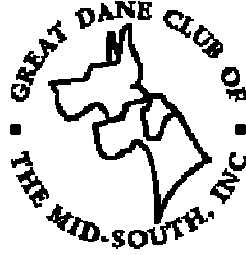


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Newsletter for October, 2008

Next Meeting: November 12th, 8pm at Georgia Tech.

Very Brief Board Meeting at 7:50 (we have to have 6 a year!)

Greetings Friends and Members!

**I hope all those that went to the Nationals had a FANTASTIC time!
This was my first one and I had a blast! I can't wait for next years!**

See you on November 12th!

**Connie Adams
President**

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**Minutes, Board Meeting
October 8, 2008**

Board meeting was called to order at 7:50pm.

No items to discuss.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

(All board members were in attendance)

**Minutes, General Meeting
October 8, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by President, Connie Adams at 8pm

Guests in Attendance:

Members in Attendance: Connie Adams, Jay Berkowitz, Jenn Carr, Chuck & Willie Crawford, Carol Hunerwadel, Gabrielle Kostiuk, Chuck and Darcy Quinlan, Angela Stillwell.

President's Report: Connie took a moment and recognized Pam & Tim's beautiful Gracie. Ch. Daneboa Architect's Design. She went to the Rainbow Bridge the end of September, where big ole Train was waiting for her.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were approved as received.

Treasurer's Report: Attached

Awards: Nothing to report

Combined/Prestige: What a great specialty we had! The amount of food we had was so IMPRESSIVE. Our club really pulled together and showed what everyone working together can do! Thank you to those that helped with set up and clean up too. Darcy has a meeting on Monday so will update us at the next meeting.

Education: The K9 Daze on October 4th was a success. Thank you to everyone that came out. Angela Stillwell suggested an education piece on what draws entries to a dog show from one of our "veteran members" .

Please email Heather with any additional ideas you have for future meetings.

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GDCA Delegate: Chuck Quinlan will not be able to attend the Delegate meeting at the Nationals so in Chuck's absence, Angela Stillwell will attend – Gabrielle will draw up a letter for Angela to take to the meeting to state the above.

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Rescue: In September, 5 Great Danes were adopted and two people needed to find homes for their Danes ASAP, so other rescues helped them out.

SE Division: Chuck, Willie, Jay, Carol and Angela stuffed the envelopes for our 2009 Nationals to be handed out on the last day of the 2008 Nationals. Willie shared with us a GDCNCFL welcome bag goodie – it was a neck coolie. We as a club need to think of what we want to put in the welcome bags – items suggested: candy bars with Great Dane pictures on them w/ club logo, poop identifiers, pen with a light and poop bags. Please email Willie or bring other suggestions to the next meeting...it would also be helpful if you could figure the cost of the item.

Trophies: Susanne has 8 trophies left over from the fall specialty and if anyone is interested in one, they are \$15.

Ways & Means: The Fall Specialty raffle netted the club: \$350.00, this is down 15% from the Spring Specialty. Angela wants to see if we can list with a pet supplier that would give the club credit every time we purchased something from them. She used Tugs as an example, as we did this with them before. If we could get more than one vendor we could send out list of vendors to use and the “code” to enter so our club is credited with the sale and receives a % of the sale. Also suggested was holding a microchip clinic at a big dog event.

Website: no new information at this time

Old Business: Lourdes Carvajal will be our Fall '09 Specialty judge.

New Business: The club voted on a Nominating committee, they are as follows: Chuck Quinlan (Chair), Willie Crawford and Carol Hunerwadel. Floor nominations may be made at the November meeting. Voting will be at the December meeting.

It was voted to have our Holiday Party at the Georgia Tech site as last year. Will we be doing the White Elephant exchange with a dollar amount of \$15 and I will be sending out a list to sign up for food.

Carol has asked all of our members to help feed a rescue by clicking on the following website at least once daily. The website is www.theanimalrescuesite.com . Copy this and put it in your favorites to you can just click and go before you get offline...it's that simple; let's feed some rescues!

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned and Brags were held.

