

## **Pre-1982 Standing Rules:**

### **Reporting of Board Action**

(passed at the annual Meeting in Fresno, CA 3/29/1975)

The actions of the Board of Directors shall be published as a body in the SDCA Newsletter, but individual votes of the respective members of the Board need not be reported.

### **Access to Financial Information**

(passed at the annual Meeting in Fresno, CA 3/29/1975)

Any individual who writes to the Treasurer will be mailed the information requested.

### **Board Members Attending Large Deerhound Entries**

(passed at the annual Meeting in Fresno, CA 3/29/1975)

When practical, at no expense to the Club, all Supported Entry shows (or any show with a large Deerhound entry) shall be attended by an officer or other SDCA Board Member, who will hold a short, informal meeting with members and then report back to the parent Club any complaints or suggestions.

### **Resumes of SDCA Candidates**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO 5/29/1976)

All resumes of the selected candidates and any people who wish to run shall be sent out at the same time as the ballots. (Clarification passed at the Annual Meeting in Greenfield, MA on 6/17/1977.) A resume is to be submitted with each nomination.

### **Independent National Specialties**

(passed at the Annual Meeting on Greenfield, MA 6/17/1977)

All the Club's Specialty shows shall henceforth be independent.

## **Post-1982 Standing Rules:**

### **When the Futurity Would be Held**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Brighton, MI 6/7/1985)

The Futurity shall be held in conjunction with the National Specialty.

### **Champions in the Sweepstakes**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Amherst, MA 6/13/1986)

Champions of record shall be allowed to compete in Sweepstakes, provided they meet the age limitations.

### **Regional Specialty Requirements**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Toledo, OH 6/17/1988; Amended at Vergennes, VT in 5/1995)

1. Before submitting a proposal for a regional specialty, the sponsoring club must demonstrate regional support by holding an SDCA supported entry, with a minimum entry of 35 dogs in attendance. If a regional specialty entry falls below 35 dogs in attendance in the regular (and veteran) classes, the sponsoring club must hold an SDCA approved supported entry with a minimum entry of 35 dogs before they can reapply for a regional specialty.
2. Regional specialty proposals must be submitted by an SDCA affiliated club. A SDCA affiliated club is one which has submitted to the SDCA secretary by January 31 of each year a list of its members and officers, and whose membership contains a minimum of 50 percent SDCA members, but if the percentage falls below 50 percent, a combination with *Claymore* subscribers adding up to 65 percent will be acceptable.
3. Proposals must be received by the SDCA secretary a minimum of 30 weeks prior to the proposed show date.
4. The proposal must, at a minimum, identify the show date, the show site, the show secretary, the proposed judge and an alternate; contain a budget for the event and a calendar of events.
5. All expenses associated with the regional specialty are the responsibility of the sponsoring affiliate club, and the sponsoring club will retain all revenue.
6. Affiliated clubs may hold a maximum of one approved regional specialty per year.
7. Affiliated clubs may hold sweepstakes in conjunction with an approved regional specialty. However, futurities will be limited to the National Specialty.

8. Regional specialties may not be held within 30 days of the National Specialty.
9. Regional specialties may be suspended for one year if the National Specialty entry falls below 70 dogs in the western region or 140 dogs in the other regions.
10. The SDCA Board of Directors can change the minimum entry requirements for regional specialties with a two-thirds vote of the Board and written to the membership.

### **Trophy Protocol Guidelines**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA 5/1/1992)

(Revised at the Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO 5/13/1994)

(Clarified at the Annual Meeting in Vergennes, VT 5/12/1995)

The Scottish Deerhound Club of America, by its Board of Directors, will accept CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophies to be awarded at the National Specialty under the following guidelines:

#### **I. ACCEPTANCE**

- A. The *AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, Ch. 8, Sec. 10, prohibits the offering of Perpetual trophies not in existence prior to September 9, 1952; that is they may not be presented in the ring nor may be listed in the premium list or the catalogue.
- B. In accordance with the *AKC Rules*, Ch. 8, Sec. 10, the Board will accept CHALLENGE trophies designated for winning on a three-time basis by a **Club Member**, not necessarily with the same dog. No challenges will be accepted requiring the win by the same dog.
- C. The CHALLENGE trophies currently being offered which comply with *AKC Rules*, Ch. 8, Sec. 10 are listed in Article I of the attached Addendum.
- D. The CHALLENGE trophies currently being offered for Categories which do not fall under those permitted by Ch. 8, Sec. 10, of the *AKC Rules*, are listed in Article II of the attached Addendum. The Club will continue to offer these trophies; but, in compliance with the *AKC Rules*, they will not be listed in the premium list or the catalogue and will **not** be presented in the ring. A special supplement to the Specialty Catalogue will be printed each year listing these CHALLENGE trophies, along with any PERPETUAL trophies accepted after September 9, 1952.
- E. In addition, CHALLENGE and PERPETUAL trophies will be accepted under the same conditions set forth in Paragraphs B and D above for the categories listed in Article III of the attached addendum.
- F. No CHALLENGE and PERPETUAL trophies will be accepted for individual regular class wins.

- G. A three-year period shall be required before an additional CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophy will be accepted for a category presently covered by an existing CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophy; e.g., a CHALLENGE trophy was presented for Veteran Bitch in 1989; therefore, no additional CHALLENGE trophy for this category would have been accepted before 1992. Replacement or re-donation of a retired CHALLENGE trophy is not subject to the three-year waiting period.
- H. If solicitation of funds for a CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophy is desired by the donor, this should be done privately. The *Claymore* should not be a vehicle for this solution.
- I. Persons wishing to donate a CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophy must first submit their request to the Board for approval. The request should include a detailed description of the trophy, preferably accompanied by a photograph or sketch; an adequately protective box or container must also be included. The Board will consider whether the proposed be limited either to wood, or preferably, metals: bronze, silver plate, pewter, etc. Glass, ceramic, plastic, paper will be disallowed. Ample space should be provided for engraving. The trophy should be in good taste. (Obviously this is subject to interpretation, but anything deemed inappropriate by Board members will be rejected) If a figure/figures are involved, it will be considered for suitability in light of the historical background of the Scottish Deerhound, Scottish themes, etc.
- J. The Club shall incur no financial obligation attendant upon the furnishing of CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophies except as indicated in Section III, Paragraphs A and B, below.
- K. The club offers PERPETUAL trophies as listed in Article IV of the Attached Addendum.
- L. Any trophy intended to be offered at more than one National Specialty, whether unique as a CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophy, or replicated in multiple copies to become the property of the winners, must be approved by the SDCA Board before being offered or published in the premium list.
- M. Whenever the Board approves a new trophy, the secretary will update the Trophy Guidelines Addendum accordingly and submit the updated Addendum to the Trophy Steward without having to again make that a part of a vote by the Club, this change thereby removing the Trophy Guidelines Addendum for the Standing Rules.

