



MONTEREY BAY GREAT DANE CLUB

Monterey Bay Great Dane Club General Meeting Monday, May 12, 2025 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Laura Munro at 6:34 p.m. via Zoom. Present at the Zoom meeting were Laura Munro, Dail Koehler, Mary Vinciguerra, Gail Pinnell, Patty Lowther, Carrie Michaelson, Kate Jackson and Denise Matulich.

*Motion made by Kate Jackson and seconded by Dail Koehler to approve the minutes of the 4/21/25 meeting.
Motion passed.*

President's Report - Laura Munro stated we need to select an Affiliate Club Representative (ACR). Denise clarified that it's OK for a club to not have a nominee. Denise also shared Everett Van Dyken volunteered to be the Division Chair for Nationals.

Corresponding Secretary's Report - Kate Jackson reported the following:

Incoming:

- 4/28 from AKC Government Relations: Bill to Regulate Hobby Breeders Considered TOMORROW; Dail shared with members 4/28
- 4/29 from the GDCA: Need to nominate a new GDCA Affiliate Club Representative; asked Laura to make agenda item for next meeting
- 4/30 from AKC Government Relations: Hobby Breeder Bill Advancing, Contact the Appropriations Committee; Dail shared with members 4/30
- 5/10 from Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust: Osteosarcoma Study - UPDATE!; shared with members 5/12

Treasurer's Report - Dail Koehler reported that she sent out the current Treasurer's Report and the Show Report from our recent Speciality via email prior to this meeting. She also shared it during the meeting via Zoom. She reported that if we receive the Cleaning Deposit back from the show grounds, we will make approximately \$150 on the show. Laura is communicating with the photographer as to whether or not he will be paid for his services.

2025 Specialties - Laura started the "debrief" of our recent specialty and reported that feedback included that the Arm Band drawings were very much appreciated. Photographers were discussed and it was decided that we will not be using Ken again next year. We do need to have a floral arrangement for future pictures. The one that we

have in the trailer will be picked up by Laura for our June specialty. Dail will get our club logo printed on a board that we will display on an easel for the June specialty. Carrie shared that Calicoast is worth pursuing for a photographer for next year. Set-up was discussed and the timing of the puppy match. It was decided that having the puppy match at 4:30 gave exhibitors time to not have to rush. The Keurig Coffee machine worked very well. Lunches and snacks were terrific. A shovel/poop scoop would be helpful closer to the ring and/or larger poop bags. Unfortunately, there were many mistakes on the ribbons, therefore, we will need to find another provider. Laura shared that she has been surveying the maximum number of back-to-back shows exhibitors think are enough and six is the maximum.

For our June specialties, MBF has been having technology issues and our closing date is next Wednesday. Bill will be our ring steward. Trophies are all ready. Gail and Mary will prepare hot dogs, with potato chips and drinks as well as cookies (that will be provided by Dail). Ribbons will be made by Betty Fisher and Mary will send her reminders to ensure that as few mistakes are made as possible. MBF will provide a class breakdown that Laura will send to Mary. Mary will ask Betty to provide 1st-4th flats for every class.

April 2026 Specialty - Laura has gotten one judge and is working on others. Laura suggested that we consider Pee Wee classes or Junior Handler, and perhaps a Handling Clinic. She has been researching possibilities for trophies and likes some of the options offered by SaraEnglandDesigns.com.

Old Business - none

New Business - none

The date for the next meeting will be July 14, 2025 via Zoom at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.