

GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

NEWS AND VIEWS

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Happy Holidays Everyone!

As the colder weather is upon us and we bring out the jackets, add an extra blanket on the bed and snuggle up by the fire, please remember our loveable giant breed may need an extra layer of warmth too. As we all know the Great Dane is a single coated dog and doesn't have that extra layer of coat for insulation. Young puppies as well as our senior citizens may have difficulty maintaining a normal body temperature in the colder weather. If this is the case with your dog, please ensure that they have a sweater, a blanket to snuggle into or even a heated doggie pad to lay on. There are heated doggie pads on the market where the temperature is preset at a dog's normal body temperature so there is no worry about it getting too hot.

We have a lot of exciting things happening next year starting in January with our Awards Banquet we have four back-to-back Specialties in April, our Puppy Match and CGC, Trick Dog testing in May, our Annual Pic Nic and education, dates to be determined and an additional Specialty following the National in Santa Fe, New Mexico in November. I hope to see you at these club activities. If you are interested in assisting with any of these activities, please let Maren Cornish know which activity and what you would like to help with. All help is welcome!

Wishing you all Happy Holidays and a happy, safe and prosperous New Year.

Melanie Yellish
GDCC President

2023 GDCC Calendar

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Jan 7, 23
(Saturday)
Location
Time:

Board Meeting, In person meeting only
Held at Maren & Tori's set up. No phone
or Zoom calls will be available.
Palm Springs Dog Show
Avenue 51 and Monroe St.
Indio , CA
following Dane judging

Jan 15, 23
(Sunday)
Location
Time:

Annual Awards Brunch.
Guest invited.
Elks Lodge Fullerton
1400 Elks view Lane
11:00 am

Next page for short preview dates.

April 14-15
Location
Time:

2023 Great Dane Club Specialties
Back-to-Back .
Canyon RV Park Anaheim, CA
24001 E. Santa Ana Canyon Rd.
AM & PM shows both days

This mini bulletin is all we were able to get together during this last holiday season in 2022.



Newsletter Submissions

With the onslaught of respiratory illnesses effecting so many people and then the Artic blast that gripped the whole country, difficulties getting information from internet outages. We just

ran out of time. It is very brief with only the upcoming info for activities we know are currently in the works. All officers & Committee Chairs will be updated on the columns next time..

We hope all the club members had Merry and safe Holiday gatherings and 2023 will be a great year for all your resolutions and plans going forward.

Will get everyone caught up after January 15th.

Breeder Referral

Joy DeGruccio
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Bulletin:

Maren Cornish
Maggie Foerschler

Club Awards:

Maren Cornish

Club Specialty & Match Trophies:

Tori Cornish
Maren Cornish

Dane Rescue Referral:

Suzanne Kelleher-Duckett

Education/Betterment of the Breed:

Jessica Gibbs

Event Publicity:

OPEN POSITION

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Puppy Match:

Mike Rodriguez

Raffle & Silent Auction:

Suzie Powell
Bruce Powell

Rescue Report:

Suzie Powell

Specialty:

Bob Ardecky

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Maren Cornish

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OPEN POSITION

Watchdog:

Pat Schempp

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Jerry Tandy
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Announcements & Brags! ---

Short preview of the upcoming GDCC Club Meeting Dates & Events
for 2023

(Please always double-check your latest club news)

**** A few special notes –**

Please note that First Closed Membership Meetings is the February Meeting this year. Open to members only.

Puppy Match Date: May 13, 2023 (Yorba Linda Regional Park, Anaheim, CA)

GDCC Specialty Date: Apr 15-16, 2023 (4 independent specialties again)

 **Please mark your calendars and see you soon!** 

Membership Application

The following applicant membership was submitted, second publication to follow.

First Publication

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Sarah Hughes

There were a couple of brags at the last meeting. Not sure one of them meets the minimum height requirement. Amazingly the coated fur family to a couple of our members, Warren Hennagin, and Maren & Tori Cornish showed to some great wins.

Not saying our Danes can't do as well, but it has been rather frosty for their natural coats and for many I'm sure totally unexpected weather conditions.

