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President's Report

Jamie Harshfield

President, Great Dane Club of America



Dear GDCA Members,

The 2025 GDCA National event is almost here! We are all looking forward to visiting the beautiful Kalahari Hotel in Poconos, PA. The East Division has something for everyone. Please check the schedule included and be mindful of deadlines for entries, meals, and merchandise. Be sure to check emails often for updates.

Thank you to all that have been so supportive of our National Event. Without your generous donations this event would not be possible.

Nomination ballots for Judges in the 2027 West Division National are due in by 5:00 PM, August 29, 2025. If you need assistance please contact Wanda Hepler, Heplerdanes@gmail.com.

The GDCA has a position available as the National Trophy Chairperson. Candidate's responsibilities include inventorying, cataloging, and ordering the trophies for every GDCA National. Please contact Jean Dinkins, dinkinsjean@gmail.com for a complete job description and details regarding the trophy position.

The GDCA is always in need of volunteers. If anyone is interested in serving on a GDCA Committee, please contact the Committee Chair or Wanda Hepler for additional information.

The next GDCA Board meeting will be on October 12, 2025, at the GDCA National, Kalahari Hotel, Poconos, PA.

I look forward to seeing you all, please travel safe!

Jamie Harshfield

President, Great Dane Club of America

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Wanda Hepler- GDCA Corresponding Secretary



Please make sure I have your most recent club roster on file following your club's elections. This information is vital for your club to receive important notices including National Specialty ballots. To update your club roster, use the **standardized form** found on the GDCA website under the affiliate club tab to submit. We require that **all** clubs use this standardized form when sending in your annual rosters.

The direct link is: <https://gdca.org/the-gdca/affiliate-clubs/>

Western Division 2027 Affiliate Club:

The 2027 Western Division Nomination Ballots were mailed out. These ballots are for you and your affiliate club to select Nominees for Conformation Judges. The Deadline to mail your ballot into our CPA is **August 29th, 2025**. If you have not received a ballot, please email me at once.

Affiliate Club Specialty Approvals:

As a reminder, **ALL** affiliate club specialties require GDCA approval.

To obtain GDCA approval, your **club's dues** need to be paid, and a **current year roster of members and officers** must be given along with the **date** and **location** of the specialty. Please allow 5 business days to process your request. Email to: **Wanda Hepler** heplerdanes@gmail.com

Please note: It is the **Affiliate Clubs responsibility** to email their request for GDCA approval to me. **The process is not automatic and AKC does not inform me of when your event application is filed.**

GDCA Breed Mentor Program

The GDCA Breed Mentor program is under revision. The new application process no longer requires a Chair or Committee to process and oversee potential GDCA Breed Mentors. Anyone interested in applying for or removing their name from the GDCA Breed Mentor list should contact Wanda Hepler, GDCA Corresponding Secretary.

The following revisions are effective from this point on.

- All interested Breed Mentor applicants must request an application from the GDCA Corresponding Secretary.
- All completed applications must be returned to the GDCA Corresponding Secretary.
- All Breed Mentor applicants will be reviewed and voted on at the next GDCA Board meeting.
- All approved Breed Mentors will then be published in the Bulletin under the GDCA Corresponding Secretary Report.
- Approved Breed Mentors shall be included in the GDCA website for informational purposes.

Sincerely,

Wanda Hepler
GDCA Corresponding Secretary

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lynda Moriarty

Letters concerning the approval or disapproval of applicants should be directed in writing to:
Lynda Moriarty, 4496 Gosey Hill Road, Franklin TN 37064

The following applicants have been approved by the Membership Committee for publication in the GDCA Bulletin. The Membership Chairman must receive comments concerning these applicants during the forty-five (45) day period following publication.
Any comments received after October 3, 2025 will not be accepted.

Laura Curry
49 Oak Ridge Road
Bethel CT 06801
203.733.5124
Lauracurry1989@gmail.com
Sponsors: Tracy Powell & Rachel Wilson
Interests: Performance

Andrew & Jennifer Denick
1291 Worcester Way
Rockledge FL 32955
321.258.4904
Jennifer: allindanes@gmail.com
Andrew: adenick@gmail.com
Sponsors: Carol Wilber & Jennifer Hester
Interests: GDCA Website or Facebook

Mickella Raven
1995 E. Ridge Road
Athens ME 01912
207.399.9646
Mickella.laney@hotmail.com
Sponsors: Maavrik Leitch & Eugenia Thayer
Interests: Fundraising

Beth Craig & Paisley Craig (Junior Member)
710 Shades Lane
Cumberland MD 21502
301.697.2487
Bethfrazier2@hotmail.com
Sponsors: Jose Ribo & Sharon Hladik
Interests: Awards, Bulletin, Fundraising, Health
& Research, Junior Showmanship, Membership,
Public Ed, Standard

Applications are gathered on a quarterly basis. Deadlines are as follows: October 1, 2025, January 1, 2026, April 1, 2026 and July 1, 2026. Completed applications received prior to these dates will move forward at that quarters' Board Meeting. Those received after the deadline will be held for the next quarters' Board Meeting.

