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Newsletter for September, 2009

Next Meeting: 8PM, Wednesday, October 14th, at the City Café

Address is: 525 10th Street, NW; phone 404/724-0407

There WILL be a board meeting at 7:50 pm.

Dear Members and Friends,

Everyone I'm sure is back in full-swing with school, showing, and so forth. The Fall Specialty is now behind us – congrats to all those who won! The National is right around the corner. (Can you believe October is here already????)

Speaking of the National – please keep in mind that ALL of the committees need your assistance during that very busy week in Chattanooga. If there is something special you want to do – or if you just want to help in general - please ask around if you haven't already volunteered your time. We still need a second person for every shift in the hospitality and raffle room for our club's day. For those who have already volunteered – thank you tremendously! For those who haven't, what are you waiting for???? We need you....

Locally, we need some ideas on fundraising and on education topics. Any other thoughts you have for the club are welcome. Please let me know or bring it up at our next meeting.

In addition, we have received membership applications for the following: Deidre Parmer 3228 Roosterville Rd. Roopville, GA 30170 dpdane@yahoo.com

Sponsors: Susanne Roberts-Phillips and Connie Adams

According to our revised Bylaws, the names have to be published in two newsletters prior to voting on by the General Membership. (This is the second posting.) We will vote at the October meeting.

Upon receipt of the completed application, the Secretary shall publish the name and address of the applicant, as well as the names of the endorsing Members in the succeeding two (2) Club Secretary's letters.

Take care, Angela

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Minutes, Board Meeting September 9, 2009

Called to order at 7:55 pm.

Board present: Angela Stillwell, Connie Adams, Chuck Crawford Gabrielle Kostiuk and Darcy Quinlan

There was no business, so the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Minutes, General Meeting September 9, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Angela Stillwell, at 8:05 pm.

Guests in Attendance: Denise Brooks, Buz Davis, and Deidre Parmer

Members in Attendance: Connie Adams, Jay Berkowitz, Chuck & Willie Crawford, Heather Fick, Carol Hunderwadel, Gabrielle Kostiuk, Chuck and Darcy Quinlan, Angela Stillwell,

President's Report: Angela welcomed our guests.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Motion to approved Minutes as received was made and seconded, all approved. The Club Flag for the '09 Nationals cost has increase to \$50, \$10 more than previously quoted; motion made by Darcy to approve increased cost of flag for Nationals, seconded by Willie, all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Attached.

GDCA: No report.

<u>Awards:</u> Angela will mail out awards not given out at the meeting or will give them out at the Nationals this fall.

<u>Combined/Prestige</u>: Darcy gave Chuck Crawford a check from the Spring specialty for approx. \$300. Our Prestige show is a go for this Fall.

<u>Decoration:</u> Heather volunteered to do the decorations at the Fall Specialty. Thanks, Heather!

Education: Anyone volunteering?

Rescue: Three have been adopted and we still have eight on the list.

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SE Division: 2009 Website is www.gdca-se.org

Our club must staff the Hospitality/Raffle room on Monday of the Nationals: volunteers are as follows: morning shift – Connie Adams, noon shift – Jay Miller, afternoon shift – Susanne Roberts. We should have 2 people for each shift, so please email Gabrielle if you would like to volunteer for a shift. **We need volunteers please!!!** Following needs help: Welcome table, catalog sales, dinner sales…please offer your time so one person doesn't have to be doing it all day! Grounds committee needs helps as well.

<u>Trophies</u>: Susanne waiting on a few people to pay for the Fall 2009 trophies donations. Please get your checks in as soon as possible.

Ways & Means: No fall raffle

Website: No report

<u>Old Business:</u> Chuck Crawford made a motion to move the Prestige Fall Specialty to the August Cherokee Rose circuit. Discussion was held. Chuck Crawford withdrew his motion. Chuck Quinlan makes a motion to move the Prestige Fall Specialty to the Spring Combined circuit and hold back to back specialties on that particular Sunday in the Spring. Motion was seconded, votes: 5 for, 1 against, 3 abstained...motion passed.

New Business: Saturday, October 3, 2009 is the Atlanta Kennel Club K-9 daze at Wills Park in Alpharetta. Our club will partake in this event to fulfill our AKC requirements. Heather Fick will be in charge of this event this year, additional volunteers are disparately needed.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned at 8:59 pm and Brags were held.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabrielle Kostiuk, Secretary

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Treasurer's Report

August, 2009

Balance 7-31-09 General: \$2,953.05	Rescue: \$1,658.48	Total: \$4,611.53
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RECEIPTS:	GENERAL	RESCUE
1. Spring Raffle	460.00	0.00
2. Trophies, Fall '09	175.00	0.00
3.	.00	0.00
4.	.00	0.00
5.	.00	0.00
Total receipts	630.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES:		
1. Trophies	758.25	0.00
2. Postage, newsletter	85.57	0.00
3.	.00	0.00
4.	.00	0.00
5.	.00	0.00
6.	00.00	0.00
Total Expenditures	843.82	00.00

Balance 8-31-09 General: \$ 2,739.23 Rescue: \$1,658.48 Total: \$ 4,397.71

Chuck Crawford Treasurer September 8, 2009

Check book balances

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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND OBJECTS

SECTION 1. The Name of the Club shall be <u>The Great Dane Club of the Mid South, Inc.</u>

SECTION 2. The objects of the club shall be:

- a) To encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Great Danes and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.
- 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 do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials and other events.
- d) To conduct sanctioned matches and licensed specialty shows, obedience trials, Companion events 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.
- e) To encourage dedication to the health and welfare of the breed.
- f) To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed by which Great Danes shall be judged, as approved by The American Kennel Club and to encourage the study of the standard by breeders, judges, dog show committees and others interested in the advancement of the breed.

SECTION 3. The Club shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations to the Club shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.

SECTION 4. The members of the Club shall adopt and may from time to time revise such by-laws as may be required to carry out these objects.

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Brags

<u>Heather Fick:</u> During the Atlanta Hannah took 2 consecutive 1st place wins in Novice Jr class earning a total of 12 points and allowing her to move up into Open Jr Class

Marmaduke's Corner



"The barbecue sauce on your whiskers kind of spoils your alibi."