

# GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

## NEWS AND VIEWS

July-August 2019  
Volume 25, Issue #6



*"Baby Face is taking time off this summer and having a blast!"*

***GCH Neet's Baby Face CAX BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN RATI***

## OFFICERS

### President:

Jim Howey (2019)

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Mike Rodriguez (2019)

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### Recording Secretary:

Cathy Schaefer (2019)

### Corresponding Secretary:

Melanie Yellish

3715 Orchid Drive

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### Board Members:

(Directors)

Janet Lampe (2019)

Pat Schempp (2019)

Susie Powell (2020)

Gary Romerosa (2020)

Dick Schaefer (2020)

Joy DeGruccio 2019)

### Delegate to Parent Club:

Dick Schaefer

## *The Prez Sez:*

### *Another quote to ponder:*

*"I've seen a look in dogs' eyes, a quickly vanishing look of amazed contempt, and I am convinced that basically, dogs think humans are nuts."*

## ~~ ON THE COVER~~

### GCH Neet's Baby Face CAX BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN RATI

Owned by John Neet, Cynthia Neet and Sarah Hughes.

Cynthia has owner handled Baby Face to #2 in the country for the breed in the owner handler series. Both Cynthia and Sarah have put the titles on him. They are currently doing dock diving and he has one leg toward his title so far.

He was 1 of 8 in his litter and all 8 are champions.

He finished at only 13 months old.

Baby Face lives with John and Cynthia and is dearly loved.



# GDCC Meeting Calendar

- Sep 28, 2019  
(Saturday)  
Location:  
Time:
- Open Meeting Guests Welcome**  
Santa Ana Valley KC  
Industry Hills Expo Center  
16200 Temple City, City of Industry  
After Dane Judging
- Oct. 10-21, 2019  
(Week of activities)
- GDCA National Specialty**  
No Meeting
- Nov 13, 2019  
(Wednesday)  
Location:  
Time:
- Closed Meeting**  
Coco's  
1150 Colorado Blvd., Arcadia  
7:00 PM
- Nov 13, 2019  
(Wednesday)  
Location:  
Time:
- Board Meeting**  
Coco's  
1150 Colorado Blvd., Arcadia  
Following the closed meeting
- December 2019  
(Sunday)  
Location  
Time:
- Open Meeting Guests Welcome  
Awards Banquet**  
Alta Vista Country Club  
777 East Alta Vista Street, Placentia  
11:00 AM

## COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

### Breeder Referral:

Shari Ziegenbein  
E-mail: [sharizig@charter.net](mailto:sharizig@charter.net)  
(Club Members Only)

### Bulletin / Web-store:

Bruce Powell

### Club Awards:

Gary Romerosa

### Club Specialty & Match Trophies:

Brianne Rock

### Dane Rescue Referral:

Suzanne Kelleher-Duckett  
Susie Powell

### Education/Betterment of the Breed:

Jessica Gibbs

### Event Publicity:

Mindy Donovan-Tandy

### Historian:

Hilary McLeod  
Jim Howey

### Membership:

Cathy Schaefer

### Puppy Match:

Mike Rodriguez

### Raffle & Silent Auction:

Debi Romerosa

### Rescue Report:

Susie Powell

### Show Facilities:

Joy DeGruccio

### Specialty:

Joy DeGruccio

### Volunteers:

Maren Cornish

### Ways & Means:

Debi Romerosa

### Watchdog:

Pat Schempp

### Web-site:

Jerry Tandy  
[jerrytandy@yahoo.com](mailto:jerrytandy@yahoo.com)



# JOIN US FOR

Specialties, Supported Entries,  
NOHS Events, Juniors  
and a Whole Lotta Fun!

**AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2019**

## **CABRILLO KENNEL CLUB**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2019

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2019

**- ALL BREED DOG SHOWS -**

.: National Owner Handler Series at All "4" Events :.

.: Junior Showmanship Free All 4-Days :.

## **MT. PALOMAR KENNEL CLUB**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2019

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

**- ALL BREED DOG SHOWS -**



### **CONCURRENT SPECIALTIES**

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Riverside County • Saturday

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Orange County • Sunday

South Coast Basenji Fanciers • Saturday

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater San Diego • Saturday

### **SUPPORTED ENTRIES**

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Riverside County

German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Orange County

South Coast Basenji Fanciers

San Diego Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc.

