



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America

December 2015

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Michele Ritter

NEED HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS?

Looking for the ideal gift for your beardie friends who already have everything they need, and like most of us, already have more stuff than they can use?

How about a donation in your friends' names to one of the organizations that support beardies?

The Bearded Collie Club of America Charitable Trust is a 501(c)3 organization that provides a means of collecting tax-deductible donations in support of the educational, health and rescue needs of Bearded Collies.

BeaCon, also a 501(c)3 organization, was formed to study the health of Bearded Collies, to educate owners, breeders, and the public about their health issues, to identify, support, and actively participate in research which is anticipated to result in improved health for the breed.

Both organizations work toward the similar goals as the BCCA; The Charitable Trust is run by a board consisting of BCCA members; BeaCon is run by a board consisting of both BCCA members and those who are not members.

They will acknowledge your contribution with a card to the person you're naming; in my experience, it's a greatly appreciated gift!

There are links on the BCCA website that will explain how to donate. It's quick and easy and blesses our Beardies as well as our friends.

2015 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By February 1st, the board selects a nominating committee for officers and directors to be elected in the spring. Information was provided in the last Bagpipes and will be again this month in the Secretary's Announcements. If you are interested in serving or have a suggestion, please contact Linda Taylor. Remember it's *your* club, all suggestions will be considered.

2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY PRELIMINARY JUDGES' BALLOT

Judges' bios and the preliminary ballot were emailed in early December to BCCA members via a Mail Chimp email. Be sure to read the bios and VOTE!

On behalf of the BCCA Board, I would like to wish every one of you a Happy Holiday and the very best in the New Year.

DECEMBER 2015 RECORDING SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL NOTICES

Linda Taylor

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.

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

- Contact current Board members 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.
- Determine if a nomination is need for the AKC Delegate (in 3 year rotation).
- Contact all members of the committee to plan your approach.
- Notify all members in the Bagpipes that the committee is accepting ideas for nominees.
- Follow recommendations in the Guidelines for the Nominating Committee.
- Notify the Recording Secretary of the slate by March 1.

| Activities | Date to Be Accomplished | Person(s) Responsible |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Notify members that they can submit names for nomination | February Bagpipes | Chair |
| Contact current Board | Early in February | Chair |
| Send the nominations to the Recording Secretary | On or before March 1 | Chair |

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NOVEMBER 24, 2015 BCCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Linda Taylor, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:33 PM, EST.

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

Absent: Conner, Szalka

The minutes of the October 27, 2015 annual board meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Deily)

The following new members were approved without dissent: Joyce Emerson, Renee Roberson, Sandra Roe, Gwen Shaneville, Jeannette Zavacky and Patrick Cahill.

Report of the Treasurer (Means)

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

New Business

Motion to approve a new agility award: - The Lightning Award rewards speed in AKC agility at the Masters' level, for the fastest average combined scores in Standard Masters or Masters Preferred and JWW Masters or Masters Preferred, during the preceding year. Preferred scores must be for a Veteran, age seven or over.

The award is sponsored by Lori Weinberg to honor Rocky, MACH PACH Chanium Creag MXS MJG MXP3 MXPB MJ7 MJPS PAX XF. The custom steel award features a shadow figure of a Bearded Collie stretched over a jump.

Yards per second will be used for scoring purposes; the five fastest legs for each dog that is eligible for the award are counted; drop the high and low numbers and average the remaining three runs. Add the average for the Jumpers to the Average for Standard to get the dog's total score. The dog with the highest combined score is the winner. For example, an average jumpers yps (6.244) plus average Standard yps (5.41) equals a total score of 11.654. In the case of a tie, multiple trophies will be given. (Taylor)

Motion to approve the Northern California Bearded Collie Fancier's bid to host the 2018 Bearded Collie Club of America National Specialty, September 29 – October 6th, 2018, McClellan, CA.

For The Good of the Order

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

Next Meeting – 8:30 P.M. EST, Tuesday, December 22, 2015

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Robin Deily

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joyce Emerson, Renee Roberson, Sandra Roe, Gwen Shaneville, and Jeannette Zavacky and Patrick Cahill

MEMBERSHIP RECORD CHANGES

Keith Madigan and Janice Gillies: kemadigan@hotmail.com, 734-288-3159
 Gail Hicks, 6600 Peach Orchard Road, Dalzell, SC 29040

LITTER LISTINGS

The BCCA does not endorse, recommend, or warrant any breeders or dogs who are included in the Litter Listing. Send updates to Robin Deily.