Warren bragged these impressive wins for:

MBIS BRBIS MGISS GCHP Kris's Kountry Poker Face
PE HOF CGCA TKN
BOB St. Bernard National

He will go down in History as one of the 3 Top Winning St. Bernards



Maren bragged that Tori's Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Zsu Zsu:

GCHS Glasshouse Can't Fight this Feeling at NSR
CGCA TKI FDC

Ended 2022 as the # 6 CWC behind all BIS dogs in #1-5. She
was the only unadvertised dog in the Top 10 CWC and #3

Bitch
Multi Group Placing



GDCC Closed Meeting

November 9, 2022

Zoom

President Melanie Yellish called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Board members present were – Melanie Yellish, Mike Rodriguez, Maren Cornish, Gary Romerosa, Tori Cornish, Rachel de la Vega, Bruce Powell, Susie Powell, Joy DeGruccio, Hillary McLeod, and Bob Ardecky. Members present – Natalie Andrews, Darlene Andrews, Warren Hennagin, Maggie Foerschler, Debi Romerosa, Debi Konkoly-Thege, Sharon Johns, and Eleanor Powell. Board member absent – Jessica Gibbs.

OFFICER REPORTS

Recording Secretary's Report – The minutes were approved from the September meeting, as published in the bulletin.

Corresponding Secretary's Report – Gary reported that he sent a contract to Vicki Kimbell for our April 2023 Sweepstakes. Melanie has not received the signed contract from her yet, and Melanie has all the Corresponding Secretary information.

Treasurer's Report -

Rachel reported that the balance on September 1st was \$14,403.57. The club received \$85 in dues. Disbursements totaled \$130.83 (2023 Specialty AKC Registration Fee \$50, Dues Mailing Supplies/Postage \$80.83). The GDCC balance on September 30th was \$14,357.74. The club received \$1,115 in October for dues and disbursed \$3.90 for postage. The October 31st balance was \$15,468.84.

The GDCC's annual donation is to be made based on the October beginning balance (\$14,357.74) – 10% of that (\$1,435.77) will be donated to a rescue/organization of our choice. Discussion was held on how to split the donation – the donation will be split between the GDCA Charitable Trust's Disaster Relief Fund and a rescue (California rescue to be determined at a later date). We may be able to donate more money to a rescue or organization after our independent specialty following the 2023 GDCA National.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Puppy Match – Mike reported that the puppy match will be in Yorba Linda on Saturday, May 13th, at Yorba Regional Park on Mother's Day weekend. The date was moved to accommodate our specialties, now in April. The judge for the puppy match has not been selected yet.

Specialty – Bob had nothing new to report for the April specialties, but our specialty to be held after National at Buffalo Thunder has been approved by AKC. Nancy Simmons and Jason Hoke were the only two judges from our ballot with sufficient votes – Melanie will get ahold of Nancy Simmons first to see her availability.

Rescue – Susie contacted Community Canines (no response) and One Dane At A Time (ODAAT) and ODAAT responded with numbers. From January 1st to October 31st were 88 taken in, 43 spayed/neutered, and 77 dogs currently available and in need.

Membership – Tori reported one prospective member reaching out for an application – Zee Yellish, Melanie’s granddaughter. She will be contacting her sponsoring members. Also, the membership will be voting on Judy Landers’ membership status tonight.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

Board voting – The nominating committee brought forth their slate. It was agreed upon that as the rules state nothing about a board member holding two positions, so Melanie Yellish was nominated to be President and Corresponding Secretary, the position she held prior to becoming President. Bob Ardecky’s and Jessica Gibbs’ terms as Directors had ended, and they both wished to continue in their positions, and were nominated again. All positions were voted on and passed by the membership – Bob and Jessica as Directors, and Melanie as Corresponding Secretary.

Judy Landers’ membership status was voted upon, and she is officially a GDCC club member! Sharon Johns will tell Judy in person tomorrow that she is now a member.

Bruce Powell proposed to donate 50% of the annual donation funds to a specific California rescue – ODAAT – and not leave that selection for later. Discussion was held on various topics relating to ODAAT. Maggie supported the decision to give ODAAT the 2022 funds, and that the GDCC can go forward in 2023 and present the membership with possible options and seconded the motion. Further discussion was held about ODAAT and options regarding stipulations with the donation. The vote passed to donate half of the annual donation to ODAAT and GDCA Disaster Relief.

Joy asked breeders and owners in the club to participate in the COED study on Osteosarcoma. The study is now open for people to sign up to possibly be randomly selected for participation. Any dogs that are 4.5 years and older and weigh 66 pounds or more can participate.

Brag – Warren’s St. Bernard won the St. Bernard National and will go down in history as one of the 3 Top Winning St. Bernard’s. Warren also is donating his brand-new Impact crate to the National Auction for the GDCC – the club will get it to the National. It is a full-sized Dane non-collapsible red crate with a pad. Joy and Maren will let the Western Division know that the GDCC will get the credit for this great crate!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tori Cornish

Tori Cornish
GDCC Recording Secretary



GDCC Board Meeting – Zoom

November 9, 2022

Melanie called the Board Meeting to order at 7:10pm. Board members present – Melanie Yellish, Mike Rodriguez, Maren Cornish, Tori Cornish, Rachel de la Vega, Susie Powell, Bruce Powell, Hillary McLeod, Bob Ardecky. Board member absent – Jessica Gibbs. Members present – Eleanor Powell, Debi Romerosa, Maggie Foerschler.