NOTE: THERE IS AN UPDATED APPLICATION AND SPONSOR FORM ON THE GDCA WEBSITE AND SENT VIA CONSTANT CONTACT. SPONSORS –BE CERTAIN THE APPLICANT YOU ARE SPONSORING IS USING THE CORRECT FORM, DATED FEBRUARY 2025!

ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED ON THE OLD FORM WILL BE RETURNED.

NEW

THERE IS A NOW AN AUTO-RENEWAL OPTION TO PAY GDCA DUES! GO TO GDCA.ORG > GDCA STORE > GDCA DUES-AUTO RENEWAL OPTION FOR EXISTING MEMBERS

**The Board of Directors approved the following for membership.
We welcome them to the GDCA!**

Kari Solberg
10037 Applewood Drive
Parker CO 80138
720.541.0917
lkari05@me.com
Sponsors: Loren Bengston & Erin Alzona
Interests: Awards, Breeders' Ed, Futurity, Public Ed, Performance & Rescue

Melissa Pavlik
18 Fox Run Terrace
Dartmouth MA 02747
774.263.5465
melissapavlik@outlook.com
Sponsors: Tami Bradford & Diane Husar
Interests: Health & Research & Public Ed

Vincent, Harriet
5217 N. Canyon Rise Pl
Tucson, AZ 85749
847.830.2753
hevincent@earthlink.net
Sponsors: Jessie Gerszewski & Bob Edison
Interests: Futurity, Health & Research & Performance

Yolanda Dallas
9052 Millersport
Baltimore OH 43105
325.374.7030
ysdallas@aol.com
Sponsors: Susan Yotive & Kathy Fontana
Interests: Bulletin, Performance

GDCA BOARD MOTIONS*Cynthia Harwin, Recording Secretary**Transcribed by Sue Finck***GDCA BOARD MEETING, Madison, WI
July 26, 2025**

All motions are unanimous unless otherwise noted.

1. **MOTION:** Excuse absences of Cindy Harwin, Nancy Ridgeway, Jamie Harshfield, Jay Roden, Dale Tarbox
 - Moved—Mary Lee Williams
 - Second—Karen Desjardins
 - Motion: Passed
2. **MOTION:** Approve the May 10, 2025 minutes with the change to have Jason Hoke's absence be unapproved.
 - Moved—Lisa Barrett
 - Second—Darryl Pitts
 - Motion: Passed
3. **MOTION:** Approve the 2027 National west Division officers; Division Chair: Everett Van Dyken, Division Show Chair: Robin Blackburn, Division Treasurer: Kathy Munyan, Division Secretary: Stephen Leblanc
 - Moved—Brian O'Donnell
 - Second—Nicole Bartlett
 - Motion: Passed
4. **MOTION:** Approve the reinstatement of Mary Miller and Kenneth and Jenine Mezzles as members of the GDCA
 - Moved—Karen Desjardins
 - Second—Mary Lee Williams
 - Motion: Passed
5. **Motion:** Approve the Treasurers Report
 - Moved—Darryl Pitts
 - Second—Nichole Bartlett
 - Motion: Passed
6. **Motion:** Approve Fay Rogstad be appointed to the ACR position
 - Moved—Kathy Munyan
 - Second—Karen Desjardins
 - Motion: Passed
7. **Motion:** Approve 5K distributions to the following health studies: 1) FLASH Radiation for Dogs Diagnosed with Osteosarcoma and 2) Development of a Novel Diagnostic Test for Canine Osteosarcoma Using Raman Spectroscopy
 - Moved—Lisa Barrett
 - Second—Mary Lee Williams
 - Motion: Passed
8. **Motion:** Approve edits to National Specialty Rules and Regulations (NSRR)
 - Moved—Karen Desjardins
 - Second—Mary Lee Williams
 - Motion: Passed
9. **Motion:** Move into Executive Session 2:30 P.M.
 - Moved—Jason Hoke
10. **Motion:** Move out of Executive Session 3:30 p.m.
 - Moved—Karen Desjardins
11. **Motion:** Approve the agility schedule change for the 2026 National
 - Moved—Lisa Barrett
 - Second—Mary Lee Williams
 - Motion: Passed

12. **Motion:** Approve the 2026 show proposal

- Moved—Kathy Munyan
- Second—Lisa Barrett
- Motion: Passed

13. **Motion:** Approve the membership of Kari Solberg, Melissa Pavlik, Harriet Vincent and Yolanda Dallas

