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Receives a Bespoke Wall Clock**



72nd DANE OF THE YEAR

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Sunday 19th October 2025

Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show

Schedule of the

DANE OF THE YEAR SHOW

Un-benched - Single Breed Open Show

To be held under Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations

Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show

On Sunday 19th October 2025

To be held at

At The Sports Connexion
Ryton On Dunsmore, Coventry, CV8 3FL

Judge: Mr John Dyson (Samdice)

Show Opens: 9.00am

Judging: 10.00am

All Judges at this show agree to abide by the following statement:

"In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and well being of the dog"

Jurisdiction and Responsibilities

The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation F17. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5)

Veterinary Surgeon (On Call)

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Cubington Surgery, 41 Rugby Rd, Leamington Spa, CV32 7HZ

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Postal Entries Close: Friday 26th September 2025

On-Line Entries Close: Friday 3rd October 2025

All wins up to & including 19th September 2025 must be counted when entering any class

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Show Manager

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REGULATIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF DOGS FOR EXHIBITION F(B)

- 1 These regulations must be observed when a dog is prepared for exhibition and/or exhibited at any Kennel Club Licensed event. Objections may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under these Show Regulations and/or disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rule A11.
(a) a dog found to have been exhibited in breach of these Regulations will automatically be disqualified from exhibition at the show and from any award gained thereat.
(b) Unless the exhibitor provides a satisfactory explanation for the dog being exhibited in breach of these Regulations then he/she may be subject to further penalties of either a fine or as listed under Rule A11.
- 2 (a) No substance which alters the natural colour, texture or body of the coat may be present in the dog's coat for any purpose at any time during the show. No substance which alters the natural colour of any external part of the dog may be present on the dog for any purpose at any time during the show.
(b) Any other substance (other than water) which may be used in the preparation of a dog for exhibition must not be allowed to remain in the coat at the time of exhibition.
- 3 No act or operation which alters the natural conformation of a dog or any part thereof may be performed except:
(a) Operations certified to the satisfaction of the Board.
(b) The removal of dew claws of any breed.
(c) Operations to prevent breeding provided that such operations are notified to the Kennel Club before neutered dogs are shown.
Nor must anything be done calculated in the opinion of the Board to deceive.
- 4 The Board without previous notice may order an examination of any dog or dogs at any show. Any examination thus ordered will be made by a person having executive authority who shall have a written directive from the KC in their possession. Samples may be taken for further examination and analysis.
- 5 An individual has the right to lodge an objection to a dog only if he/she is the owner or handler of a dog competing in the same breed or class. An objection may however, be lodged by an official of the show or any anyone so deputed by the Kennel Club. It will be the responsibility of the individual who lodges the objection or the official (as appropriate) to substantiate the grounds for the objection. The Kennel Club will substantiate the grounds for an objection made on its behalf.
- 6 Any objection by an individual related to an infringement of these Regulations must be made in writing to the Show Secretary at his/her office before the close of the Show & the individual must produce evidence of identity at the time of lodging the complaint.

CRATE / CAGE IDENTIFICATION

Each exhibitor is responsible for providing their own crate or cage identification and should note that the original exhibit/bench number card, as provided by the show society, must not be used for this purpose.

The Kennel Club request that, for safety reasons, all dogs in soft cages are NOT left unattended at any time.

CHILDREN

Children must be kept under parental control at all times or they, with their parents, may be asked to leave the show.

EXERCISE AREA

An exercise area will be provided. Exhibitors/Handlers are required to clear up any fouling by the dogs in their charge.

