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Newsletter for March, 2009

[Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 12th, After Dane Specialty in Perry, GA](#)

[There **WILL be a board meeting.](#)**

Dear Members and Friends,

First of all many thanks to Connie and Gabrielle for covering me at the last minute this month. My apologies to both of them for my last minute inability to "virtually be there" from Honduras. You know what they say about best laid plans.... Modern technology proved once again that it has the upper hand.

The month of April brings our Specialty in Perry on Sunday, April 12. If you have not yet volunteered to assist please step up now. We will need assistance with set up and breakdown of the food and the raffle. We will also need assistance with sales of the raffle tickets and in other areas. Thanks in advance for your help!

Reminder - our next meeting will be in Perry following the Specialty. In May we will be back in Atlanta and will have a special guest to speak about reproduction concerns for our gentle giants.

In the meantime, please remember to use iGive.com for your online purchases and searches to benefit GDCMS. See you in Perry....

Take care,
Angela

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We have received membership applications for the following juniors:

Courtney Roberts (Junior Membership, Mom is Susanne Roberts-Phillips)

2520 New Buckeye Road

Wrightsville, GA 31096

croberts864@yahoo.com

Sponsors: Darcy Quinlan and Connie Adams

Timothy Weed (Junior Membership, Mom is Yvonne Weed)

1615 Trellis Crossing

Alpharetta GA 30004

t.weed@yahoo.com

Sponsors: Connie Adams and Yvonne Weed

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 April 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.

Angela Stillwell

President

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**Minutes, Board Meeting
March 11, 2009**

No Board Meeting

**Minutes, General Meeting
March 11, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Connie Adams in the absence of President Angela Stillwell's at 8:00 pm.

Guests in Attendance: Deidre Palmer and Tim Weed

Members in Attendance: Connie Adams, Jay Berkowitz, Chuck & Willie Crawford, Heather and Hannah Fick, Gabrielle Kostiuk, Susanne Roberts-Phillips, Chuck and Darcy Quinlan, Christie Stranz, Trish Thurow and Yvonne Weed

President's Report: No report.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were approved with no changes.

Treasurer's Report: Attached.

GDCA: The GDCA has set up a message board for the delegates so more information will be flowing and able to pass along to the individual clubs.

Awards: Everything has been turned in. Awards will be given out at the May meeting.

Combined/Prestige: The final, final check has been issued for \$102.60. Everything is on schedule for the April show and premium books were handed out. Darcy had called all the futurity judges on our approved list for Sweeps judging and Rick Zahorchak accepted Fall Sweeps however our other 4 choices were not available for several reasons. We voted for another Sweeps judge, #1 Gabrielle Kostiuk, #2 Nikki Coneen; Gabrielle accepted the job for Spring '10. The judges our 2010 specialties are as follows:

Spring 2010:	Sweeps: Gabrielle Kostiuk	Regular: Alberto Berrios
Fall 2010:	Sweeps: Rick Zahorchak	Regular: Ron Acena

Decoration: Angela has spoke with Tina and will get the decorations from her for the April Specialty.

Education: Heather has scheduled Dr. Parker, the reproduction vet to speak at our May meeting.

Rescue: 4 Danes adopted in February.

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

Trophies: Don't forget to get your trophy forms and checks back to Susanne. Susanne decided not to put dates on this year's trophies so that left overs can be reused at the next specialty.

Ways & Means: Don't forget to use IGive when doing internet searches and purchases.

Website: No report

Old Business: The www.theanimalrescuesite.com click site will be voted on whether to continue to keep it in our newsletter at the April meeting; so plan to attend if you would like to be part of the discussion.

Gabrielle spoke with Jan Parrish Hendon regarding the Welcome bags and so far the clubs are giving a neck coolie and a poop identifier flag. Trish brought up a pen for the gift bag with our logo on it, she had an example. Darcy made a motion to approved the pen and Trish seconded it, all approved. Chuck Crawford will oversee ordering the pens.

New Business: Food for Specialty. A motion was made by Darcy to allow \$150 for food for the April Specialty, seconded by Trish, all approved. Gabrielle volunteered to get the food trays and drinks from Wal-Mart. Connie will supply plates and napkins. Another motion was made to have our meeting ringside after the April Specialty, it was seconded and approved.

Connie, in Angela's absence, appointed the Judges committee for 2011:

Chuck Crawford, Chair , Chuck Quinlan and Gabrielle Kostiuk committee members.

Willie asked the GDCA Delegate, Chuck Quinlan, why didn't the GDCA weigh in on the Crop/dock issue? Chuck suggested a letter to the GDCA Board on our club's behalf to make a stand on the Crop/dock; that the issue be an individual's choice. Willie made a motion to accept that suggestion, Darcy seconded it and all approved. Chuck will write the letter.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned at 8:45 pm and Brags were held.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabrielle Kostiuk,
Secretary

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Treasurer's Report

February, 2009

Balance 1-31-09 General: \$4,549.77 Rescue: \$1,958.48 Total: \$6,508.25

RECEIPTS:	GENERAL	RESCUE
1. Brags	16.00	0.00
2. Trophies, Spring 09	175.00	0.00
3. Plaques	4.25	0.00
4. Prestige Show Settlements	.00	0.00
5. Dues:	<u>180.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total deposit	375.25	0.00
EXPENDITURES:		
1. ADOA dues	35.00	0.00
2. Insurance	600.00	0.00
3.	.00	0.00
4.	<u>0.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>635.00</u>	<u>00.00</u>
NET	(259.75)	00.00

Balance 2-28-09 General: \$ 4,290.02 Rescue: \$1,958.48 Total: \$ 6,248.50

**Chuck Crawford
Treasurer
March 10, 2009**

Check book balances

Brags

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From Chuck and Willie Crawford: Our Lance (Charma's Sir Lancelot) was winners dog and best of winners at the Franklin, TN shows last Saturday and Sunday. That was both majors, he now needs two singles to finish.

From Heather Fick: On February 28, 2009, Hannah entered the Newnan match. While she was not handling a Dane...she did take in a friends Whippet "Spencer". She showed him in Jr. Showmanship to take the class and Best Junior! She went on to show Spencer in his breed against 4 other Whippets where she took Breed with him then went on to take a Group 1. While there Hannah ran into someone that she had met in Griffin a year earlier where she had shown her 12 week old Boxer, Gunner. The lady asked Hannah to show Gunner. Hannah took him into the breed ring and handled him beautifully where he went on to take Breed then a Group 1. Hannah then decided to take Spencer, the Whippet, in the BIS ring...with stiff competition...Hannah was awarded Best Adult In Match...We are so proud!