- Moved—Kathy Munyan
- Second—Lisa Barrett
- Motion: Passed

14. **Motion:** Approve the purchase of the email ballot subscription with Associated Voting

- Moved—Jim Remaklus
- Second—Darryl Pitts
- Motion: Passed

15. **Motion:** Approve including the National Store on the National website

- Moved—Karen Desjardins
- Second—Mary Lee Williams
- Motion: Passed

16. **Motion:** Approve the motions read

- Moved—Nichole Bartlett
- Second—Kaen Desjardins
- Motion: Passed

17. **Motion:** To Adjourn

- Moved—Mary Lee Williams

Greetings from the East Division, host of the 2025 GDCA National Specialty! We are excited to have you join us at the Kalahari Resort & Convention Center in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania, from October 12th-18th, 2025.

The East Division theme celebrates **"A Dane for All Seasons"** and In keeping with this theme, our Welcome Party committee is soliciting pictures from every season of your time in the Dane fancy. Send us pictures of those who mentored you when you started in the breed, those who grew with you, and those who contribute to your success today! Individual pictures can be emailed to GDCA.East.Division@gmail.com. Drop us an email if you'd like to share large files or multiple pictures and we'll reach out with some file sharing options. Don't forget to tell us a little something about who is in the picture.



We encourage you to bookmark and visit the [2025 East Division](#) National page on the GDCA website regularly, as it is a trusted hub for consolidated event information and will be updated as event plans are refined and finalized. Another trusted place to find information about the [2025 National is the 2025 GDCA National - East Division | Facebook](#) group, which can be found by searching for "2025 National - East Division" in the search bar in your browser or app. Please review the Featured posts first as they will contain some tips and tricks for finding content posted in the group.

Lastly, we just want to remind everyone that any and all online transactions for the National are processed through the National Store. We are aware that individuals on social media are impersonating the East Division, befriending and redirecting unsuspecting Dane fanciers to other websites selling counterfeit merchandise. Please be vigilant and verify that you are, in fact, on the parent club website before sharing your financial information.

Time Sensitive Updates:

Trophy Fund:

To date, we have only raised \$10,935 of our \$22,500 target. We urgently need your help over the next few weeks to make up this gap.

Trophy Fund Special Raffle

Don't miss your chance to win one of (2) custom embroidered Swiss Gear Getaway Laptop Messenger Bags or one of (2) custom embroidered Swiss Gear Padded Laptop Sleeves!

Each item has the 2025 National Logo design embroidered on it by Gary Richards and Jim Wyatt from 2 Guyz Quilting and Embroidery. The original watercolor design took nearly 80 hours to digitize into a workable custom design and each item has 32,000 stitches! Furthermore, the variegated thread used in the embroidery process results in each item being unique.

To Enter: Make a [National Trophy Donation](#) of \$100 or greater by the August 28 deadline. Each \$100 trophy donation will earn (1) entry into the Special Raffle Drawing. There will be four (4) winners selected at a live, online drawing on August 29, 2025 @ 6 PM EST. (All past trophy donations of \$100 or more will automatically be entered into this Special Raffle Drawing.)

Prize Details:

The Laptop Messenger Bags are 12" x 16" x 5". Features: made of Polyester, with adjustable shoulder strap that extends to a full 21 inches. Padded Pocket to hold up to a 16" laptop. Organizer Pocket (Key clip & divider); Internal mesh water bottle pocket; Top carry handle; Front panel zipped accessory pocket. Weight: 1.1 lbs.



The Padded Laptop Sleeves are 14.25" x 10.25" x 0.75". Features: made of Double-Knit Stretch Nylon; generously padded, zippered sleeve protects laptops or tablets up to 16". Front, padded and zippered compartment to hold accessories or a small tablet. Both pockets are lined with ultra-soft fleece to protect against scratches.

Catalog Ads: Don't forget to book your favorite graphic designers for your National Catalog ad. Visit the Catalog Ad section on the [2025 East Division](#) National page for specs and pricing. We have passed the deadline for on-time submissions; however, late submissions will be accepted until August 28.

Virtual Education Seminars: We have received a number of inquiries about virtual attendance options for our educational seminars. If you are not attending the National but might be interested in virtually attending educational seminars, please share your input with us in our [Doodle Poll](#). We have extended the deadline to provide input until Sunday, August 24.

Donation Updates: We desperately need your help to make the 2025 National a success! Please consider making a donation to support one (or more) of the following areas.

- Auction: Please reach out to Carol Urick at carol_urick@hotmail.com for [Auction donations](#) involving physical items. If you would prefer to make a cash donation to be used to purchase items for the auction, please visit the Auction Donations listing in the National Store or mail a check to Kira Wright, Treasurer - East Division, 30 Fox Street, Manchester Township NJ 08759.
- Raffle Donations involving physical items can be shipped to: GDCA East Division c/o Jeffrey Ball, 11 Pershing Avenue, Ridgewood NJ 07450. Cash Donations to support the raffle can be made via the [Raffle Room Donations](#) listing in the National Store or via check to Kira Wright, Treasurer (address above). Cash donations will be used to purchase items for the raffle.