No substance which alters the natural colour, texture or body of the coat may be present in the dog's coat for any purpose at any time during the show. Any substance (other than water) which may be used in the preparation of dogs for exhibition must not be allowed to remain in the coat or on any other part of the dog at the time of exhibition. Therefore chalking, powdering or spraying (with the exception of water) of exhibits within the precincts of the show is forbidden.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Show will Open at 9.00am.
2. Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitors responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
3. Judging starts at 10.00am.
4. Exhibits may be removed from the show after all their judging has been completed, the show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed.
5. Entry Fees: First Entry £10.00/Dog, Enter 2 dogs and get 3rd dog entry free, Subsequent Entries £2.00/ Same Dog, Veteran £4.00/Dog, NFC £5.00/Dog. On-Line at www.haveadogday.co.uk.
6. There will be no prize money on offer at this show.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. Puppies under four calendar months of age on the first day of the show are not eligible for exhibition.
9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the show are strictly forbidden.
10. Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and is unbeaten by any other puppy exhibited at the same show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. The selection of Best in Show may follow the selection of Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show (if scheduled) respectively. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Show respectively. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge be Best Puppy in Show respectively. A Baby Puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Any Variety Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Best Baby Puppy in Breed may be declared in each breed from the dogs entered in the Baby Puppy breed classes. There must be no progression to further competition.
11. Best in Show Best in Show must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) - Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
15. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
16. DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS - See back of entry form.
17. Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under the Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.
18. Not for Competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entry form and must be Kennel Club registered.
19. No modifications will be made to the schedule except by permission of the Board of the Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine press wherever possible.
20. An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that contact details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.

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DANE OF THE YEAR SHOW

Sponsoring Club for 2025
The Midland & West of England Great Dane Club

DANE OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE

Mr S Wareing	Mr N Morgan	Mrs G Jones
Mr R Day	Mr J Powell	Mrs P Patch
Mr P Worsley	Mrs M Worsley	Mrs Nia Pendleton-Watkins

ENTRY FEES

ENTER 2 DOGS AND GET 3rd DOG ENTRY FREE

First Entry Per Exhibit	£10.00
All Subsequent Entries Same Exhibit	£ 2.00
Veteran Class	£ 4.00
Not For Competition	£ 5.00
Advert	£10.00 Full Page
Advert	£ 6.00 Half Page
Catalogue	£ 2.50

Rosette & Show donations gratefully received & will be acknowledged in catalogue

PRIZE CARDS & ROSETTES

1st - VHC Prize Cards in all classes

1st - VHC Special Rosettes in all classes

Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Opposite Sex

Best Puppy in Show, Best Veteran in Show (*from the Veteran classes only*)

Best Dog, Reserve Best Dog, Best Puppy Dog

Best Bitch, Reserve Best Bitch, Best Puppy Bitch

Best Baby Puppy Dog & Best Baby Puppy Bitch

SPECIALS

With the kind sponsorship from John Dyson (£500.00 Donation)

Sandy Lipman (Painting of BIS worth £250.00)

& Class Sponsors (totalling £310.00) there is over £1000.00 in prize's

BEST IN SHOW £160.00 + Painting from photo

RESERVE BEST IN SHOW £70.00, BEST OPPOSITE SEX £70.00

BEST PUPPY IN SHOW £100.00, BEST VETERAN IN SHOW £100.00

The DOTY Committee wish to thank the above Show Sponsors, Breed Great Dane Clubs and Exhibitors for all Show Specials

IMPORTANT

BD, RBD, BPD and BVD will be chosen after class 32

Followed by BB, RBB, BPB and BVB.

Then BEST IN SHOW, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST OPPOSITE SEX

BEST PUPPY IN SHOW, RESERVE BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

AND BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

After the Main Judging there will be Best of Colour from the winners of the Special Open Colour Classes only who will compete against each other for the award of Best DOTY in colour Dane of the Year

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CLASSIFICATION - DOGS

Judge: Mr John Dyson (SAMDICE)

***** Class Prize Money 1st £6.00, 2nd £3.00, 3rd £1.00 *****

Class 1. Baby Puppy Dog	Sponsored by Marion Hogarth (SUNLIND)
Class 2. Minor Puppy Dog	Sponsored by Steve & Caroline Wareing (CASKAYD)
Class 3. Puppy Dog	Sponsored by Lesley & Adam Chappell (SELMALDA)
Class 4. Junior Dog	Sponsored by Jan Brooker (BEIZJAN)
Class 5. Yearling Dog	Sponsored by Scottish Great Dane Club
Class 6. Novice Dog	Sponsored by Pennine Great Dane Club
Class 7. Post Graduate Dog	Sponsored by M&WEGDC
Class 8. Limit Dog	Sponsored by Northern Great Dane Club
Class 9. Special Veteran Dog	Sponsored by Nigel & Jayne White (TARADANES)
Class 10. Special Open Harlequin Dog	Sponsored by The Great Dane Club
Winner - Free Entry for Best Harlequin DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 11. Special Open Fawn Dog	Sponsored by Hannah Windmill
Winner - Free Entry for Best Fawn DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 12. Special Open Black Dog	Sponsored by Rita Morgan (RIMOR)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Black DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 13. Special Open Brindle Dog	Sponsored by Sheena Booth (ROUCANDALE)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Brindle DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 14. Special Open Mantle Dog	Sponsored by Sarah Tempest (ADOREADANE)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Mantle DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 15. Special Open Blue Dog	Sponsored by GDB&OA
Winner - Free Entry for Best Blue DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 16. Open Dog	Sponsored by Michelle Palmer-Evans

