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Vom Casey's Liberty Bell-Let Freedom Ring

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Patricia Schempp (Expiration 2014)	Mindy Donovan-Tandy (Expiration 2015)

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Dick Schaefer

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2014 GDCC Meeting Calendar

September 17, 2014 (Wednesday)	General Open Meeting Location: Coco's Restaurant, Pasadena, CA Time: 7:00pm
November 19, 2014 (Wednesday)	General Closed Meeting & Board Meeting Location: Du-Pars Restaurant (used to be "The Hamlet), Pasadena, CA Time: 7:00pm
December 27, 2014	General Open Meeting/Awards & Holiday Brunch Location: Pomona Valley Mining Company, Pomona, CA



~ Contributed By Doety Marks ~

Directions to September General Open Meeting
Wednesday, September 17, 2014
Coco's Restaurant
77 N. Lake Avenue
Pasadena, CA
626.449.3156

This meeting is an open meeting. Guests are welcome!

From Orange County: Take "5" Frwy North to "605" Frwy North to "210" West to Lake Avenue Offramp. Turn left onto Lake Ave. Restaurant is on the right.

From Los Angeles: Take US "101" Frwy South to "134" East to "210" East to Lake Avenue Offramp. Turn right onto Lake Avenue. Restaurant is on the right.

From Riverside: Take "10" West Frwy to the "210" West to Lake Avenue Offramp. Turn left onto Lake Ave. 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.

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.



Cover Story

Vom Casey's Liberty Bell-Let Freedom Ring ("Bell")

We are so proud of Bell! The cover photo is taken of her winning a 3-point major at the Great Dane Club of San Diego

Specialty from the 9-12 month Class.

Special thanks to Tricia Baxter for her exceptional handling.



Bell was born on 10/23/13 is out of CH. Shalako Daneridge Vom Casey Reagan x CH. Hauerdanes Daneridge Win 'N Spirit Vom Casey.

Bell was bred by Michelle Cacace, Anthony Cacace, and Maryann Wilson. She is owned by Michelle and Anthony Cacace.

Bell's on her way!

AKC EXPANDS THERAPY DOG TITLING PROGRAM (effective May 2014)

New York, NY - In an effort to honor the thousands of therapy dog teams that make a difference in the lives of others daily, the American Kennel Club® (AKC®) has added four new titles to the popular AKC Therapy Dog™ program.

In addition to the AKC Therapy Dog (ThD) title (awarded after 50 visits), the AKC now offers:

AKC Therapy Dog Novice (ThDN) - Awarded after 10 visits . AKC Therapy Dog Advanced (ThDA) - Awarded after 100 visits . AKC Therapy Dog Excellent (ThDX) - Awarded after 200 visits . AKC Distinguished Therapy Dog (ThDD) - Awarded after 400 visits

"The AKC heard from many dog owners whose dogs had already earned the ThD title and who wanted additional formal recognition of their ongoing commitment to volunteering to help others. We're pleased to expand the AKC Therapy Dog program as a result of these requests," said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of AKC Sports and Events. "We've also added a way to acknowledge beginning therapy dogs, hoping that this will encourage even more dogs and owners to participate in therapy dog work."

Dogs who are registered and approved by recognized therapy dog organizations may apply to earn the AKC Therapy Dog titles, which will be listed on the dog's AKC title record. Any dog, including mixed breeds, can earn AKC Therapy Dog titles as long as the dog is AKC-registered, listed with AKC Canine Partners or enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program. AKC does not train or certify therapy dogs.

Applications for the new titles will be accepted beginning June 1st, with titles awarded beginning July 1st.

To apply for a title or learn more about the AKC Therapy Dog program, visit <http://www.akc.org/dogowner/therapy/index.cfm>.

Membership Applications

The following applicant will be voted on at the November 2014 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 applicant.

Second Publication: **Danielle Lampe**
Lampe Danes
Sponsors: Mindy Donovan-Tandy
Melanie Yellish

Nominations for GDCC 2015 Match Judge

Please find a form in this issue to nominate our 2015 Match Judge. Members must be in good standing to nominate. Voting for the Match Judge will take place at the November 19th Closed Meeting. Please contact Vicki Kimbell with your choices by November 19, 2014.

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 2, 2014: You may only apply for awards that have been earned on or before this date.

November 9, 2014: Please notify Mindy Donovan-Tandy 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 will be posted shortly on the club web-site at: http://gdcc.org/awards_rules.html.

