

GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

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The Prez Sez:

Summer's here and it's time to be extra careful with our precious four-legged friends. We're all aware as temperatures rise it's more difficult for them to tolerate the increased heat. It's also important to remember that ground surfaces are much hotter than air temperatures. Even though it may be 85 degrees outdoors the ground temperature can be 40 to 70 degrees higher. Concrete can reach 135 degrees; blacktop can reach 160 degrees and artificial turf can reach an amazing 185 degrees. I hate to think what these temperatures would do to a dog's paws. Please keep these temperatures in mind when planning your walks and attempt to take them in the early morning or late evening when ground surfaces are cooler, or they may wear protective booties. Remember if it's too hot for you to walk barefoot it's too hot for them.

Wishing you a great summer and hope to see you all at our September 14th Zoom meeting.

Melanie Yellish



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August

NO meetings, enjoy your Summer

Sep 14th
(Wednesday)
Location
Time:

Board Meeting
Open to members as guests
Zoom (log in info TBD)
6:00 pm (PDT)

Sep 14th
(Wednesday)
Location
Time:

Open General Meeting
Guests Welcome
Zoom (log in info TBD)
6:00 pm (PDT)
Immediately following board meeting

October

NO meetings, GDCA National **Oct 9-15**

November TBD
(??)
Location
Time:

Annual General Closed Meeting
Estimated to be a Wednesday
Zoom (log in info TBD)
TBD (PDT)

November TBD
(!!)
Location
Time:

New Board Meeting
Estimated to be a Wednesday
Zoom (log in info TBD)
TBD (PDT)
Immediately following CLOSED meeting



We've had a couple of submissions celebrating "Fur Family" birthdays, would like to see more come in from our members!

Remember August is a dark month for club meetings so the next issue will cover September—October. **BUT** that doesn't mean we won't be keeping you informed of any new developments that come through in August.

If necessary a mini bulletin will be put together and gotten out since we still have a few items to lock down for plans coming up later this year and into 2023.

Announcements---

Just a reminder that Melanie still has some raffle tickets for "The Patriot" statue to be drawn at the National in October for The GDCA Charitable Trust annual fundraiser (there is a flyer in this issue)

If you would prefer to donate a different way, remember you have this opportunity:

Amazon Smiles Program

Amazon has a wonderful program called "Amazon Smile" which contributes 0.5% back to charitable organizations that have registered with their program. The Charitable Trust just recently registered and you can help us and our Danes every time you shop at Amazon.

When you are ready to shop, please go to this link: [Amazon Smiles GDCACT](#).

This link is assigned to the GDCA CT and once you go to this link, sign into your Amazon account as usual to begin shopping, or if it is your first-time shopping with Amazon, follow the prompts to create an account. Just that easy, just that quick! With the Christmas Season approaching, this is a great time to shop and give back at the same time. Please share this with all of your "non-dog" friends as well. As we receive contributions back from Amazon, we will keep everyone posted on how well the program is doing. Thank you in advance for shopping online, til you drop!



We have an email corrections for you to update your copy of the 2022 GDCC Roster for the Powell's:

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Happy 6th Birthday!

*BISS BIS/NOHS GCH Int'L
CH. Lampe's Sweet Zamara A
New Beginning AOM CA BCAT
THDA CGCU TKI*



Zamara



*NOHS BRONZE Level of Achievement 2018
GDCC Award 2018 Top Great Dane NOHS
NOHS Ranked 10th Oct.2017-Oct.2018*

*My wish to you my Sweet Zamara...
May you live the life you love!!*



Janet Ann Horn Lampe RVT
Breeder of Merit
<http://lampedanes.com>

Ad by Tori

CH Naples SanRoque Raedon Reid Between The Lines

GCH Elan's Command Decision Reimroc x
CH Naples SanRoque Pineapple Princess

Happy 8th Birthday

Reid



pictured at 7.5 yrs

★ Our Beautiful Veteran Girl!! ★
Owned and Loved by
Marion Phipps, Maren & Tori Cornish



