

Northern New Jersey Great Dane Club

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AKC PET DISASTER RELIEF

If a potentially catastrophic storm is approaching or there is a hazmat emergency, pet owners will be asked to leave their homes with little or no notice. Split-second decisions are made on what is most important to take with them: maybe their photos, but definitely their family and pets. What plans are in place to accommodate our pets in these situations?

Or without warning, a tornado, earthquake or explosion happens and animals seen wandering and lost after disasters are not strays or abandoned, they are our pets. They are lost, scared, possibly injured and in need of help. What will happen to our displaced animal companions?

Thankfully, regardless of the size or budget of a community, laws now require our local municipalities to prepare and care for its citizens and their pets in the event of a disaster. AKC Pet Disaster Relief can help our local Emergency Management be prepared.



What is AKC Pet Disaster Relief?

AKC Pet Disaster Relief helps local Emergency Management provide



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animal care services during the first 72 hours following a disaster... the critical time before FEMA support and services are deployed. Deployment of these trailers will help put an end to post-disaster tragedies which have historically affected pet owners, such as: putting themselves in harm's way to save a beloved pet, or even losing a family pet during a disaster.

We want every community to be prepared to help people and their pets for any disaster and its aftermath. That is why AKC Reunite is partnering with local AKC Clubs and their affiliates to raise funds to help supply AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailers to local Emergency Management.

AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailers are stocked with essential, nonperishable necessities for sheltering pets. The supplies can be used to create a safe, temporary home-base for displaced animals and can be used to create one of two types of animal shelters:

- Co-location Shelters: A shelter that houses both humans and their animal companions. The people housed at the

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CLUB NEWS

It's that time of year again to seek candidates who would like to do more for the Club by becoming an Officer or a Director. The Nominating Committee, composed of Vernest Kazer, Jean Snyder and I, as Chairwoman, will present a slate to the Recording Secretary before the end of October. Candidates are needed for the following positions:

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Directors (2) 2013-2016
GDCA Delegate (3 year term)

If you would like to be a candidate for any one of these offices, or if you would like to suggest someone, please submit your name or names to me privately, (not through the "group") at: Donnastuermer@aol.com no later than October 10, 2013. If you have a suggestion, we as the Committee, will discuss it with the individual to determine his or her interest in the office.

All submissions will be kept strictly confidential. Here's to another great year for our Club and to our continued learning and love for the breed.

Donna

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**WELCOME TO AKC REUNITE ~ The Way Home For Lost Pets
-- FORMERLY KNOWN AS AKC COMPANION ANIMAL RECOVERY --**

Raleigh, NC - AKC Reunite, the nation's largest non-profit pet recovery service, formerly known as AKC Companion Animal Recovery, today revealed its new name, logo and website. Pet owners will instantly connect with the new name - AKC Reunite - and recognize AKC Reunite as the trusted service that can help keep them with their pets when the unthinkable happens.

"More and more of our customers already know the importance of pet recovery from a trusted source," said AKC Reunite CEO Tom Sharp. "Our new engaging name, logo and tagline - AKC Reunite - The way home for lost pets - easily identifies for the consumer the concept and value of pet recovery in case their pets are lost or stolen. AKC Reunite has created more than 400,000 happy reunions and with this change we expect to do more as pet owners choose pet recovery as a way to protect their valued family members."

AKC Reunite new website: www.akcreunite.org Current customers can tour the new website and easily verify that their contact information is up to date in our database.

AKC Reunite new Facebook page: www.facebook.com/akcreunite.

AKC Reunite 24 / 7 recovery hotline: 800-252-7894 remains the same, as does the address:

AKC Reunite
8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 200
Raleigh, NC 27617

Committed to the same high level of customer service since its inception in 1995, AKC Reunite has provided more than 5 million pet owners with 24/7 pet recovery services resulting in more than 400,000 happy reunions between pets and the people who love them. AKC Reunite also provides products, such as microchips, universal scanners and collar tags.