Nomination Committee

Four (4) nominees plus an alternate will be nominated at the September General Meeting which will complete the Nominating Committee. The Committee will meet prior to the November 6th Board Meeting to select the 2014-2015 slate/nominees for Officers and Board of Directors. The requirements for selection for the Nominating Committee and Officers/Director are per Article VI. See list of member attendance eligibility in this issue.

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>
Front Cover	\$35.00	\$45.00
Full Page	\$25.00	\$35.00
Half Page	\$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 or (909) 628-8289 to submit your reservation!

Funny Pics?



If you have a funny picture of your dog (probably doing something they shouldn't be???) send it to the bulletin editor. We're trying to get a collection to use when space is available. Any questions, contact Mindy at mltd@earthlink.net or 909.628.8289.



*Bulletin Deadline -
October 29, 2014*

Shane



GCH JamesDane Daneridge Hi-Stake's Gunslinger

Multiple Best of Breed Winner

Owners: Jim Howey & Maryann Wilson
Handlers: Jim Howey & Tricia Baxter (pictured)

Ad Design By MDT Publishing

Announcements & Brags —



☺ BISS INT'L CH SWEET PICKLES DON'T YA LOVE HER MADLY, CGC SPD JS-N RS-N GS-N NAP NJP, just finished an 8 week course in Basic Rally. Looks like we will be signing up for another 8 weeks since Miss Pickles did so well and really enjoyed Rally! By fall we will be working on another performance title!

- ☺ LAMPE'S SWEET COUNTRY BOY RUGER, CGC (Pickles' son) took his 1st 8 week course in basic agility!! Graduated with flying colors! 11mos old!!

- ◆ Another Brag for LAMPE'S SWEET COUNTRY BOY RUGER CGC went WD for 2 points at the Cabrillo Kennel Club @ Bates Nut Farm! Thank you Judge Ralph Ambrosio for recognizing our young pup out of the Bred By Class ! Danielle Lampe is A Very Proud Owner Handler!



- ☺ We are proud to announce the arrival of our litter sired by GCH Naples Tlbrk Dana SanRoque Cause and Effect ("Cole") x GCH MDT Naples Bare Essentials, CGC ("Barrie"). We had five healthy black babies (2 girls & 3 boys)!! Bred By Mindy Donovan-Tandy and Maren Cornish
- ☺ Auto (CH Dun Roman's Getaway Driver) x Jameson (GCH CH Offshore's Rarest Vintage) puppies bred by Marcia Tracy-Richie are doing really well in the ring. Guinness (Surf City's Of Dun Roman Don't Call Me Half Pint) has won (2) RWD awards at 6 months old handled by Betty Jo Costantinidis. Guinness is owned by Marcia Tracy-Richie. His litter brother Hulk Smash (Surf City's of Dun Roman The Incredible Hulk) has been shown three weekends and has won (4) RWD awards. Hulk has won his class and gone RWD one or more of the days every weekend he has been shown. Hulk is also handled by Betty Jo Costantinidis. Hulk is owned by the Rueda Family, he is their first Great Dane and they are a first time show home - we are super proud of the awesome job this family has done with their puppy too. We are very proud of Auto's puppies and how well they are doing in and out of the ring. Thank you, Jennifer Costantinidis - Dun Roman Danes

THE GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA ELIGIBILITY LIST – 2014
AS OF JULY 5, 2014

BY LAWS ARTICLE VI: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

All Nominees for office must have attended at least four (4) meetings, one (1) of which must be a closed meeting as a member during the current fiscal year, and have been a member in good standing for at least one year.

The following members meet the above criteria as of 7-5-2014

Cacace, Michelle	Schaefer, Dick
Foerschler, Maggie	Tandy, Jerry
Garza, Glenn	Tandy, Mindy
Powell, Susie	Tonnancour, Bob
Rodrigues, Michael	Tonnancour, Linda
Schaefer, Cathy	Yellish, Melanie

The following members have attended three (3) meetings, including a Closed Meeting. One more meeting is needed.

Kimbell, Vicki	Rock, Brianne
Powell, Bruce	

The following members have attended two (2) meetings, including a closed meeting. At least two more meetings are needed.

None

The following members have attended two (2) meetings. Two more meetings are needed, which must include the November closed meeting.