Don't forget,
Somewhere between hello and goodbye,
There was love,
So much love

In Loving Memory

GC# Naples San Roque
A Study In Style

Isla

Bred, Owned & Loved by:
Maggie Foerschler
Maren & Tori Cornish

GDCA CHARITABLE TRUST



OUR 2022 FUNDRAISER

"THE PATRIOT"

~TICKETS~
\$5.00 EA

Tickets will be available through your Affiliate Club, ONLINE, in our Charitable Trust Store at gdca.org and at the Trust Booth (all week) at the 2022 GDCA National Specialty. The drawing will be held at the Awards Dinner, Saturday, 10/15/22!



~TICKETS~
\$5.00 EA

We are pleased to be able to offer "The Patriot" due to the generosity of the Sculptor, Jerry Lobato, as well as several generous donors.

Winner need not be present to win.



QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL INFO ~ PLEASE CONTACT
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Reprint of the Nominating Committee Email sent out by GDCCPrez@gmail.com

Just in case you missed it from the new email address the club has acquired, we are sending this out again to all club members to give everyone the opportunity to participate in the selection of officers to handle the business end of running a club. Melanie has extended the time to get names submitted for the committee a week to July 24th. If you are willing to serve in any of the vacancies you can also serve on the committee.



Hi All

It's that time again to form our clubs Nominating Committee for our upcoming elections in November. The Nominating Committee is composed of seven club members plus two alternates. The President selects one, the Board selects two plus one alternate; which has been done: Jessica Gibbs, Maren Cornish, Mike Rodriguez and Jim Howey as alternate.

We now need the membership to submit four additional names plus one alternate. Anyone who wishes to serve on the committee must have attended at least three meetings this year. A list of qualified members is attached. If you are interested, or if you would like to nominate someone to serve on the committee, please submit names to me by Sunday, [July 17th 7:00p.m. Pacific Time](#). You may respond to either this email, gdccprez@gmail.com or send to mydelites@gmail.com.

The Nominating Committee meetings will be held either by phone or Zoom.

Thank you in advance for your participation in helping to keep our club strong.

Melanie Yellish, President
Great Dane Club of California

Membership Eligible to Serve on Nominating Committee in 2022

- Robert Ardecky
- [Maren Cornish](#)
- Victoria Cornish
- Rachel de la Vega
- Hilary McLeod **
- Joy DeGruccio
- [Jessica Gibbs](#)
- Melanie Yellish
- Susie Powell
- [Mike Rodriguez](#)
- [James Howey](#)
- Bruce Powell
- Cathy Schaefer**
- Dick Schaefer**
- Patricia Schempp
- Janet Lampe
- Eleanor Powell

** These people have asked not to be nominated or have declined.



Got an article from Georgia Hymmen that provides some great tips for traveling with our dogs. Thought the timing was spot on as many of us prepare to go to the National in October

HI HO, HI HO, IT'S OFF TO THE DOG SHOW WE GO!

Traveling Tips by Georgia Hymmen

Those of us who traverse thousands of miles across the United States with multiple big dogs in tow on our way to shows have learned a variety of tips that make travel easier—and safer—for both the human and canine traveler. And face it, sometimes dealing with our giant-breed dogs' presents a challenge in itself.

HAVE A PLAN—AND LET YOUR FRIENDS KNOW WHAT IT IS

The first thing with any long-distance travel is to decide the what/when/where, and approximate timing of the arrivals and departures on your way to your destination. If you have the luxury of a flexible schedule, arriving at least a full day ahead of your show will help both you and your dogs get settled in and refreshed after a long journey.

Once you've decided on a tentative travel plan, make up an itinerary and give it to people who need to know this information. Your itinerary should go to friends who may be traveling or caravanning with you and also to people at home, such as family members, who may need this information. If you are making motel reservations in advance for your whole trip, be sure the motel information is included. If you are instead making reservations on a day-to-day basis, advise everyone in the morning of approximately when and where you will be landing for the night. Include the cell numbers of all people either traveling or caravanning with you. As an added precaution, it's a good idea for all people traveling and caravanning together to exchange emergency contact information and any specific medical information that might be needed in an emergency. This information should be provided both electronically and in print.