Respectfully submitted,
Gabrielle Kostiuk, Secretary

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Brag

From Angela Stillwell: Lobato's Southern Storm (Rain) took a 4 point major under Judge George Heitzman owner/handled by Angela Stillwell. Rain is owned by Angela and Joy Lobato.

From Jackie Dilworth: Jackie Dilworth & co-owner Melissa Bennett of Jacksonville, FL are happy to announce a new champion – Jewel's Imperial Jade Asset (an Oscar daughter). After almost a year and 4 major reserves, Jade finally got her finishing major at the Atlanta Cluster's Sunday show. She will be bred to Top Twenty contender BIS Int/Am/Can Ch. Thorncrest Image In The Sky CGC later this fall.

From Dana Sikes: Ch. Ashton's Blonde Ambition CD, RAE, CGC earned the 3rd leg towards her RAE2 title at the Atlanta Kennel Club rally trial with 1st place in Rally Excellent and 4th place in Rally Advanced. Ashton is bred, owned and handled by Dana Sikes.

From Karen Yoder: BISS Ch. Overlook's Ghost in the Mirror (Ch. BMW Bullets Over Broadway x Ch Overlook's Gabrielle) received his second BISS win at our own club's specialty in September. He has been ranked in the Top 20 all year. He is owned by Tim and Debbi Jones. We are keeping our fingers crossed that he can hold onto his position and finish off the year in one of these top spots!

From Gabrielle Kostiuk: Ch. Lobato's Striking Interest RA (Tiki) took a huge Best of Breed win on the Sunday of the Atlanta Cluster Shows shown owner/handled by Gabrielle. Tiki also took a Best of Opposite on the Saturday before.

From Darcy and Chuck Quinlan: Stone Valley's You've Got a Friend took a 4 point major at the Florida Specialty in Deland under Judge Mary Hayhurst; she was handled by Amanda Quinlan.

Jay Berkowitz: On 28 Sep 2008 at the Murfreesboro Kennel Club Ivan went Winner Dogs.

Over Labor Day weekend at the UKC show in Perry, Anya won "Best Female" twice and is now a UKC Champion.

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From Courtney Roberts-Phillips: Chattanooga Kennel Club, 9/13/08, Courtney went first in her class giving her her 3rd 1st place finish moving her up to Open Juniors.

On 9/13/08 at the Chattanooga Sanction Match, Stebor's One In A Million V Von Sheer (Mickie) went Best of Breed and took a Group 2 out of some really nice dogs. Mickie was owner/breeder/handled by Courtney and Susanne taking turns.

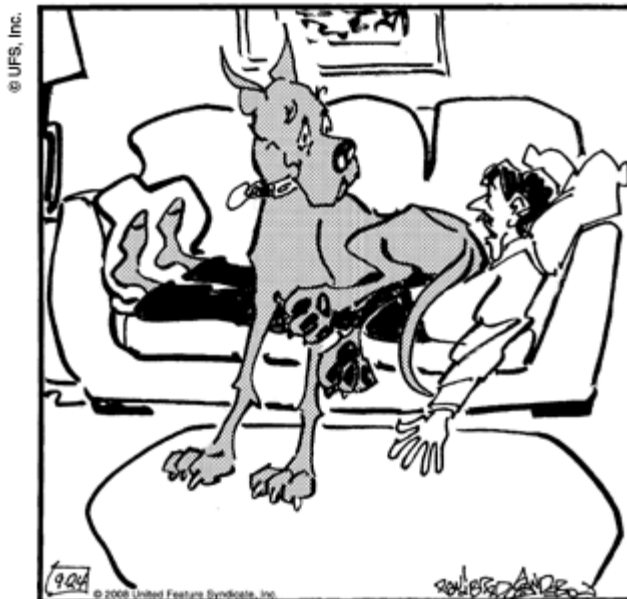
At the Great Dane of Mid South Specialty, Courtney took Best Junior. She now has a total of 31 points and once the rankings are updated, she will be #8 Junior in Great Danes.

Congratulations Everyone!



Way to go!

Marmaduke's corner:



"Trust me, you're putting on weight."