Baxter, Tricia	Howey, Jim
Burnham, Lorrie	Lampe, Janet
Burnham, Rickey	Litzinger, Dana
Cornish, Maren	McLeod, Hilary
Costantinidis, Jennifer	Neet, Cynthia
DeGruccio, Joy	Neet, John
Evans, Beverly	Tkach, Linda
Evans, Mort	Tkach, Joe
Garza, Sandy	Whitcher, Beth
Hainline, Barbara	

If your name is not listed, you have not attended the necessary number of meetings needed, or you have not been a member for a year as of November.

If any club member has any questions or corrections to this list, please e-mail me at: Susie@micalamps.com. I will be happy to review the sign in sheets that I have on file for this year.

Susie Powell, Recording Secretary



GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

2015 Puppy Match Judges' Nomination

You must be a member in good standing to nominate Judges. There is no limit on the number of judges you can nominate. Voting will take place on Wednesday, November 19, 2014, at our Closed General Meeting.

Return nominations by Tuesday, November, 18, 2014: Vicki Kimbell, 732 S. Gilbuck Drive, Anaheim, CA 92802 – or via email: jvdanes@sbcglobal.net.

NAME _____

If you wish to give background info, please do so: _____

NAME _____

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NAME _____

If you wish to give background info, please do so: _____

Member Name (please print) _____

Member Signature _____



Great Dane Club of California
Established in 1931

Great Dane Club of California Awards

All awards must have been earned during the club awards year with the exception of membership mementoes. Beginning date for the year 2014 is November 4, 2013 through November 2, 2014. 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.

SUBMITTAL DEADLINE FOR AWARDS IS NOVEMBER 9, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M.

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 a 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 a Great Dane who has attained its AKC championship title.

OWNER OF SIRE CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS: Given to all members who own/co-own a sire of a Great Dane who has attained its AKC championship title. Member must own/co-own the sire at the time of breeding.

BREEDER OF CHAMPION AWARDS: Given to all members who bred/co-bred a Great Dane who has attained its AKC championship title.

GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS: Given to all members who own/co-owned a Great Dane who has attained any one of the levels of the AKC Grand Championship titles (9/12):

Initial GCH: 25-99 GCH Points

Bronze GCH: 100-199 GCH Points

Silver GCH: 200-399 GCH Points

Gold GCH: 400-799 GCH Points

Platinum GCH: 800+ GCH Points

OWNER HANDLER AWARD: Given to any club member who handled his 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)

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)

"THE TOTAL PACKAGE" AWARDS - BROOD BITCH & STUD DOG: In order to reward breeding programs that focus on promoting breed health (physical health as well as temperament), danes eligible for this Award must be AKC Champions of record. The focus of this award is on brood bitches, as we acknowledge that breeding programs are largely controlled by the bitch owners. (9/09)

BROOD BITCH AWARD -

SILVER Star Breeder: Any 2 recognized health checks on a public database (e.g. OFA, CERF), and any recognized basic temperament certification (e.g. AKC Puppy Star, CGC).

GOLD Star Breeder: CHIC certification on OFA database (with all CHIC tests passing), OFA testing for heart (echocardiogram), eyes (CERF), thyroid (MSU), and hips (HD); CGC or other basic temperament certification, and any AKC sanctioned performance title.

PLATINUM Star Breeder: A CHIC certification (with all CHIC tests passing), four health checks completed and published in OFA database; Thyroid, Heart and CERF done on an annual basis (or within 12 months of breeding). Any two or more advanced AKC sanctioned temperment and/or performance titles.

STUD DOG AWARD -

This award encourages stud dog owners to take responsibility in collaboration with the breeder to promote healthy litters. It is recommended that stud dog owners include the following in their stud contracts:

1. Stud dog owner encouraged to provide proof of passing one or more temperament tests (AKC Puppy Star, TT, CGC, TDI, or any AKC sanctioned performance titles.
2. Stud dog to have a least a CHIC certification (passing all CHIC required tests) and all health tests repeated within 12 months of breeding.
3. Encourage bitch owners to health check offspring that are pet quality as well as show potential.
4. Encourage bitch owners to sell puppies not kept for their own breeding programs on limited

- registration, which can be lifted upon written acceptance of both breeder and stud dog owner (and based on passing temperament tests and health checks).
5. Encourage bitch owners to provide contact information to stud dog owner for all puppies in litter, so that the stud dog owner can monitor health of offspring.