Reports were all read in the closed meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Judy Landers found a potential opportunity for our education requirement, Melanie called about it and the event Judy found is more geared toward rescues than for our breed club. We will look at further options for education for 2023 since the AKC options for 2022 canceled.

Susie Powell has the AKC Reunite Microchips. The Powell's are putting together a template to advertise to the club that we have them available. The microchips are available to breeders referred to by members.

NEW BUSINESS

Rachel de la Vega asked if the GDCC has any fee to pay to the GDCA. Melanie said to contact Kathy Munyan, the GDCA Treasurer. If you have not paid your GDCC dues to Rachel, please due. Anyone who submits for year-end awards needs to be in good standing, having paid their dues for the year. The annual awards luncheon is in January.

Tori and Maren are starting to work on specialty trophies and rosettes for April. After the holidays, sponsorships will be asked.

Joy asked for the COED study flyer to be included in the bulletin – it will also be included on the Facebook page – it will continue through the end of the year, and into 2023 if more participants are needed. The GDCA Charitable Trust is offering a \$75 reimbursement for the blood draw cost if chosen to participate.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tori Cornish

Tori Cornish
GDCC Recording Secretary



GDCC Open Meeting

December 14, 2022 Zoom

President Melanie Yellish called the meeting to order at 6:05pm. Board members present were Melanie Yellish, Mike Rodriguez, Maren Cornish, Tori Cornish, Rachel de la Vega, Hilary McLeod, and Bob Ardecky. Members present – Robin Blackburn, Sarah Hughes, Debi Konkoly-Thege, Maggie Foerschler, Judy Landers, Cynthia Neet, Bruce Powell, Susan Powell. Board members absent – Joy DeGruccio, Jessica Gibbs. Guest present – Joan Mayeaux

OFFICER REPORTS

Recording Secretary's Report – Tori reported that the minutes from November will be in the Nov-Dec bulletin

Corresponding Secretary's Report –

- Outgoing Correspondence
 - o Sent a get-well card to Dick Schaefer
 - o Called Nancy Simmons to offer the judging assignment for our GDCC 2023 November Specialty following National.
 - o Prepared and mailed 2023 November Specialty judges contract to Nancy Simmons.
 - o Sent sympathy card to Jerry and Scott Tandy for the passing of Mindy Tandy.
- Incoming Correspondence –
 - o Received signed contract from Vicki Kimbell for 2023 April Specialty Sweepstakes.
 - o Received signed contract from Nancy Simmons for 2023 November Specialty.
- Pending Correspondence –
 - o None.

Treasurer's Report – Rachel reported the November beginning balance was \$15,468. We took in \$700 in dues and \$160 for holidays awards reservations - \$860 total. In November we paid a deposit for the May 2023 puppy match (\$100) and the memorial flowers acknowledgment for Mindy Tandy. The balance at the end of November was \$16,107.12.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bulletin – Maggie and Maren reported that the December bulletin is due by Dec 20th.

Awards - Maggie and Maren are organizing, calculating, and confirming the large number of applications that were turned in for the year. Those planning on coming to the awards banquet, please RSVP to Tori or Maren and send your payment to Rachel. Tickets are \$40 each at the Elks Lodge. You can contact Tori for more information.

Specialty Trophies – Maren said that the specialty trophies will be addressed once the Awards Banquet is concluded.

Specialty – Bob updated us that Bob Koehler is going to be our show photographer – Joy will arrange his overnight accommodations. Tori has started a flyer for the specialty and will add Bob Koehler's name to the flyer. Information will be sent to Maggie for the bulletin and distributed with email and Facebook. Melanie's daughter-in-law Angela will do candid shots for the specialties as well. Tori said that Luana Ball wants to be a ring steward-in-training for the weekend and can provide CGC and trick dog testing if needed at the specialty as well.

Match – Mike has nothing new to report, the deposit is paid and the date is locked down. Maren also said that we will need to order new ribbons for this year, as we have run out of our stockpile. Tori said that Luana Ball would love to return to be our CGC/Trick Dog Evaluator for the match.

OLD BUSINESS

Jessica Gibbs sent an email to Melanie to be read in her absence from this meeting – due to the nature of the email relating to discussions held from the November meeting, that should be addressed by Jessica at a closed meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations for the May 2023 puppy match judge will be distributed in December.