## II. TROPHY STEWARD

The Board has created the office of Trophy Steward, the intention being that the same person would continue in the position from year to year. This would relieve the Specialty Trophy Chairman of the responsibility for gathering the CHALLENGE and PERPETUAL trophies each year. The duties of this office would include record

keeping; i.e., the names of donors, who has what each year, and recommending packing and transportation, etc. The Trophy Steward would keep a photographic inventory of the CHALLENGE and PERPETUAL trophies, along with a list of donors and of each year's winners.

### **III. LIABILITY**

A. The yearly recipient will be responsible for the trophy during the year it is in his/her possession. An acceptance of Responsibility Form will be presented to the winner for signature, whereby the winner accepts full responsibility for returning it the following year in the same condition to the Trophy Steward for the following year's specialty, and includes engraving costs, repairing or replacing the trophy should it be damaged or lost, as well as any transportation and insurance costs involved. The responsibility ends only when the Trophy Steward signs a release signifying receipt of the trophy in good condition. Once in the hands of the Trophy Steward, it becomes the responsibility of the Club until presented to the next winner. (If any of the trophies presently being offered have significant scratches, dents, etc., these blemishes will be noted on the form.) The agreement will be signed by the winner and the Trophy Steward and witnessed by a member of the Board.

B. If the winner refuses to sign the Acceptance of Responsibility Form, thereby declining physical possession of the trophy for the year, the Trophy Steward shall keep the trophy until it is won the following year.

### **IV. RETIRED TROPHIES**

If the three-time winner of a CHALLENGE trophy desires to replace the trophy, the replacement CHALLENGE trophy should be offered for the same category. If the winner desires, the original trophy may be re-donated and renamed, again for the same category.

## **ADDENDUM TO TROPHY GUIDELINES**

**Article I - Challenge Trophies Complying with *AKC Rules*, Ch.8, Sec. 10.**

**BEST OF BREED - The Dalmahoy Trophy** (1988) in memory of Keith Christie Allen, offered by Paul and Frieda Pilat, Mavis Annan, Jessie Smith, Bonnie Ramos, the Henry Ramos family, Cecilia Arnold, Maurie Lewis, Joe and Joan Giles, and Phyllis Groat.

**BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST OF BREED - The Lehigh Trophy** (1991) offered by Paula Pascoe.

**BEST OF WINNERS - Robert F. Hawkins Memorial Trophy** (1986) retired in 1990 by Paula Pascoe. Challenge reissued by Paula Pascoe in 1991.

**WINNERS DOG - A Lasting Legacy Trophy for the Boys: Ch Epic Legend of**

Tamberlane (Louie), Ch. Illiad\_s Odyssey of Tamberlane (Pickle), and Ch. Tamberlane\_s Gemini Prophecy (Gem) offered by Louis Castillo, Radcliffe, & Jessica Shafer.

**WINNERS BITCH** - **The Pibroch Trophy** (1991) offered by Shay Rhineland.

**Article II** - Challenge Trophies to be listed in Supplement to Specialty Catalogue (see guidelines, Sec. I, Par. D)

**VETERAN BITCH 1ST** - **The Halona Trophy** (1989) in honor of Ch. Lehigh Halona, offered by Paula Pascoe.

**BEST PUPPY IN PUPPY CLASSES** - **Bernice Goble Memorial Trophy** (1988) offered by her friends.

**STUD DOG CLASS 1ST** - **The Ferris Trophy** (1990) offered by Barbara Heidenreich.

**Article III** - Categories for which CHALLENGE or PERPETUAL trophies will be accepted

- A. BEST and BEST OPPOSITE SEX - Puppy Sweepstakes
- B. BEST and BEST OPPOSITE SEX - Futurity

## Article IV - Perpetual Trophies

**BREEDER OF THE YEAR - The Carl Haffenreffer Award** (1987) presented to the Breeder of Best of Breed at each year's National Specialty, offered by the SDCA.

**VETERAN DOG CLASS 1ST** - Trophy dedicated to Francis Smith and Wendy Fast, offered in honor of Am. Can. Ch. Benachies Silver Fox, Am. World Ch. Dhu Mohr Doughal the Fast, Ch. Dhu Mohr High Frequency, and Ch. Lehigh Innis ODhu Mohr (1988) by their friends Bill and Marylane Brett, Jerry and Ila Bucek, Bill and Karen Colosimo, Cecily Cox, Wendy Davies, Paul James Dwyer, Chet and Katie Fitzsimmons, Lee and LaMar Van Haaften, Miss A. Hartley, Marty and Janis Hills, Melvin Kangas, Dave and Rusty Kingery, Michael and Mary Kingsbury, Peter Stadnyk, and Warren and Mary Tomlinson.

**BROOD BITCH CLASS 1ST - The Thistleglen Trophy** (1992) in memory of Ch. Sungael Emeraude & in honor of Ch. Thistleglen Trillium, offered by Jeanne and Donald Frye.

**BRACE CLASS 1ST - The Fernhill Trophy** (1989) offered by Peter Baltzer and Barbara Heidenreich.

**LURE COURSING BEST OF BREED - Knock Your Socks Off Trophy** (1991) offered by Frank Cassano.

**LURE COURSING BEST OF BREED - The Perpetual Pewter Tray** (1987) offered by the SDCA.

**LURE COURSING BEST OF BREED - Deer in Flight Trophy** dedicated to Gerald and Ila Bueck, offered by Sadie Hawkins.

**LURE COURSING HIGHEST SCORING AKC CHAMPION & LCM DEERHOUND - Pyns Trophy** (1988) offered by Judy Wozniak in memory of Am. Can. Pibroch's Pyns of Vale Vue, LCM.

**HIGHEST ALL-BREED OWNER-HANDLED DEERHOUND - Deerhound and Master Trophy** (1995), offered by Peter Baltzer, Elise Backinger, and Joan Giles: The trophy will be offered to the Deerhound who is handled by its owner(s) and only its owner(s), at all levels of competition (class, breed, group, and B.I.S) over the calendar year in question, that scores the most points in All-Breed competition as tabulated by *Sighthound Review*. The determining of the recipient will be the responsibility of the SDCA Trophy Steward. Only SDCA members will be eligible to be considered for this.

**HIGH IN TRIAL OBEDIENCE - The Kensie Trophy** (1995), offered by Sally Poole. If scores for HIT are tied, top score from the highest level will win. A runoff would only take place if the dogs with equal scores were at the same level, e.g., Novice or Open or Utility.

**BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES – Thistleglen-Fairway Sweepstakes Trophy** (1996), offered by Jeanne and Don Frye, and Tom Gentner.

### **National Specialty Trophy Fund**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Denver, CO 5/18/1990, amended at St. Louis, MO 5/13/1994)

One dollar (\$1.00) shall be allocated from each member's dues for the National Specialty Trophy Fund. This decision supersedes the 1987 contribution of \$300, rather than constituting a combined amount. The number of members utilized to calculate the amount will be the number published as the total number of members in the previous year's membership list. The 1987 decision will stand that excesses in the Specialty Trophy Fund be rolled over to the following Trophy Chairman, as money specifically donated for trophies should never be used for any other purpose.

### **SDCA Contributions to Regional Specialties**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Denver, CO 5/18/1990)

The SDCA's trophy donation for each regional specialty shall be increased from \$75.00 to \$125.00.

### **Standing Rule for the Establishment of a Contributions Committee**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Lexington, KY 6/14/1991)

(A later Board Policy established the Committee as President, Treasurer, and the Chair of Health & Genetics; Board Policy established that 10% of the previous year's specialty profits would be the contribution.)

The Board shall appoint a Contributions Committee to examine worthy beneficiaries for the fruits of the Club, one that would also consider the financial health of the Club and bring a recommendation to the Board for the Board to consider and bring to the membership at the Annual Meeting.

## **1992 Standing Rules:**

### **Standing Rule for Modification of the SDCA Dues Structure**

(passed at the Annual Meeting at Leesburg, VA 5/1/1992)

(5/1996 Board Policy that only one additional adult member is eligible for a household membership)

Because of the need for additional moneys to operate the Club and the need to place a price on receiving the privilege of membership on top of the *Claymore* subscription:

1. Fee for the *Claymore* only - **\$25.00** per year.
2. Annual dues for a regular membership (including a subscription to the *Claymore*) - **\$35.00** per year.
3. Annual dues for an additional adult member in the same household \$10.00, making a household membership (including a single subscription to the *Claymore*) - **\$45.00** per year.

### **Perpetual Trophies**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA 5/1/1992)

In conjunction with the passing of the reformatted Trophy Guidelines, the sentence, "No other perpetual trophies will be accepted," was dropped, opening the way for new perpetual trophies to be donated.

### **Standing Rule Establishing Guidelines for the Judges Education Committee**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA 5/1/1992)

I. The purpose of the Judges Education Committee (referred to hereafter as the "Committee") is to educate and inform the public about the Scottish Deerhound. This process will be achieved through seminars, lectures, study groups, hands-on events, literature, and videos.

A. The materials may be purchased by, and events will be open to, members and nonmembers alike with no preference given to any individual for any reason. All products will be sold with the proceeds to fund the activities of the committee, and all seminars, lectures, events, etc., will charge an appropriate fee per applicant to cover expenses incurred, with net proceeds to fund future activities of the Committee.

B. The Treasurer of the Club will account for these funds, which may not be used for another purpose without approval by the Board of Directors of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc. (referred to hereafter as the "Board").

II. The Board will appoint five members of the Club who are in good standing to serve two-year terms as members of the Committee.

A. Initial appointments to the Committee will be made with three members to serve a term of two years and two members to serve a term of one year in order to permit staggered terms of office. (Should the entire Committee be disbanded at any time in the future, the above process will be employed to establish a new committee) The Terms of office will be two years and expire on the Fifteenth (15) of June of the Second year.

1. The Board will appoint or re-appoint to the Committee members of the Club who are in good standing, as necessary. These appointments should be made on or before June 15th, or on or before the Annual General Meeting, whichever comes first. The appointed member(s) may sit in on any meetings in an unofficial capacity until the appointment takes effect. A member of the Board may be a member of the committee.

2. The Committee will annually, by the fifteenth (15) of July, elect its chairman, who will serve a term of one year. The existing may be reelected to succeeding terms in office, providing that he/she is re-appointed by the Board.

3. The Board can rescind the appointment of any member to the Committee or the entire Committee at any time by a majority of the Board. The Board may entertain a hearing for reinstatement and reinstate a member of the Committee, or the Committee, should new evidence be submitted to the Board stating reasons for reinstatement. A hearing for reinstatement will be granted based upon evidence known to the Board at the time of suspension.

4. While geographical balance may be desirable, choosing qualified Committee members is more important.

B. The Committee will provide a budget annually to coincide with the Club's fiscal year. It will apply to the Board for any funds necessary to maintain it for the ensuing year should it not be able to sustain itself through proceeds from sales and seminars. The Board will either approve or deny the Committee's budget.

C. The Committee will submit to the Board at the same time an agenda to which it will adhere upon approval by the Board. The Board will act upon the agenda within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Secretary of the Club.

D. Should the Committee not provide a budget or agenda for the Board's approval in a timely manner, it will be considered disbanded at the discretion of the Board, by majority vote of the Board. A new Committee will be chosen by the Board within sixty (60) days of disbanding the old Committee.

III. The Committee will be responsible for maintaining a supply of educational materials for consumption by the general public, to be funded, if possible, by the sale of these materials.

A. The Committee will submit to the Board for its approval any new literature, which it feels to be useful or educational, and will promote greater understanding of the Deerhound as a breed.

B. Any literature, materials, or text based upon the standard, or employing excerpts of the standard for informational purposes, will not be allowed to alter or modify the text of the standard in any manner. Any approved amplification of the Standard will be footnoted, indicating that the amplification is not a part of the approved Standard and is employed for educational purposes only.

IV. The Committee will be responsible for establishing guidelines for seminars, lectures, study groups, hands-on events, etc., and will provide an outline of procedure together with fees.

A. The Committee will publish in the *Claymore* the dates of these forums, their locations and fees; will advertise these forums in the *Gazette*, as necessary; and will notify the American Kennel Club (the Judges Education Department) in writing of these dates, as it sees fit.

B. The Committee should solicit participation from members in good standing

and regional affiliations in order to expedite production of these forums.

C. Members and/or regional clubs offering any educational program sponsored by the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc., will have the program reviewed and approved by the Committee. The Committee will provide at cost any materials necessary to promote local educational programs, providing that the regional club or individual is in good standing with the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc.

V. The Committee will make lists of members who are in good standing who wish to participate in a one-on-one tutorial program for prospective judges. A listing of potential judges or provisional judges who would like to learn about Deerhounds by attending seminars, etc., will be maintained; and a record of attendance will be maintained of individuals who have attended any Club sanctioned forum.

