

THE GREAT DANE CLUB OF CENTRAL NORTH CAROLINA



Fall 2009

August, September, November meeting review:

During our club meeting in August, we nominated our Spring Sanction A Match Show chairperson as Nikki Conneen, her Co-chair is Pam Blackmon, Show Secretary- John Rider, Grounds- Chris Hepler, Trophies- Jen Devaney. Our Match is scheduled during the Tar heel dog show circuit in Raleigh in March 2010. This will be our last A-match which completes the AKC requirements. Next we apply for our license to hold future our Great Dane Specialty. Nikki Conneen has two judges in mind, one a dane person. She will contact her committee to start organizing.

Nominating Chairperson: Pam Blackmon for 2010 GDCCNC Board of Directors

Kay Gallagher, Wanda Hepler

Alternates- Nikki Conneen, Joyce Davis

Chris Hepler held the November meeting in Greensboro, He was happy to see such a large turn out.

He welcomed, Gavin Britz from Durham, NC, this was his second event/meeting and has sent in his membership application. Ron Carter's second meeting.

Pam Blackmon announced the Slate for Board of Directors for 2010 will be final after Nov. 15th.

John Rider-President, Chris Hepler-VP, Patty Thomas-Recording Sect., Sandy Hann-Treasurer, Wanda Hepler-Co-sect., Kay Gallagher-Board, Amy Dean-Board 1year.

The Annual Holiday Club Party will be held at *The Hepler's house during the Forsyth Kennel club dog show on Saturday Dec. 5th.

TBA pending when Danes show.

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Fall Meet and Greet:

The club held our Meet and Greet on a beautiful Saturday day, September 5th, at the Fairgrounds in Raleigh. We shared BBQ sandwiches, delicious deserts to a large group of dane friends. Christi Balazs invited MAGDRL from NC to set up a booth to sell, collars, toys, etc. Monies raised will support dane rescues in need. Kay Gallagher, Phyllis Lyon organized dane games, bobbing for ducks, relay race for prizes. Patty Thomas held a silent auction of donated items of crystal, art work, etc. There were many items sold, items left will be used for future events.

AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day:

On Saturday, September 26, 2009 Kay Gallagher, Pam Blackmon, Christi and Matt Balazs and Patty Thomas represented our club at the AKC Responsible Pet Ownership day held at NC State Fairgrounds. In addition two great supporters of the club, Hilda Blackmon and Colleen Assell-Carra volunteered their time as well. Our booth included photos of

Great Danes, Scooby and educational material provided by the GDCA. The local Great Dane Rescue League shared a space with us which raised over \$200.00 for their cause. Pictures of this event is on the AKC site under Raleigh RDOD. www.akc.org

.NATIONAL UPDATE: During Nov. meeting

John Rider wanted to express his appreciation to club members that volunteered their time to help cover the Raffle/ Hospitality room. Patty Thomas gave credit for those club members, that helped set up early in the morning and worked the Agility and performance course. John Rider received compliments from many GDCA committee members appreciating our club stepping up and helping make their event run smoothly.

Rescue Corner:

Christy Balazs will contact rescue to post another dane for our club website. Rescue Event to be held on December 12th at Petsmart. In addition, our local rescue group collected \$270.00 during our Meet and Greet held during the Tar-heel Circuit, Labor Day Weekend.

Membership:

Gavin Britz was introduced at this meeting. He lives in Durham and has one dane. He turned in his application.

NEXT MEET

The Hepler's , 1549 Old Coach Rd. Kernersville, NC

Gripes and Grins:

- “Tara” Lyonheart’s Gone With the Wind received her Championship Title during the Tar heel Circuit. Tara is owned by Kay Gallagher and was bred by Phyllis Lyon.
- Linda Osborne, was elected president of The German Pinscher Club.
- Wanda Hepler showed Reese/ Raintree Dixie’s Sweet I’cd tea V Winterlochen at his event WB/BOS for one point.
 - Waylon, owned by Matt and Christi Balazs took 2nd from his class at Nationals.
 - Ron Carter took Reserve WB today with his puppy.
 - Tango, owned by Patty Thomas and John Rider won Veteran Dog at Nationals
 - Mojo , owned by Ryan and Jennifer Smith learned how to sit!

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