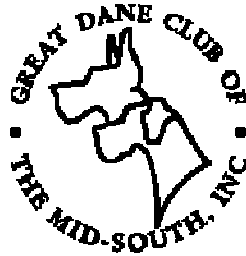


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Newsletter for August/September, 2007

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 10, 2007, 8pm at Georgia Tech (directions available on the website)

*****Notice to Board Members: There WILL be a board meeting at 7:45pm
Two membership applications will be voted upon*****

Dear Members and Friends,

I was looking at the raffle/silent auction donations that were brought to the meeting – and they are fantastic! We have some great gifts again this year! I know everyone's going to have a good time – and parting with your money will be very painless, Angela will make sure of that!

Many thanks to Yvonne Weed for the “goodies” at the meeting – and to Darcy & Chuck for beverages! Any volunteers for the next meeting? Contact me at gabbey755@yahoo.com – thanks!

This past month we lost two very special four-legged ‘members’ of our club. Tina Brandt's Joker, crossed the Rainbow Bridge, at the age of almost 14 and Noel Clarke's Gypsy, crossed the Bridge, at the age of 5. They will truly be missed.

The minutes are a joint effort from Noel Clarke and me.

We will be voting upon the following membership application at the upcoming meeting:

Christine (Christi) Stranz christistranz@gmail.com

6032 Twilight Trail

Morrow GA 30260

Sponsored by Sandra Melton & Connie Adams

That's it for now – hope to see lots of you at our Specialty, here in Atlanta, on September 20th!

Connie Adams
President

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**Board Meeting
September 12, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 pm by President Connie Adams, at Georgia Tech.

Absent: Carol Elwood, Rose Madej

Christine Stranz membership application was reviewed and voted upon to accept and pass along to the membership for a vote.

Noel would like to do a memorial award that would be given out to the BBE Bitch at the Spring Specialty Show in Perry. This will be in memory of Gypsy. He will work with Darcy on this.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Adams, President

**Minutes, General Meeting
September 12, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President, Connie Adams at 8:00 pm following the Board meeting.

Guests in Attendance: Gabrielle Kostiuik and Yvonne Weed were welcomed. (This was both of their second meetings.)

Members in Attendance: Connie Adams, Tina Brandt, Jenn Carr, Noel Clarke, Chuck Crawford, Willie Crawford, Laurie Cronin, Heather Fick, Carol Hunerwadel, Sandra Melton, Chuck Quinlan, Darcy Quinlan, Susanne Roberts-Phillips, Dana Sikes, Cindy Southall, Angela Stillwell

President's Report: Guests were welcomed.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were approved as received.

Treasurer's Report: Follows

GDCA: Chuck Q reported that it was time to vote for our Affiliate Representative. Dianne Powers was unanimously voted upon. Chuck will not be able to attend the next meeting held at the 2007 Nationals, so a motion was made/seconded/approved to have Angela substitute for Chuck. Connie will do a letter to this effect for Angela.

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Combined: Meeting was on August 16th, 2007. Darcy and Connie attended. It was a very informative meeting.

Education: No report

Prestige: Tina Brandt will have her van loaded with decorations so needs someone to pick up one of the judges from their hotel and transport to the show on the 20th. Discussion was held and a motion was made/seconded/approved to make a reservation with Carey Limo to pick her up and bring her to the show site. Tina will handle the details of this, and contact the judge to let her know. A motion was made/seconded/approved to write Connie a check in the amount of \$200 for food for the Specialty.

Rescue: Follows

SE Division: Meeting will be held after the Great Danes show on Saturday, September 22nd in the meeting room at the Expo Center.

Trophies: Susanne Roberts-Phillips said she almost has all the trophies finished for the Spring 08 show.

Ways & Means: Raffle/silent auction proceeds will be split between the club general fund and rescue 50/50 from now on – starting with the September one. Discussion was held about what to do with the pins that are left, that were distributed in the goody bags, at the last nationals, and a motion was made/seconded/approved for Angela to sell them as part of the Ways & Means Committee at the 2009 Nationals.