A. A copy of these lists will be provided to the Secretary of the Club and will be updated annually by the Committee. Once a judge has been approved to judge Deerhounds by the American Kennel Club, that judge's name will be dropped from the list. A separate list of active judges will be maintained. Should a judge not express interest or enroll in any classes after three years, that judge will be dropped from the active judge mailing list.

B. The Committee will furnish to the American Kennel club (the Judges Education Department) copies of the above lists, as a matter of courtesy.

C. The Committee will provide the Secretary of the Club with copies of all correspondence to the general public, other clubs or agencies.

D. The Secretary of the Club will be responsible for releasing all lists and copies of correspondence to the public at the discretion of the Board of Directors

E. The Committee will furnish the general public with all educational materials upon request, providing that they are paid for in advance.

VI. The short and long-range goals of the Committee are similar in that they must make an attempt at educating the public about all aspects of the Deerhound.

A. Upon formation, the Committee will identify the best manner in which to educate aspiring judges. It will create a series of programs together with the method of implementation, particularly on a recurring basis. These programs will be the basis for the annual agenda. Simultaneously, the Committee will identify existing literature and attempt to catalogue it for general use; moreover it will decide upon necessary literature to be drafted and offered as educational material, e.g. an illustrated standard, reprints of existing articles, and a guide on the care and feeding of the Deerhound. Existing videos should be considered part of compilation. All materials employed must be approved by the Board, as well as any additional material that may be introduced from time to time. The Committee should plan to organize a sub-committee, not necessarily composed completely of the Committee (for they will have enough work implementing and maintaining a program) and with approval by the Board to work exclusively upon a Breed Video composed of two parts, one dealing with the care and health of the Deerhound and another actually discussing Deerhound type and history. This project should be planned to allow two years for completion in order to do a thorough and professional job.

B. As expense and effort will go into completing projects aimed at making a video or an illustrated standard, the Committee with Board approval should look into budgeting these projects separately and possibly copyrighting the results.

## Standing Rule Establishing the National Specialty Application

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA, 5/1/1992)

(Field Champion classes added by Board policy, also Specialty handbook Committee to help advise)

### "Scottish Deerhound Club of America Application to Host National Specialty"

Bids can be made by any Regional Club or individual who is a member in good standing of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America.

Host: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date for the National Specialty:

(Indicate both date(s) and day(s) of the week)

Conformation Specialty Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Obedience Specialty Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Futurity Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sweepstakes Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Lure Coursing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SDCA Annual Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

SDCA Annual Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

The SDCA Secretary can provide you with a list of Specialty Conformation Judges in numerical order. From this list please provide three names, in preferential order, for the Secretary to contact:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Location:

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Host Hotel: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Show Site: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Indoor Show \_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor Show \_\_\_\_\_ (check one only)

Additional Activities Planned:

(Attach complete description of event(s). These can be educational, social, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_Judges' Seminar (Consult with SDCA Educational Committee)

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Other All-Breed shows in the area within the week:

\_\_\_\_\_

Classes offered:

(Check all classes you plan to offer. Required Classes are already checked)

Regular conformation classes:

Dogs and Bitches:  Puppies 6 mos to 9 mos

Puppies 9 mos to under 12 mos

Junior 12 mos to under 18 mos

Novice

Bred-By-Exhibitor

American-Bred

Open  
 Winners  
Intersex  Best of Breed  
Additional Conformation Classes:  
Dogs and Bitches  Veteran  
 Field Champion  
 Stud Dog and Brood Bitch  
 Brace  
 Team  
 Judge's Award of Merit  
 Best Puppy  
Futurity \_\_\_\_\_  
Sweepstakes Competition \_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Showmanship \_\_\_\_\_  
Regular Obedience classes:  Novice A  
 Novice B  
 Open A  
 Open B  
 Utility A  
 Utility B  
Coursing Classes:  Open  
 Field Champion  
 Veteran  
 Kennel  
 Breeder  
Any other competitive classes [attach complete description of events.]

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It is the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, and not the host club or individual, which is accountable to the America Kennel Club. Therefore, the SDCA Board of Directors must approve all date, sites, class changes/additions and policy changes by the host club prior to any commitment, public notice or mailing to the membership. All official correspondence with the AKC and with the judges must be handled by the SDCA Secretary. If more than one bid is received, preference will be given to the application that most closely fulfills the needs of the club and its members. The SDCA Board of Directors reserves the right to make its final decision based on the experience and qualifications of the bidding hosts.

Please submit your bid to the board of Directors no later than the Board meeting at the National Specialty two years before the proposed Specialty date, with a formal update to the Board and membership one year before the event.

Please attach the following information:

1. Copy of proposed contract with the host hotel, including a statement from the hotel management acknowledging their understanding that dogs will be allowed to stay in

the rooms, and:

- a) Estimated cost of banquet tickets
  - b) Estimated cost of meeting rooms
  - c) Room prices and room deposits
  - d) Description of hotel facilities, including pools, audio-visual equipment available, exercise areas (how safe are the grounds for dogs?), etc.
2. List of other hotels and campgrounds in the area.
  3. It is preferred that the show site be at the host hotel. If this is not possible, attach the reasons making it impossible, as well as a description of the proposed alternate site and a proposed contract for the use of it.
  4. The coursing site should be located no more that one hour away from the host hotel. Attach a proposed contract for the use of the coursing site.
  5. Attach an outline of the weather in the area, including temperature and weather conditions for the previous three years.
  6. List of local airports and their facilities, including transportation to the hotel by courtesy van or transportation committee, and their ability to handle international connections and animals. The airport should be no more than two hours away from the host hotel.
  7. List of two superintendents that were contacted, and a comparison of their contracts and services.
  8. List of Show Committee heads, with resumes including all breed and Specialty experience.
  9. Proposed schedule of events: times, events, and dates, including judging of classes, meetings, auctions, cocktail parties, annual meeting, etc..
  10. List of other attractions in the area.
  11. List of Emergency Committee, to handle last minute problems, such as loss of the hotel site, judges' illnesses, overdraw of entries, etc. This Committee should include the SDCA President, the Show Chairperson, and three other individuals (such as the SDCA Treasurer).
  12. Financial Sheet Report of proposed income and expenses. At a minimum, this should include income from entries, auction, and raffle, and expenses from trophies, banquet, hospitality, judges, superintendent and publicity. It is recommended that you contact past Show Chairpersons for assistance with budget preparations (costs, entry fees, projected entry figures, hotel and banquet costs), for planning and implementation of the other activities (personnel, hospitality, raffle and auction, and publicity), and for any other advice that might be needed.