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 MEMENTOES: 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:](#)**

Mindy Donovan-Tandy
GDCC Awards Chairperson
5676 Francis Avenue
Chino, CA 91710

If you have any questions, you may contact Mindy Donovan-Tandy at (909) 628-8289 or
E-mail: MLDT@earthlink.net

Please provide proof of title/award/points earned (AKC certificate / AKC report or print out and 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 9, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M.
Please read all of the above awards as more than one may apply to an individual dog.

A Special Thank-You! Lorrie & Rickey Burnham

It is never too late to say thank you very much! As the specialty show trophy chairperson, we're always on the lookout for unique and lovely trophies to hand out to our loyal exhibitors. This year at the 2014 GDCC Specialty, specially embroidered chairs were made and donated by Lorrie & Rickey.

We just wanted to say thank you for your donations and your time to make the trophy table and our show more beautiful and memorable than ever!

— *Brianne Rock, GDCC Specialty Trophy Chair*



Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, September 13, Sir Francis Drake Kennel Club.**
Solano County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo, CA
Judge: Christie Smith
- **Saturday, September 13, Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club.**
Orange County Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA
Judge: Susan Carr
- **Saturday, September 13, Prescott Kennel Club.** Old Home Manor, 2100 E. Perkenville Road, Chino Valley, AZ
Judge: Sharon Krogh
- **Sunday, September 14, Sir Francis Drake Kennel Club.**
Solano County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo, CA
Judge: Jacqueline Quiros-Kubat
- **Sunday, September 14, Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club.**
Orange County Fairgrounds, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA
Judge: Karin Ashe
- **Sunday, September 14, Prescott Kennel Club.** Old Home Manor, 2100 E. Perkenville Road, Chino Valley, AZ
Judge: Charles Trotter
- **Saturday, September 20, Yuba City Kennel Club.** Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds, Franklin Avenue & Wilber, Yuba City, AZ
Judge: Lee Whittier
- **Sunday, September 21, Yuba City Kennel Club.** Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds, Franklin Avenue & Wilber, Yuba City, CA
Judge: Cindy Meyer
- **Saturday, September 27, Burbank Kennel Club.** L.A. Valley College, 5800 Fulton Avenue, Van Nuys, CA
Judge: Roger Pritchard
- **Saturday, September 27, Arizona White Mountain Kennel Club.** Show Low Hi Schl, 1200 N. Cougar Ln, Show Low, AZ
Judge: Geraldene Crandell
- **Sunday, September 28, Burbank Kennel Club.** L.A. Valley College, 5800 Fulton Avenue, Van Nuys, CA
Judge: Joan Zielinski
- **Sunday, September 28, Arizona White Mountain Kennel Club.** Show Low Hi Schl, 1200 N. Cougar Ln, Show Low, AZ
Judge: Jon Cole
- **Saturday, October 11, Black Mountain Kennel Club.** Riviera Hotel, 291 Las Vegas Blvd So, Las Vegas, NV
Judge: Pam Winter
- **Sunday, October 12, Black Mountain Kennel Club.** Riviera Hotel, 291 Las Vegas Blvd So, Las Vegas, NV
Judge: Keke Kahn
- **October 19-25, 2014, Great Dane Club of America National.** Sawmill Creek Resort, 400 Sawmill Creek, Sandusky, Ohio

As of July 4th over 20 Great Danes have entered into Southern California Shelters.

The networking group on Facebook, Great Dane Friends, has networked these Great Danes getting them out of the shelters, tending to the medical needs and transporting to Southern California Dane Rescue and Dane Rescues in Northern California, Colorado and Arizona.

As of today, there are 8 purebred Danes sitting in Southern California shelters.

A way to help... Please join "Great Dane Friends" on Facebook and consider donating money to help make these rescues possible. To do that, when you see a picture of a Dane in need, Great Dane Friends will ask for "Pledges". Once the dog is safe and has been rescued the PayPal account for that rescue will be posted for you to honor your pledge.

You can also talk to Susie Powell (661-373-1894) to see how donations for Great Dane Rescue can be made. With so many Great Danes in rescue, rescue people can use some help.



Rescue News



The Pinball Wizard is 6 months old, blind and deaf. He is very sweet and happy and gets around just fine once he learns the lay of the land. He is leash trained and potty trained. Favorite things to do include lying on the sofa and cuddling. He also likes to play. Easy puppy to live with and he gets along with everyone and every animal. "Wizard" is at Neet Dane Rescue and would love a forever home!

