



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Is it just me or does time seem to be passing by faster? Maybe it is just a sign of getting older, but time seems scarcer and more precious than ever. In this ever more contentious and unstable time I'm focusing on gratitude and exercising thanks for every one of those harried moments with my family and friends.

Though many of us are still struggling against work deadlines, inclement weather, and never-ending beardie grooming ;-)... please take a moment and be thankful for all you have.

*"Yesterday is but a dream,
Tomorrow is only a vision.
But today well lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness,
and every tomorrow a vision of hope."*

I've written in the past of the need to not only encourage new fanciers to join the sport but to mentor them as they traverse the rocky road. While I still feel strongly about this topic, an alternative perspective was recently brought to my attention, the importance of volunteering and offering gratitude to those who give their time and energy to facilitate many of our dog events.

A member of an all-breed club asked online if anyone would be upset if the club folded and stopped hosting events. While not in acute financial trouble, the club, like so many, were experiencing lower entries, fewer volunteers, and rising show costs. Some of the members were feeling their efforts were not helpful or appreciated and since few people were stepping up to learn the ropes were considering the foreseeable end of the club. The response to this seeming simple post was very surprising. A large number of individuals expressed distress that the club was at risk, but, more importantly, offered an outpouring of praise and thanks for all the hard work the club had put into the

many functions they had hosted over the years. Perhaps the most heartening comments were from those who had no idea their help was needed or welcomed...and there appeared to be an inundation of "new" volunteers who wanted to learn and help the club thrive.

This brings me back to my point; none of us live in a vacuum and everything we do as a dog fancy takes a lot of work and requires time and energy invested by many great people. The amount of work required to put on a show is staggering, be it: all-breed or a specialty, conformation, or a performance event. To those who take on this task please offer them your praise and heartfelt thanks, they are under appreciated. Too often our hardest working club members do their job so seamlessly we don't remember to offer them some richly deserved gratitude. I shudder to think how we would run this club or host a Beardie Camp or a National Specialty without their help and experience.

Speaking of National Specialties (subtle, right?), October will be here before you know it! The host club has been hard at work and you can keep up with all the latest specialty news on the official Specialty web page - www.bcca2017.com, or Facebook [BCCA 2017 National Specialty] or there's even a help wanted page! If you are inspired to learn more about all the work that goes into hosting a nationals and how you can help in future years let us know! The national specialty advisors are a treasure trove of knowledge and are happy to have more willing volunteers. Just ask what you can do or offer to help something you're good at...many hands doing small tasks can move mountains!

Till next month,
Nicole

BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **May 1ST, 2017**
Email your reports and articles to
Michele Ritter, topdogs@ptd.net

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the next issue of the
BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **MAY 6TH, 2017**.
Contact the editor to reserve ad space, lillianespo@verizon.net

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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MARCH 28, 2017 BCCA BOARD MEETING

Rosemary Schroeder, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Nicole Connor at 8:36 PM, EDT.

Present: Connor, Schroeder, Prassa, Means, Andreassend, Hobe, Wistrom, Cox, Floberg, Furlow

Absent: Deily, Ritter

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY (SCHROEDER)

The minutes of the February 28, 2017 Board Meeting were approved as distributed.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY (DEILY)

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

REPORT OF THE TREASURER (MEANS)

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

There were no committee reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Election of New Members - The following applicant was approved for membership, Barbara Sherry, Boynton Beach, FL, sponsor: Pat Colombo