## **Standing Rule Regarding Regional Deerhound Clubs** (Passed at the annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA, 5/1/1992)

“In this description of the relationship of regional Deerhound Clubs and the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc., it is understood that members of regional clubs almost invariably are members of the Scottish Deerhound Club, and therefore are affiliated groups of SDCA members, and that the interests and aims of these organizations should be mutual and beneficial, and undertaken in the best spirit of cooperation.”

Those members of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc., living in the traditionally understood regions of this country, may organize themselves into regional Deerhound clubs, in order to better participate in the activities of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America and to more efficiently engage in activities of local or regional interest.

Regional clubs should encompass a logical, historically perceived geographic area, with due consideration for the size of the area and the number of present or potential owners of Scottish Deerhounds living therein. Any dispute as to the breath of the region would be settled by the Board of Directors of the SDCA. The activities of the regional club should be limited to its regions, but membership in any regional club should be open to all interested parties, regardless of their place of residence.

The Scottish Deerhound Club of America will be viewed as the parent club to all regional organizations. A regional club, if its members so wish, but without requirement to do so, may write a constitution describing the aims of the club and its manners of governance, and may elect officers and directors. Regional clubs may collect dues and establish treasuries. The constitutions and activities of regional clubs may not supersede or infringe upon the Constitution, Standing Rules, and/or traditional activities of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America.

In their relationship with the parent Club, regional clubs will have no more authority or rights than does an individual member of the Scottish Deerhounds Club and in manners, which affect the business of the parent Club, are equally guided by its Board of Directors and membership.

In that regard:

Regional clubs may offer to host the SDCA National Specialty show, or SDCA-sponsored supported entries, or regional specialty shows. While regional clubs may hold these events, their ability to do so should not prevent nor discourage individual members of the Scottish Deerhound Club, not joined in a regional organization, from seeking to host them, and the SDCA Board of Directors should give equal consideration to such requests from both parties.

Any regional club or individual member offering to host the National Specialty show, or regional specialty shows, or supported entries, must abide by the specific requisites and guidelines for these events as established in the Standing Rules as expressed by the Board of Directors. Regional clubs, if they wish, may establish their own newsletters for

communication among their members. The *Claymore*, as the official publication of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, is open to contributions by individual members and regional organizations, as well as other interested parties. No contributor, member, club, or subscriber has the right to appoint or remove any columnist to the *Claymore*, since that authority falls under the aegis of the Board of Directors, as publisher, and the Editor, nor does any individual or group have the right to control the content of regional or other material submitted for publication.

To ensure the rights of individual members of the Scottish Deerhound Club who are not also members of a regional club, it should be understood that regional organizations do not have a seat on the Board of Directors of the Scottish Deerhound Club, nor do they have the right to approval of rule proposals specific to their own needs.

As has been the traditional practice, whatever resources of the Scottish Deerhound Club as the Board of Directors deem appropriate and necessary will be made available to regional clubs and to individual members in the furtherance of activities and interests related to the breed. The Scottish Deerhound Club and any regional clubs will be guided in their relationship and activities by the requirements for such organizations of the American Kennel Club, as described in its constitution, and by the policies set forth in its publication, "*The Formation of Dog Clubs.*"

### **Standing Rule Establishing the *Claymore* Charter**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Leesburg, VA, 5/1/1992)

#### ***"The Claymore Charter"***

The *Claymore*, the national newsletter of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, Inc., is founded to provide a means of communication among the members of the Club.

In general terms, its editorial purpose is to provide the membership with information and commentary about the Scottish Deerhound, about club activities, and about Club business, including decisions made in the administration of the Club by its Board of Directors.

The pages of the *Claymore* are open to all responsible editorial contributions and advertisements by Club members and interested individuals. While the *Claymore* will endeavor to publish all contributions, with the constraints of legal considerations and available space, publication in the *Claymore* does not constitute an endorsement of the content of those contributions by the SDCA Board of Directors or the editorial staff, unless specifically so described.

The *Claymore* is published by the Board of Directors of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America; as publisher, the Board of Directors has overall authority for its publication and will appoint an Editor to administer and assemble it. The Editor will have sole responsibility for the *Claymore* and will be empowered to make all decisions necessary for its publication, subject to review by the Board of Directors. The duties of the Editor will involve collection of the editorial material, page layout, and editing, mailing, and preparation of the annual budget for approval by the Board. The Editor will consult with the Board when there are questions as to the admissibility of editorial material, or when

there are other questions as to the management of the *Claymore*.

The *Claymore* traditionally has had regional correspondents as regular contributors to its pages; these correspondents may or may not be members of regional clubs, but regional clubs may provide their own editorial material if they wish. The Editor will be responsible for the appointment of regular columnists, including regional contributors, subject to approval by the Board. The subject matter of the columns will be selected at the discretion of the Editor. Editorial material may be withheld, for later publication if the Editor deems any issue so large as to present an excessive financial burden in its publication. The Editor and columnists receive no compensation.

The *Claymore* will be sent to all dues-paying members; it may be sent to other individuals or agencies at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Reproduction of material from the *Claymore* may be done with the Editor's approval. The mailing list for the *Claymore* contains the Club's membership roster, and may not be provided to any company or group for commercial purposes.

## 1994 Standing Rules:

### **the Handling of Indebtedness to the SDCA**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in St Louis, MO 5/13/1994 - - Passed at the Annual Meeting in Ft. Wayne, IN 5/9/1997, with language changed)

Those to whom money is due will continue to handle funds in their accustomed way. For example, if they ever provide services or material prior to receiving payment, they will continue to use their judgment in doing so. However, they will be expected to send reminders in a timely way concerning money due, and thirty (30) days after the sending of reminders, if debts have not been retired, those individuals names, together with information about the nature of the indebtedness, will be sent to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will then send forms to the individuals notifying them that they can no longer make any other purchases from the SDCA until the debts are paid. The Treasurer will also make sure anyone who handles the SDCA function will be supplied with the names of these individuals on a need-to-know basis, the same people being immediately notified when the debt is paid.

Indebtedness can of course be incurred when an individual does send a check but for any reason the check "bounces". When this occurs, the Treasurer will notify that individual. If the first reminder had already been sent, the same thirty (30) day rule would apply from the date when it was sent (in other words, the individual would not be given an additional thirty days after being notified the check had "bounced.") However, if the "bounced" check had come in a timely manner and no reminder had been sent, the thirty (30) days would start when the Treasurer sent notification that the check had not gone through. If a second check from the same individual were to "bounce", that individual would be required to make payments to the SDCA by money order thereafter.