Educational Seminars: As a reminder, the following sessions are being offered:

- AKC Club Development & Government Relations with Guy Fisher (Tuesday, 10/14)
- Handling Clinic with Darlene Bell-Bergan and Lorrie Richer Moreira (Tuesday, 10/14)
- Structure, Movement and Pedigree Analysis with Dr. Carmen Battaglia (Wednesday, October 15)
- Animal Chiropractic from the Whelping Box to Old Age with Dr. Donna L. Gigliotti (Wednesday, October 15)
- Introduction to Scentwork with Teresa LaBrie (participant & auditor seats available) (Wednesday, October 15)
- Pregnancy Management with Dr. Morgan Agnew (Thursday, October 16)

More information about the seminars can be found under Educational Seminars and Workshops on the [2025 National Specialty](#) webpage. Please contact danesh@chegbert.com with any questions about educational seminars and workshops.

Cardiac Clinic:

- There are still appointments available for the Cardiac Clinic.

Meals / Welcome Party / Welcome Bags: To view menus and reserve your seat at the table, visit [Meals](#). Please let us know if you plan to join us for the [Welcome Party](#) by reserving your spot through the National Store and reserve your Welcome Bag if you have not already done so. There is no charge for the Welcome Party but [Donations](#) to help defray the costs are very much appreciated.



Ways & Means:

- The National Store offers a variety of heat-press T-shirts and tote bags in cropped and natural ear styles, embroidered caps, cozy sweatshirts and hoodies, engraved and etched drinkware, bling-y rhinestones and a beautiful limited edition throw/tapestry. The embroidered items are truly spectacular this year. Visit Ways & Means to get your 2025 National merchandise today!
- Unable to attend the National but interested in purchasing merchandise? Reach out to us at GDCA.East.Division@gmail.com to inquire about sending your purchases home with a designated party.

Hotel & RV:

- Questions about hotel reservations may be directed to GDCA.East.Division.Hotel@gmail.com.
- Just a friendly reminder that your RV Reservation form and the second installment of RV Reservations is overdue. Please visit [RV Reservations](#) to complete the form and follow the instructions/link to make your final payment. If you have not yet made your travel plans, there are still a few spots open just steps from the Kalahari convention floor. Questions about RV Reservations may be directed to 200bully@gmail.com.

Interested in Volunteering? Drop us a note at GDCA.East.Division@gmail.com with your availability and area(s) of interest!

Key Dates & Milestones:

The next major milestones are the publication of premium lists and opening of entries in the coming days. Entries for Conformation, Obedience and Rally will be handled by [Rau Dog Shows](#) and close on September 17, 2025. Entries for Agility will be handled by [Fast Times](#). Competitors should enter the [Berks Country DTC trial](#) on Saturday October 11, and the GDCA trial (PL to be published soon) on Sunday, October 12. Agility entries will close September 24, 2025.

Don't forget to make your trophy donations and submit your catalog ads by August 28th in order to be acknowledged in the 2025 National Specialty Catalog.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all in a few weeks. In the meantime, we encourage you to follow and/or share our social media accounts using the information provided below the signature block. General inquiries can also be sent to GDCA.East.Division@gmail.com.

On behalf of the East Division, we wish you all the best for the upcoming season!

Laurie Maulucci, Division Chairperson
GDCA.East.Division.Chair@gmail.com

Jeffrey Ball, Division Show Chairperson
GDCA.East.Division.ShowChair@gmail.com

Steps to Stay Informed



Email

GDCA Members: Quarterly updates will be published in the GDCA Bulletin. You can also expect to receive periodic email notifications via Constant Contact about key milestones and deadlines.

Social Media

Meta/Facebook: Find and join our group by searching for “2025 National - East Division” in the search bar. Please review the Featured posts first as they will contain some tips and tricks for finding content posted in the group.

Instagram: Find, follow and tag us via our handle, @GDCAEastDiv.

Hashtags: In keeping with our Division’s theme, we have also launched a hashtag, #adane4allszns. You can use this to share pictures and posts with us from your accounts on Meta/Facebook and Instagram. (Don’t forget to set the post privacy to public so we can all appreciate the content you’ve shared!)