If plans change dramatically, made sure people know about it—so if you don't arrive at your destination as scheduled for that day, someone can be on the lookout for you.

VEHICLE SAFETY

A long road trip requires a complete vehicle check before hitting the road, even if it means an additional cost at the mechanics. Having vehicle problems in an unpopulated area with a van full of Danes and not having cell phone reception is NOT a fun way to spend your day (or night).

Getting your vehicle ready:

- A complete tire check, including making sure your spare is in good order and you have a working tire jack. While you are thinking about tires, throw a tire gauge into your tool kit. While newer vehicles have idiot lights showing tire pressure, these can malfunction and knowing for sure what your tire pressure is can be very helpful.
- Make sure all the belts and hoses are in good working order, and that all fluids are full.
- Start off with a fresh oil change, and if needed, get one while on the road if it's needed.

Vehicle items to pack:

- Tire chains, shovel, and kitty litter. Even if you don't THINK you will be hitting snow or ice, you never know.
- Good quality extra length jumper cables. Spending money on the better-quality and longer cables saves in the long run. If someone offers you a jump for a dead battery, and your cables aren't long enough, it won't do you any good.
- Extra quart of oil—and CHECK your oil on the trip, at EVERY fuel stop.
- Flares or emergency lighting.
- Fire extinguisher—and be sure to place it where it's easily accessible.
- If room allows, allows a small tool kit with a variety of sockets and wrenches and other common tools.
- Flashlights with fresh batteries.
- An emergency kit that would contain items you might need to tide you over should you get stuck in your vehicle for any amount of time. For information on items, check out disaster preparedness sites.
- A human first aid kit.
- Membership to an auto club such as Triple A. (Check all policies on towing vans.)
- Review your auto insurance policy to find out if other people who may be driving your vehicle will be covered in case of accident.

SET A ROUTINE

Many of our Danes are poor eaters on the road, and the combination of very early mornings, long travel, indeterminate stops, and late bedtimes can result in a dog that is totally off schedule and not at his best. Since the whole reason for the road trip is to SHOW your dog, you want to do whatever you can to assure he arrives at his destination in the best as good of shape as possible.

I find setting a structured travel day seems to help the dogs travel and adjust much better. After years of travelling with dogs, I've found the following seems to work well for me:

- Upon waking, a quick potty break.
- Breakfast and eating time while the humans get ready to go.
- A walk prior to hitting the road.

- Try to set waking, walking, and feeding at the same times daily.
- In the morning, try to leave at about the same time each morning.
- During the travel day, have regularly scheduled walk and watering time. How frequent that is will be dependent on the number and age of dogs traveling with you.
- If you plan is to drive until later in the evening, be sure to stop at dinner time and feed the dogs. They can “settle” while you have a quick bite to eat yourself. A good potty walk before you hit the road, and they will be good until you reach your destination for the evening. You then will only have to do a quick potty walk before you all hit the sack for the night.

I’ve also found dogs benefit from the same routine of who goes out when, and who gets fed when. I do this with my boarding dogs, and also have found it serves me well when traveling. If dog number one is always out first, the others soon learn to “wait their turn.”.

The other thing I’ve found helpful is once I’ve parked the van (either at a motel or show) after I’ve unloaded the dogs, I do not re-park it in a different location. Combined with the fact dogs always receive a small treat when going into the van, this has prevented “loosing” a dog that escapes out a motel room door. Since the routine is to get into the van—and hey, there’s a goodie involved—the chances an escaping dog might head to the van and be caught by having him “load up” are pretty good. However, if you move the van after the dogs have been unloaded, the escapee will have no idea where his “safe” place might be.