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DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES

LIMIT For dogs which have not become show Champions under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won five or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Mid Limit, Limit or Open Classes confined to the breed, whether restricted or not, at shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

SPECIAL VETERAN For dogs of not less than six years of age on the first day of the Show.

SPECIAL OPEN For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show but confined to colour as stated.

OPEN For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

BRACE For two exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibit having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

TEAM For three or more exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibitor having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRIES

Exhibitors/Competitors are reminded that show societies have the right under Kennel Club Regulation to refuse any entry.

DOG FOULING AND GROOMING WASTE

Any owner, handler or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove immediately any fouling caused by their dog(s) and / or grooming waste at a Kennel Club licensed show within the licensed venue and within the environs of that event, including car and caravan parks and approaches.

NOT FOR COMPETITION

Societies may at their discretion, accept Not for Competition entries. Societies may accept such entries from breeds of dog not included within the title of the Society and at Shows held over more than one day, such entries may be accepted on any day from any breed.

USE OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AT SHOWS

The Kennel Club is becoming increasingly concerned at the amount of electrical equipment being used by exhibitors at shows, including hair dryers and hair straighteners and other grooming devices. Electrical equipment should not be brought to shows unless absolutely necessary. In rare instances where it might be required, it should be PAT tested and permission sought from the secretary of the show before it is used.

The Kennel Club has also been informed of recent instances of exhibitors commandeering certain areas of a venue in order to have access to power points so as to use electrical grooming equipment. This is totally unacceptable and particularly unfair on the breeds whose allocated areas have been cramped because of this selfish behaviour.

SECURITY AT SHOWS

In light of recent events the Kennel Club would like to issue a reminder to all Societies of the importance of security at dog shows.

The Kennel Club understands that due to the nature of dog shows and the quantity of paraphernalia exhibitors bring it would be extremely difficult for show organisers to take on the issue of security alone, therefore we would reiterate the advice being given by the Police and security services, that everyone in the UK should remain vigilant and this applies to those organising and taking part in dog shows.

The importance of exhibitors feeling that they and their dogs are safe when attending a show cannot be underestimated. We would therefore remind you of the importance of the need for show organisers and exhibitors to remain mindful of potential dangers and that all visitors generally need to be vigilant and alert.

Furthermore the society should provide robust notification informing exhibitors of where to report to should they see anything suspicious or of concern, and of the evacuation procedures in place.

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In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any Show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the Rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows.

In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society.

In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the first closing date shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. **19th September 2025**

Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering in Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. First prizes awarded in any classes defined as Special do not count towards eligibility.

If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:

- (1) Withdrawal
The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulations F(1)19.
- (2) Transfer.
 - a. If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
 - b. For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
 - c. For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
 - d. If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

BABY PUPPY A baby puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. There will be no progression to further competition

MINOR PUPPY For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

PUPPY For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

JUNIOR For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

YEARLING For dogs of twelve and not exceeding twenty four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

MAIDEN For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or a First Prize at an Open or Championship show (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

NOVICE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or three or more First Prizes at Open and Championship Shows (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

GRADUATE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or four or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Graduate, Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

POST GRADUATE For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

CLASSIFICATION - BITCHES

Judge: Mr John Dyson (SAMDICE)