QUARTERLY CHIC REPORT***Wanda Hepler- Corresponding Secretary***

Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) -
Parent Club reporting: Great Dane Club of
America. CHIC Numbers Issued New or Updated:
2Q 2025. GDCA Members in bold type.
Find out more about OFA's CHIC program.
here: www.caninehealthinfo.org/brdreqs

DOG: LOVESONG TWINKLE TWINKLE LUCKY STAR V SARAVILLA

Owner: ASHLEY GANDEES
AKC #: WS54686403
CHIC#: 127519
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/27/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: DANU'S SINFUL TEMPTATION FOR TDT

Owner: TABITHA PLAMBECK
AKC #: WS52457902
CHIC#: 144479
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/16/2025
GDCA: YES

DOG: SEVENHAWKS FIRST FAILURE TO LAUNCH

Owner: ASHLEY GANDEES
AKC #: WS66330410
CHIC#: 152068
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/24/2025
GDCA: Yes

DOG: SEVENHAWK'S FIRST FAILURE TO LAUNCH

Owner: ASHLEY GANDEES
AKC #: WS66330410
CHIC#: 156068
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/27/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: SEVENHAWK'S FIRST WISH UPON A LUCKY STAR

Owner: ASHLEY GANDEES
AKC #: WS66330411
CHIC#: 156069
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/24/2025
GDCA: YES

Dog: SEVENHAWK'S FIRST WISH UPON A LUCKY STAR

Owner: ASHLEY GANDEES
AKC #: WS66330411
CHIC#: 156069
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/27/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: DANU'S SPLITTING ATOMS

Owner: TABITHA PLAMBECK
AKC #: WS62161202
CHIC#: 159193
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC DATE: 6/16/2025
GDCA: YES

Dog: STERLING'S NOTHERN SENTRY HUDSON V OCEANBLUE

Owner: JACLYN WATTS
AKC #: WS68187004
CHIC#: 177580
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 4/18/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: STERLING'S NOTHERN SENTRY HUDSON V OCEANBLUE

Owner: JACLYN WATTS
AKC #: WS68187004
CHIC#: 177580
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 5/2/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: DANU'S EMBRACE YOUR FATE TDT

Owner: TABITHA PLAMBECK
AKC #: WS69829602
CHIC#: 191166
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 6/16/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: MERIDIAN'S TO WHERE THE RIVER FLOWS V LAWAETA

Owner: JACLYN WATTS
AKC #: WS78129801
CHIC#: 199124
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 4/18/2025
GDCA: Yes

Dog: MERIDIAN'S TO WHERE THE RIVER FLOWS V LAWAEATA
Owner: JACLYN WATTS
AKC #: WS78129801
CHIC#: 199124
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date: 4/30/2025
GDCA: YES

Dog: NORTHPARK'S SWEET AND SALTY
Owner: EMILY WARREN-HANDSCHUMAKER
AKC #: WS72421408
CHIC#: 199490
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC DATE: 5/30/2025
GDCA: YES

Dog: NORTHPARK'S BLAME IT ON THE BOSSA NOVA
Owner: EMILY WARREN-HANDSCHUMAKER
AKC #: WS62080401
CHIC#: 202472
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date:5/30/2025
GDCA: YES

Dog: NORTHPARK'S BLAME IT ON THE BOSSA NOVA
Owner: EMILY WARREN-HANDSCHUMAKER
AKC #: WS62080401
CHIC#: 202472
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date:6/2/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: LIBERTY'S CHROMA KEEPSAKE
Owner: DINA WHITEHOUSE
AKC #: WS74031303
CHIC#: 203476
New or Update: UPDATE
CHIC Date:5/16/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: MOONRIVER'S HURRICANE SEASON
Owner: T LYNN ADAMS
AKC #: WS7866804
CHIC#: 205815
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/2/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: VELOCITY'S WE'RE GOING PLACES
Owner: MISTY WINKER
AKC #: WS74025109
CHIC#: 206190
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/11/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: LEGADO'S POPULAR V DRR
Owner: NICOLE DUNN
AKC #: WS78253601
CHIC#: 206191
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/11/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: VELOCITY'S WINGS OF FURY
Owner: MISTY WINKER
AKC #: WS69115601
CHIC#: 206243
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/11/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: GDD'S DANCING IN THE RAIN
Owner: BRITTNEY NEWMAN
AKC #: WS69574611
CHIC#: 206417
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/18/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: LEGADO'S N IZYA'S OPPS I DID IT AGAIN
Owner: JESSICA POWERS
AKC #: WS80095602
CHIC#: 206418
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/18/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: NIKOLO-DOBRY'S THE GRINCH @ ROSEWAY
OWNER; PEGGY CLARK
CHIC#: 206528
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/22/2025
GDCA:YES

Dog: JOURNEYS N VEGAS ALRIGHT ALRIGHT ALRIGHT WITH ELAN

Owner: SUSAN FINCK

AKC #: WS76705901

CHIC#: 206782

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/30/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: MOONRIVER'S MAKING WAVES

Owner: T LYNN ADAMS

AKC #: WS788667801

CHIC#: 206783

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/30/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: BEEHIVE N LIBERTY'S LE QUATTRO STAGIONI