Old Business:

The Constitution/By Laws have come back one more time for some rewording. In Article I, Membership, Section 3: one sentence was deleted “Any person who shall satisfy the requirements for membership as determined from time to time by the Board of Directors may become a Member.”. Another change was to rearrange Article I, Membership – everything is the same, just repositioned. And in Article II, Meetings and Voting, Section 4, the telecommunication line was stricken. A motion was made/seconded/approved to make the changes. The Committee had approved these changes prior to the meeting. Darcy will resubmit the reworked paperwork. (If anyone would like a copy with the changes, please let Connie know – but everyone will get a copy when it’s all finalized and approved.)

New Business:

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned at 9:15 pm and Brags were held.

Respectfully submitted,
Noel Clarke, Interim Secretary and Connie Adams, President

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Treasurer's Report

August 2007

Balance 7-31-07 General: \$3,446.81 Rescue: \$622.32 Total: \$4,069.13

RECEIPTS:	GENERAL	RESCUE
1. Brags:	5.00	0.00
2. Trophies, Spring show:		
Stillwell:	50.00	50.00
Hunerwadel:	30.00	
Crawford:	60.00	
Carr:	15.00	
	105.00	
4. Rescue transfer:	0.00	240.00
Total deposit:	583.07	240.00

EXPENDITURES:

1. Show application:	50.00	0.00
2. Fall'07 trophies:	384.12	0.00
3. Rescue transfer	240.00	0.00
Total Expenditures:	674.12	0.00

NET: - \$91.05 \$240.00

Balance 7-31-07 General: \$3,355.76 Rescue: \$862.32 Total: \$4,218.08

**Chuck Crawford
Treasurer
September 11, 2007**

Check book balances

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Rescue Report:

Rescue Report for the Month of August

Reported at the September meeting

Adopted off our list in August: **10 (plus one owner decided to keep)**

Danes needing new homes (as of today 9/12): **9**

Adopted so far in September: **4**

Also the paperwork was submitted to Mary Barnett Reed, GDCA Rescue Chairperson with the statistics for the past year.

From August 1, 2006 – July 31, 2007:

We listed 101 Great Danes, 82 were adopted, 5 owners decided to keep, 5 were euthanized for various reasons, and we still have 9 on our list. These are fantastic numbers!

A check was received in the amount of \$200 from the RescueMeTugz donation – this was the Tugz toys that you ordered a couple months ago and 100% of the sales were donated by Michelle to our rescue. She also donated 3 large baskets of toys for our raffle at the Specialty. (They were available to look at on the table at the meeting.)

And Jenn presented a \$100 check to rescue, which was the adoption fee for Ruby, whom she was fostering. Thank you Jenn!

Connie Adams, Secretary

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Braggs

From Dana Sikes:

“CH PAQUESTONE’S MISS MADISON”, CD RA, CGC” obtained the third leg and her Rally Excellent title at the Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia show the same day that her daughter, “CH Ashton’s Blonde Ambition” RE, CD, CGC earned her CD and Championship. “Madison” also won the award for the highest scoring Great Dane in Rally Excellent at the show. “Madison” is owned and handled by Dana Sikes.

“CH ASHTON’S BLONDE AMBITION”, RE, CD, CGC earned the second leg of her CD at the Lawrenceville Kennel Club show. The next day she earned the third leg and her CD title in the morning at the Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia show. She then went into the conformation ring that afternoon and won Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite over specials for her second Major and Championship from Bred-By-Exhibitor class. “Ashton” also won the award for highest scoring Great Dane in obedience at the show. “Ashton” is bred, owned and handled by Dana Sikes.

From Susanne Roberts-Phillips:

“DOZER’S FLAMIN ZOE v ROYALE SV”,CGC, TDI has earned her 1st leg at the Lawrenceville Kennel Club. First time in the ring Rally Novice.

From Tina Brandt:

At the Griffin Match in June, SVRR’s The Mad Hatter “Zulu” won BOB and took Group 2.

At the Carrollton Match “Zulu” again took BOB and then took Group 1. Also at the same match SVRR’s The Cypress took Best Puppy and then took Group 2.

At Atlanta “Royale” got his RAE title.

Heartiest congratulations to all for the great news!!