



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America

November 2015

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*Michele Ritter*

In September we celebrated much more than individual achievements and winning rosettes at our National Specialty. Returning to Olympia, WA for the fourth time was an opportunity to immerse ourselves in the pure enjoyment of why we make the personal and financial commitment to attend and exhibit at these yearly gatherings. Simply put, they allow us to affirm what we all share, who love this wonderful breed. Friends and acquaintances, with whom I sat and watched judging, like me, are engaged in the life and love of beardies.

The ribbons fade and show campaigns are short; they are meaningless compared to the special animals we share our lives with and from whom we receive uncompromising devotion and loyalty. The venue had changed little since the National held there in 1985, although there are names and faces of those who are no longer in attendance at the National in the mist. As the shadows advanced across the picturesque lawn of the show site, I recalled many of them and concluded that this place overlooking Puget Sound was special ground that had witnessed much joy, success, and dreams, over the years. There are ghosts in the bushes surrounding the huge stands of fir and pines, reaching skyward.

This National, and the 22nd specialty hosted by the Northwest Bearded Collie Club of Puget Sound, were conducted at remarkable venues with enthusiasm, thoroughness and good nature. Everyone who contributed to make them happen is worthy of our thanks and admiration.

Make the effort to attend and participate in National Specialties; you can't reminisce if you don't make memories. Plan to attend the 2016 National, hosted by the Bearded Collie Club of Maine, in Boxborough, MA, September 17th - 23rd, there's new information on the website almost daily - [www.bcca2016.com](http://www.bcca2016.com)

The 2017 National will be held at the Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO, October 1st - 6th, hosted by the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club. Plans are in the works for the 2018 National, more information to come soon.

Happy Thanksgiving!

## **UPCOMING BCCA & AFFILIATE EVENTS**

### **NOVEMBER**

30 BCCA – Deadline for Distribution of preliminary Ballots to Membership for Specialty Judges

### **DECEMBER**

5 Supported entry, hosted by Independence BCC, at Valley Forge Kennel Club, Oaks, PA (**closes November 11th!**)

## **NOVEMBER 2015 OFFICIAL NOTICES FROM THE RECORDING SECRETARY**

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The Board of Directors will be selecting a nominating committee at the January board meeting. Any suggestions for this committee should be sent to Linda Taylor by December 15, 2015.

### **BCCA NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES**

Purpose: To nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office, board position, and AKC Delegate on a three year rotation and procure the acceptance of each nominee so chosen.

### **DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

1. Contact current Board members in early February, whose terms of service are ending and inquire whether they are interested in being considered for nomination. Those answering in the affirmative should be considered with all other suggested persons. There is no requirement that incumbents whose terms are ending must be asked to serve another term.
2. Determine if a nomination is need for the AKC Delegate (in 3 year rotation).
3. Contact all members of the committee to plan your approach.
4. Notify all members in the February Bagpipes that the committee is accepting ideas for nominees.
5. Follow recommendations in the Guidelines for the Nominating Committee.
6. Notify the Recording Secretary of the slate by March 1.

*The mission of the Bearded Collie Club of America is to protect the long-term welfare of the breed by providing a variety of opportunities for Beardie owners, breeders, and the general public to learn, connect, and compete, while supporting research into breed-specific health issues and rescuing Beardies in need.*

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**SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 BCCA ANNUAL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 • RED LION HOTEL, OLYMPIA WA**

*Joanne Williamson, Recording Secretary Pro Tem*

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 2:31 PM, PDT.

Present: Andreassend, Carter, Conner, Furlow, Means, Ritter, Williamson, Wistrom  
Linda Taylor was present (but not voting) via a phone link.

Absent: Deily, Hobe, Szalka, Taylor

Observing: Sitrine

Due to the absence of the Recording Secretary, Michele Ritter moved that Joanne Williamson be elected Secretary Pro Tem to take minutes at both the board meeting and the annual general meeting. The motion was passed without dissention.

The minutes of the August 25, 2015 board meeting were approved as distributed.

**REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

*(presented by Ritter)*

Frank Coleman, Rick Rosen, Janna Dozet and Gayle Dozet are new members approved in August.

Membership applications were received from the following for October board approval:

Joyce Emerson  
Associate/Single  
106 Florence Drive  
Aptos, CA 95003  
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Sponsor: Meta Wasson, Tish Pollock

5 inquiries about puppies were received and answered

1 new litter listing was received

**In Memoriam**

Susan McKean, August 22, 2015

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER (MEANS)**

The Treasurer’s report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

The club’s budget was nearly balanced for 2014-2015 (a \$3,000 profit was made) suggesting that the new budgeting process is effective in helping to maintain the club’s non-profit status. In addition to the financial results, Means reported that 29 households failed to renew memberships and have been dropped from the roster as of September 1; one affiliate club also failed to renew. There was some discussion of ways to help keep members from dropping out. One suggestion that was thought to merit further research was to make it possible for members to renew for multiple years at one time. Means further suggested that \$25,000 be donated to the BCCA Charitable Trust.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES (RITTER)**

Reports were received from all committees except awards and health. These reports are available to the membership on the BCCA website.