SHOW HANDLING SCHEDULE 2013-2014

TUESDAY EVENINGS

6:45 - 7:30

DROP IN CLASSES ONLY

\$10.00 per dog

Oct, 1, 15, 29

Nov. 5, 19

Dec. 3, 17

Jan. 14, 28

Feb. 4, 18

Mar. 4, 18

Apr. 1, 15, 29

May 6, 20

June 3, 17

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shelter are responsible for their animal's general care.

- Lost and Found Pet Shelters: Displaced animals are housed in what often becomes a pop-up reunion center as people and animals are reunited. Approved volunteers and shelter staff provide animal care.

With AKC Pet Disaster Relief, our ultimate hopes are for:

- Better community preparedness
- More successful local disaster response
- Heightened awareness of the importance of disaster preparedness for their pets
- Peace of mind for pet owners – Safe, healthy sheltering environment that includes their pets — Happy reunions for separated animals and their human companions despite the chaos around them
- Lives will be saved

How Does it Work?

The AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer is stocked with essential supplies to house at least 65 pets the first 72 hours after a disaster is declared. The trailer has lighting and is wired for electricity, to run off either a generator or 110v power supply. Its contents are supplied based on North Carolina's State Animal Response Team expertise in handling hurricanes, floods, fires and tornados.

Following is a sampling of typical contents:

- Administrative Supplies: Log books, Volunteer registration forms, wrist/collar bands, check-in materials
- Maintenance Equipment: Batteries, Gas Can, Duct Tape
- Animal Care: Crates packed on rolling dollies for easy set-up, cat carriers,; litter, microchips and scanner, bowls, collars and leashes
- Equipment: Fans, Generator, Lighting, Hose
- Cleaning Supplies: Mop, trash can,



tarps, litter boxes, disinfectants

- Access to training materials: Turnkey implementation of Co-Located Shelters and Pop-up Reunion Centers, Volunteer Mobilization, Decontamination and Replenishment

Program Resources

Regardless of the size or budget of a community, local Emergency Management is now required by law to prepare and care for its citizens – including plans to accommodate people with their pets in the event of a disaster. To successfully meet these newer legal requirements, government organizations cannot alone meet the challenges posed by a catastrophe. AKC Pet Disaster Relief can be a key component to your local Emergency Management's disaster planning efforts.

Introducing AKC Pet Disaster Relief to your local Emergency Management is a powerful way to demonstrate your organization's concern for all pets and build meaningful grassroots relationships. If you do not know who to contact, FEMA.gov has a State Directory of Emergency Managers. You can also do a web search with your State's name and "local Emergency Management", oftentimes states have online directories at the regional or county level. For more information on Engaging with local Emergency Management, go to www.akcreunite.org/relief.

AKC Pet Disaster Relief is a grant program. To apply for a trailer for your local Emergency Management Team, please complete and submit the AKC Pet Disaster Relief Grant Application along with the signed AKC Pet Disaster Relief Agreement.

**Northern New Jersey Great Dane Club
Minutes from the September 18, 2013
Membership Meeting
Copperhouse Tavern
4 Little Falls Road
Fairfield, New Jersey**

The meeting was called to order at 7:49pm by Jeffrey Ball.

Members in attendance (15): Jeffrey Ball, David Litke, Kira Wright, Cathy Dlugosz, Mary Fran Cini, Ken Bocian, Diane Bocian, Donna Stuermer, Gay Wayne, Jack Keenan, Carol Farrol, Betsy Ball, Rose Ann Tucker, Jean Snyder, Vernest Kazer
Guests in attendance (0):

I. Minutes- The treasurers report in June was amended to read " This leaves the club with an ending balance of 2,811.87." The minutes were approved on a motion made by Vernest and seconded by Carol.

II. Corresponding Secretary-

Mary Fran received a letter stating Lucinda (Cindy) Harwin was selected for a three year term for affiliate club representative.