Jim and Randy have donated 55,000 POUNDS of dog food to date!!!!

Donations are going to:

Animal Friends of the Valley – A county pet adoption center in Wildomar
BARC Redlands – An animal rescue center for San Bernardino County
Grand Paws Senior Sanctuary – An elderly dog rescue center in Valencia
Norco Seniors & Pets – Providing Senior Citizens with dog & cat food in Norco
Sunny Oasis Rescue – A Dachshund rescue center in Riverside
Indian Dane Rescue – A Great Dane rescue center in San Marcus
Alleys Rescued Angels - A Husky rescue center in Hesperia
Norco Animal Control – A city pet adoption center Norco

Please do what you can to help rescue efforts and check out "Great Dane Friends" on Facebook where you will see the Great Danes in need of rescue in Southern California.

Some Pictures Need

No Captions



Question:

A friend of mine lost his dog early this spring to heat stroke. What is heat stroke and how should it be prevented or treated?

Answer:

In my experience as a veterinarian and as a working dog trainer and handler, I have attended to far more cases of heat stroke in the spring or fall than I have during the summer months. Most people are conscious of the risks and predisposing causes of heat stroke in the summer and take appropriate precautions. Many people, however, drop their guard during other seasons, which can lead to a possible disaster. Heat stroke is most likely to occur when we are less conscientious about how heat, muscular exertion and confinement can affect our dogs.

Heat stroke occurs when the dog's ability to regulate its body temperature is lost. A dog regulates body temperature primarily through respiration. When the respiratory tract cannot evacuate heat quickly enough, the body temperature rises. Normal body temperature is less than 103F, but once the temperature goes over 105F a number of physiologic events can occur that make it even more difficult for the animal to regain control of its temperature. At this time, oxygen delivery to the system cannot keep up with rapidly elevating demand. If the temperature exceeds 108F, cellular damage starts to occur in a number of organ systems including the kidneys, liver, gastrointestinal tract, heart and brain. The extent of the cellular damage depends on the magnitude and the duration of the temperature elevation. Clearly, this can be a life-threatening situation, but for those animals that survive there is the possibility of long term problems after the occurrence.

There are a number of predisposing factors for heat stroke. Some of the most significant are listed here.

- * Heat
- * Humidity
- * Muscular activity
- * High body mass
- * Anxiety
- * Poor ventilation
- * Dehydration
- * Obesity
- * Antihistamines
- * Phenothiazines (some medications for vomiting)
- * Brachycephalic breeds (short-nosed breeds)
- * Increased age

Dogs experiencing heat stroke will have a muddy pink color of their gums instead of the nice red-pink color that normally exists. Their heart rate will be dramatically elevated, and they will be panting furiously. They tend to stand or walk very slowly without regard to where they are. Some will lay on their sternum. Most dogs will have a wild or panicked expression and are not particularly aware of their environment. Any combination of these symptoms should have an owner scrambling for a rectal thermometer and taking those steps necessary to help drive the temperature back down. If a thermometer is not available, presume it to be heat stroke and initiate treatment. If the animal does not respond favorably, the diagnosis can be reevaluated later. Significantly delaying the treatment of heat stroke can dramatically increase the risk of long-term consequences or death.

Heat stroke is an emergency that requires veterinary assistance, but you can effectively initiate treatment in most cases before heading for the veterinary hospital. You must aggressively assist the dog's efforts to lower body temperature with the use of water and air. Since the lungs cannot keep up with the heat buildup, we now have to cool the skin and associated blood vessels so the body's temperature will decrease. Submersion of the dog in cool water will start to bring the temperature down quickly. You will want to avoid extremely cold water or ice since they cause the blood vessels in the skin to constrict and will not allow for a

Dr. Henry De Boer Jr. on Heatstroke

meaningful heat exchange. If there isn't anything available to submerge the dog in, you can start wetting him down with a hose. Wet him down all over, but let the water run continuously in the groin area since there are large numbers of significant and relatively superficial blood vessels in that area that will allow for more rapid cooling of the blood. The dog should be in a well-ventilated, shady area to allow for evaporation of the water. Evaporation cools body temperatures very effectively. When you are transporting him to the veterinary hospital, keep the air conditioner on or the windows open, or use the back of a truck to increase evaporation. Do not use an enclosed style crate since it allows for very little evaporation or fresh cool air for the lungs. Do not cover the dog with a wet towel as it will prevent evaporation.