Defaulting on trophy pledges can be a serious problem for the Trophy Chairperson counting on the funds when purchasing the trophies for the event, and so some felt it should be handled in the same manner as any other indebtedness to the Club. However, the Board decided against this because it might discourage pledges and instead voted the following: Hereafter official requests for trophies will specify a date by which the funds have to be received in order for the individual's name to be published as a contributor. Funds will be welcomed (and needed) after that date, but in the case where they were pledged but never received, the situation of the pledger "receiving something for nothing" will be eliminated by setting such a deadline.

The consequences of being in arrears for a Club member would be to lose any perk available only to members, as with lower rates for some *Claymore* ads, along with inability by the Club to accept their money for any new purpose until the debt has been paid. The consequence for the non-members would simply be inability by the Club to accept their money for any additional SDCA sales or ads until the debts had been paid (nor could new subscriptions be accepted, should *Claymore* subscriptions run out; current subscriptions for which they had already paid would of course be continued).

## **Claymore Policy and Procedures**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO 5/13/1994)

### **PURPOSE OF THE *CLAYMORE***

1. Provide a means of communication among the members of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America
2. Provide a historical record of the breed

### **INFORMATION SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION**

1. Material submitted to the Claymore is printed as submitted, with only spelling or minor grammatical correction made when required. Editing on a more elaborate scale will not be done, to preserve the distinct style of those submitting material.
2. All material submitted will be published in a timely manner.
3. When the content of the material submitted is deemed questionable by the Editor, the Editor may;
  - a. Submit the questionable material to the SDCA Board for an opinion and notify the contributor that the article has been forwarded to the Board or,
  - b. Send the material in question to the person concerned for rebuttal in the same issue, or
  - c. Send the material in question to the person concerned and a letter to the contributor that the material with a rebuttal will be published in the next issue.

### **SDCA MEMBERSHIP AND THE *CLAYMORE***

SDCA Members are encouraged to contribute to the *Claymore* by:

1. Sending material to contribute to the editor.
  - a. Advertisements.
  - b. Letters, news, and items of interest will be included in an appropriate area of the newsletter.
  - c. Letters to be published in the "*To The Claymore*" column must be identified as submitted for publication and signed. (Unsigned or anonymous letters will not be published).
  - d. Original articles for publication.
  - e. Articles published in other sources, will include written permission to reprint the article and include the name, address, and date the article was published.
  - f. In Memoriam notices (no fee to members)
  - g. Litter Announcements (fee donated to rescue fund).
  - h. New Title Holders
  - i. Brags and compliments.
  - j. Suggestions for articles, themes for issues, or other areas members would like to see included in the *Claymore*.
2. Sending material to Regional Columnists.
  - a. Show results: Show results will be published only when there is competition and the following information is supplied:
    - 1) For conformation include judge, entry, name of show, and date.  
Include the names and owners of the Best of Breed, Best of

- Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Winners Dog, and Winners Bitch.
- 2) For coursing include the name of event, date, entry, and the names and owners of Best of Breed and all placement, first through NBQ.
- 3) Obedience, tracking, etc., include name of dog and owner and other pertinent information.
- b. Information about social events and activities.
- c. Information about Deerhounds that would be of interest to the general readership.
- 3. Material submitted should be typed or printed.

### **REGIONAL CLUBS AND THE *CLAYMORE***

Regional clubs may submit material to the Editor for publication in a column entitled "Club News". To submit material to be published in the column:

1. Regional clubs shall submit their nominee for columnist to the SDCA Board and Editor. The Board shall ask the Editor for input before approval of the columnist.
2. The regional club columnist shall submit on or before deadline:
  - a. Club news, limited to club activities, elections, and other information specific to that club, with the exception of regional specialties or other money generating events.
  - b. The column shall be limited to one-quarter page per issue.
3. If a difficulty arises with a regional club's columnist, the Editor will consult with the columnist and the regional club, with copies of the correspondence to the SDCA Board.

### **REVENUE AND THE *CLAYMORE***

#### **Advertising and Advertising Rates in the *Claymore***

For SDCA members and subscribers:

1. Advertising rates are published on the "Table on Contents" page of each issue
2. Advertising rates established by the SDCA Board of Directors, with input from the Editor
3. Payment must accompany advertising and the checks made payable to the Scottish Deerhound Club of America.

For Special Events:

1. For events where no money is returned to the SDCA, i.e. the Futurity, Regional Specialties, etc., the sponsoring group shall pay the then current, published advertising rate for camera ready, non-camera ready, and photo charges to the *Claymore*. The regional columns will not be used to publicize such events.
2. For the National specialty and such other events, that return profits to the SDCA, payments for advertising in the *Claymore* will be an accounting procedure by the SDCA Treasurer. The Treasurer and the Chairman for the special event will receive an accounting from the Editor for camera ready, non-camera ready, and photo charges for advertising.
3. Follow-up information for an event will be printed at no fee (thank-yous, show results, etc). The printer's fee for photos will be charged to the event-

sponsoring group.

**Additional Revenue:**

1. Subscriptions to the *Claymore* are available to those interested in Deerhounds. The subscription rate is set by the SDCA Board, as recommended by the Editor.
2. Back issues of the *Claymore* are available to interested people. The charge for back issue is set by the SDCA Board as recommended by the editor.

**Postage and Mailing:**

1. The *Claymore* is mailed to U.S. SDCA members and subscribers by bulk mail unless readers choose to pay the additional mailing fee. Overseas members and subscribers receive issues by surface mail unless they choose to pay the additional mailing fee.
2. The fees for first class and airmail postage are established by the editor, with the approval of the SDCA Board.

## **COLUMNISTS FOR THE CLAYMORE**

### **Regional Columnists:**

**Appointment of columnists:**

1. When there is a columnist position available or about to be available the Editor shall announce the opening in the *Claymore*, requesting that an SDCA member interested in doing the column respond in writing to the Editor by a specified date.
2. The editor will appoint a columnist and submit the name to the SDCA Board for approval.
3. The Editor will inform the columnist of appointment after Board approval.

**Responsibilities of regional columnists:**

1. Regions are defined by historical precedent and Deerhound population, pending SDCA Board action.
2. Shall be the repository of show news and activities and shall report such news from their designated area (not endemic to a specific club).
3. Shall have the option of including personal experiences, opinions and material deemed to be of interest to the general membership by the columnist and Editor.
4. Shall submit their reports to the editor on or before the deadline.
5. If the columnists are unable to meet deadline, they must notify the editor.
6. The columnist shall not transfer the responsibility of producing a column to another person.
7. Regional columnists shall serve for two years unless:
  - a. They do not submit two columns during a year (six issues)
  - b. Submit three columns after deadline during a year (six issues)
  - c. Submit their resignation to the Editor.
8. Regional columnists who have served a two year term may be reappointed for the position by the following guidelines as stated in section 1 under "Appointment of Columnists".
9. Regional columnists do not receive compensation.

