



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America

January 2016

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Michele Ritter

I hope everyone had a good holiday and that you are all keeping your beardies and tootsies warm. It's been unseasonably warm in northeast Pennsylvania, we had our first light dusting of snow today; it's much easier to appreciate it when you haven't been shoveling out from under it all winter!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The board will elect the nominating committee at the January 27th board meeting, please send suggestions for the committee to any member of the board (their emails are on next page); the result will be in the February newsletter, and also on the BCCA website. If you are interested in serving on the board or have a suggestion, contact a nominating committee member. Remember it's *your* club, all suggestions will be considered.

2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES' BALLOT

The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot will be presented as a final ballot to the membership via electronic mail by February 15th, with the ballots to be returned to the treasurer by March 30th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BCC OF CENTRAL FLORIDA!

Each breed club has a special "Meet the Breeds" booth at the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in December. The BCCCF has graciously accepted the responsibility of representing the BCCA many times. Janet Atkins and Charles Namey have chaired this project each year, and with the help of many of the Florida club members have represented the BCCA very admirably. This year the BCCA booth came in second!

Judging is done much like a dog show. Awards of first through fourth are given to each group, and then a Best in Show booth is chosen. This year's theme was very clever - "Bearded Collie Herding Trial"! A guilty looking beardie dressed in prison stripes complete with a ball and chain was facing a judge and jury made up of all sheep. There was even a court stenographer and many photos that served as evidence. Obviously the judges appreciated the cleverness of Janet and Charles and the BCCCF! Thanks to all who worked so hard!

JANUARY 2016 RECORDING SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL NOTICES

Linda Taylor

2017 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HERDING TRIAL JUDGE NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 8.4.1 • After a bid to host the national has been accepted by the board, the specialty herding trial chair will request recommendations for judges for each trial, test, and herding instinct test in the Bagpipes. Recommendations must be in writing or by email and include why that judge is recommended.

The person making the recommendation must include the highest herding title he/she has earned. The recommendation must be received by the BCCA Herding Committee Chair within 60 days of publication of the request.

The BCCA Herding Committee will discuss and review each recommendation and the chair will forward a list of recommended judges, including commentary, to the National Specialty Herding Chair within 75 days of the publication of the recommendation request. The judge(s) for each herding event will be taken from this list. Should all recommended judges be unavailable, or in an emergency, the BCCA Herding Committee will assist the local chair in finding an appropriate judge(s)."

Please send your recommendations to the BCCA Herding chair, by March 15, 2016:

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MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 4.7.1 • Member of the Year. This award will recognize 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 National Specialty banquet in the year following the calendar year for which the honor is awarded.

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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DECEMBER 22, 2015 BCCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Linda Taylor, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:32 PM, EST. Present: Andreassend, Carter, Conner, Deily, Furlow, Hobe, Means, Ritter, Szalka, Taylor, Wistrom

The minutes of the November 24, 2015 annual board meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Deily)

There were no new membership applications to consider.

Report of the Treasurer (Means)

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

New Business

Motion to approve the action of the Executive Committee to approve the Northern California Bearded Collie Fanciers’ bid for the 2018 BCCA National Specialty(Taylor) passed without dissent.

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 MJP7 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) passed without dissent.

Motion to approve the request of the Rocky Mountain Bearded Collie Connection, to host two BCCA herding trials, June 12, 2016, Valdemar Farms in Ft. Lupton, CO. (Taylor) passed without dissent.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR JANUARY VOTE

Suzanne & Kevin O’Malley

Full/Joint

404-414-4940

Omalley67@mac.com

Sponsor: Andrea Hobe

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM EST.

Next Meeting – 8:30 P.M. EST, Tuesday, January 26, 2015

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 **FEB 1ST, 2016**
Email your reports and articles to Michele Ritter, topdogs@ptd.net

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.

MEMBERSHIP RECORD CHANGES

Jill Floberg - phone number change to 303-522-3776

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@gmail.com

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

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).

MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

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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.

BCCA MEMBER APPOINTED WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Gail Miller Bisher has been a member of the BCCA since 1987; she has served the BCCA as the AKC Gazette breed columnist, BCCA-approved mentor, Conformation Chairman for the 2013 National Specialty, and as the club's historian since 2011.

Gail career has ranged from being a broadcast producer to marketing & communications with the American Kennel Club.

She has been appointed director of communications for the Westminster Kennel Club, for more info, see p5 of the Extra Edition.

