



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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It's SPRING!! Well, not officially...but here in Texas we have a healthy case of spring fever, complete with sunny days, warm temperatures, and of course puppies!! All across the country we are experiencing beardie puppy palooza! I cannot remember many times when so many new litters were here or on the way. There is nothing like a passel of beardie babies to make you appreciate life.

As I slowly recover from the sleep deprived nights of the first few weeks, I reflect on the dedication of the many individuals who contribute so much to the next generation of this wonderful breed. Whether it is your first litter or your fourteenth, raising puppies is a labor of love and devotion. I was so pleased to hear about the launch of the AKC's newest breeder-focused slogan, "Healthy Happy Puppies Start with ME and AKC". In this era of breeder shaming, when legal restrictions in certain cites and states have added numerous and often ludicrous criteria for those who breed, and the rise of retail rescue, it is heartening to see a proactive breeder supportive marketing campaign coming from the AKC. I'm very proud of my own healthy happy puppies as well as the others I see being raised by the MANY amazing members of the BCCA. Purebred dogs will not survive and continue to thrive without the continued hard work and passion of many individuals.

Many of those passionate individuals are traveling to New York City this week for Westminster and I wish all of you a safe and wonderful trip! To those of you who bred these dogs or in other way fostered their success this is a special moment. It takes a village to make a champion and we are all well represented on that green carpet!! Congratulations to the winners and a big thank you to all who made the trip to represent our wonderful breed!!

As a breed, we have had to face the loss of many long time breeders in the last few years. Thankfully, others have taken up the banner so many of these lovely old bloodlines will not be lost and this beautiful, jovial, and hard working breed

will endure with the help and insights of a new generation. The contributions of those who have gone before cannot be overlooked and I for one have been most grateful for the knowledge and wisdom they have shared. Nothing lasts forever, maintaining anything-worthwhile takes continuous and focused effort. To the current generation of beardie breeders I remind you to share all that wonderful knowledge with others. Knowledge should ideally be shared with anyone willing to be mentored as a breeder, for they may well represent the next generation of Bearded Collies.

To all of you who -

- Spend more on canine health testing than you did on your first car
- Study pedigrees for longer and more passionately than you did writing your thesis
- Stay up all night whelping (as well as most of the two nights before just in case)
- Sleep on floors to be near puppies
- Juggle late night feedings
- Repeatedly clean up poop stuck to every thing but the ceiling (though I've done that too)
- Accept that washing puppy laundry take precedence over your clothes
- Graciously accept that customized furniture legs are a gift
- Spend hours screening and talking to prospective puppy owners with zeal that exceeds some human adoption agencies

For all the work you do, mainly for the love of the breed and a few skunk breath kisses, I tip my hat! You have my sincere respect and my most humble gratitude.

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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JANUARY 24, 2017 BCCA BOARD MEETING

Rosemary Schroeder, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Nicole Connor at 8:34 PM, EST.

Present: Connor, Schroeder, Hobe, Wistrom, Cox, Floberg, Furlow, Ritter

Absent: Means, Prassa, Deily, Andreassend

Report of the Recording Secretary (Schroeder)

The minutes of the December 27, 2017 Board Meeting were approved with two corrections.

Membership Applications for December January Vote

Proposed Motions for December January

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Deily)

The Corresponding Secretary was unable to attend, but the report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Report of the Treasurer (Means)

The Treasurer was unable to attend, but the report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Reports of Committees:

National Specialty 2017 - An update received from Carol Serrine was distributed to all board members.

Unfinished Business

The results of the electronic ballot to choose a 2017 nominating committee resulted in the following:

Ruth Colavecchio

Michele Ritter

Kathy Thomas

A motion to appoint Michele Ritter as the 2017 Nominating Committee Chair passed without dissension. (Schroeder)

New Business

There was no new business to be considered.

Election of New Members

There were no applications to consider in January.

Membership Applications for February Vote

There are no applications to consider in February.

Proposed Motions for February

There were no proposed motions.

For the Good of the Order

Nicole suggested that we begin thinking of expanding our junior showmanship program to include other venues besides confirmation since AKC was broadening their program into some of the performance areas.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM EST

Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 28, 2017

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **February 6TH 2017**. Contact the editor to reserve ad space Lillian Esposito, lillianespo@verizon.net.

BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **MARCH 1ST, 2017**

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

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.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hank Price email change: hankprice1945@gmail.com

IN MEMORIAM

Harry Witte passed away on January 24, 2017

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

Litter Birth Date: January 14, 2017

Molly McNamara, Beth Tilson & Shannon Smart

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CH Nonesuch Rockstar ex CH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander BN RE HSAs PT FDC CGC

Sire: Hips:BC-4024G24M-VPI; Eyes:BC-358172 (Tested:2011);

Thyroid:BC-TH323/13M-VPI; Elbow:BC-EL529M24-VPI

Dam: Hips:BC-4417G24F-VPI; Eyes:BC-EYE178/24F-PI;

Thyroid:BC-TH605/24F-VPI; Elbow:BC-EL732F24-VPI

2 Black M, 2 Black F, 2 Brown F

Litter Birth Date: January 14, 2017

Julie Patzius and Cyndi Cerjan

423 Fire Tree Lane

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Lakewood King of the Road ex CH Kinikia's Chocolate Fix At Lakewood

Sire: Hips: BC-4410G24M-VPI; Eyes: BC-EYE169/24M-VPI;

Thyroid: BC-TH568/15M-VPI CHIC#: 113920

Dam: Hips: BC-4209E24F-VPI; Eyes: BC-EYE48/27F-VPI;

Thyroid: BC-TH488/24F-VPI; CHIC#: 94167

3 Black M, 3 Brown M, 1 Black F

FEBRUARY 2017 RECORDING SECRETARY OFFICIAL NOTICES

2018 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 2018 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, Elsa Sell, by March 10, 2017.