*** * * * * Class Prize Money 1st £6.00, 2nd £3.00, 3rd £1.00 * * * * ***

Class 17. Baby Puppy Bitch	Sponsored by M&WEGDC
Class 18. Minor Puppy Bitch	Sponsored by Steve & Caroline Wareing (CASKAYD)
Class 19. Puppy Bitch	Sponsored by Lesley & Adam Chappell (SELMALDA)
Class 20. Junior Bitch	Sponsored by Sandy Lipman (LISVANE)
Class 21. Yearling Bitch	Sponsored by Sue Bourton-Thorne (VERANO)
Class 22. Novice Bitch	Sponsored by Pennine Great Dane Club
Class 23. Post Graduate Bitch	Sponsored by East of England Great Dane Club
Class 24. Limit Bitch	Sponsored by Paul & Marilyn Worsley (MALPA)
Class 25. Special Veteran Bitch	Sponsored by Gill Jones (SAPEK)
Class 26. Special Open Harlequin Bitch	Sponsored by The Great Dane Club
Winner - Free Entry for Best Harlequin DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 27. Special Open Fawn Bitch	Sponsored by Chris & Mandy Bithell (BOURNTWYN)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Fawn DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 28. Special Open Black Bitch	Sponsored by Tess Concannon (NOVAVIDA)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Black DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 29. Special Open Brindle Bitch	Sponsored by Neil & Christine Morgan (RIMOR)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Brindle DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 30. Special Open Mantle Bitch	Sponsored by Tammy Pocock (TAMZDANE)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Mantle DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 31. Special Open Blue Bitch	Sponsored by Big 'Ed Rosettes (bigedrosettes@gmail.com)
Winner - Free Entry for Best Blue DOTY and a chance to win a bespoke Wall Clock	
Class 32. Open Bitch	Sponsored by Annette Harrison (JASNETTDANES)

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THE NORTHERN GREAT DANE CLUB



Promotes the Welfare of our breed, the club General Code of Ethics, Colour Code of Ethics and is a Supporter of the DCM project, University of Liverpool

THE NORTHERN
is a member of the Great Dane Breed Council

UPCOMING SHOW DATES FOR 2025

CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

In conjunction with Blackpool Championship Dog Show
Sunday 22nd June 2025
Judge: Mr John Walsh

OPEN SHOW

In conjunction with Leeds Championship Show
Friday 25th July 2025
Judge: Mr Gary Gough

MEMBERSHIP

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS
SINGLE £6.00 / JOINT £7.00

Application form available on the website
Direct Debit facility available

Join at the DOTY 2024 and your membership will only be due for renewal 1st January 2026

Officers

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Committee

Miss J Middleton, Mrs N Pendleton-Watkins, Mrs S Richens, Mr S Worsley

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DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and the Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts travelling to and whilst at KC licensed events.

- When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
- If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.
- The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
- When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.
- Keep the dog in the shade - take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.
- Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOUR DOG

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED

THE GREAT DANE BREED COUNCIL

It has been brought to the Council's attention that the temperament in Great Danes is deteriorating. Therefore this notification will be in Schedules and Catalogues. It is intended as a guide to both Judges and Exhibitors.

KC Rule 15 EXCLUSION OF DOGS

If in the opinion of the Show Secretary, Show Manager or Judge any dog is considered not in a fit state for exhibition owing to disease, savage disposition, or any other cause, the dog may be excluded or removed from the Show on the instruction of the Show management. Once excluded or removed from the Show the dog must not be brought into the Show at any time under any circumstances and the case must be reported in full to the Kennel Club within 7 days. Judges may send the dog out if the dog appears to have an aggressive disposition. Extract from Kennel Club Regulations F(1) Reproduced with their permission. Issued by and on behalf of The Great Dane Breed Council.

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Midland & West of England Great Dane Club

EST. 1988

The Club offers the following benefits to its membership:

1. A yearly Ch. Show, Colour Format Open Show and a Summer Open Show
2. Specials offered at many of our own Shows & Sponsored General Open Shows
3. One of the sponsors for The Dane of the Year Show (DOTY)
4. One of the original sponsors of the National Great Dane Rescue Scheme
5. An Illustrated Great Dane Breed Standard
6. Ethical & Rules Guidelines Booklet
7. **M&WEGDC Club Annual** – the Essential Reference Guide since 1974
FREE TO PAID UP PRIMARY MEMBERS for PREVIOUS YEAR
On sale to others. (Some back issues available)
8. Items for sale include Dane models, brooches, wall plaques, books, pottery mugs and clothing etc. Available at our Shows and DOTY or can be obtained by post from Mandy Bithell, Nant Y Meithyn, Pentre Celyn, Ruthin, Clwyd, LL15 2HU
9. Informative Website - **www.midlandandwestgdc.org**
10. The Club is a member of The Great Dane Breed Council