Great Dane Club of California

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Greater San Diego



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**ENTRIES CLOSE NOON • WEDNESDAY • AUGUST 14, 2019 PT**

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- July, 2019



# *Brag! & Announcements---*

## Corrections to July Newsletter

### Membership Application

This membership application was incorrectly listed as final publication when it was actually the first time and one of the sponsors had to be corrected as Sarah had not been a member for 1 year.

**First Publication**                      Guy A. Leemhuis  
4914 Park Avenue  
Riverside, CA 92507  
Phone: 323-943-3844  
E-Mail: GUYLEEMHUIS@GMAIL.COM

Sponsors: Cynthia Neet  
Jessica Gibbs



## **2019 GDCC Membership Roster. Corrections**

**Please add these members names that were inadvertently omitted from the roster...**

**Ted Nichols**  
Sunrun Danes  
3104 Lake Wesley Ct.  
Warrington, VA 80184  
Cell: (760) 714-7206196  
E-mail: [nicholsted19@yahoo.com](mailto:nicholsted19@yahoo.com)  
Notes: Member since 1951  
Honorary Member

**William & Judith Mahoney**  
1701 Calzada Avenue  
Santa Ynez, CA 93460-9360  
Phone: (917) 628-8484 (Bill)  
(775) 200-8938 (Judith)  
E-mail: [willimstone1@att.net](mailto:willimstone1@att.net) (Bill)  
E-mail: [myaristo@yahoo.com](mailto:myaristo@yahoo.com) (Judith)  
Notes: Members since 2016

[Membership Application](#)

The following applicant will be voted on at the **November 2019 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 this applicant in order to proceed with their ballot.

Second Publication            Guy A. Leemhuis  
   4914 Park Avenue  
   Riverside, CA 92507  
   Phone: 323-943-3844  
   E-Mail: GUYLEEMHUIS@GMAIL.COM

Sponsors: Cynthia Neet  
                                 Jessica Gibbs

Meetings attended within 1-year period. December 2017 & September 2018

[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 Bruce at [brucegdcc@aol.com](mailto:brucegdcc@aol.com) or (661) 373-3794 to submit your reservation!

***Reminder >>>>***

***Just a reminder that the Harvest Cluster shows are supported entries for Great Danes***



# **GDCC Open General Meeting Reminder Saturday, September 28, 2019**

**~~~ Open To Guests ~~~**

**This is an open meeting. Family & Friends Welcome.**

**Industry Hills Expo Center  
16200 Temple Ave.  
Industry, CA**

**Meeting Time: Following Dane Judging  
Location to be determined on show grounds**

## **Directions to September General Open Meeting**

**From Orange County:** Take "57" North to CA-60 W/Pomona Fwy in Industry – Follow CA -60 W/Pomona Fwy exit Azusa Ave off ramp. Turn right travel North on Azusa turn left on Temple Avenue. Continue for 1 mile. Signal lights and entrance will be on left-hand side.

**From Los Angeles:** Take "10" (San Bernardino Freeway) East Exit Azusa Ave. Travel South on Azusa Ave. Turn Right on Temple Ave. and continue 1 mile. Signal lights and entrance will be on left-hand side.

**From Riverside:** Take "10" (San Bernardino Freeway) West Exit Azusa Ave. Travel South on Azusa Ave. Turn Right on Temple Ave. and continue 1 mile. Signal lights and entrance will be on left-hand side.

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



# **GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA GENERAL MEETING**

August 7, 2017  
Coco's Restaurant – Arcadia, CA

The meeting was called to order by President James Howey at 7:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Eleanor Powell, Susie Powell, Dick Schaefer, Cathy Schaefer, Bob Tonnancour, Linda Tonnancour, Joy DeGruccio, Melanie Yellish, Gary Romerosa, Debi Romerosa, Sarah Hughes, Cynthia Neet, John Neet and Michael Rodriguez. Renee Powell attended as a guest. President Howey welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The minutes of the previous General Meeting, as well as from the previous Board meeting were approved as published.

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT RECEIVED**

1. From Denise Matulich, the corresponding secretary of the GDCA – a standardized form to be used as a template for the submission of our club roster, officers and directors
2. A check from the GDCC treasurer, in the amount of \$45.00, to be sent to the California Federation of Dog Clubs for our annual dues.