Owner: KRISTON HAMILTON

AKC #: WS79579601

CHIC#: 207078

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/8/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: FOUR D'S COMIN IN HOT @ HIGH STAKES

OWNER; SANDY FRANCIS

AKC #: WS78907802

CHIC#: 207180

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/9/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: DELUNA MURBE CRIME BOSS OF GOTHAM

Owner: DIANA DEONOFRIO-FISHER

AKC #: WS79470701

CHIC#: 207226

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/13/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: ALASKAN'S KISS MY BRASS

Owner: CYNTHIA DAY

AKC #: WS78994202

CHIC#: 207367

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/16/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: DANEDREAMS KITTEN WITH A WHIP

Owner: VALERIE METCALF

AKC #: WS78838403

CHIC#: 207460

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/20/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: DANEDREAMS YOU GOT IT

Owner: VALERIE METCALF

AKC #: WS78838402

CHIC#: 207460

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/20/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: WILDCLIFF-HLADIK LAURS JUST WATSON

Owner: LAUREL DONELSON

AKC #: WS80128602

CHIC#: 207797

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date: 5/28/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: NORTHPARK'S SUUMA CUMM LAUDE

Owner: EMILY WARREN-HANDSCHUMAKER

AKC #: WS72421410

CHIC#: 207875

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:6/2/2025

GDCA: YES

Dog: CHROMA DRAGON KNIGHT

Owner: JP YOUSHA

AKC #: WS77554002

CHIC#: 208221

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:6/13/2025

GDCA: YES

Dog: PAXTON'S IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING

Owner: ALLISON PAXTON

AKC #: WS78943201

CHIC#: 208337

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:6/17/2025

GDCA: YES

Dog: DROGHEDA N STRIDERS SUN GOLD JAGGED EDGE

Owner: JULIE KERR

AKC #: WS80584002

CHIC#: 208678

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:6/26/2025

GDCA:YES

Dog: DIVINE ACRES YOU AND ME & DUPREE

Owner: SUZANNE HAGEMANN

AKC #: WS65490208

CHIC#: 191335

New or Update: UPDATE

CHIC Date:5/7/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: MOONRIVER'S RISING TIDES O'TAGANAS

Owner: GAYLE RAMIREZ

AKC #: WS71615402

CHIC#: 187471

New or Update: UPDATE

CHIC Date:6/23/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: KAR FARM'S M22 ROCK CRUSHER

Owner: KRISTEEN HALK

AKC #: WS75648007

CHIC#: 194733

New or Update: UPDATE

CHIC Date:4/30/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: EMPIRE OF IAN'S SASHA

Owner: MIKKAYLA MALO

AKC #: WS81983101

CHIC#: 205814

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/2/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: COWTOWN'S MEATBALL SO HARD

Owner: EMMA GRAY DZIERBICKI

AKC #: WS80637808

CHIC#: 205884

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/3/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: BRUNO ZEDVONAIMO OF WILLOW POND DANES

Owner: KARA GOULETTE

AKC #: WS76289402

CHIC#: 205928

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/4/2025

GDCA: NO

Dog: ALTA'S NOW BRING ON THE HORIZON

Owner: ALICIA JANICKI-ANDREW

AKC #: WS75687411

CHIC#: 205929

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/4/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: SHEEZA (RICO)

Owner: ALICIA JANICKI-ANDREW

AKC #: WS80042801

CHIC#: 205929

NEW OR UPDATE; NEW

CHIC DATE:4/4/2025

GDCA; NO

Dog: DRAGON HOSE MAIDEN STAR ASTRAEA V SHARCON

Owner: KAITLYN KOBOS

AKC #: WS79069605

CHIC#: 206061

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/9/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: SMOKIN HOT'S CARRIIR OF THE WORLD

Owner: JAIME DELINE

AKC #: WS79088602

CHIC#: 206062

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/9/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: GCD'S DANCING IN THE RAIN

Owner: BRITTNEY NEWMAN

AKC #: WS69574611

CHIC#: 206417

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/19/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: VALOR (RICO)
Owner: ALICIA JANICKI-ANDREW
AKC #: WS77749101
CHIC#: 206471
NEW OR UPDATE; NEW
CHIC DATE:4/21/2025
GDCA; NO