Once the temperature starts dropping, you should seek veterinary assistance. It is advisable in most cases to start these animals on intravenous fluids and monitor kidney and liver function for at least several days. The necessity for this laboratory work depends on the magnitude and the duration of the elevated temperature, but even in relatively short mild occurrences, it is a wise precaution to take.

Obviously prevention of heat stroke is a far better alternative than treatment. Everyone is aware of the risks of having a dog in a vehicle in the summer, but there are some less obvious risk factors that we all need to be aware of. Even moderate environmental temperatures can be very significant when there is little or no ventilation. Heavy muscular activity drives body temperatures up with alarming speed. Following intervals of high activity, return the dog to an air conditioned vehicle, or wet the dog down and go to an area that is shaded and preferably breezy to allow for evaporation. Do not wet the dog down and return it to an enclosed style crate, as you will be creating a steam bath like environment. Make sure there is access to reasonable volumes of cool fresh water both before and after activity. We also need to be conscious of those animals that are at increased risk, which would include those dogs that have high body mass, older dogs, and those that are carrying more weight than is normal for them. Being aware of the various risk factors as well as the environmental considerations should help all of us avoid this potentially devastating problem.

Dr. Henry De Boer Jr. practices veterinary medicine at his Pioneer Valley Veterinary Hospital in western Massachusetts. An accomplished competitor in the sport of Schutzhund, his involvement with working dogs dates to the mid 1960's when he began training and handling hunting dogs. In 1984 he became involved with the sport of Schutzhund and has gradually risen to the level of national competitor. Known primarily as a motivational trainer, he also provides training assistance to others to help them achieve their training goals. His wide range of experience lends a unique understanding to the special veterinary problems of working canines and their handlers. Dr. De Boer provides specialized online veterinary services to working dogs and their owners on his innovative web site <http://www.workingk-9vet.com> **Working K9 Veterinary Consultation Services.**

Big Dog Corner

The AKC Community Canine Title "CGCA" or Advanced CGC

What is the AKC Community Canine? AKC Community Canine is the advanced level of AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) program. Dogs have to pass a 10-step test of skills administered in community settings such as a business or special event. The goal of the AKC Community Canine is to test the dog skills in a natural setting. This is a title that appears on the dog's title record at AKC.

What are the requirements? Must have Canine Good Citizen (CGC) title on record at AKC and must have AKC #.

Where can I training? Check out AKC Obedience Clubs in your area for an 8 week course in advance level CGC program. The course is not mandatory but helpful. The Obedience Club will have various testing dates for the CGCA. All tests are performed on leash and no food is permitted as reward for dog. Handlers may talk to their dogs and provide praise throughout the test.

What I found interesting about this title is it qualifies for your Breeder of Merit Program where as the CGC Title does not.

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Author Unknown

As always use good judgment in the health and welfare of your big dog. Remember to consult your regular Veterinarian when you have questions and concerns.

I encourage everyone to send ideas to share to me at [lampe_danes @ yahoo.com](mailto:lampe_danes@yahoo.com) . Tell us what makes life with a big dog as easy as it seems, since we do it so well!!



Janet Lampe

<http://lampedanes.com>

GDCA Western Division Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2014

Meeting started at 4:30 p.m.

In attendance: Shari Ziegenbein-GDCC, Cathy Schaefer-GDCC, Dick Schaefer-GDCC, Cindy Harwin, Dail Koehler-GDCLV, Diane McClelland-MBGDC, Barbara Garcia-MBGDC, Denise Matulich-GDCNC,MBGDC, Sharon McCrary-GDCNC, MBGDC, Terri Burley Hammond-GDCNC, MBGDC, Denise Williams-GDCNC, Brittany Williams-GDCNC, Everett Van Dyken, GDCNC

Cindy opened with a description of our show location. She stated the surrounding area has developed with shops, and the hotel is great. Location is approved by the Parent Club.

Cindy stated that there are still chair openings available. Welcome, Awards, Ways and Means, Grounds Decorations, Meal packages, Meal planning.

Shari requested a complete list of all Chairs and positions. Cindy stated she would send Shari a list of all open positions. Shari will send to all reps. so they can inform their clubs.

Motorhome parking will be on the driving range as before. The range is owned by a separate company. Barbara had some questions regarding power. Cindy stated it was too early to negotiate, but would keep us informed. Cindy reminded Committee chairs to get help! Please try to involve club members.