**Regular contributors of specialized columns to the *Claymore*:**

1. Columnists in this category will include the authors of the "Health and Husbandry", "Working Deerhounds" (obedience and coursing), "Statistics,"

- etc...
2. Columnists shall be SDCA members.
  3. Columns will be submitted on a schedule to be determined by the Editor and columnist.
  4. Columnist's term as contributor will be flexible.
  5. Appointment of regular contributors:
    - a. Potential contributors will be found by referral, suggestions by SDCA members with experience in the specific topic, or by publishing a notice in the *Claymore*.
    - b. The Editor will contact the candidate to determine if the person is interested in doing a column.
    - c. The Editor will contact the candidate and submit the name to the SDCA Board for Approval.
    - d. The Editor will inform the columnists of their appointments after receiving Board approval.
  6. Columnists do not receive compensation.
- If a difficulty arises with a regional columnist or regular contributor:
1. The editor will attempt to resolve the problem with the columnist, sending copies of the correspondence to the SDCA Board Secretary.
  2. If the problem cannot be resolved by mutual agreement the issue will be presented to the SDCA Board for resolution.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EDITOR**

1. *Claymore* production.
  - a. Establishes deadlines
  - b. Collects editorial and advertising material
  - c. Prepares material, page layout, etc.
  - d. Assembles copy for the printer.
  - e. Submits copy and photos to the printer.
  - f. Coordinates reservation for special pages, i.e., back cover, centerfold, etc...
2. Selects the printer for the *Claymore* and Membership list.
3. *Claymore* distribution:
  - a. Maintains list of subscribers.
  - b. Maintains first class mailing list
  - c. Coordinates address changes and additions with the *Claymore* Mailing Coordinator who is responsible for the newsletter mailing labels for SDCA members, subscribers, courtesy copies to judges and other dog clubs.
  - d. Sends labels for U.S. mailing to the printer, noting first class for readers who have paid the fee, SDCA Board members and Officers, advertisers, and columnists.
  - e. Mails overseas issues, including Membership list.
  - f. Returns only the advertisements and photos that are accompanied by a stamped (with sufficient postage) self-addressed envelope.
  - g. Forwards membership address changes to the membership Secretary.
4. Maintains financial records for the *Claymore*.
  - a. Forwards checks to the SDCA Treasurer.
  - b. Submits bills to the SDCA Treasurer.

- c. Sends bill to advertisers when necessary.
- d. Sends renewal notices to subscribers.
- e. Prepares annual report for the SDCA Board.
- 5. Coordinates National Specialty coverage with Show Chairman.
- 6. Miscellaneous duties:
  - a. Correspond with contributors as required, including:
    - 1) Notify advertisers when their camera-ready ads will not reproduce properly.
    - 2) Notify advertisers when their photos will not reproduce well.
  - b. Supplies SDCA Board with information requested.
  - c. Secures and/or gives permission to reprint articles. Currently have on-going permission to reprint articles from the following Deerhound Clubs:
    - 1) Deerhound Club (U.K.).
    - 2) Deerhound Club of Victoria (Australia)
  - d. Answer questions and refer individuals to the appropriate SDCA officer or committee.
  - e. Arrange for the *Claymore* to receive FAX messages at a place determined to be expedient and convenient for the Editor.
  - f. Editorial responsibilities as the occasions arise assure that the *Claymore* is published in a timely fashion.

### **Standing Rule for Selection of SDCA National Specialty Judges**

(Passed at the annual Meeting in Vergennes, VT, 5/12/1995)

1. A list of all AKC judges eligible to judge Deerhounds, along with each judge's state of residence, will be published in the September/October issue of the *Claymore* prior to the start of a triennial year. Foreign judges can be written in. No one will be eligible to judge our specialty more than once every six years, and those ineligible for this reason will not be included on the list (for those who become eligible for a second or third year, this will be indicated on the list). Each SDCA member in good standing will be encouraged to select no more than five (5) of these judges and submit those choices to the designated vote-counter by the date specified by the *Claymore* Editor, said to be approximately thirty (30) days after the anticipated receiving of the *Claymore*.
2. The twenty-five (25) judges receiving the most votes will compose a second list, to be made available to the membership no later than in the publication of the January/February issue of the *Claymore*. Each SDCA member in good standing will again be encouraged to select no more than five (5) judges from this list and submit those choices to the designated vote-counter by a date specified by the *Claymore* Editor, said date to be approximately thirty (30) days after the anticipated receiving of that *Claymore*.
3. The fifteen judges receiving the most votes will comprise the list to be made available to SDCA National Specialty show chairpersons and show committees for the next three years. This list will be published to the membership in alphabetical order but, made available to show committees in numerical order. They are to select the judge they consider best suited for their situation, keeping in mind economics and the draw for the event, submitting their first, second, and third choices to the SDCA Board for confirmation. The show committee will take

into consideration the membership's order of preference but need not necessarily make selections in that order.

4. Any ballots with more than five (5) votes, or arriving after the designated deadlines, will not be counted.
5. Once the voting is completed and the new list made official, all the previous lists will be superseded by the new list.
6. This procedure is to be repeated every three (3) years beginning in 1995 (the 1995 list being for 1997, 1998, and 1999), the Board to designate a vote counter for each election.

## **SDCA Rescue & Placement Committee Guidelines**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Vergennes, VT, 5/12/1995)

### **I. The Rescue & Placement Committee**

A. The SDCA Rescue & Placement Committee will consist of at least three and not more than five members one of whom may be a member of the SDCA Board of Directors.

1. The Committee members will come from as diverse geographical areas as possible.

B. The Committee members will be appointed to staggered two year terms by the SDCA Board of Directors, the initial terms (beginning in 1995) to be determined by lot. Members may be reappointed.

C. The Committee will choose its own chairman.

1. The name, address, and telephone number of the Rescue & placement Chairman will be published in each issue of the Claymore.
  - a. Included will be the phrase, "If you have lost and/or found a Deerhound please contact:"
2. The Chairman (or his representative) will be responsible for coordinating any rescues.

D. The Rescue & Placement Committee will compile and keep a list of volunteer "halfway houses," these volunteers to be able to keep rescued animals until placement.

1. This list will include people with and without quarantine facilities.

E. The Rescue & Placement Committee will compile and keep up-to-date list of "good homes."

1. This list will include people who might otherwise be unable to afford a Deerhound, as sacrificing a potential home for a dog because of financial reasons is contrary to the meaning of rescue.
2. This list is for the use of the Rescue & Placement Committee only and is not to be used for non-rescue purposes.