LITTER LISTINGS

November 24, 2015

Eileen Eaton and Claudia McNulty

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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

4 Black M, 4 Black F

Use these links to find out more about health tests and results.

• www.offa.org • The Mission of the OFA is to promote the health and welfare of companion animals through a reduction in the incidence of genetic disease.

• www.caninehealthinfo.org • The Canine Health Information Center, also known as CHIC, is a centralized canine health database jointly sponsored by the AKC/Canine Health Foundation (AKC/CHF) and the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA).

RECORDING SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL NOTICES (continued from p1)

2015 MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

This award recognizes the BCCA member or group of members who, as a result of their activity, has made the most significant contribution to the advancement of the Bearded Collie Club of America or the bearded collie. The award will be publicly announced and presented at the 2016 National Specialty banquet.

Nominations for the award will be accepted from any BCCA member in good standing. Nominations must be received by the recording secretary on or before March 21st of the year following the calendar year for which the award is made. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a 250 word (maximum) statement justifying the award for the particular nominee. Seated officers and board members are not eligible for the award.

Nominations and accompanying justifications will be considered at the April meeting of the board. The entire board, by majority vote, will select the award recipient. In an effort to preserve the "surprise" aspect of the award, the selection of the recipient will be conducted in Executive Session and will not appear in the published minutes of the board meeting.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the next issue of the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **FEBRUARY 1ST, 2016**.

Contact the editor Lillian Esposito, lillianespo@verizon.net, to reserve ad space.

BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **JAN 1ST, 2016**

Email your reports and articles to Michele Ritter, topdogs@ptd.net

BCCA PROFIT & LOSS NOVEMBER 2015

8:28 AM • 12/01/15 • Cash Basis

| | Nov 15 | Jul - Nov 15 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Income | | |
| Bagpipes | | |
| Litter Listings & Ads | | 20.00 |
| Total Bagpipes | | 20.00 |
| Beardie Bulletin | | |
| Advertising | 400.00 | 8,080.00 |
| Subscriptions | 34.00 | 14,775.00 |
| Total Beardie Bulletin | 434.00 | 22,855.00 |
| Donations from Members | | |
| BCCA Designated Rescue Funds | | 79.00 |
| Deposit Rescue Checking Account | | 1,100.00 |
| General Fund | | 140.00 |
| Donations from Members - Other | | 885.00 |
| Total Donations from Members | | 2,204.00 |
| Illustrated Standard Sales | 13.00 | 267.00 |
| Investments | | |
| Interest-Savings, Short-term CD | 1.80 | 1,482.27 |
| Total Investments | 1.80 | 1,482.27 |
| Member Dues | | |
| Affiliate Clubs | | 375.00 |
| New Members | 55.00 | 390.00 |
| Renewal Dues | | |
| Late Fee | | 545.00 |
| Renewal Dues - Other | | 14,990.00 |
| Total Renewal Dues | | 15,535.00 |
| Total Member Dues | 55.00 | 16,300.00 |
| Misc Income | | 319.65 |
| Total Income | 503.80 | 43,447.92 |
| Expense | | |
| Agility Trial Expenses | | |
| BCCA Agility Expenses | | 500.00 |
| Total Agility Trial Expenses | | 500.00 |
| BCCA Database Hosting | | 104.25 |
| Beardie Rescue | | |
| Misc Expenses | | 123.44 |
| Vet Expenses | | 2,398.88 |
| Total Beardie Rescue | | 2,522.32 |
| Bulletin | | |
| Art Direction, Editing | | 3,185.00 |
| Postage | 1,703.55 | 3,394.37 |
| Printing | | 9,180.00 |
| Total Bulletin | 1,703.55 | 15,759.37 |
| Charitable Donation | | 25,735.00 |
| Contract Services | | |
| CPA - Tax Prep | | 500.00 |
| Total Contract Services | | 500.00 |
| Juniors Scholarships | | 250.00 |
| Meet the Breeds Booth | | |
| AKC/Eukanuba Medallions | | 215.00 |
| Meet the Breeds Booth - Other | | 110.00 |
| Total Meet the Breeds Booth | | 325.00 |
| National Specialty | | |
| 2016 National Seed Money | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Total National Specialty | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 |
| PayPal | 15.08 | 284.83 |
| Postage | | 172.86 |
| Sunshine Committee | | 300.00 |
| Trophies | | |
| Maintenance | | 23.55 |
| Trophies - Other | | 434.95 |
| Total Trophies | | 458.50 |
| Total Expense | 9,218.63 | 54,412.13 |
| Net Income | -8,714.83 | -10,964.21 |

