



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Well, another Bearded Collie national is officially in the books! Congratulations to all the winners and I certainly hope everyone had a wonderful time...I know I did! It takes a lot of work to put on a national and an incredible group of dedicated volunteers to pull it all off! If you know someone who helped this year or in years past, please thank them profusely! We simply could not have a national specialty without our tireless volunteers!! I'd also like to take a moment extend sincere gratitude to those individuals who were good custodians of the host hotel and to those who cleaned up after their less than model fellow exhibitors. If you'd like to help out with future specialty preparations please let us know, helpful hands are always welcome!

As we travelled home from the nationals, many of us heard the sad news regarding the passing of Ann Witte. Ann was a dedicated beardie fancier and champion of the working Bearded Collie for over three decades, she will be greatly missed. In September we also said good bye to a number of all-breed judges and fanciers, many of whom were very good friends and mentors to me over the years. As I reflected on their passing I was also reminded of multiple long-time beardie breeders who have decided not to continue in the breed or have left the sport of dogs entirely. I personally find this very disheartening, while their reasons are varied and entirely their own business, the result has me reflecting.

What will the BCCA, and the sport of dogs in general, look like in another 10 years? When I was in Boxborough, I heard a fellow fancier remark that she was getting too old to do this and the younger fanciers needed to step up and be more involved. While I completely see her point, I asked her to please point out or name 10 beardie fanciers under 40 who could be called upon...we both ran out of names before we hit ten. From my perspective, the scarcity of new exhibitors and young fanciers is perhaps the greatest risk to the future of the BCCA and the dog fancy in general.

Now I know those of you reading this message are passionate about your breed...we love dogs and our friends in the fancy! If

you are anything like me – your family, co-workers, friends and neighbors know of your love and involvement in dogs...after all they come up in almost every conversation, right?!? We all have or know of a child, grandchild, cousin, niece/nephew, or young neighbor who loves dogs. There are a multitude of skills and knowledge you can gain through an involvement with dogs and dog sports that are completely applicable to other areas of interest and future careers...we need to share this good news!

- Social/Life Skills – responsibility, good sportsmanship, teamwork, planning, and dedication
- Technical – canine structure/kinetics, biology, nutrition, genetics, and even financial planning

So, I'd like to set a challenge to the membership...to each of you and your social network – quite simply continue to share your love of dogs and bearded collies with the next generation. Encourage and support them to learn and get involved in any aspect of dogs that may interest them junior showmanship, conformation, or performance events. This is your chance to BE A MENTOR!!

There are many ways to offer support: lend videos or books, sponsor a junior at a few shows, and if you do training classes – perhaps offer to waive the fee for those under 16. Not all youngsters can have their own dog at home...maybe you have one to loan them to practice their handling, grooming, or training skills. At the age of nine, I learned obedience from an OTCH sheltie named Chewbacca, who was loaned to me every obedience class by his owner. "Chewie" was an amazing and patient teacher and I've never forgot how much confidence I gained from the experience. The first (and second) Cocker Spaniels I ever finished, were gifts from the handler I was apprenticing under, who knew I needed something nice to learn with for conformation and junior showmanship. These represent just a few examples that have shaped my life and made me a dedicated and lifelong dog fancier. I've endeavored to continually "pay it forward", helping others find the sport of dogs and supporting their growth.

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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 20, 2016 BCCA ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Rosemary Schroeder, Recording Secretary

Present: Conner, Schroeder, Prassa, Means, Deily, Wistrom, Cox, Furlow, Ritter

Absent: Andreassend, Hobe, Floberg

Also in attendance was Marie Wilson, Parliamentarian

The annual meeting of the BCCA Board of Directors was called to order by President Nicole Conner at 4:13 PM EDT, Secretary Rosemary Schroeder recording.

The minutes of the August 23, 2016 board meeting were approved with one correction: Motion to approve the 2016 Annual Financial Review Committee made up of Jill Floberg, Olivia Lazarus, and Kathryn Zeschin was made by Conner.