Finally, if the worst happens – you have a loose dog not responding to “come”- do not chase him! If other commands (“sit” or “stand”) do not work, trick him: Sit, or even lay down, where he can see you. Pretend to cry – sing his name – play with dirt - do anything that makes him curious enough to simply come over to the human doing this funny, non-threatening thing. When he is close enough, reach out slowly, and -- you’ve got him. (Another dog will also frequently bring a loose one close enough to catch.)

PERSONAL SAFETY

Whether traveling by yourself or with traveling partners, caravanning or “on your own” you should always exercise caution. You are traveling into areas you are not familiar with and lack of attention on your part could be problematic.

First and foremost—know where you are. That sounds simple enough, but if you are traveling late at night on a strange highway and have car problems, can you tell anyone what mile marker you are at? (And if you don’t know how to use mileage markers as a reference point-learn!) Pay attention to exit signs, mile markers and landmarks as you drive so if you need this information to help someone locate you, you have it.

Be aware of your surroundings. We all have a tendency to stop NOW if a dog fusses to get out, but if you are in a bad area, it will be better to clean a dirty crate than have some sort of incident. When stopping for meals and gas, be sure of the area you are stopping in. Plan stops ahead—do not wait until you are almost out of fuel before making a fuel

stop; always give yourself a little wiggle room. Remember that fuel gauge ranges are only a suggestion, too!

Never stop at rest areas in the dark, especially late at night. Instead, find a well-lit place with an area you can walk your dogs. I personally try to find an area I can get fuel, walk dogs, and potty myself and get a bit to eat all in one stop. All-night truck stops generally are well-lit and have a number of people around at all hours of the night. I've also used Denny's and MacDonald's for stopping areas.

If you are traveling with a partner, always have one person stay at the van while the other attends to business. When walking dogs, be sure to stay in sight of each other.

ALWAYS have some sort of ID on you when you are out of the vehicle walking dogs. If you fell and knocked yourself out, what would happen to your dogs? Edie Lind has prepared an excellent "what if" card that can be used for this.

DOG SAFETY

The safest method to travel dogs is simply to use crates. A crated dog has less chance of escaping when car doors are open, and may have a little bit of protection in the event of an accident. I've known of several handlers who had their rig totaled and the crated dogs were bounced around a bit but survived; whereas the loose dogs escaped. Another benefit is a crated dog has less chance of getting into mischief; whether this is by destruction or sticking his head out the window and either getting fed something he shouldn't, or getting protective and snapping at a person trying to get into the next car over. Plus, he has his own "safe zone" when traveling.

If crating during transport isn't an option, consider a canine seatbelt. If you are using a barrier, make sure it is securely fastened; a quick stop could easily send a 170-pound Dane body flying into it, and they both could hit you.

Secure your load! If your crates are fixed (never removed from your vehicle) you can bolt them into place. If you don't have that option, make sure they are secured firmly with good cargo straps. We also use zip ties to secure our crates together to prevent minor shifting.

An easily accessible leash and collar should be provided per dog (and please take collars OFF when in crates). If you do have an accident or emergency, you don't want to have to fumble around trying to find leashes and collars to get them out of the vehicle. And if you really had to, once a dog was removed from a vehicle, you could get a bystander to hold them or even tie them up to something so you could attend to the other dogs.

Collars should be secure and fit snug; you do NOT want a dog slipping a collar and escaping in a strange location. An ID tag should be attached to the collar (and traveling dogs should also be chipped). Leashes should be well made and sturdy—a walk along a busy street is not the time for a leash to break. I prefer sturdy chain slip collars and

leather leads for travel exercise breaks. I strongly suggest to NOT using flexi-leads in unfamiliar areas; especially if there is the chance you will encounter aggressive stray dogs or unfriendly people.

For traveling purposes, all collars should have a tag with current owner information and other pertinent phone numbers. This would include the person transporting (if not the owner), an emergency contact of a personal traveling with you, and one of a friend/relative at home. For those people who have dogs considered “FR” (flight risks) a collar GPS might be worth looking into. All dogs being transported should be micro-chipped. It would be a good idea to include the chip number AND a picture of the dogs being transported on your itinerary. In the unlikely event a dog became lost, this information then would be readily available.