## **SENT**

1. Application and payment for membership to the California Federation of Dog Clubs
2. GDCA 2021 first ballot with our club's nominations
3. A Get-Well card to Mindy Donovan Tandy
4. A Sympathy card to Patricia Schempp for the passing of Bob Schempp

## **PENDING**

1. Submission of GDCC roster, officers and directors to GDCA

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Linda advised the Club that there are still Specialty trophy receivables due in the amount of \$430.00. The bank balance at the end of July was \$7,985.12.



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### RESCUE

Cynthia & John Neet continue to focus on mentoring adoptive families on the best ways to become “forever homes”. Their Rescue is registered as “Great Dane Rescue of Southern California”. They are not affiliated in any way with a Facebook listing which uses the same name.

Susie Powell reports that “One Dane at a Time” currently has 12 Great Danes in their Rescue/Foster program needing homes. ODAAT has just taken in a Harl female that just had puppies. The breeder sold all but one, and that puppy is deaf. The breeder turned the deaf puppy and the mother over to ODAAT.

There are currently 3 Great Danes in the San Bernardino shelter in need of rescue. There are several Facebook pages dedicated to Southern California Great Danes in need of rescue:

Murphy the Great Dane  
Great Dane and Friends  
Peace for Paws

Susie reports that calls come in everyday from owner surrender and shelters.

### PUPPY MATCH

Match chairman, Mike Rodriguez reminded everyone to get their nominations for match judge in to Melanie Yellish by November 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Club is still working on a date and location at this time.

### BULLETIN

No report

### WEB SITE

No report

### MEMBERSHIP

Cathy reported on a correction to the listing for Guy Leemhuis.

Guy is being sponsored by Cynthia Neet and Jessica Gibbs.

The listing in our last bulletin was his first publication.

### HOLIDAY PARTY

No report

### WAYS AND MEANS

No report

## AUG OPEN MEETING MINUTES CONTINUES

Cynthia Neet presented a detailed report on the advisability of testing our Great Danes for arrhythmias via the use of a Holter Monitor. She presented personal case histories as well as documented reports and asked the Board to review them for possible presentation to the general membership.

Cynthia is suggesting that the GDCC might purchase the Holter Monitor and rent it out to our interested members. Joy DeGruccio asked Cynthia to prepare a practical plan for this endeavor.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Howey read a proposal from the GDCA concerning Division Clubs applying to host a Specialty following their Division's National Specialty. Please see the detailed report elsewhere in the bulletin.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Executive Session was called and lasted from 8:10 to 8:28.

Upon resumption of the regular session, Joy reported that she had presented our newest Standing Rule to the GDCA Board, where it was well received.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

The President then asked those who had brags to speak.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cathy Schaefer*, Recording Secretary



**THE GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA ELIGIBILITY LIST – 2019**  
**AS OF AUGUST 7, 2019**

**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 as of November 2018.

**The following members meet the above criteria as of 8-7-2019**

Joy DeGruccio	Debi Romerosa
James Howey	Cathy Schaefer
John Neet	Dick Schaefer
Bruce Powell	Patricia Schempp
Eleanor Powell	Linda Tonnancour
Susan Powell	Robert Tonnancour
Michael Rodriguez	

**The following members have attended four meetings, but must include a Closed Meeting to be eligible:**

Maren Cornish	Dana Litzinger
Victoria Cornish	Hilary McLeod
Maggie Foerschler	Gary Romerosa
Melanie Yellish	

**The following members have attended three meetings, including a Closed Meeting. One more meeting must be attended in order to be eligible:**

Janet Lampe  
Cynthia Neet

**The following members have attended three meetings and must attend a Closed meeting to be eligible:**

Robert Ardecky	Glenn Garza
Rickey Burnham	Sandra Garza
Michelle Cacace	Jessica Gibbs
	Doety Marks

**The following members have attended two meetings, including a Closed Meeting. Two more meetings are needed for eligibility.**

None

**The following members have attended two meetings and must attend two more including a Closed meeting to be eligible:**

Lorrie Burnham  
Beth Whitcher  
MaryAnn Wilson

**The following members have attended one meeting, and must attend three more, including a Closed meeting to be eligible.**