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## **ELIMINATION OF DEFUNCT STANDING COMMITTEES**

A motion was made by Means and seconded by Wistrom that the text of Standing Rule 5.1, dealing with the BCCA standing committees, be amended by striking the statement "The following are the usual standing committees of the BCCA" and the list of the committees. The remainder of the text of this standing rule will remain the same. This motion was passed with dissention.

## **REVISED COMMITTEE GUIDELINES**

A motion was made by Means and seconded by Carter to approve the updated Committee Guidelines as prepared by Rosie Schroeder. The motion was passed without dissention.

## **NATIONAL SPECIALTY UPDATES**

2016: Nationals Chair Val Maloney provided a brief written report and a list of committee members to the board.

2017: Carol Serrine was invited by the board to present the bid of the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club to host the 2017 Nationals. Details of the club's preliminary plans were reported. It was suggested that the addition of a regional specialty at the end of the week be considered to help improve entries. A motion was made by Conner and seconded by Furlow to accept the bid of the GPBCC to host the 2017 Nationals at Purina Farms contingent on submission of a final proposal and budget.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

New member applications from Charle Carentz (Sponsor, Sheree Girty), Kathy Comer (Sponsor, Gretchen Blackburn), John and Mary Youngblood (Sponsor, Andrea Hobe), Patricia and Tom Gaines (Sponsor, Janet Atkins) and Dick Townsend (Sponsor, Sonja Blanchard) were read and voted on. All were approved without dissention.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Wistrom and seconded by Andreassend to authorize the BCCA Treasurer to budget a \$25,000 donation to the BCCA Charitable Trust. The motion was passed without dissention.

A motion was made previously by Szalka and seconded by Furlow to approve BCCA participation in the OFA Parent Breed Club Health Survey. The motion was passed without dissention.

No new motions were proposed for October.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:27 PM PST.

## **BCCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 21, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 5:20 PM PST. The board members present introduced themselves.

President Ritter reported that Joanne Williamson had been approved as Secretary Pro Tem at the ABM in the absence of the Recording Secretary. She summarized the actions taken by the board at the just concluded ABM:

- Committee reports will be available on the club website
- Updated committee guidelines were approved
- Seven new members were voted in
- \$25,000 donation was made to the BCCA Charitable Trust
- Great Plains Bearded Collie Club was approved as the host of the 2017 Nationals contingent on receipt of a final proposal
- BCCA participation in the OFA Parent Club Breed Survey was approved

Feedback from the members present was requested. A concern was expressed that the OFA survey be customized to some extent to address breed specific problems. There was also a request that health-testing requirements for litter listings be loosened in order to broaden the gene pool.

There being no quorum present, no business could be conducted and the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 PM PST.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Williamson

## **OCTOBER 27, 2015 BCCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:35 PM, EST.

Present: Andreassend, Carter, Deily, Furlow, Hobe, Means, Ritter, Szalka, Taylor, Wistrom

Absent: Conner

The minutes of the September 21, 2015 annual board meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Deily)

Membership applications were received from the following for October board approval; however, voting was postponed until November in order to have the names published in the newsletter prior to vote.

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### **REPORT OF THE TREASURER (MEANS)**

The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to allow the Bearded Collie Club of Maine to use the BCCA license to hold a Specialty with Sweepstakes, Saturday June 4th, 2016, and a supported entry on Sunday, June 5th, 2016 with Ladies' Dog Club, Wrentham, MA; Karen Norteman, Chair. Note: All advertising shall reflect that this is a BCCA event, hosted by the Bearded Collie Club of Main. (Taylor) passed without dissension.

Motion to allow the Bearded Collie Club of Maine to use the BCCA license to support the entry of bearded collies AT THE Southern Main Coastal Classic Cluster, May 21-22, 2016, Scarborough, ME; Val Maloney, Chair. All advertising shall reflect that this is a BCCA event, hosted by the Bearded Collie Club of Maine.(Taylor) passed without dissension.

Motion to allow the Bearded Collie Club of Maine to use the BCCA license to support the entry of bearded collies at the Penobscot Valley Kennel Club shows (Chickadee Cluster), June 25-26, Cumberland, ME; Karen Norteman, Chair. All advertising shall reflect that this is a BCCA event, hosted by the Bearded Collie Club of Maine.(Taylor) passed without dissention.

No new motions were proposed for November.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 PM EST.

Next Meeting – 8:30 P.M. EST, Tuesday, November 24, 2015

### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

*Robin Deily*

Please send all changes in your email and snail mail addresses and telephone numbers to the BCCA Corresponding Secretary.