F. The Rescue & Placement Committee will keep a record of all placements, listing the dog's name, breeder (if known), name and address of the person from whom the dog was received, reason for rescue or placement, the name and address of the person with whom the dog was placed, and the dates of follow-up visits.

1. This list will be available, by request, to all SDCA members.

G. The Rescue & Placement Committee will put together an informational booklet on the care of Scottish Deerhounds, including information about the Club and the

name of the Rescue & Placement chairman, to be sent to anyone who registers a Scottish Deerhound.

## **II. General Guidelines for Placement of Rescued Animals**

- A. Breeders of the rescued dog (if known) who are SDCA members will be notified and given the option of taking the dog before any placements are made.
  - 1. The breeder will reimburse the Club for any rescue-related expenses.
- B. When necessary, the SDCA will bring a rescued animal's health up to par before placing it in a home.
  - 1. The Rescue & Placement Committee, when finding that a rescued Deerhound is not adoptable because of health or temperament, may elect to euthanize the dog. This option should only be exercised as a last resort with the agreement of all committee members.
- C. The Rescue & Placement Committee reserves the right to withhold American Kennel Club papers.
- D. It is recommended that any animal placed by the Rescue & Placement Committee be tattooed upon placement.
- E. A rescue form will be signed by the new owners of any dog placed by the Rescue & Placement Committee. One copy will accompany the dog, one copy will go to the club secretary, and one copy will be retained by the Rescue & Placement Committee.
  - 1. At its discretion, the Rescue & Placement Committee may waive the spaying and/or neutering requirement on the rescue form.

## **III. Placement of Non-Rescue Animals**

- A. Deerhounds who are in no immediate danger will be placed into new homes when their owners feel they can no longer care for them.
- B. A request for placement will be initiated by the owner of the dog to one or more Committee members.
- C. All expenses will be borne by the person requesting the placement.
- D. Under unusual circumstances, the Committee will contact the SDCA Board.

## **IV. Rescue Policies**

- A. It will be the policy of the SDCA that any Deerhound found in a pet store will be purchased and placed.
  - 1. Section II, subsection A does not apply to breeders of animals found in a pet store.
  - 2. The SDCA will lay charges with the American Kennel Club and other appropriate agencies, regarding any registration and/or identification irregularities or any inhumane treatment, which it finds.
- B. Money from the SDCA's Rescue Fund will be available to purchase any dog from a pet store or any dog that is in need of rescue or whose owners will not give the dog up without recompense.
- C. Where practical, the new owners will reimburse the Club for the actual costs.

## **Selection of Sweepstakes Judges**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Vergennes, VT, 5/12/1995)

"Sweepstakes judges will be selected by the Specialty Committee."

### **Awarding Certificates of Merit**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Ft. Wayne, IN, 5/9/1997)

1. A maximum of five (5) Certificates may be awarded at each National Specialty.
2. Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Winners Dog and Winners Bitch are ineligible.
3. The numbers of the Certificate of Merit winners may be announced in the ring.
4. Matted Certificates will then be prepared, with the names of the dogs and the show and presented at the Club Dinner.

### **Standing Rule for Membership Roster**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Merrimac, WI, 4/12/2000)

The Membership Secretary will compile and publish an official membership roster on a yearly basis as soon as after the 90-day grace period (March 31<sup>st</sup>).

### **Roster Format Guidelines**

The Roster will include:

1. Each member's name in alphabetical order by last name, kennel name (if applicable), address, telephone number, fax number and/or e-mail address.
2. A tabulation of members by state or foreign country (names only). The total number of members will be indicated and, along with any new members added after publication, will be the number used to compute the quorum for the Annual Meeting.
3. The following statement will be prominently situated in the front of the booklet in bold letters: "THIS LIST IS PROVIDED SOLELY FOR THE USE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SCOTTISH DEERHOUND CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. ITS PUBLICATION, SALE, OR RENTAL IS STRICKLY PROHIBITED."

The membership Secretary will work closely with the Treasurer and Secretary to insure that all listings are correct.

The Membership Secretary will send the roster to all SDCA members. It will not be made available to any non-member, commercial operation or organization with exception of the American Kennel Club and the American Sighthound Field Association.

If requested, the Mailing Labels Coordinator will supply mailing labels to the specialty show secretary/superintendent with the proviso that the labels not be copied or sold to anyone. Mailing labels will be made available for specialty, regional specialty, and field trail mailings.

The Membership Secretary will maintain a back-up roster.

### **Standing Rule for Donor Advised Fund**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Merrimac, WI, 4/12/2000)

"To establish a Scottish Deerhound Club of America Donor Advised Fund at the AKC Canine Health Foundation."

### **Standing Rule for the Versatility Program**

(Passed at the Annual Meeting in Merrimac, WI, 4/12/2000)

“Establishment of the Versatility Program. The purpose of the Versatility Program shall be to recognize those breeders and owners of Scottish Deerhounds who work toward that goal by participation in a wide variety of canine sports such as conformation, obedience, and lure coursing. The Versatility Program shall consist of two parts; the Versatility Certificate and the Versatility Certificate Excellent; and the Versatility Breeder of the Year award. The Program will be governed by committee answerable to the SDCA Board of Directors.

## **2002 Standing Rules:**

### **Standing Rule for Modification of the SDCA Dues Structure**

(passed by majority in a mail in vote October 31, 2002 )

*(5/1996 Board Policy that only one additional adult member is eligible for a household membership- left this in here as was previously stated)*

Because of the need for additional moneys to operate the *Claymore* and the need to place a price on receiving the privilege of membership on top of the *Claymore* subscription:

1. Fee for the *Claymore* only - **\$35.00** per year.
2. Annual dues for a regular membership (including a subscription to the *Claymore*) - **\$40.00** per year.
3. Annual dues for an additional adult member in the same household \$10.00, making a household membership (including a single subscription to the *Claymore*) - **\$55.00** per year.

## **2006 Standing Rules:**

### **Standing Rule for Publishing Quarterly Financial Reports**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Frankenmuth, MI, on May 11, 2006)

The membership voted to require the publishing of Quarterly Financial Reports, as prepared by the Treasurer, in the *Claymore* to provide the Board and membership the opportunity to review the club's financial situation.

### **Standing Rule for Modification of the Versatility Program**

(passed at the Annual Meeting in Frankenmuth, MI, on May 11, 2006)

The membership voted to change the wording contained in the Standing Rule for the Versatility Program established in April 2000, to remove "The Versatility Program shall consist of two parts; the Versatility Certificate and the Versatility Certificate Excellent; and the Versatility Breeder of the Year award."