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Hi All,

Two weeks ago I posted about scheduling surgery to prevent gastric volvulus and dilation (GDV aka "bloat") for two of our Danes. Since bloat is known as the "Mother of All Emergencies" for Dane owners, I am sharing this post as Dog Owner Education Topic #31: "The Mother of Bloat Prevention."

You may recall that our Dane [Merlot bloated](#) in July. To prevent a similar near-death experience for Jupiter and Savannah, they had prophylactic laparoscopic (minimal incision) gastropexy surgery this week. We are now back at home and I cannot say enough about how positive this experience was on so many levels.

I welcome you to read about it here: <http://www.lissa.net/Joya/Lapro-Pexy.htm> and please feel free to share with others. At the bottom of the web page, I added a "lessons learned" so that you can cut to the chase by reading just that section.

As always, thanks for ALL you do to educate yourself to benefit Great Danes and all dog owners!

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MAGDRL web: <http://www.magdrl.org>

MAGDRL events: <http://www.lissa.net/Joya/MAGDRL.htm>

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