

Northern New Jersey Great Dane Club

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Doggie Dos and Don'ts for a Healthier Mealtimes

Just like humans, it is unhealthy for a dog to be overweight. The American Kennel Club (AKC®) warns that excess weight endangers the heart, lungs and joints and makes a dog more susceptible to other ailments. The AKC offers the following feeding rules every dog owner should keep in mind.

- Keep in mind the three stages of development when preparing a diet and exercise plan for your dog: puppies eat more and are highly active, adult dogs have normal routines and food intake, and older dogs might require special diets and limited exercise.
- Set Regular Mealtimes. An irregular eating schedule can affect your dog's digestive system and ultimately cause chronic digestive disorders. Digestive problems can usually be improved by a change in diet.
- Dogs don't easily adjust to a time zone change or to daylight savings time. To prepare your dog for a time change, gradually adjust her eating schedule over a few weeks.
- It is important that your dog's water and food bowls are kept in the same place every day. If you have more than one dog, make sure each dog has its own food and water bowl.
- Don't worry about your dog getting hunger pangs between meals. Your dog only needs one or two meals daily if it is fed on a regimented schedule and receives a balanced diet.
- Set a 30 minute rule. If your dog has walked away from its bowl, it has probably had enough to eat. Discard the remaining food, since exposed dog food is unsanitary.
- Resist giving your dog people food. A begging pooch can be hard to resist, but your dog doesn't know how dangerous the mal you're eating can be. Grapes, raisins, chocolate, onions are among some of the foods that can be toxic to your dog in large enough quantities. Sometimes excessive fat in meats or dairy products can cause digestive distress.
- Don't over-treat or over-supplement your dog. Too many treats will lead to unhealthy excess pounds. Too many vitamins can also have unintended consequences. Ask your vet about whether your dog needs any extras before starting it on a regimen of supplements.

A veterinarian should always be consulted to discuss the appropriate diet and fitness plan for your dog. Additional tips on responsible

dog ownership can be found on the American Kennel Club Web site at www.akc.org.

THE GREAT DANE CD

THE GREAT DANE CD: A great educational tool as well as a historical record of the breed. Some of the sections are:

1. **The Standard** - this section is interactive allowing the user to take parts of a dog and change them to see how the look and parts change the appearance and conformation.
2. **History**
3. **Movement** - correct and incorrect
4. **Danes as companions**
5. **Danes in performance events**
6. **Health issues and research**
7. **How to raise a Great Dane puppy**

This CD can be a great part of a "puppy packet" for new owners. You can also use the CD at your Affiliate Club meetings to meet the AKC educational requirements.

You can purchase the CD at the National for \$50. You can also get one from Jean Highlands, Treasurer, for \$55 (includes the shipping).

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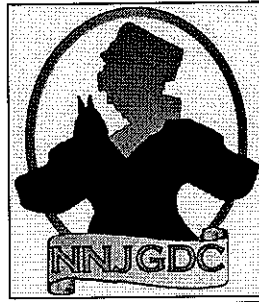
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UPDATE!!!!

Will be holding our October meeting at the
**Animal Emergency
& Referral Associates Facility**

AERA was scheduled to give our club a presentation about Bloat, Gastric Torsion and tacking on Wednesday, October 20, 2010 at 7:30. Due to a change in scheduling, the presentation has been changed to Dog Dental care, orthodontics, oral surgery, other needs and related issues to large dogs. The presentation about Bloat, Gastric Torsion and tacking will be rescheduled. **AERA is located at 1237 Bloomfield Avenue in Fairfield, NJ** and here is a link about the facility which also includes directions: <http://www.animalerc.com/vets/>

For any questions, or to RSVP, please contact Bill Diesing by emailing him at bdiesing@hotmail.com

Northern New Jersey Great Dane Club
Minutes from the September 15, 2010
Membership Meeting
Merchant House
4 Little Falls Road
Fairfield, New Jersey

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm by President Jeffrey Ball.

Members in attendance (12): Jeffrey Ball, Mary Fran Cini, Bill Diesing, Ken Bocian, Diane Bocian, Donna Stuermer, Carol Farro, Cathy Dlugosz, David Litke, Rose Ann Tucker, Gay Ann Wayne and Jean Snyder.

I. Minutes - Gay moved to accept the Minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Rose Ann and unanimously passed.

II. Corresponding Secretary - Mary Fran had nothing new to report.

III. Recording Secretary - Jean had nothing to report.

IV. Treasurer - Diane B. reported a balance of \$1467.74 and noted that some dues are still outstanding. We are in receipt of an application for a Capital One Credit Card. The request was declined. Diane gave Jeff B. an article on small non-profit organizations being targeted by the government. There is a \$150.00 amount of the full donation to the AKC Canine Health Fund that is tax deductible. There is also a balance in the Cafe Press account of \$22.50.