Elsa Sell

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2016 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. 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.

CALL FOR BCCA OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

The Board has elected Michele Ritter to serve as the chair of the 2017 Nominations Committee. As Don Means and Kristen Andreassend have served four consecutive years, it will be necessary for the committee to find nominees for the positions of Treasurer and one two year Board Member as well as any other positions that may be vacated.

Please contact any of the nominating committee members with questions or with nominations for any of these positions.

Michele Ritter, Chair, topdogs@ptd.net

Ruth Colavecchio, ruthcola@aol.com

Kathy Thomas, beardies1234@msn.com

RESULTS OF THE PRELIMINARY BALLOT FOR 2018 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES

The top three in for Regular Classes and Sweeps are on the final judges' ballot.

Regular Classes

Johan Andersson

Janet Lewis

Bea Sawka

Sweepstakes

Kelly Canham

Pat Colombo

Casey Minner

The final ballots have been sent to the members via Mail Chimp, and should be returned to the treasurer, Don Means, by March 30, 2017.

BID FOR BEARDIE BULLETIN EDITOR

Bids are now being accepted for the 2017-2018 Beardie Bulletin editor. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before March 15th, to Rosemary Schroeder, 1405 Everest Road, Venice, FL 34293 or email to rschroeder198@gmail.com.

BCCA PROFIT & LOSS JANUARY 2017

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	Jan 17	Jul '16 - Jan 17
Income		
Agility Trials		
Bearded Collie Club of America	14,912.00	14,912.00
Total Agility Trials	14,912.00	14,912.00
Bagpipes		
Litter Listings & Ads	0.00	50.00
Total Bagpipes	0.00	50.00
Beardie Bulletin		
Additional Copies	22.00	50.00
Advertising	5,077.50	12,695.50
Subscriptions	128.00	13,465.00
Total Beardie Bulletin	5,227.50	26,210.50
Donations from Members		
General Fund	0.00	44.00
Total Donations from Members	0.00	44.00
Illustrated Standard Sales	26.00	258.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	0.96	1,387.09
Total Investments	0.96	1,387.09
Member Dues		
Affiliate Clubs	0.00	375.00
New Members	75.00	385.00
Renewal Dues		
Late Fee	0.00	530.00
Renewal Dues - Other	0.00	14,490.00
Total Renewal Dues	0.00	15,020.00
Total Member Dues	75.00	15,780.00
Misc Income	0.00	390.92
Rescue		
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds	325.00	2,314.00
Total Rescue	325.00	2,314.00
Total Income	20,566.46	61,346.51
Expense		
Agility Trial Expenses		
BCCA Agility Expenses	6,393.30	7,593.30
Total Agility Trial Expenses	6,393.30	7,593.30
AKC Club Dues & Subscriptions	560.00	585.00
Bank Charges (NSF & Fees)	0.00	35.00
Bulletin		
Art Direction, Editing	3,138.66	5,748.66
Postage	1,403.40	1,403.40
Printing	0.00	9,679.74
Bulletin - Other	0.00	-30.00
Total Bulletin	4,542.06	16,801.80
Charitable Donation	0.00	22,500.00
Contract Services		
CPA - Tax Prep	0.00	500.00
Total Contract Services	0.00	500.00
Herding		
Database conversion	0.00	840.00
Total Herding	0.00	840.00
Juniors Scholarships	0.00	250.00
Misc Expense	0.00	128.81
National Specialty		
2017 National Specialty	0.00	7,000.00
2018 National Seed Money	0.00	7,500.00
Total National Specialty	0.00	14,500.00
Parliamentarian Expenses	0.00	2,552.44
PayPal	0.00	499.43
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	75.10
Sunshine Committee	0.00	200.00
Trophies		
Maintenance	0.00	247.61
Total Trophies	0.00	247.61
Web Expenses	0.00	395.64
Total Expense	11,495.36	67,704.13
Net Income	9,071.10	-6,357.62

BCCA BALANCE SHEET

AS OF JANUARY 31, 2017

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	Jan 31, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Edward Jones Checking	
Rescue	42,887.51
Edward Jones Checking - Other	117,512.00
Total Edward Jones Checking	160,399.51
Total Checking/Savings	160,399.51
Other Current Assets	
Edward Jones Certificates	138,262.67
Total Other Current Assets	138,262.67
Total Current Assets	298,662.18
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	244,945.81
Retained Earnings	60,073.99
Net Income	-6,357.62
Total Equity	298,662.18
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	298,662.18