Treasurer's Report is attached to and is a part of these minutes and can be found on the BCCA website.

Annual Committee Reports will be posted on the BCCA website.

NATIONAL SPECIALTY UPDATES:

Brian Wistrom reported that plans for the 2017 Specialty to be held at Purina Farms, Gray Summit, MO from September 30th through October 6th and hosted by the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club are well underway.

Sharon Prassa reported that the 2018 Specialty will be held on September 29th – October 6th, 2018 at the former McClellan AFB (near Sacramento), CA. It will be hosted by Northern California Bearded Collie Fanciers.

Bids are needed for the 2019 Specialty.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the report submitted by the Financial Review Committee passed without dissention. (Means)

Motion to amend SR 2.3. by striking the words "the Beardie Rescue Account" after "with the exception of" passed without dissention. (Ritter)

Motion to approve reimbursement to Elsa Sell for expenses incurred for converting the Herding Committee database records passed without dissention. (Means)

Motion to rescind SR 9.3.9 The Ralph Carson Breeder's Cup Award passed without dissention. (Conner)

Motion to create a Standing Rule 9.3.9 "The Ralph and Irene Carson Breeder's Cup Award is an engraved silver plate or crystal pitcher on a wooden base, awarded to the breeder(s) of best of breed at the national specialty. A new award will be donated each year by friends of Ralph and Irene Carson, Stonehaven Bearded Collies" passed without dissention. (Ritter)

Motion to approve the Overview for Rescue (aka BCCA Rescue Standard Operating Procedures) passed without dissention. (Ritter)

Motion to approve the Guidelines for BCCA Breeder Listing Program passed without dissention. (Schroeder)

Motion to approve the President's recommendation of the appointment of Andrea Hobe and Deborah Furlow as chairs of the health committee for the 2016-2017 BCCA fiscal year passed without dissention. (Schroeder)

PROPOSED MOTIONS

Motion to donate \$15,000 to the BCCA Charitable Trust. (Means)

There are two new members to be voted on at the October meeting:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM EDT.

Next Meeting – 8:30 P.M. EDT, Tuesday, October 25, 2016

OCTOBER 21, 2016 BCCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Rosemary Schroeder, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Nicole Conner at 4:05 P.M. EDT.

Brief reports were given by the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer.

Committee Reports

Carol Sitrine reported on the 2017 National Specialty to be held at Purina Farms, Gray Summit, MO from September 30th through October 6th and hosted by the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club

Sharon Prassa reported that the 2018 Specialty will be held on September 29th – October 6th, 2018 at the former McClellan AFB (near Sacramento), CA. It will be hosted Northern California Bearded Collie Fanciers

Bids for the 2019 Specialty were solicited.

Kay Sakowki reported on the Beardie Rescue Program.

All reports that were submitted by the Committee Chairs can be found on the BCCA website.

There being no quorum present, no business could be conducted and the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 P.M. EDT.

OCTOBER 2016 RECORDING SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL NOTICES

Rosemary Schroeder - rschroeder198@gmail.com

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 Rosie Schroeder by December 15, 2016.

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 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 needed 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 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.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Larry Abramsom from Olive Branch, MS
Jonah and Naomi Flower from Mountain View, CA
Marybeth Vita-Edwards from Culver City, CA
Kathy Martin from Rochester Hills, MI
Katherine Dupee from East Falmouth

MEMBERSHIP RECORD CHANGES

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IN MEMORIAM

Ann Witte died on September 24, 2016

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS TO BE VOTED ON IN OCTOBER

Michelle Molloy
Full/Single
Orland Park, IL 60467
Sponsor: Wendy McBrayer Kregor

Thomas and Kathleen Defino
Associate/Joint
Murrysville, PA 15668
Sponsor: Patricia Colombo