Pam Winter asked if you receive an email from her, to please let her know just as a courtesy!

Cathy Schaefer suggested that all clubs should be looking for a unique item(s) to donate for the auction. All clubs should support the auction. Jamie Harshfield and Tia Uchello are Auction chairpersons. Cindy suggested small silent auctions every day. Location and drawing money away from the main auction were mentioned. Further discussion will be needed.

Comments also made regarding the Top Twenty. Some feel that the event is too long and perhaps find a way to shorten it? This will be discussed further.

Denise Matulich stated that Ways and Means is a fun and easy job!

Barbara stated that ALL Futurity trophies need to be listed. They were not last time and made it very difficult for Trophy Chair.

Dale Koehler offered to help with raffle.

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Shari Ziegenbein
Secretary
GDCA Western Division

These are the committee chairs that are needing to be filled for the 2017 GDCA National - Western Division:

Raffle
Meal Package/planning
Decorations
Welcome Party
Awards Night Dinner
Ways & Means
Futurity
Agility/Obedience/Rally

Please let your club officers/members know that we need volunteers for these positions! If you know of anyone, or you personally would like to do one of these jobs, please let Pam know ASAP! Her email is: winstargd@earthlink.net

JERRY'S ATTITUDE

Jerry was the kind of guy you love to hate. He was always in a good mood and always had something positive to say. When someone would ask him how he was doing, he would reply, "If I were any better, I would be twins" He was a unique manager because he had several waiters who had followed him around from restaurant to restaurant. The reason the waiters followed Jerry was because of his attitude. He was a natural motivator.

If any employee was having a bad day, Jerry was there, telling the employee how to look on the positive side of the situation. Seeing this style really made me curious, so one day I went up to Jerry and asked him, "I don't get it You can't be a positive person all of the time. How do you do it?"

Jerry replied, "Each morning I wake up and say to myself, Jerry, you have two choices today. You can choose to be in a good mood or you can choose to be in a bad mood. I choose to be in a good mood.

Each time something bad happens, I can choose to be a victim or I can choose to learn from it. I choose to learn from it. Every time someone comes to me complaining, I can choose to accept their complaining or I can point out the positive side of life. I choose the positive side of life."

"Yea, right, it's not that easy", I protested.

"Yes it is", Jerry said. Life is all about choices. When you cut away all the junk, every situation is a choice. You choose how you react to situations. You choose how people will affect your mood. You choose to be in a good mood or a bad mood. The bottom line: It's your choice how you live life."

I reflected on what Jerry said. Soon thereafter, I left the restaurant industry to start my own business. We lost touch, but I often thought about him when I made a choice about life instead of reacting to it.

Several years later, I heard that Jerry did something you are not supposed to do in a restaurant business, he left the back door open one morning and was held up at gun point by three armed robbers. While trying to open the safe, his hand, shaking from nervousness, slipped off the combination. The robbers panicked and shot him.

Luckily, Jerry was found relatively quickly and rushed to the local trauma center. After 18 hours of surgery and weeks of intensive care, Jerry was released from the hospital with fragments of the bullets still in his body.

I saw Jerry about six months after the accident. When I asked him how he was, he replied, "If I were any better, I'd be twins. Wanna see my scars?"

I declined to see his wounds, but did ask him what had gone through his mind as the robbery took place. "The first thing that went through my mind was that I should have locked the back door," Jerry replied. "Then, as I lay on the floor, I remembered that I had two choices: I could choose to live, or I could choose to die. I chose to live."

"Weren't you scared? Did you lose consciousness?" I asked. Jerry continued, "The paramedics were great. They kept telling me I was going to be fine. But when they wheeled me into the emergency room and I saw the expressions on the faces of the doctors and nurses, I got really scared. In their eyes, I read, "He's a dead man." I knew I needed to take action."

"What did you do?" I asked.

"Well, there was a big, burly nurse shouting questions at me," said Jerry. "She asked if I was allergic to anything. Yes, I replied. The doctors and nurses stopped working as they waited by my reply. I took a deep breath and yelled, "Bullets" Over their laughter, I told them, "I am choosing to live. Operate on me as if I am alive, not dead."

Jerry lived thanks to the skill of his doctors, but also because of his amazing attitude. I learned from him that every day we have the choice to live fully.

Attitude, after all, is everything.



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