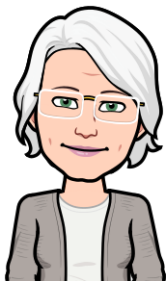
Debbie Bent	Debi Konkoly-Thege
Charles Bentley	Judi Murdock
Joe Cornish	Douglas Toomey
Rachel de la Vega	Kathy Toomey

**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: [dickschaefer@gmail.com](mailto:dickschaefer@gmail.com). I will be happy to review the sign-in sheets that I have on file for this year.**

Cathy Schaefer, Recording Secretary

**you matter.**



**There are 3 items that will need your attention that have November deadlines...**

**Awards to be presented at the December Banquet**

**Along with nominations to be voted on at the November meeting,**

**We have to find our next year Spring Puppy Match judge . Every member has a voice in what the club does, so put on your thinking caps and send in your nomination(s) .**

**See next few page for how to submit your vote**



# GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

## 2020 Puppy Match(es) Judges Nomination Form

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 at the upcoming November 13, 2019 closed meeting.

Return nominations by November 6, 2019 to: **Melanie Yellish, 3715 Orchid Drive, Highland, CA 92346**  
- or via email: [mydelites@gmail.co](mailto:mydelites@gmail.co)

### MATCH JUDGES

· NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BREEDER JUDGE? (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_ ALL-ROUNDER? (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU WISH TO GIVE BACKGROUND INFO, PLEASE DO SO: \_\_\_\_\_

· NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BREEDER JUDGE? (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_ ALL-ROUNDER? (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU WISH TO GIVE BACKGROUND INFO, PLEASE DO SO: \_\_\_\_\_

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IF YOU WISH TO GIVE BACKGROUND INFO, PLEASE DO SO: \_\_\_\_\_



# *GDCC 2019 Holiday Party & Awards Banquet*



## **ALTA VISTA COUNTRY CLUB**

**777 E. Alta Vista Street  
Placentia, CA 92870**

**Details to follow ...**

**GDCC Event Contact Maren or Tori Cornish  
[NSRdanes@gmail.com](mailto:NSRdanes@gmail.com)**



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 2019 is November 5, 2018 through November 3, 2019. 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 10, 2019 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)

**TOP GREAT DANE AKC NATIONAL OWNER-HANDLER AWARD:** Given to top-ranked Owner Handler Team participating and following the NOHS rules. Same Owner-Handler Team must earn all points (including class competition/breed ring). AKC NOHS ranked California shows only. (8/18)

*The intention of the first four 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)

**BEST IN SHOW AKC NATIONAL OWNER-HANDLER AWARD:** Given to any club member who participates in the AKC NOHS program who owns and showed a Great Dane winning BIS NOHS at an all-breed show. (8/18)

**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 have 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 in any of the disciplines which shall include, but not be limited to obedience, agility, rally, flyball, dock diving, barn hunting, coursing agility, canine good citizenship, therapy and other service/performance-based activities awarded by certified organizations. Must be earned within the designated dates for the current awards year.

Documentation must include certificates from the respective certified organizations. (6/15)

**SILVER WORKING DOG AWARD:** Given to any club member who owns/co-owns a Great Dane who has earned at least 1 title/degree or certificate in each of (2) above disciplines. No timeframe is required to submit for this award, with the exception that the most recent title must be earned within the current awards year. Documentation must include certificates from the respective certified organizations. (6/15)

**GOLD WORKING DOG AWARD:** Given to any club member who owns/co-owns a Great Dane who has earned at least 1 title/degree or certificate in each of (3) above disciplines. No timeframe is required to submit for this award, with the exception that the most recent title must be earned within the current awards year. Documentation must include certificates from the respective certified organizations. (6/15)

**VERSATILITY AWARD:** Given to any club member who owns/co-owns a Great Dane who is an AKC Champion of Record (conformation) who has earned at least 1 title/degree or certificate in each of (3) above disciplines. No timeframe is required to submit for this award, with the exception that the most recent title must be earned within the current awards year. Documentation must include certificates from the respective certified organizations. (6/15)

**"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 to the President at least a week prior to the November Board meeting. The Board of Directors votes on names submitted to them before the November Board meeting. Discussions and voting will be done via the social media that proves the most efficient for the existing Board of Directors. (9/17)

**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 who owned/co-owned or bred/co-bred a Great Dane who is 10 years of age or older. Awarded once during the life of the dog.  
Reasonable proof required. (9/15)

**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)

**\*\* Please send your information by USPS or E-mail to:**

Gary Romerosa GDCC Awards Chairperson  
31305 Sherman Road  
Menifee, CA 92584  
E-mail: [gromeo78@aol.com](mailto:gromeo78@aol.com)

If you have any questions, you may contact Gary Romerosa at (559) 410-1822.