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

May 30, 2016

Audrey & Jim Williams and Shelley Milestone
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CH Blue Moon Chance Of A Lifetime At Milestone ex CH Drogheda's Casino Royale At Milestone
Sire: Hip: BC-4235G30M-VPI Good; Eye: BC-EYE111/46M-VPI Normal; Thyroid: BC-TH540/46M-VPI Normal
Dam: Hip: BC-4210G45F-VPI Good; Eye: BC-EYE112/67F-VPI Normal; Thyroid: BC-TH539/67F-VPI Normal; Elbow: BC-EL615F45-VPI
2 Black M, 2 Black F (*continues on next page*)

July 27, 2016

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Blackfriar Buckram Return To Camelot ex CH Buckram's Think Happy Thoughts

Sire: Hips: BC-4409G35M-VPI Good; Eyes: Normal; Elbow: BC-EL725M35-VPI Normal; Thyroid: Normal

Dam: Hips: BC-3959G32F-PI Good; Eyes: BC-EYE185/101F-VPI Normal; Thyroid: BC-TH338/65F-PI Normal

4 Black M, 3 Black F

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However, the lagging number of new fanciers in the breed and the dog fancy is not a trend that can be reversed without a concerted effort by many. We have an amazing bearded collie family, and it's time for us to help the family grow! While change will not come overnight, together we can help foster the future – of some bright young individuals, of our beloved breed, and the entire dog fancy. Now all I need is a Beardie Uncle Sam logo saying "I WANT YOU" ;-)

As always, I welcome you support and input so let me hear from you!

Until next month., Nicole

BCCA BALANCE SHEET

4:55 PM • 10/10/16 • Cash Basis

	<u>Sep 30, 16</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Edward Jones Checking	
Rescue	41,157.51
Edward Jones Checking - Other	142,022.73
Total Edward Jones Checking	<u>183,180.24</u>
Total Checking/Savings	183,180.24
Other Current Assets	
Edward Jones Certificates	138,262.67
Total Other Current Assets	<u>138,262.67</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>321,442.91</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>321,442.91</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	244,945.81
Retained Earnings	60,073.99
Net Income	16,423.11
Total Equity	<u>321,442.91</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>321,442.91</u></u>

BCCA PROFIT & LOSS JULY 2016

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	<u>Sep 16</u>	<u>Jul - Sep 16</u>
Income		
Bagpipes		
Litter Listings & Ads		50.00
Total Bagpipes		50.00
Beardie Bulletin		
Advertising	1,030.00	2,650.00
Subscriptions		13,209.00
Total Beardie Bulletin	1,030.00	15,859.00
Donations from Members		
General Fund		44.00
Total Donations from Members		44.00
Illustrated Standard Sales		212.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	263.60	487.18
Total Investments	263.60	487.18
Member Dues		
Affiliate Clubs		375.00
New Members	25.00	205.00
Renewal Dues		
Late Fee		530.00
Renewal Dues - Other		14,490.00
Total Renewal Dues		<u>15,020.00</u>
Total Member Dues	25.00	15,600.00
Misc Income		390.92
Rescue		
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds	550.00	910.00
Total Rescue	550.00	910.00
Total Income	1,868.60	33,553.10
Expense		
Agility Trial Expenses		
BCCA Agility Expenses		100.00
Total Agility Trial Expenses		100.00
Bank Charges (NSF & Fees)		35.00
Bulletin		
Art Direction, Editing		2,610.00
Printing		5,199.74
Bulletin - Other		-30.00
Total Bulletin		<u>7,779.74</u>
Charitable Donation		7,500.00
Misc Expense	128.81	128.81
Parliamentarian Expenses		1,000.00
PayPal	38.17	500.48
Reconciliation Discrepancies	75.10	75.10
Trophies		
Maintenance	10.86	10.86
Total Trophies	10.86	10.86
Total Expense	252.94	17,129.99
Net Income	<u><u>1,615.66</u></u>	<u><u>16,423.11</u></u>