Mike and Chuck Bentley patched the club trailer up prior to the rainstorm, and a new trailer will be needed before the November 2023 specialty show in Santa Fe, NM. Mike will get estimates on what the current trailer needs to fix it before November for Santa Fe and for resale. A motion was passed for a trailer fund for the club will be established.

Rachel would like assistance with the puppy match registration process. Meeting ended at 6:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tori Cornish

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GDCC Recording Secretary BRAGS!

Maren bragged that Tori's Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Zsu Zsu – GCHS Glasshouse Can't Fight This Feeling at NSR, CGCA TKI FDC – ended 2022 as the #6 CWC behind all BIS dogs in #1-5. She was the only unadvertised dog in the Top 10 CWC. Picture to follow in bulletin.





GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA ANNUAL AWARDS PARTY & LUNCHEON



SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023

FESTIVITIES START AT 11AM — BUFFET SERVED AT NOON



ELKS LODGE OF FULLERTON
1400 ELKS VIEW LN.
FULLERTON, CA, 92835

\$40 PER PERSON BUFFET

RSVP & PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JAN. 4TH

RSVP TO MAREN CORNISH – (951) 692-6444, NSRDANES@GMAIL.COM

PAYMENT TO – RACHEL DE LA VEGA, GDCC TREASURER

PAYPAL : TREASGDCC@GMAIL.COM (FRIENDS & FAMILY)

OR MAIL CHECK TO – RACHEL DE LA VEGA

3461 CALLE MARGARITA, ENCINITAS, CA 92024

WE WILL BE EXCHANGING WRAPPED “DOGGIE” GIFTS!

**WE ARE CONTINUING GDCC'S GENEROSITY BY BRINGING CANNED GOODS FOR DONATIONS.
IN LIEU OF UNWRAPPED CHILDREN'S GIFTS, GIFT CARDS TO STATER BROS &
WALMART FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE WOULD BE APPRECIATED!**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CONTACT HOLIDAY BANQUET AND AWARDS
CHAIRPERSON, MAREN CORNISH -
NSRDANES@GMAIL.COM — (951) 692-6444**



GREAT DANE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA



CANYON RV PARK
24001 E. SANTA ANA CANYON RD,
ANAHEIM, CA 92808

Saturday, April 15th

- AM Sweepstakes – Dan Palantino
- AM Specialty Show – Karen Desjardins
- PM Specialty Show – Jennifer Bell

Lunch Provided by GDCC Saturday and Sunday

Sunday, April 16th

- AM Sweepstakes – Vicki Kimbell
- AM Specialty Show – Dr. Louis Bond
- PM Specialty Show – Dr. Tracy Powell

Amazing ROSETTES from Cynsational by Cyndy!
Great PRIZES • Fantastic RAFFLE

ENTRIES CLOSE 3/29

SUPERINTENDENT : SHOWSBYCHERYL.COM

Contact Show Chairman Bob Ardecky with any questions:
rardeckv@gmail.com

COED

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR A NEW STUDY

CANINE OSTEOSARCOMA EARLY DETECTION

It is our hope that "The Dane Family" will enthusiastically support this study as bone cancer is truly a pariah to our beloved giant breed.

FLASH!

There is a GDCA Charitable Trust \$75 reimbursement toward the blood draw if your dog is selected for the study!!



PURPOSE

The COED study (Canine Osteosarcoma Early Detection) is supported by the Irish Wolfhounds, Rottweilers, Great Danes, Golden Retrievers, Irish Setters, Leonbergers, and AKC CHF. COED is designed to develop a reliable, minimally invasive blood-based test for early detection and risk assessment of canine osteosarcoma. This study will recruit up to 400 large-breed dogs from a variety of backgrounds.

WHO CAN JOIN THIS STUDY?

- Dogs weighing 66 pounds or more.
- Dogs who are 4.5 years or older.
- Dogs who are currently healthy and have never had any cancer diagnosis.
- Dogs with no "lumps" or tumors anywhere.

OWNERS WHO ARE INTERESTED

Communicate with your veterinary clinics to determine your vet's ability to process plasma and serum in house and arrange same day FedEx pickup.

If vet is unable to ship same day, owners **must** be able to deliver the samples to a FedEx office for overnighting on the same day the samples are collected.

When a dog is enrolled, staff from the Modiano Lab (University of Minnesota) will send the vet clinic a sample collection kit with supplies and instructions for collecting whole blood, serum, and plasma.

PLEASE REACH OUT...
WE NEED YOUR HELP

<https://z.umn.edu/COED>

Get your questions answered and complete a short eligibility questionnaire for your dog. Enrollment will be randomized, and submission can be accepted through December of 2022.

SCHEDULING

If accepted, make appointments ASAP. Email Modiano Lab with the name of your veterinary clinic, address, and clinic's phone number, then Modiano Lab will send sample collection materials. Your signed consent form will need to be included with the returned sample.

Dogs will be monitored for at least 1-1/2 years after enrollment.

COSTS ARE MINIMAL & BENEFITS ARE TIMELESS

There is no cost to participate in the study, and the study pays the costs for shipping the sample collection kits both ways. However, owners may incur costs from their veterinary clinic for collecting and processing the samples. A vet tech appointment is acceptable.

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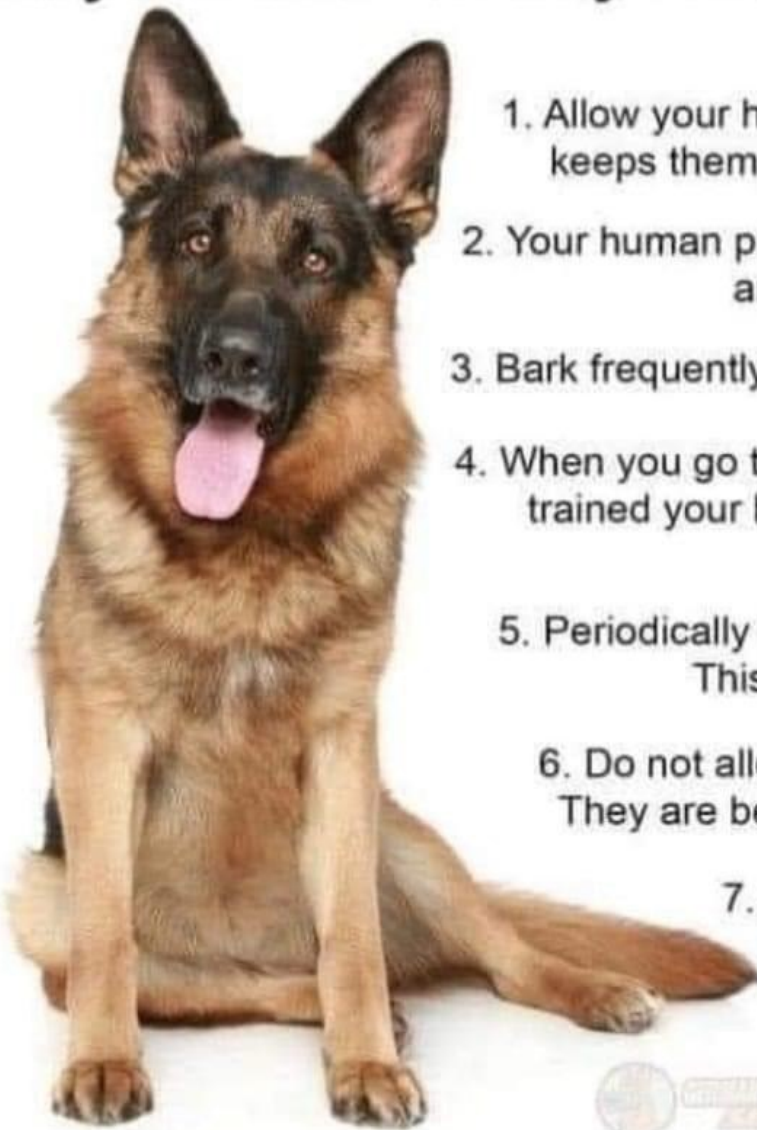
NOTE: This COED Study is not intended as a diagnostic, rather it is a tool for early detection and risk assessment of osteosarcoma.



HOW TO WALK A HUMAN

A Dogs Guide

Humans need exercise. If they don't get it they become "chubby". It's up to you to save them.



1. Allow your human to tether themselves to you. This keeps them from wondering off or running away.
2. Your human probably needs breaks. Be considerate and stop and sniff often.
3. Bark frequently. Humans have a short attention span.
4. When you go to the bathroom, walk away. If you have trained your human correctly, they will pick it up.
Good aerobics.
5. Periodically drag your human as fast as you can. This is called interval training.
6. Do not allow your human to shorten the walk. They are being lazy. Sit in protest if you must.
7. Once you are home, allow your human to remove their tether, then lick their face many times. This is positive reinforcement for a job well done.



GDCC Meeting & Events Calendar

Great Dane Club of California

Remember this is part of our mission statement: To Promote the common interest in the breeding of better

Jan 7, 2023
(Saturday)

Location

Time:

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