Welcome New Members Charle Carentz, Frank Coleman & Rick Rosen, Kathy Comer, Jana & Gayle Dozet, Patricia & Tom Gaines, Dick Townsend, and John & Mary Youngblood

### **ADDRESS CHANGES**

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### **IN MEMORIAM**

Susan McKean - August 22, 2015

### **BAGPIPES DEADLINE**

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **DEC 1ST, 2015**  
Email reports and articles to Michele Ritter, [topdogs@ptd.net](mailto:topdogs@ptd.net)

### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS**

*to be voted on at the November Board Meeting*

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### **LITTER LISTINGS**

#### **Projected Birth Date – November 24, 2015**

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CH Raintree Ready Set Go ex CH Meadows' Everything That Shines  
Sire: Hips: BC-3971G75M-VPI; Eyes: Normal (unsubmitted ACVO exam); Thyroid: BC-TH342-75M-VPI  
Dam: Hips: BC-3972G26F-VPI; Eyes: BC-355742; Thyroid: BC-TH394/34F-VPI; Elbow: BC-EL530F34-VPI

#### **September 6, 2015**

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Sire: Hips: BC-3902G28M-VPI; Eyes: BC-1428; Thyroid: BC-TH298/61M-VPI; Elbow: BC-EL469M28-VPI  
Dam: Hips: BC-3966G28F-NOPI; Eyes: BC-1487; Thyroid: BC-TH351/29F-NOPI  
1 Black M, 2 Blue M, 4 Black F

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Ad reservations for the thi current issue of the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **AUGUST 1ST, 2015**  
Contact the editor to reserve ad space, [lillianespo@verizon.net](mailto:lillianespo@verizon.net)

# BCCA PROFIT & LOSS SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2015

3:57 PM • 11/08/15 • Cash Basis

	<u>Sept 15</u>	<u>Oct 15</u>	<u>Jul - Oct 15</u>
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Bagpipes</b>			
Litter Listings & Ads	20.00		20.00
<b>Total Bagpipes</b>	<u>20.00</u>		<u>20.00</u>
<b>Beardie Bulletin</b>			
Advertising	6180.00	770.00	7,680.00
Subscriptions	766.00	30.00	14,741.00
<b>Total Beardie Bulletin</b>	<u>6946.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u>22,421.00</u>
<b>Donations from Members</b>			
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds			79.00
Deposit Rescue Checking Account		250.00	1,100.00
General Fund			140.00
Donations from Members - Other	150.00	735.00	885.00
<b>Total Donations from Members</b>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>985.00</u>	<u>2,204.00</u>
Illustrated Standard Sales	13.00	26.00	254.00
<b>Investments</b>			
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	263.77	709.64	1,480.47
<b>Total Investments</b>	<u>263.77</u>	<u>709.64</u>	<u>1,480.47</u>
<b>Member Dues</b>			
Affiliate Clubs	50.00		375.00
New Members	60.00	80.00	335.00
<b>Renewal Dues</b>			
Late Fee	145.00		545.00
Renewal Dues - Other	795.00		14,990.00
<b>Total Renewal Dues</b>	<u>940.00</u>		<u>15,535.00</u>
<b>Total Member Dues</b>	<u>1050.00</u>	<u>80.00</u>	<u>16,245.00</u>
Misc Income			319.65
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>8442.77</u>	<u>2,600.64</u>	<u>42,944.12</u>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Agility Trial Expenses</b>			
BCCA Agility Expenses			500.00
<b>Total Agility Trial Expenses</b>			<u>500.00</u>
BCCA Database Hosting	104.25		104.25
<b>Beardie Rescue</b>			
Misc Expenses		123.44	123.44
Vet Expenses		2,102.88	2,398.88
<b>Total Beardie Rescue</b>		<u>2,226.32</u>	<u>2,522.32</u>
<b>Bulletin</b>			
Art Direction, Editing	3185.00		3,185.00
Postage	45.39		1,690.82
Printing		4,700.00	9,180.00
<b>Total Bulletin</b>	<u>3230.39</u>	<u>4,700.00</u>	<u>14,055.82</u>
Charitable Donation		25,735.00	25,735.00
<b>Contract Services</b>			
CPA - Tax Prep		500.00	500.00
<b>Total Contract Services</b>		<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Juniors Scholarships		250.00	250.00
<b>Meet the Breeds Booth</b>			
AKC/Eukanuba Medallions			215.00
Meet the Breeds Booth - Other	110.00		110.00
<b>Total Meet the Breeds Booth</b>	<u>110.00</u>		<u>325.00</u>
PayPal	37.12		269.75
Postage			172.86
Sunshine Committee			300.00
<b>Trophies</b>			
Maintenance		23.55	23.55
Trophies - Other		345.55	434.95
<b>Total Trophies</b>		<u>369.10</u>	<u>458.50</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>3481.76</u>	<u>33,780.42</u>	<u>45,193.50</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>4961.01</u>	<u>-31,179.78</u>	<u>-2,249.38</u>