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## **ROSWELL, GA TEEN WINS AT THE AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

*Junior Showmanship Finalist & Great Dane Reserve Winner*

**Roswell, Ga, December 16, 2012** — Kylie Soafer, a 17 year old Roswell High School senior, competed at the American Kennel Club / Eukanuba National Championship held in Orlando, Fl. on December 15-16th, 2012 with her two year old Great Dane, "Tara." Both Kylie and Tara had a very successful show, winning in Junior Showmanship and in the Great Dane breed ring.

Kylie has shown in Juniors and breed confirmation since she was nine years old. She is the #1 Great Dane Junior Handler in the country. Junior Showmanship is a sport where youth aged 9-17 are judged rather than the dog. Juniors must demonstrate skill and confidence in handling their dogs in the ring, maximizing their strengths and minimizing any faults. Out of the 167 Juniors invited to the National Championship, Kylie was selected as one of the top 12 finalists.

In the Great Dane breed confirmation ring, Dogs are judged against the AKC standard for their breed, with the dog most closely matching the standard being judged as the winner. Kylie handled Tara to a Reserve Winners win.

"We are very excited for Kylie and proud of her achievements," says Glen Soafer, Kylie's Father and travel companion at most of the 40+ dog shows she attends each year. "Showing Dog's is one of Kylie's many sporting activities, but for me at the end of the day, it's a unique opportunity for quality Father-Daughter time. These are times we will never forget."

The AKC / Eukanuba National Championship will be televised on ABC Television Network on Saturday, February 2, 2013. Check your local listings for air times.

For more information about the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship, please visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).

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