Membership details can be obtained from our Membership Secretary

Mrs Caroline Wareing, 22 Two Hedges Road, Cheltenham,

Gloucestershire, GL52 8DT

Tel: 01242 696 768

Email: membership@midlandandwestgdc.org

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Visit us at www.thegreatdaneclubofwales.co.uk and on Facebook, Great Dane Club of Wales

President: Mr Tony Schaanning-Ling

CHAIRMAN: Rick Day

HON. SECRETARY: Pat Patch **HON. TREASURER:** John Powell

HON. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY/SHOW SECRETARY: Chris Patch

Committee: Sharon Nunn, Kris Kingsley, Jill Cranfield

SHOW DATES 2026

Saturday 18th April 2026 OPEN SHOW

*In Partnership with Working & Pastoral Breeds Association of Wales
which will be held at The Royal Welsh Showground, Builth Wells*

Judge: Heather Vine (Beanalrem)

Sunday 11th October 2026 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

*In partnership with South Wales Kennel Association
which will be held at The Royal Welsh Show Ground, Builth Wells*

Judge: Mrs Sally Lewis (Axford)

Sunday 18th October 2026 Dane of The Year

The Sports Connexion, The Arena, Ryton-on-Dunsmore, Coventry. CV8 3FL

Judge: Cath Gilbert (Lomondane/Hazedan)

Membership is £4.50 Single or Joint £6.50 per year
Life Membership is available for £50.00 Single or £70.00 Joint

All memberships can be paid by Standing Order and a form is on our Website

Hon Membership Sec: Mr Chris Patch

Sunnyview Kennels, Siston Hill, Warmley, Bristol, BS30 5LT

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Membership forms are available on our web site

Membership runs from 1st January to 31st December

Why not become a member and get **REDUCED** entry fees to our shows

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Ryton-on-Dunsmore, Coventry, CV8 3FL
On Sunday 19th October 2025

INSTRUCTIONS This form must be used by one person only (or partnership). Writing MUST BE IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL. Use one line only for each dog. The name of the dog and all the details as recorded with The Kennel Club must be given on this entry form. If an error is made the dog may be disqualified by the Committee of The Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED at The Kennel Club in the name of the exhibitor. If the registration or transfer of ownership has not been confirmed it must be applied for before the closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof of postage of such applications may be required by The Kennel Club. Puppies under 4 months of age on the first day of the Show cannot be entered for competition. On no account will entries be accepted without fees. If a dog is in the process of Registration or Transfer at the time entry is made, add the letters NAF or TAF as appropriate after it's name. Please put classes in numerical order and USE BLOCK CAPITALS throughout when completing this entry form. The Kennel Club Authority to Compete number (for dogs registered and resident outside the UK) must be stated or the entry will be returned. PLEASE CHECK ALL DETAILS BEFORE POSTING.
Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show

Cheques / POs to be made payable to

Dane of the Year

On no account will entries be accepted without fees
£10.00 fee will be charged for any returned cheques

On-Line Entries available
www.haveadogday.co.uk



Postal Entries Close
26th September 2025

On-Line Entries Close
3rd October 2025

ENTRY FEES: OPEN SHOW

First Entry Per Exhibit	_____ @ £10.00	£ _____
All Subsequent Entries Same Exhibit	_____ @ £2.00	£ _____
Enter 2 Dogs and get 3rd Dog Entry Free	_____ @ Free	£ _____
Veteran Class Per Exhibit	_____ @ £4.00	£ _____
Not For Competition Per Exhibit	_____ @ £5.00	£ _____
Rosette Donations <i>Will be acknowledged</i>		£ _____
Show Donations <i>Will be acknowledged</i>		£ _____
Advert £10.00 Full Page / £6.00 Half Page		£ _____
Catalogue:	_____ @ £2.50	£ _____
TOTAL		£ _____

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DANE OF THE YEAR

Registered Name of Dog Add ATC Number if applicable	Breed	Sex	DOB	Breeder (if owner put Exh)	Sire	Dam	Class (s)
ATC No :							
ATC No :	Great Dane						
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I/We agree to submit to and be bound by Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations in their present form or as they may be amended from time to time in relation to all canine matters with which the Kennel Club is concerned and that this entry is made upon the basis that all current single or joint registered owners of this dog(s) have authorised/consented to this entry. I/We also undertake to abide by the Regulations of this Show and not to bring to the Show any dog which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the Show, or which is suffering from a visible condition which adversely affects its health or welfare or to bring any dog which has been prepared for exhibition contrary to Kennel Club Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition F (Annex B). I/We agree without reservation that any Veterinary Surgeon operating on any of my/our dogs in such a way that the operation alters the natural conformation of the dog or part thereof may report such operations to the Kennel Club. I/We declare that where any alteration has been made to the natural conformation of the dog(s) the relevant permission to show has been granted by the Kennel Club.

I/We further declare that I believe to the best of my knowledge that the dogs are not liable to disqualification under Kennel Club Show Regulations.

Usual Signature of Owner(s) Date

NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of Kennel Club Show Regulations are liable to disqualification whether or not the owner was aware of the breach
Children under the age of 11 are the responsibility of, and must be accompanied at all times by, a Parent or Guardian.

In the case of joint registered ownership the name of every owner must be given here

NAME (S) (Mr, Mrs, Miss)

ADDRESS

POST CODE TEL (STD)

E-MAIL

All entries (which must be prepaid) to be sent to:
Chris Bithell
Nant Y Meithyn, Pentre Celyn, Ruthin, Clwyd, LL15 2HU
Email: chrissybiff@gmail.com

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72nd Dane of the Year

19th October 2025

This Years DOTY is being organised by
The Midland & West of England Great Dane Club (est 1948)

The 3 Sponsoring Clubs
(GDCofW, NGDC, M&WEGDC) are pleased to announce
AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF SPECIALS
With the kind sponsorship from John Dyson (£500.00 Donation)
Sandy Lipman (Painting of BIS worth £250.00) & Class Sponsors (totalling £310.00)

there is over £1000.00 in prize's
+ Personalised Wall Clocks for Best DOTY in Colour
(see schedule - from colour classes only)

LET THE GREAT DANE COMMUNITY COME TOGETHER
AND MAKE IT A VERY SPECIAL SHOW FOR OUR
VERY WELL-RESPECTED JUDGE
JOHN DYSON (SAMDICE)

With last years entry being one of the largest of the calendar year
LET'S KEEP GROWING DOTY

Your continued support, entry and attendance will be very much appreciated

****THIS IS A PREMIER GREAT DANE EVENT****

Schedule will be available from www.haveadogday.co.uk

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Dane of the Year 2025

John Dyson



My first Dane was purchased in 1980 after many years of different breeds namely Samoyeds, Afghan Hound and a couple of Terriers. She was by no means a show girl but was a very good family dog which is what we needed with 2 young girls at the time.

We lost her at only 5 years old but were hooked on this breed. We purchased a GD from Roy and the late Joyce Marshall of Kontiki affix, again bought as a pet only. Unfortunately, Roy and Joyce's girl didn't turn out for the ring and they contacted us to see if they could exchange dogs (Zena was 2nd pick) or if we would give showing a shot, and we did.

I / we have now been in Danes for 40 years in 2025, so you could say we got the bug.

We are pleased with the success we have had over the years gaining 35cc's with dogs we have owned or bred. Other successes we have had POTY qualifier, Junior Stakes qualifier, World Junior Winner, RBPI5 x2 at general champ shows, DOTY 2022 with RDOTY 2023 and most recently 2025 BOB at Crufts.

Over the years most will remember me for showing Fawns but in the last 7 years we ventured into Brindle with success, but I have also had the honour of having a fabulous harlequin girl.

I have been involved with a few committees over the years both Breed and General. I started my judging journey in 1990.

I am a BIG advocate for DOTY and believe this show can be taken back to its glory days when it was not seen as 'just an open show.'

This will be my last judging appointment and as such with my belief in DOTY will be offering prize money (better than CRUFTS!!!). I hope DOTY this year can have the vibe of prestige it had many years ago, but that is in your hands.

I thank the DOTY committee for this appointment.