Condition dogs to readily go into a crate by giving a food goody to them once they are actually in the crate. As mentioned previously, this can be a life saver when trying to recover an escaped dog. Additionally, train dogs that they are NOT to exit their crate until a collar has been put on and they have been given the “OK”. If you are transporting dogs other than your own, take a few moments to work with these dogs to find out if they are “gate busters” and will need additional caution.

If bungee cord hooks are attached on crates to secure luggage or other items, make sure they are attached with the hook pointing to the outside.

Have a good canine first aid kit with you. There are many good suggestions for kits that can be found online. It would also be a good idea to bring along a supply of antibiotics and anti-diarrhea medication. Please consult your veterinarian for information on what you may want to bring.

If you are traveling other people’s dogs, a transport agreement would be a good idea. This agreement should cover the care requirements of the dog and also give you authorization to treat the dog in a veterinary emergency.

MOTEL SAFETY

Before you bring your dog into the room, give it a quick once-over. Check under the bed, and carefully look at the carpet. I’ve known one traveler who found mouse bait under the bed, and another who found pills on the carpet. Either could have resulted in a very sick dog.

Do not let dogs drink out of toilets in motel rooms. You do not know what cleaners or fresheners that might be in the bowl.

When exiting your room, always check the outside area before taking your dog out. Opening the door and letting your dog go to the end of the leash ahead of you can sometimes result in unpleasant surprises to both you and the dog—or the person walking by. The same applies to elevators.

Use all the same cautions at a motel as you would at rest areas and other unknown places.

WHO ARE YOU?

As with the dogs you are traveling with, always have some sort of ID on you at all times. The card pictured in this article is an excellent example of one that is easy to use. I suggest you use three of them; one for your wallet, one in your vehicle, and one on your person at all times. (Well, maybe not when showering!)

BE READY FOR THE UNEXPECTED

When we plan a long-distance trip, none of us imagine having difficulties along the way. I've been very lucky in all my years of traveling that I've had very little "incidents". But as we know, accidents both large and small can happen, and being prepared for them will hopefully make a bad event a little easier to deal with. A few items to consider packing:

- First aid kit for both dogs and humans. These were mentioned previously, but are very important items and bear mentioning again.
- Bloat kit. 'Nuff said.
- Small set of bolt cutters, Small set of bolt cutters placed where it can be accessed easily. They can be used if a dog gets a toe caught in a crate, or if a crate had to be cut apart for some reason.
- Emergency kit for both you and the dogs. This would be used in the event you and the dogs were stuck in the vehicle for some time.
- Crow bar—this should be placed somewhere easily accessible and could be used to open a jammed door in an accident.
- Hammer—this should be placed near the driver's seat and would be used in the event one had to exit a window.
- Industrial-type scissors; these should be placed somewhere near the driver's seat in the event a jammed seat belt had to be cut off.

MAKE IT EASY

A few little tips I've found that can make traveling a little bit easier::

- Portion dog food out in zip lock bags. For a long trip, take only enough to get you to your destination. Once there, purchase dog food. A full sack will most likely last you for your stay. If you saved your baggies, you could also bag up the food for the return trip. No big bulky bags of opened food to deal with and it's easy to just bring in just one food baggie to your room for feeding time. However, don't forget to check on the other end that you can readily purchase your food brand.
- Pack your big suitcase with all the items you will need when you reach your destination. Pack a smaller duffle bag or travel bag with only the items you will need while travelling. This way, you won't need to drag in your large suitcase every night while on the road.

ODDS –N- ENDS

Some states require proof of vaccinations when crossing state lines. Although it's rarely needed for anyone to be stopped and asked to show this information, bring it would be

good idea to bring along a copy of the vaccine information, just in case. (You'd also need it if you have to board a dog in an emergency.) Additionally, a review of the laws regarding transported dogs for the state lines you are crossing would be a good idea.

THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

There are a number of apps for smart phones that can be very helpful. There is an app that locates local vets in your travel area. There is also another one that gives dosages of medications. A little research and you can probably find many more that will be helpful during a long road trip with dogs.

THE OLD FASHIONED WAY

We've all come to rely on our smart phones and tablets for many everyday tasks such as remembering phone numbers and giving us driving directions. However, when traveling across country, you may find you are in a no-reception area—or heaven forbid—loose or have your phone stolen.

Prepare a WRITTEN list of phone numbers to take with you. This would include all the people you are traveling or caravanning with, your motels along with way, family members, and emergency contact numbers. Before you leave, make sure you back up your phone.

Bring along a good, current map. If your phone or GPS fails, you may need this! Also be sure to bring along printed directions for the same reason.

IN CLOSING

There probably are a million other tips I've either forgotten or not thought of but hopefully this article will give you some ideas for a safe and uneventful road trip with your Danes! Happy travels!





GDCC June Open Meeting Picnic, Burbank KC, City of Industry, CA June 25, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Second Vice-President Maren Cornish at 11:54am. The following members were present – Bob Ardecky, Michelle Cacace, Maren Cornish, Tori Cornish, Joe Cornish, Rachel de la Vega, Joy DeGruccio, Jessica Gibbs, Jim Howey, Hilary McLeod, Cathy Schaefer, and Dick Schaefer. The following guests were present and introduced – Mike Boa, Kristy Hodson, Sam Hodson, Joan Mayeaux, Kendall Robinson, and Trudy Robinson. The following board members were absent: Melanie Yellish, Gary Romerosa, Bruce Powell, Susie Powell, and Mike Rodriguez.

OFFICER REPORTS

Recording Secretary's Report: Tori said that the May meeting minutes were published in the previous bulletin – minutes were accepted as published.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Gary sent in his report as follows (read by Jessica):

- Incoming Correspondence
 - Received a letter from the GDCA Charitable Trust thanking our club for the \$300 donation in honor of the judges for our 2022 Specialties.
 - Received a Thank You card from Mike Boa, thanking the club for inviting him to judge our Sweepstakes.
- Outgoing Correspondence
 - Mailed a get well card to Maryann Wilson
 - Sent Melanie Yellish the ballot to vote of judges for the GDCC 2023 Specialties.
- Pending Correspondence
 - None

Treasurer's Report: Rachel reported that the bank balance on June 1 was \$17,341.52. There were no funds received in June. Disbursements in June totaled \$1,107.22 (Specialty RV Parking of \$100 and Raffle Expenses of \$917.22). The bank balance on June 30th was \$16,324.30.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rescue: No report was given.

Bulletin: Maren reminded everyone that the bulletin deadline is coming up, on July 10th.

Specialty: Bob said that the 2022 Specialties went well and Cheryl Cazier (show secretary) was wonderful to work with. The same weekend in 2023 is unavailable due to Mother's Day festivities held by the RV Park, and discussion was had about various options for the shows. Jessica asked about moving the Specialties to the puppy match date in April on Easter weekend. Maren gave information about the possibilities of joining with Mission Circuit again – they are now outdoors at the San Bernardino Soccer Complex, the show chairs have made it into a mini Palm Springs setup. Maren brought up that the club has put a bid in to the GDCA Western Division to host the Sunday Independent Specialty following the 2023 National week. We will vote for our specialty and sweepstakes judges via email soon.

Facebook: Tori was congratulated on her work on the GDCC Facebook page. If you're not a FB group (not the page) member, please join for updates and info!

Website: Discussion was held regarding ease-of-use content, accessibility, and how updated the website needs to be. Further discussion will be held on a later date on how to proceed.

Publishing Info: All information must be run by the GDCC president (Melanie Yellish) before publication of any form — email blasts, Facebook, minutes — as per our club rules and regulations in order to avoid repetition and miscommunications. Melanie has a new email that she can pass on to the next GDCC Presidents so that she can officiate her own emails – GDCCPrez@gmail.com. The bulletin also has their own email to contact them with any questions – GDCCBulletin@gmail.com – Maggie Foerschler and Maren Cornish.