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 \$15 per award to cover the cost of shipping. Awards will be shipped within 60 days after the Awards Event.

**DEADLINE FOR AWARDS IS NOVEMBER 10, 2019 AT**  
**6:00 P.M.**

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





*Yes it is that time for the little break and fun things about our DANES*

**REMEMBER WE WILL GET TO THE REST OF BUSINESS WITH THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND REGULAR ITEMS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS. PROMISE!**

## And now another installment about 10 Things You Realize When You Get A Great Dane

When you fall in love with a Great Dane, your life changes in ways that you could never anticipate. It's more than just living with a big dog, it's getting to know a soulmate who speaks to you with a series of woofs, grunts and pitiful stares.

### **#3 They're just big babies**

Though most weigh over 100 pounds as an adult, a Great Dane is really just one big baby. They hate being alone and love to snuggle, even if that means suffocating you under their heft. They also tend to be afraid of small dogs, plastic bags and suspicious looking rocks.

And of course it starts at a very early age.....







Hogging the ottoman, waiting for you to come cuddle or the chair will do in a pinch.



Or I will find something else if you aren't around





## **GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA BOARD MEETING**

August 7, 2019  
Coco's Restaurant – Arcadia, CA

The meeting was called to order by the President, James Howey. In attendance were the following Officers and Directors: Dick Schaefer, Cathy Schaefer, Linda Tonnancour, Joy DeGruccio, Gary Romerosa, Melanie Yellish and Susie Powell.

Reading of the past minutes and reports were not necessary, as they had already been done in the General Meeting just completed.

The President called for Executive Session from 8:40 to 9:04 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Club will table our selection of one of our judges for the 2021 Specialty until November.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Joy will get a copy of the GDCA Directors Code of Ethics if one exists.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Cathy Schaefer*, Recording Secretary





August 6, 2019

Dear Division Representatives & Affiliate Clubs,

I want to take a moment to discuss an agenda item the GDCA Board of Directors has made a decision on that was discussed at length during our meeting. Recently, an affiliate club had requested to hold a specialty after the National and was declined the ability to do so. This was primarily due in part to the missing key component, a clearly defined method for submitting a proposal to be considered. The result was a vote by a division to decline having a specialty after their division's National. Based on this we, the GDCA were asked for some clarification on firstly why any club would be denied this chance and two why is there no policy to help both Affiliate Clubs and Divisions to fairly implement this policy.

The Board made two determinations resulting in new rules being set forth in the NSRR which will be updated very soon. Our first determination was that **no Division may deny an Affiliate Club the ability to host an Independent Specialty after the National** given that the site is available and the club can be self-sufficient in running the Independent Specialty. The Independent Club will bear full responsibility and cost as well as tear down for the show. This is a decision that was unanimously supported and I will explain the rationale.

In today's day and age our Affiliate Clubs are struggling not only with membership numbers but with finances as well. Our entry numbers are dropping and specialties grow smaller by the year thus not allowing the clubs to make a profit on their shows. As of today we have four specialty clubs that we are aware of who are or will become inactive in the next few years. To deny any club the ability to potentially be fiscally solvent for another few years simply based on a misunderstanding or any other factor goes against the very tenants expressed on the first page of our By-Laws and Constitution.

**B. To encourage the membership to a lifetime responsibility for their Great Danes, their Dane's offspring and to the education of others as all are necessary for the protection and advancement of the breed.**

**C. To encourage the organization of independent local Great Dane Specialty Clubs in those localities where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed to meet the requirements of the American Kennel Club.**

**E. To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage Sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, field trials and obedience trials.**

**F. To conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows, obedience trials and other events for which the club is eligible under the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club, and to generate publicity on any matter affecting the welfare of the breed.**

These items clearly state the most basic principle our club is founded on and must, especially now, be viewed as an imperative not a directive.

The Division in question will be directed to allow the Independent Specialty based on site availability and the other aforementioned factors.

The second question addressed was as to how to implement this policy moving forward. There must be a clearly stated mechanism for which an Affiliate Club can submit a proposal to be considered as well as apply rules of fairness for multiple clubs who may also wish to submit a proposal for consideration.