Mary Fran also realized the club never received a white or blue Ballot for The Board Officers & Directors for the GDCA. Mary Fran will reach out to Nancy Freeway to get a ballot for the club. The club voted on the following positions for the Board Officers & Directors:

President: Diane Powers

1 st Vice President: M.J. Cohen

2nd Vice President: Bill Stebbins

Director (3yr term): Teri Holle, Cari Jensen, Linda Cane

Director (1yr term): Marshall Stoner, Sharon Fulford

III. Recording Secretary- No Report

IV. Treasurer- Diane B. reported an opening balance of 8811.87, a check from I-give was received for \$34.78 for a closing balance of \$8846.65.

V. Committee Reports-

Memberships- There are no new memberships.

Health & Welfare- There are no speakers till after the national. We will look to have a speaker starting in January. Two suggestions were given for the next type of speakers. The first suggestion was for someone who can teach on how to read your animals. The second suggestion was for a natural way to keep bugs and ticks off your property, Tic Tackler.

Match Show- No Report

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Pet Therapy- A congratulations goes out to Vernest and Tosh for passing their therapy test. Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs will be hosting a therapy/CGC test this Sunday 9/22/2013 at First Dog in Hillside, NJ. There is still room for anyone interested in becoming a therapy team.

Rescue- There are a lot of events happening in the next few months. Mary Fran has reported that there are a lot of seniors being surrendered recently, and that she just received a call from someone who has a 12 month old who they believe is pregnant. Mary Fran also has a current foster who is a sweet boy but has no proper training. The next newsletter for MAGDRL will have a ballot in it for officer elections.

Fund Raising- A very special thank you goes out to Carol, Rose Ann, and Stacy for their donation of items for the PA yard sale. Also a thank you to Lee, Mathew, Cathy, Betsy, Jeffrey, and Kira for helping with the PA yard sale. The yard sale made \$225.

I-give has made the club over 11 hundred dollars since the fundraiser first started.

National Specialty- The club has received the wine glasses for the National. If anyone is interested in purchasing the glasses before the National can contact Cathy and she will bring them to the next club meeting. The glasses are \$6.00 each or 2 for \$10.00.

In corresponding with the Nationals Mary Fran was asked to do an interview on the success of our club for a newsletter that will be available during the National.

Cathy asked if any club had Dane ornaments for the tree the Club is donating to the National to please bring the Ornaments to the next club meeting.

Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs will be offering the therapy test, CGC test, and AKC Community Award test at the national. They are looking for anyone who may be willing to help with the test.

VI. Unfinished Business:

Meet the Breeds will be on September 28 and 29. Volunteers are still needed for Meet the Breeds and you do not have to bring a dog. To sign up please contact David.

Jeffrey is continuing to work with the AKC, but at this time, clubs that have not already had their Independent Specialty will not be granted one. We are permitted to have Sanctioned A and B matches as well as Supported Entries at all Breed Shows, but no Independent Specialty. After the National the club may want to consider a supported entry for 2014 with either Newton or Rambo.

VII. New Business:

The Board has put together a Nominations committee for the 2014 election. The committee will be Chaired by Diane B and anyone interested in a position please see the committee.

It was brought to the memberships attention that the website is outdated. Jeffrey asked if Cathy and Zuzanna could please update the website with the correct board members, events, and show information.

Jeffrey will reach out to the VFW in Fairfield, NJ to see what dates in early November we can do Santa photos.

There being no further business, Ken moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Vernest and unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kira A Wright

Recording Secretary



September 23, 2013

GDCA Election Results

Dear GDCA Member:

The new slate of officers is as follows:

President - Dianne Powers

First Vice President - Jamie Harshfield

Second Vice President - Bill Stebbins

AKC Delegate - Dale Suzanne Tarbox

Three Year Director - Jason Hoke

Three Year Director - Linda Cain

Three Year Director - Teresa LaBrie

One Year Director - Marshall Stoner

One Year Director - Susan Yotive

Click [here](#) to view the CPA's letter.

GREAT DANE CLUB OF AMERICA

To encourage and promote the quality in breeding of purebred Great Danes and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.

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DATES to REMEMBER

Membership meeting

OCTOBER 16th, 2013

7:30 p.m.

Tierney's Copperhouse
(used to be the Merchant House)
4 Little Falls Rd, Fairfield, NJ 07004
(973) 227-6066

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

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