Dog: SACH'S ILLUSION OF FLIGHT
Owner: L. LYNN WILLIAMS
AKC #: WS81599602
CHIC#: 026646
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/24/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: HICKORY RIDGES DECEMBER JACKPOT STORM
Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS
AKC #: WS82764601
CHIC#: 206784
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/30/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: F&BS REEDY MAN OF WATER & LAND @DFM
Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS
AKC #: WS83489404
CHIC#: 206785
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:4/30/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: MORNINGDEW'S HIDDEN GEMSTONE
Owner: MELISSA SCHREMPP
AKC # KL4234200
CHIC#: 206870
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date: 5/1/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: ALASKAN'S NAKED WITHOUT FEAR
Owner: KIMBERLY PERKOVICH
AKC # WS75442901
CHIC#: 206871
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date: 5/1/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: HICKORY RIDGES FREYA FREEZE
Owner: BROOKE MITCHELL
AKC # WS80423305
CHIC#: 206872
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:5/1/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: ELLINNI BLACKSTONE I'M NACHO TYPE
Owner: LYNN BARRETT
AKC #: WS81154603
CHIC#: 206873
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date: 5/1/2025
GDCA: No

Dog: PETRICHOR'S ATTEMPTED MURDER
Owner: ABIGAIL CHENEY
AKC #: WS78323601
CHIC#: 206988
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:5/6/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: MJMB&D CHARLIE OF WHLDNS
Owner: COURTNEY FARLEY
AKC #: WS77612201
CHIC#: 206989
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:5/6/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: AUTUMN ROYAL SUMMERS IN RIO
Owner: OPHELIA LEHMAN
AKC #: WS75135301
CHIC#: 206990
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:5/6/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: PEGASUS TALK O ME GOOSE
Owner: AMANDA PAULUS
AKC #: WS78459301
CHIC#: 207077
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:5/8/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: F&BS CREEDENCE CLEAR WATER REVIVAL @ HICKORY RIDGE

Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS

AKC #: WS83489402

CHIC#: 206784

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/8/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: TRILA'S QUINTESSENTIAL

Owner: TRISHA LABRUZZO

AKC #: WS72344501

CHIC#: 207179

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/9/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: HICKORY RIDGES TUCKER BOY

Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS

AKC #: WS83587104

CHIC#: 207181

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/9/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: FERGY'S DANES LUCY FUR FERGUSON

Owner: SARAH FERGUSON

AKC #: WS80366703

CHIC#: 207225

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/13/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: ROSWELL DIVINE ACRES TIME WILL TELL

Owner: ELAINE SMOLKA

AKC #: WS77428304

CHIC#: 207307

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/15/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: POEHILL'S LADY REVNA OF ESTERBROOK

Owner: KARRIE COFFELT

AKC #: WS76775001

CHIC#: 207308

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/15/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: POKE-A-NOSE DANES MAGNUS THE GREAT

Owner: VERONICA DE VITA

AKC #: WS7876815

CHIC#: 207366

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/16/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: HICKORY RIDGES SWEET SUMMER RAIN BY CBD&F

Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS

AKC #: WS794755011

CHIC#: 207601

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/22/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: ALTITUDES WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE V PRIDE

Owner: DARCY HUDMAN

AKC #: WS74724602

CHIC#: 207677

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/27/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: HICKORY RIDGES DECEMBER JACKPOT STORM

Owner: ANNA MARIE IMMEKUS

AKC #: WS82764601

CHIC#: 206784

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:4/30/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: MORNINGDEW'S AND HE SAHLL BE A GOOD MAN

Owner: KENNEDY MAYFIELD

AKC #: WS81001601

CHIC#: 207796

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:5/28/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: IN THE RUFF'S WILD MOUNTIAN THYME FOR TANIST

Owner: CHERYL AND JAMES PERKINS

AKC #: WS80505903

CHIC#: 207876

New or Update: NEW

CHIC Date:6/21/2025

GDCA:NO

Dog: BIGPORT ORLEANA
Owner: OPHELIA LEHMAN
AKC #: WS82438301
CHIC#: 207929
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/3/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: DAYNAKIN'S LOVE GUARANTEED AT AMADOR
Owner: MICHELE SHUKAIT
AKC #: WS79805205
CHIC#: 208018
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/6/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: DAYNAKIN'S LOVE GUARANTEED AT AMADOR
Owner: MICHELE SHUKAIT
AKC #: WS79805205
CHIC#: 208018
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/13/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: NORTHERNNAIRE JUST BELIEVE
Owner: LISA LINTICK
AKC #: WS79609005
CHIC#: 208019
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/6/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: PAXTON'S I AM MY OWN MUSE
Owner: KATHY ANAYA
AKC #: WS78943203
CHIC#: 208222
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/13/2025
GDCA:NO

Dog: CHROMA DAWN OF THE DRAGON
Owner: HOPE ATKINSON
AKC #: WS77554005
CHIC#: 208400
New or Update: NEW
CHIC Date:6/18/2025
GDCA:NO

Health & Research Committee

Dr. Darryl Pitts

Holter Monitor Reimbursement – The GDCA Charitable Trust has initiated a new program to reimburse \$50 to GDCA/Affiliate club members for Holter monitor testing. Reimbursement can be for equipment, reports or reading of reports by DVM Cardiologist.

Link below provides additional information and instructions for submission.