Henceforth the policy shall be the following:

Any club who wishes to submit a proposal to host the Independent Specialty after the National must be aware and complete the following.

1. With the exception of the next two years, due to timing, a proposal must be submitted **Three Years** in advance so that the host division can negotiate the extra day into the contract with the hotel.
2. In the event more than one club submits a proposal the Division Representatives within the division will consider all proposals and vote on who will be granted the specialty for that Division with a majority vote deciding.
3. The club granted the Independent Specialty (if possible based on hotel availability) will then be ineligible to host another independent specialty until all other clubs within the Division have hosted one or no other club puts forth a proposal.
4. The Affiliate Club hosting the Independent Specialty will assume **ALL** financial responsibility for the specialty and also all of the work associated with it, such as, setup, tear down, and cleanup as well as supplying all workers. The Hosting Division will not be responsible in any way for the financial costs or any other factor involved with the Independent Specialty.
5. Should there be multiple clubs bidding on a show and one is chosen, it is the **option** of the club selected to allow another club to participate with them under the selected club's name and share in the profits equally given the work is shared equally. This will be up to the selected club to make a determination and to implement their expectations of the 2nd club.

As you can see, this a fair and equitable solution to a least in some way support our Affiliate Clubs and promote our breed even further. We as a Parent Club and you as Affiliate Clubs certainly see how our processes must evolve to ensure the longevity of our Clubs and more importantly our breed, the GREAT DANE.

Thank you for patience while we considered this matter.

Jason Hoke  
President, GDC

## **More news from GDCA**

**The list of the top 10 finalists for judging the 2021 GDCA National is on the next page.**



August 5, 2019

## **2021 National - First Ballot Results Are In!**

Dear GDCA Member:

### **The results are in!**

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT VOTED!!!

229 votes were received which included 27 affiliate club ballots.

The Top 10 finalists and will be on the final ballot for judging the 2021 GDCA National in Myrtle Beach, North Carolina are:

*Note: There was a tie for 10th place in each category so more than 10 are listed for each.  
(Listed in alphabetical order)*

#### **Futurity**

Colleen Assell-Carra  
Kathy Fontana  
Sonia Gens  
Jamie Harshfield  
Teresa La Brie  
Fran Lass  
Allison Paxton  
Jim Remaklus  
Gary Richards  
Faye Rogstad  
Ann Skyler-Cobbett

#### **Conformation Judging**

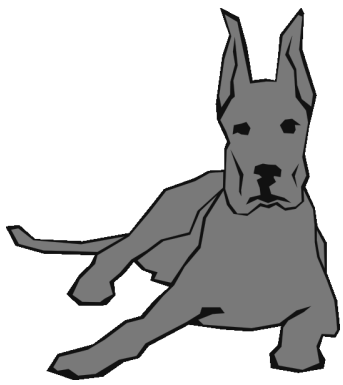
Lynn Adams  
Lourdes Carvajal  
Kathleen Davis  
Gauri Nargolkar  
Wayne Peterson  
Tracy Powell  
Eric Ringle  
Warren Simon  
Linda Tonnancour  
Jane Treiber  
Mary Lee Williams

**Great Dane Club of America Board of Directors**

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To encourage and promote the quality in breeding of purebred Great Danes and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.





# *Furry Family Album*



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Next Bulletin Deadline Date:.....Oct 16, 2019

GDCC General Meeting Calendar

Great Dane Club of California

Remember this is part of  
our Mission Statement:

To Promote the common  
interest in the breeding of  
better Great Danes

**Sept 28, 2019  
(Saturday)**

**Location:  
Time:**

**Open Meeting Guest Welcome**

Santa Ana Valley KC  
Industry Hills Expo Center  
16200 Temple City, City of Industry  
After Dane Judging

**October 6-12, 2019  
(Week of activities)**

**GDCA National Specialty**  
NO Meeting

**November 13, 2019  
(Wednesday)**

**Location:  
Time: 7:00 PM**

**Closed Meeting (Elections)**

Coco's  
1150 Colorado Blvd., Arcadia

**November 13, 2019  
(Wednesday)**

**Location:  
Time:**

**Board Meeting**

Coco's  
1150 Colorado Blvd., Arcadia  
Following the closed meeting

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