Education: The club has to fulfill our GDCA Education requirement. The club will work on either hosting an educational meeting/seminar or find an AKC Meet The Breed event to join. We are looking at potentially joining an event in September in San Diego with the San Diego club.

Awards Banquet: Maren found a new date that should keep us away from holiday time-crunches — January 14th and 15th, the weekend following Palm Springs. We are looking at various Elks Lodge venues, and pending club member Judy Landers is re-searching pricing.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The September meeting was still TBD on whether it would be online via Zoom or at a local show. It was decided that the meeting will be held on a September Wednesday night via Zoom.

The nominating slate committee, made up of 7 club members who have attended at least 3 meetings since December, for the November elections will be pulled together by mid-July.

Information was distributed for nominating our 2023 GDCC judges, voting will take place via email in July.

Members present voted for the 2024 National judges – we submitted Joy DeGruccio and Linda Tonnancour for the National, and Darryl Pitts and Allison Paxton for Sweepstakes.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tori Cornish
GDCC Recording Secretary



GDCC July Board Meeting

July 6, 2022

Zoom

The meeting was called to order by President Melanie Yellish at 6:02pm. The following Board members were present — Melanie Yellish, Mike Rodriguez, Maren Cornish, Gary Romerosa, Tori Cornish, Rachel de la Vega, Bob Ardecky, Jessica Gibbs, and Hilary McLeod. Board members absent were Bruce Powell, Susie Powell, and Joy DeGruccio. The following club members were present — Maggie Foerschler, Sharon Johns, Janet Lampe, Debi Romerosa, Debi Konkoly-Thege.

OFFICER REPORTS

Recording Secretary's Report — Tori reported that the minutes from the June 25th open club meeting will be published in the next bulletin in July – this was accepted and passed.

Corresponding Secretary's Report — Gary reported the following:

- Incoming Correspondence
 - None
- Outgoing Correspondence
 - Sent off the club vote for the GDCA 2024 National judges (specialty and futurity) from the June 25th open meeting.
- Pending Correspondence
 - None

Treasurer's Report — Rachel reported that the bank balance on June 1 was \$17,341.52. There were no funds received in June. Disbursements in June totaled \$1,107.22 (Specialty RV Parking of \$100 and Raffle Expenses of \$917.22). The bank balance on June 30th was \$16,324.30.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rescue — No report was given; Susie was not present.

History — Hilary had nothing new to report as of now.

Bulletin — Maggie and Maren reminded the board (and members) that the bulletin is due July 10th.

Awards Banquet — Melanie announced that Maggie Foerschler will be taking over the co-chair position for the awards banquet with Maren Cornish – Gary Romerosa has stepped down. Please send any award submissions to Maggie

(mybilmar2@gmail.com). Maren said that the physical awards will feature an option for larger plaques with your preferred combinations of breeder/owner/Dane/award type.

Specialty Trophies — Maren and Tori reported that they are thoroughly researching various trophy options, including the powder-coated larger stainless-steel buckets.

AKC Reunite — Rachel and Susie ordered 2 boxes of 50 microchips; they will be sold for \$10 each plus shipping.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The September open and board meetings will be held online via Zoom, on Wednesday September 14th at 6pm.

The nominating committee for the November Club elections will be comprised of 7 members who have attended more than 3 meetings from the December holiday meeting. For the Presidential nomination, Melanie nominated Jessica Gibbs. The board members nominated for their 2 spots Maren Cornish and Mike Rodriguez, with Jim Howey as the alternate. There are 3 positions that will be open with their terms ending — 2 director's positions (Bob and Jessica) and Corresponding Secretary. Bob and Jessica expressed their wishes to continue in their current positions. Gary Romerosa is resigning from the Corresponding Secretary.

Specialty — The 2023 specialties will not be held in May as our current dates fall on Mother's Day and the RV Park is booked for Mother's Day festivities. We will hold the 2023 specialties on our puppy match weekend, April 15th and 16th. We will work on reserving RV Parking as we did for the 2022 shows. The puppy match will be held in another month, potentially at another Yorba Linda Park.