BCCA PROFIT & LOSS DECEMBER 2015

4:35 PM • 01/04/16 • Cash Basis

| | Dec 15 | Jul - Dec 15 |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Income | | |
| Bagpipes | | |
| Litter Listings & Ads | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| Total Bagpipes | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| Beardie Bulletin | | |
| Advertising | | 8,080.00 |
| Subscriptions | 98.00 | 14,873.00 |
| Total Beardie Bulletin | 98.00 | 22,953.00 |
| Donations from Members | | |
| BCCA Designated Rescue Funds | | 79.00 |
| Deposit Rescue Checking Account | 1,260.00 | 2,360.00 |
| General Fund | | 140.00 |
| Donations from Members - Other | | 885.00 |
| Total Donations from Members | 1,260.00 | 3,464.00 |
| Illustrated Standard Sales | 13.00 | 280.00 |
| Investments | | |
| Interest-Savings, Short-term CD | 1.57 | 1,483.84 |
| Total Investments | 1.57 | 1,483.84 |
| Member Dues | | |
| Affiliate Clubs | | 375.00 |
| New Members | 105.00 | 495.00 |
| Renewal Dues | | |
| Late Fee | | 545.00 |
| Renewal Dues - Other | | 14,990.00 |
| Total Renewal Dues | | 15,535.00 |
| Total Member Dues | 105.00 | 16,405.00 |
| Misc Income | | 319.65 |
| Total Income | 1,497.57 | 44,945.49 |
| Expense | | |
| Agility Trial Expenses | | |
| BCCA Agility Expenses | | 500.00 |
| Total Agility Trial Expenses | | 500.00 |
| AKC Club Dues & Subscriptions | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 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 | 3,268.31 | 6,453.31 |
| Postage | | 3,394.37 |
| Printing | | 9,180.00 |
| Total Bulletin | 3,268.31 | 19,027.68 |
| 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 |
| Total National Specialty | | 7,500.00 |
| PayPal | | 284.83 |
| Postage | 49.00 | 221.86 |
| Roster | | |
| Printing | 927.77 | 927.77 |
| Postage | | |
| Total Roster | 927.77 | 927.77 |
| Sunshine Committee | | 300.00 |
| Trophies | | |
| Maintenance | | 23.55 |
| Trophies - Other | | 434.95 |
| Total Trophies | | 458.50 |
| Total Expense | 4,270.08 | 58,682.21 |
| Net Income | -2,772.51 | -13,736.72 |

2016 BCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

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

FEBRUARY

- 15 BCCA – Final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due to membership for voting
- 15 BCCA – Nominations for Board positions to Nominating Committee

MARCH

- 15 BCCA – Herding judge recommendations to the Herding Chair for the 2017 National Specialty
- 15 BCCA – Member of the Year Award nominations due to Recording Secretary
- 30 BCCA – Final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due 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; opening Date: 2/10, closing Date: 3/19; FMI: noreen@pawprinttrials.com
- 17 National Capital BCC Supported Entry at Baltimore County KC, Timonium, MDI; 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; opening Date: 3/16; 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 BCCA Specialty with Sweeps, hosted by BCC Maine at Ladies' Dog Club shows, Wrentham, MA; closing date: 5/18; Superintendent: MB-F
- 5 BCCA Supported Entry, hosted by BCC Maine at Ladies' Dog Club shows, Wrentham, MA; closing date: 5/18; Superintendent: MB-F
- 7-8 Northern California BCF - Herding Trial, JR Ranch, Patterson, CA; Karen Toth, Event Secretary; closing date: 5/25
- 10 Northern California BCF - Obedience, Rally, Conformation & Sweeps. Superintendent :MB-F; closing date: 5/25
- 12 BCCA Herding Test & Trials (2), hosted by Rocky Mountain Bearded Collie Club, Trial Chair: Renee Jarrett; closing 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 BCC Maine. Superintendent: Rau; closing date 6/8

JULY

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

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

- 1 BCCA – Nominations for 2018 Specialty Conformation/Sweepstakes Judges due to Recording Secretary
- 5 Garden State BCC Specialty & Sweepstakes, Bridgewater, NJ. Superintendent MB-F; closing date 8/19.
- 17-23 BCCA 2016 National Specialty, Boxborough, MA; FMI: bccca2016.com

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

- 30 BCCA – Preliminary ballots to members for 2018 National conformation judges

DECEMBER

A SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL!