

**The Monterey
Great Dane Club
Specialty
July 2011**
Comments from the Judges



**Morning Specialty
Judge Treasure Hauer-Wylie**

I first would like to say that the club put on an outstanding show. The hospitality was great. The club gave a wonderful judges gift that included hand painted napkin rings with Great Dane Heads on them. I was pleased with the over all quality of the entries. I had a difficult time when it came to the winners dog and winners bitch class. I could have easily handed out more winners ribbons. My winners dog was a black dog from the 12-18 class. He had good balance, moved well, and had a lovely head. My reserve winners dog was a fawn dog from the 6-9 puppy class. He had a beautiful head, nice bone and substance. He was a very promising puppy who should mature nicely. My winners bitch was a fawn bitch from the American Bred class. I loved her outline, breed type, and beautiful movement. My reserve winners bitch was from the Open Black class. She was also very nice with beautiful breed type. My Best of Breed dog was a lovely black dog who had nice bone and substance. He was in beautiful condition and moved well. My Best of Winners and Best of Opposite sex was my winners bitch. I only had one junior handler who did an excellent job showing her puppy. It is nice to see such good up and coming talent! I also had some beautiful veterans there as well. I enjoyed my assignment. It was a pleasure to see such beautiful dogs and have everyone be so nice and pleasant inside and outside the ring.

Treasure Hauer-Wylie

**Afternoon Specialty
Judge Karen Martin**



On July 15, 2011 I judged great danes at the Monterey Bay Great Dane Club. There were back to back shows on the same day. The morning show was judged by Treasure Hauer. What a wonderful show site and such great people who put on a great show. I had many wonderful dogs to judge. They have a great raffle. To many things I wanted that I would not be able to bring home with me on a plane. Then they had a great dinner after the second show that was catered. It was wonderful also. I think everyone worked together well to put on a great show. The weather was very nice that day. My hat is off to you. We had a wonderful entry of danes. There ended up being a 4 point major so plenty of dogs to choose from.

Overall I was very pleased with the entry I had. I have had the pleasure of judging dogs from all areas of the country. I find it very interesting that before I started judging I honestly did not pay as much attention to every class of dogs. Most shows I showed and was always on the lookout for stud dogs. I have to say that honestly did not pay very much attention to black, blue, harl and mantle for that reason other than watching them as my competition. Since I have started judging I have been very pleasantly surprised with the actual quality in those colors that I think I didn't notice as much before. My best BBE was a harl puppy dog that was shown in the BBE class. He has great potential and was a very nice puppy who moved very nicely and had a wonderful topline and movement with great reach and drive. My best puppy was a beautiful fawn bitch from 6-9 month class that just knew she was "IT" Very nice puppy with great potential with a gorgeous head piece. Needless to say my winners dog was a gorgeous blue dog from the 12-18 month class. I could find nothing about his lovely dog that I did not like (other than he was blue and I cannot breed to him! VBG). He was a good mover, great topline and structure and beautiful headpiece. My RWD came from the open mantle class. Again a body and movement to die for! Beautiful color and lovely head. Minor differences between my two for winners. I was very pleased overall in my winners class and felt they all had a lot of things in common that I am looking for.

My winner bitch was a lovely black bitch from the open black class. Repeating myself a little she had good size, bone, topline and beautiful headpiece! Along with moving very nicely also! My RWB came from BBE class and was a beautiful moving brindle girl with natural ears. She was a lovely mover and her side movement was to die for.

In BOB I had quite a few VERY nice dogs. It gave me a lot of choices to go with. I needed more ribbons to be able to recognize all the quality

there. I'd like to mention here that I had several dogs/bitches that were very nice that I feel will do very well in the future with some more maturity. But there are only so many that you can do something for.

My BOB was a gorgeous mature black dog who has everything going for him. He had a body to die for, gorgeous topline, front, neck, moved like a dream and had a very masculine head and look to him. My BOW was WD the lovely blue dog. By BOS was a very nice fawn girl who had great bone and size with a lovely head. My SD was another lovely mature black dog and my SB was a young fawn bitch who had just finished that morning under Treasure. I had 1 AOM that went to a very nice fawn dog. All in all my entry was excellent and I am very pleased to have been able to judge such nice dogs.

Karen Martin

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