V. Committee Reports:

Membership - Jeff B. noted that renewal notices have been sent out and are slowly being returned.

Health & Welfare - Bill spoke with Dr. Palescandolo of AERA. He will do a program on Dental Care, Orthodontics and Dental Surgery for us on October 20th. Eleven people have already said that they will attend. Bill asked for suggestions for a gift for Dr. P and his staff.

Gay will send out a presentation that she has from the Animal Medical Center regarding bloat.

Rescue - Pet Education Day at the Ridgewood Veterinary Hospital on September 26th from 11-4 is a "go". MAGDRL will be there and so will Rose Ann, Gay and Mary Fran. They have room to accommodate two (2) dogs.

Cathy reported that the MAGDRL Tricky Tray Event is just three (3) weeks away. 239

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tickets have been sold to date. Three hundred tickets are available. Donations are still welcome.

Mary Fran reported that there is a 2 year old Fawnequin Dane available for adoption to a home that has 24-7 people in residence.

NJFDC - The Breeder's and Rescue Breeder's Directory application will be available to all members when received by Mary Fran. Jeff B. will put all information regarding this matter in our next Club Newsletter.

VI. Unfinished Business:

The NNJGDC application has been sent to the AKC and is on their agenda for approval. We received a banner recognizing our Club as a member of the AKC Canine Health Foundation. David, on behalf of all the members, thanked Jeff B. for his efforts in bringing and presenting all of the Club's accomplishments to the AKC.

VII. New Business:

Jeff B. reported that the Ramapo KC will be hosting a "Meet the Breeds" at their show on October 17th in a separate ring. A table for Rescue will be available. This conflicts with the "Meet the Breeds" being held at the Javits Center in NY on October 16th and 17th. The AKC has made a booth available the GDCA. If they are not availing themselves of this booth, our Club would be willing to take it over. Mary Fran will contact Kathie Shea of the GDCA regarding this matter. David, Ken and Diane B. are willing to be in attendance if we have the booth.

It was proposed that we consider doing a Holiday Photo Shoot with Santa at the VFW in Fairfield, NJ. Jeff B., Kathy, Gay, and Carol offered their help should we decide to go ahead with this event.

We need to consider programs for the remainder of the year and for 2011.

There being no further business, Mary Fran moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Gay and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Snyder
Recording Secretary



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Will be holding a

MEET THE BREED

on

Sunday, October 17, 2010

At the Ramapo Kennel Club Dog Show
Sussex County Farm and Horse Show Grounds, 37 Plains Road,
Augusta, New Jersey 07826
At 12:00 p.m.

If you are interested in learning more about Great Danes and meeting them in person, here is your opportunity. Both breeders and owners will be present to answer all your questions and give you the opportunity to meet their dogs in person. **Mid Atlantic Great Dane Rescue League** will also be there to answer any questions you may have about rescue. Please come join us!

For any questions, please contact Jeffrey Ball at (201) 689-1323 or by emailing him at Jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com

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**Northern New Jersey Great Dane Club
Membership Application**

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE:(home) _____

(work) _____

ADDRESS: _____

(cell) _____

(fax) _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____ E-MAIL _____

Are you a member of the Great Dane Club of America? Yes No

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes No

List other All-Breed or Specialty Clubs to which you now belong or have belonged and offices held (if any): _____

If elected to Membership, are you be willing to serve on a Committee(s): Yes No

Committee(s) interested in working on: (please check ANY of interest)

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|--|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising/Catalog | <input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Arrangements | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audio/Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Obedience Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Roster | <input type="checkbox"/> The Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awards | <input type="checkbox"/> Historian | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Therapy/Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Handling Classes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breed Trophies | <input type="checkbox"/> Match Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Point Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget / Audit | <input type="checkbox"/> Material/Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunshine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Hospitality | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Tree | <input type="checkbox"/> Librarian | | |

If elected to Membership, I hereby agree to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Great Dane Club of Northern New Jersey and the Rules and Regulations of the Great Dane Club of America and American Kennel Club.

Signature of Applicant _____

Annual Dues, check application box

ONE time Application Fee: \$10.00
 Individual Membership \$25.00
 Two Members of Immediate Family \$40.00
 Junior Membership \$10.00

Note: 1) Application fee must be included with membership application and is not refundable.
 2) Annual Dues should not be paid until membership is accepted.

Sponsorship		
Name of Sponsor	Signature of Sponsor	Length of time known

There must be two sponsors from different families for each applicant.
 Letters of Recommendation from each Sponsor must accompany this application.
 Please forward completed application along with application fee to:

FOR CLUB USE ONLY

Received by Membership Chairperson _____

Read at meeting _____

Voted on: _____

Notice to membership _____
 Accept Decline

DATES TO REMEMBER

Membership meeting

October 20, 2010

7:30 p.m.

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