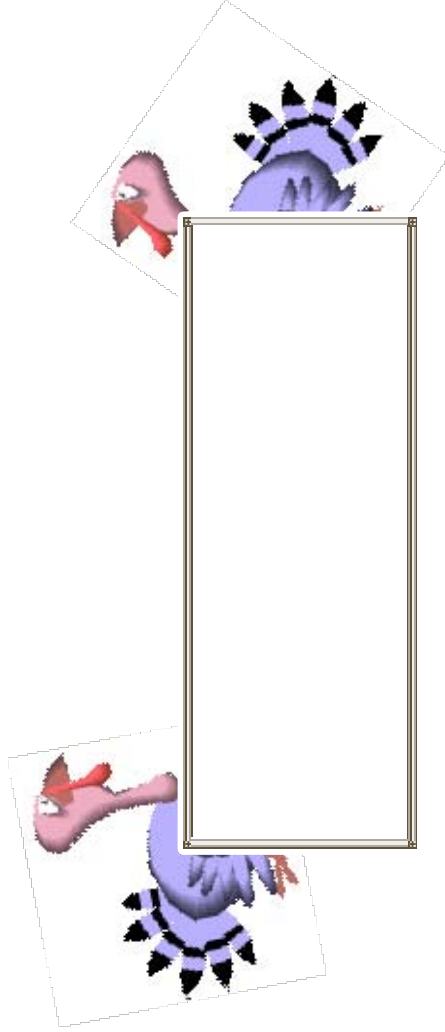
If you wish to have your awards shipped please include a check in the amount of \$5 per award to cover the cost of shipping. Awards will be shipped within 60 days of Awards Dinner.

**DEADLINE FOR AWARDS IS NOVEMBER 13, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**Please read all of the above awards as more than one may apply to an individual dog.**



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*wishing You All  
A Happy  
Thanksgiving!*