2016 BCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- BCCA Member of the Year Nominations Open
- 2016 Calendar of Events published
- TBD Rocky Mountain BCC – Agility Day
- 15 BCCA – Deadline for return of Specialty judges preliminary ballots to the Treasurer
- 30 National Capital BCC – Supported Entry at Middle Peninsula KC of Virginia, Richmond, VA. Superintendent: MB-F.

FEBRUARY

- 15 BCCA – Deadline for final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due to membership for voting
- 15 BCCA – Deadline for nominations for Board positions to Nominating Committee

MARCH

- 15 BCCA – Deadline for herding judge recommendations to the Herding Chair for the 2017 National Specialty
- 15 BCCA – Deadline for submissions for Member of the Year Award to Recording Secretary
- 30 BCCA – Deadline for final ballots for Specialty conformation judges returned to Treasurer

APRIL

- BCCA – Nominations for BCCA Officers and Directors announced to membership
- 1 BCC Southern California – 2 Independent Specialties/Sweeps held in conjunction with the Kern County Kennel Club, Bakersfield, CA. Entries: www.bandoian-butler.com Closing date: 3/16.
- 15 National Capital BCC Specialty. Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD Superintendent - MB-F
- 15-17 BCCA – All Breed Agility Trials, Amherst, NH. Entry Opening Date: 2/10. Entry Closing Date: 3/19. FMI: noreen@pawprinttrials.com.
- 17 National Capital BCC Supported Entry at Baltimore County KC, Timonium, MD. Superintendent - MB-F
- 22-24 Northern California BCF all-breed agility trials, Elk Grove, CA
- TBD Rocky Mountain BCC – Herding Instinct Testing, Ft. Lupton, CO.

MAY

- 13-15 BCCA All Breed Agility Trials, Erie, PA. Entry Opening Date: 3/16. Entry Closing Date: 4/27.
FMI: cstrialentries@aol.com.
- 21-22 BCCA Supported Entries, hosted by BCC Maine, Scarborough, ME. Closing Date: 5/4. Superintendent: MB-F.

JUNE

- 1 BCCA Membership Renewal Notices to be sent
- 4-5 BCCA Specialty with Sweepstakes & Supported Entry, hosted by BCC Maine at Ladies' Dog Club shows, Wrentham, MA.
Closing Date: 5/18. Superintendent: MB-F.
- 4 Rocky Mountain BCC – Supported Entry with Sweeps, Longmont, CO. Superintendent: Onofrio.
- 7-8 Northern California BCF herding trial
- 10 Northern California BCF - Obedience, Rally, Conformation & Sweeps. Superintendent :MB-F. Closind Date: 5/25.
- 14-16 Beardie Camp, Purina Farms, Gray Summit, MO
- 25-26 BCCA Supported Entries at the Penobscot Valley KC Shows, Cumberland, ME, hosted by the BCC Maine.
Superintendent: Rau. Closing Date 6/8

JULY

- 1 BCCA Membership Renewal Deadline/Affiliate Club Membership Renewal Deadline
- 1 2017 BCCA Board Seated
- 8 BCCA Specialty with Sweeps, hosted by the Great Lakes BCC, Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Road, Belleville, Michigan.
- 16 BCC Maine – 11th Annual Beardie Bounce & BBQ, Scarborough, ME

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

- 1 BCCA – Deadline for nominations for 2017 Specialty Conformation/Sweepstakes Judges due to Recording Secretary
- 5 Garden State BCC Specialty & Sweepstakes, Bridgewater, NJ. Superintendent MB-F. Closes 8/19.
- 17-23 BCCA 2016 National Specialty, Boxborough, MA. FMI: bccca2016.com

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

- 30 BCCA – Deadline for distribution of preliminary ballots to members for 2018 National conformation judges

DECEMBER

A SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL!