



# Dane Quarterly



Great Dane Club of Oklahoma

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## AKC Announces New Grand Champion Title

The American Kennel Club® (AKC) has announced that it will begin offering the Grand Champion Title at AKC Conformation events from May, in a move that might encourage more dogs with the title of Champion to continue competing.

From May 12th 2010, all AKC all-breed, group and specialty shows will allow dogs who have already been awarded the Champion of Record title to compete for the new title of Grand Champion. The move gives owners of Champions the opportunity to return to the show ring and further prove the quality of their breeding stock. All Champions of Record entered in the Best of Breed/Variety competition will be eligible to compete for Grand Championship points, and there is no additional entry fee. Grand Championship points will be awarded, at the judge's discretion, to the following placements: Best of Breed/Variety, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog and Select Bitch.

"AKC Conformation is meant to be an evaluation and showcase for breeding stock. Many Champions are retired after earning their titles and this creates a dilemma for breeders. We are excited to offer the Grand Champion title as a way to encourage these quality dogs to return to the ring," said Robin Stansell, AKC Vice President of Event Operations. "AKC Companion and Performance events offer multiple titles to celebrate achievement in competition at various levels in the sport. It is only natural to offer a Grand Champion title to Conformation exhibitors so that they too can compete and excel with their dogs at a whole new level."

Dogs will be eligible for the title of Grand Champion once they have earned 25 Grand Champion points and have won at least 3 points at 3 different shows, awarded by different judges. They must also have defeated at least one Champion of Record at, at least 3 of these shows.

## Oklahoma City Summer Classic Dog Shows

Oklahoma City Summer Classic Dog Shows

<http://www.okcdogshows.com>

A TOP 5 DOG SHOW IN THE NATION!!!

Hosted by the Oklahoma City & Mid-Del-Tinker Kennel Clubs

When: **July 1 thru 4th, 2010**

Where: Oklahoma City, Cox Convention Center

Superintendent: [www.onofrio.com](http://www.onofrio.com)

**Closes: June 16, 2010 at noon**

# 2009 Award Banquet Winners

## **New Title Holders**

*Brightstar Breanna Liberte, CD* - Bill & Beverly Ballard

## **New Champions**

*CH HolleDanes Kid Rio V Sligo* - Mike & Teri Holle, Shannon Wall  
*CH Valhallas Elan Valkyrie HolleDane* - Mike & Teri Holle, Darlene Bergan  
*CH Royal Sooner's OKnCo Equa Yonah* - Frank & Brenda Young  
*CH EIO's Hailstorm of Apollo* - Brian & Donna January

## **Top Obedience Dane**

*Brightstar Breanna Liberte, CD* - Bill & Beverly Ballard

## **Great Dane Coup Feather**

Teri Holle

## **Great Dane Nobility**

Renea Crowell

## **Breed Diplomat**

*CH Summit View Stand By Me* - Rusty & Renea Crowell

## **Top Club Dane**

*BIS CH VonBruno's Anticipation* - Rusty & Renea Crowell

## **Best Opposite Sex**

*CH HolleDanes Kid Rio V Sligo* - Mike & Teri Holle, Shannon Wall  
*CH Royal Sooner's OKnCo Equa Yonah* - Frank & Brenda Young

## **Top Club Sire**

*BISS CH HolleDanes Wizard of OZ* - Zack & Robyn Odell, Mike & Teri Holle  
*Int'l Ch Turbo Orion's Caseys Diamond in the Sky, CGC* - Brian & Donna January, Tracy Purser

## **Top Club Dam**

*CH Dreamaker Music Sunset Girl, CGC, RN* - Mike & Teri Holle

## **Breeders of The Year**

Mike & Teri Holle - HolleDanes  
Betsy Phelan - Orion Great Danes  
Tracy Purser - Turbo Danes  
Frank & Brenda Young - Royal Sooner Borzoi & Great Danes





## Looking for a Conformation Class in the OKC Metro Area?

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For those in the Oklahoma City Metro area that are looking for a place to get those puppies/doggies some practice, the Mid-Del-Tinker Kennel Club offers conformation classes. Information is listed below:

National Guard Armory

2550 N. Air Depot

Midwest City, OK

The Mid-Del Tinker Kennel Club is hosting a drop-in conformation class on every Tuesday evening.

Classes will consist of examination of dogs and general ring procedures.

The class will be held from 7:00pm - 8:30pm at the Armory.

Cost will be \$5 for a single dog, \$10 for unlimited dogs. Juniors who are actively involved in Junior Showmanship are free.



# GDCOK Membership Recruitment

Do you know of someone that would be a good candidate(s) for club membership? Then by all means RECRUIT!! It's everyone's responsibility to spread the word about the benefits of club membership. Not only do new folks benefit but the club inherits new insight, fresh new ideas, new worker-bees and most of all spreads the wealth on help throughout the year! Remember the more members we have the more volunteers and the "key" to a successful club.

Membership requirements, application & contact info can be found on the website at:  
[www.greatdaneclubofoklahoma.org](http://www.greatdaneclubofoklahoma.org)

Membership Chair: Brenda Young  
[royalsoonerdanesandborzoi@cox.net](mailto:royalsoonerdanesandborzoi@cox.net)

# Great Dane Club of Oklahoma Officers

### Officers

Betsy Phelan.....President  
Frank Young..... Vice-President  
Beverly Ballard.....Treasurer  
Tracy Purser.....Secretary

### Board of Directors

Betsy Phelan      Beverly Ballard  
Frank Young      Mike Holle  
Tracy Purser      Brian January

# GDCOK Website Information



Great Dane Club of Oklahoma website : [www.greatdaneclubofoklahoma.org](http://www.greatdaneclubofoklahoma.org)

Web Mistress : Brenda Young (contact info on website)

# GDCOK Newsletter Submission Deadlines

## **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS**

**The Newsletter will now occur semiannually (instead of quarterly, though the name of the newsletter will remain unchanged for now).**

Please send your submissions for the Newsletter to the Editor (Brandi Bass). The new submission dates are as follows:

December 11, 2010 (for the January 2011 Newsletter)

May 11, 2011 (for the June 2011 Newsletter)

E-mail all submissions to the Newsletter Editor at [bsparklz@gmail.com](mailto:bsparklz@gmail.com) with the subject line: GDCOK Newsletter (Please specify either January or June Newsletter and the year)