<https://gdcacharitabletrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/GDCA-CT-Holter-Reimbursement.pdf>

The GDCA board approved allocation of \$5,000 from our AKC Canine Health Foundation donor advised funds to each of these grants:

03266-A: Development of a Novel Diagnostic Test for Canine Osteosarcoma Using Raman Spectroscopy

Osteosarcoma (OSA) is a type of aggressive bone cancer that mainly affects large-breed purebred dogs. It is the most common bone cancer in both dogs and humans, but survival rates have not improved much in many decades. More than 90% of dogs with OSA already have cancer that has spread to other parts of the body when diagnosed, and most of them do not live more than two years after that. Scientists are working on a new way to detect this cancer early on, even before it spreads.

For this project, the researchers are testing a method called Raman spectroscopy (RS), which involves a simple blood test. The idea is that when a tumor forms, it causes many changes in the body, and RS can detect this combination of changes like a unique fingerprint. This test could be a game-changer because it is rapid, accurate, only requires a small amount of blood, and is relatively inexpensive compared to other methods that detect these types of substances. The investigators propose to use the information from these tests to create computer programs that can quickly and accurately determine if a dog has osteosarcoma. If successful, this test could be used not only for early diagnosis and screening but also to monitor for when the cancer comes back after treatment. This new test could change the way veterinarians diagnose cancer, helping to prolong the lives of many dogs each year.

University of California, Davis

<https://www.akcchf.org/grant-directory/03266-a/>

03400-A: FLASH radiation in dogs diagnosed with Osteosarcoma

There is a need for a radiation treatment for osteosarcoma that provides similar pain relief without the high risk of skin side effects and fracture. FLASH radiation therapy is a type of ultra-high dose rate (UHDR) delivery that has shown to reduce damage to normal tissues for a given total dose delivered, while simultaneously preserving an equivalent tumor response compared with conventional dose-rate irradiation in several experimental models. In this dose finding study, we will determine the maximum tolerable dosages of FLASH and conventional dose radiation in dogs.

University of Wisconsin, Madison

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That 24 hours of at-home holter monitoring will allow Great Dane owners to check for underlying heart disease, help breeders make informed breeding decisions, and possibly save a life.

HOLTER MONITOR TESTING

We are pleased to announce that the Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust will now reimburse \$50 toward Holter monitor testing for GDCA and Affiliate Club members for exams performed in 2025.

We would like to thank Darryl Pitts for serving as administrator for this program.

Guidelines for participating are listed below:

The GDCA Charitable Trust will reimburse (subsidize) Holter monitor tests for GDCA and Affiliate Club members in the amount of \$50.

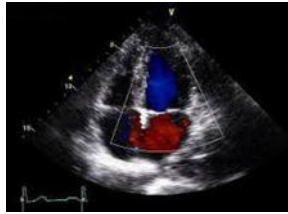
Limited to ONE PER DOG PER YEAR for either INITIAL or FOLLOW UP Holter.

You will need to submit a receipt for holter testing that has the dog's name and the owner's information, email and cell phone number, as well as proof of Affiliate

Club membership if not a GDCA member. That receipt could be for the rental, the reading of the scan, and/or the cardiologist interpretation of the scan. Send a copy of receipt and mailing address for receipt of check, as well as the dog's registered name, to Darryl Pitts at GDCA.holter@gmail.com

Processing of checks will be done quarterly. Please cash checks promptly.

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OFA Echocardiograms Subsidized by the GDCA Charitable Trust

Update for 2025



Results from the Online Auction

The GDCA Charitable Trust online auction of items from the estate of Lourdes Carvajal which took place in May raised just over **\$4,400**. We sincerely appreciate the generosity of the winning bidders. If you haven't already joined our GDCA Trust Fundraising Group on Facebook, you can add yourself to this group using the following link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1558634684452776>



We are pleased to announce that the Great Dane Club of America and the Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust are continuing the \$75 reimbursement for echocardiograms for **GDCA** and

Affiliate Club Members for exams performed in 2025. Guidelines for participating are listed below. We would like to thank Darryl Pitts for taking the helm as the gatekeeper for this program.

1. The GDCA Charitable Trust will reimburse (subsidize) OFA advanced cardiac . (echocardiogram) studies for GDCA and Affiliate Club Members in the amount of \$75.
2. Limited to ONE ECHO PER DOG EACH YEAR for either INITIAL or FOLLOW UP Echocardiogram.
3. Echocardiograms performed at GDCA National will be excluded as they are already subsidized and offered at a reduced rate to participants.
4. Send a copy of receipt, OFA application and mailing address for receipt of check to Darryl Pitts at ECHO.GDCA@gmail.com. If you are not a GDCA member, please indicate your affiliate club membership.
5. Processing of checks will be done quarterly. We would appreciate it if you could be timely in cashing your checks. Thank you.

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