Melanie received an email from 2022 Specialty Judge Jim Remaklus, thanking the club for having him at our show.

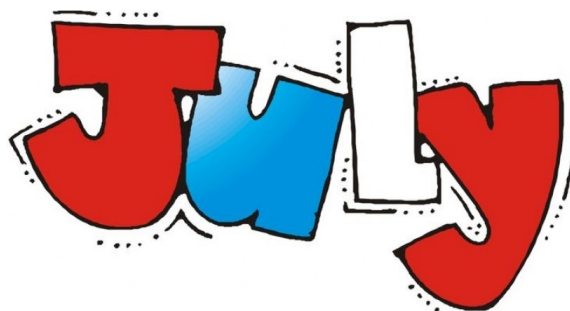
Maren brought up various email communications that need to be remedied and a discussion was held. The bulletin has their own email to contact them with (GDCCBulletin@gmail.com), as does the Club President, Melanie (GDCCPrez@gmail.com). All distributed information is to be sent to Melanie as President before distribution to another party or platform, per club protocol in our rules and regulations.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tori Cornish

Tori Cornish
GDCC Recording Secretary



Big Dog Corner



Dog Days Of Summer

A few months ago, my father gave me a large fountain for my outdoor patio. This fountain has turned into a huge fresh water decorative dog bowl with a relaxing fountain sound.



No more water dishes and no more worry the water may run out or will be too hot and not fresh. Another benefit to mention, a continuous water fountain encourages dogs to increase their water intake which will have a positive impact on your dog's overall health.

The fountain is made out of a super light resin which makes it easy to tip over and wipe down with a sponge which I do about once a week during the hot months less during the winter. The continuous water fountain in the Lampe household provides fresh water 24/7, is a decorative water bowl for my patio, produces a relaxing babbling sound, easy to maintain and so entertaining to watch Isabella lick the water off the fountain like licking a huge ice cream cone!



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Dixon May Fairgrounds Dixon, CA	8/6 - 8/7/2022 Closing July 20th
Richmond Dog Fanciers Club	Saturday, Sunday
North High School Torrance, CA	8/6-8/7/2022 Closing July 20th
South Bay KC	Saturday, Sunday
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds Lodi, CA	8/12-8/14/2022 Closing Aug 3rd
San Joaquin KC	Friday, Saturday, Sunday
Reno Sparks Livestock Event Center Reno, NV	8/19-8/21/2022
Reno KC	Friday, Saturday, Sunday
Earl Warren Showgrounds Santa Barbara, CA	8/25-8/28/2022
Simi Valley KC	Thurs-Fri 8/25-8/26
Santa Barbara KC	Sat-Sun 8/27-8/28
Solano Co Fairgrounds Vallejo, CA	9/15-9/18/2022
Lake County KC	Thurs-Fri 9/15-9/16
Sir Francis Drake KC	Sat-Sun 9/17-9/18
Findlay Toyota Center Prescott Valley, AZ	9/23-9/25/2022
Prescott AZ KC	Friday, Saturday, Sunday
Dixon May Fairgrounds Dixon, CA	9/24-9/25/2022
Donner Trail KC	Saturday, Sunday

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August	NO meetings , enjoy your Summer
Sep 14th (Wednesday) Location Time:	Board Meeting Open to members as guests Zoom (log in info TBD) 6:00 pm (PDT)
Sep 14th (Wednesday) Location Time:	Open General Meeting Guests Welcome Zoom (log in info TBD) 6:00 pm (PDT) Immediately following board meeting
October	NO meetings , GDCA National Oct 9-15
November TBD (??) Location Time:	Annual General Closed Meeting Estimated to be a Wednesday Zoom (log in info TBD) TBD (PDT)
November TBD (!!) Location Time:	New Board Meeting Estimated to be a Wednesday Zoom (log in info TBD) TBD (PDT) Immediately following CLOSED meeting

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