Motion to approve Lillian Esposito's bid to serve as editor of the Beardie Bulletin for the May, 2017 – Winter, 2018 issues passed without dissension. (Schroeder)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to approve the Independence Bearded Collie Club of Greater Philadelphia's request to use the BCCA license to support the entry of Bearded Collies, at the Valley Forge Kennel Club all-breed show on December 9, 2017 passed without dissension. (Deily)
2. Motion to amend the BCCA Standing Rules to add a section 9.4.8, "The Ann Adler Witte Memorial Trophy is presented to the highest scoring veteran bearded collie at each year's National Specialty herding event(s). The trophy, offered by the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club, is a ram's horn with a Bearded Collie and Scottish thistle engraved in silver on the horn. The trophy is mounted on a wooden base on which each winner's name is engraved." (Wistrom)
3. Motion to amend the above motion (#2) by adding the word "overall" before the words "highest scoring veteran" was defeated. (Ritter)
4. Motion to amend the motion above (#2) to insert the words: " , any class, any stock," after the words "veteran bearded collie" passed without dissension. (Wistrom)
5. Motion to amend the BCCA Standing Rules to add a section 9.4.8, "The Ann Adler Witte Memorial Trophy is presented to the highest scoring veteran bearded collie, any class, any stock, at each year's National Specialty herding event(s). The trophy, offered by the Great Plains Bearded Collie Club, is a ram's horn with a Bearded Collie and Scottish thistle engraved in silver on the horn. The trophy is mounted on a wooden base on which each winner's name is engraved" passed without dissension. (Wistrom)
6. Motion to amend the BCCA Standing Rules to add to section 9.1.5 List of Perpetual Trophies: "The Ann Adler Witte Memorial Trophy" passed without dissension (Wistrom)
7. Motion to approve the revised Herding Committee Responsibilities as received from Herding Chair Else Sell passed without dissension. (Schroeder)

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR APRIL VOTE

Anna Kortkamp
Full/Single
Foristell, MO 63348
Sponsor: Julie Patzius

Patti and Don Niver
Associate/Joint
Mason City, IA 50401
Sponsor: Linda Porter

PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR APRIL

Motion to approve the Breeder Listing Guidelines

BCCA BREEDER LISTING PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The Corresponding Secretary shall maintain the breeder listing which will be published on the BCCA Website.

The list will be maintained on a yearly basis from July 1 to June 30 to coincide with the time frame for membership renewal.

Members may enroll in the Breeder Listing Program on the membership renewal form, and may sign up at any time throughout the year by notifying the corresponding secretary and submitting a \$25 fee.

Information to be listed on the BCCA website is limited to the following

Kennel Name
Owner Name
Address (City, State, Zip)
Email
Phone
Website

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Rosie suggested that wherever the listing of BCCA Officers appears that the current term of the AKC Delegate be listed just as the class is listed for board members. The reason is that there is often confusion as to when the delegate is next up for nomination. This would help with that confusion. The current term for AKC Delegate Kathy Coxwell is 2015 – 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM EDT.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 25, 2017

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Robin Deily • robin.deily@gmail.com

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

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Barbara Sherry
Full/Single
Boynton Beach, FL
Sponsor: Pat Colombo

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Diana Wright
new email address: wright2u2@gmail.com

Christi Needham
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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

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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

MARCH 2017 RECORDING SECRETARY OFFICIAL NOTICES

2017 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The nominations committee, Michele Ritter, Ruth Colavecchio, and Kathy Thomas, have selected the following names for the 2017 BCCA election of Officers and Directors, Class of 2019.

President – Nicole Conner
Vice President – Sharon Prassa
Recording Secretary – Rosemary Schroeder
Corresponding Secretary – Meg Naylor
Treasurer – Richard Bihl
Directors Class of 2019 – Sonja Blanchard, Andrea Hobe & Brian Wistrom

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS

BCCA Bylaws Article V, Section 4D & E. Each member may nominate a candidate for officer, director, and AKC delegate positions by signing a document that is sent to the recording secretary by a date to be determined by the board each year. The name of a candidate who receives nomination signatures from five percent of the members in good standing shall appear on the ballot.

1. Nominations for each office shall be submitted as a separate document
2. A nomination document may contain the signatures of more than one member.

SR 3.2 Additional Nominations. If valid additional nominations for officer or board positions are received by the recording secretary on or before April 15th, each member shall receive a mailed ballot postmarked no later than May 1. A one page biography of each candidate will be published in the May issue of the Bagpipes. The deadline for submission is May 1st. If the form that is provided is not used, the font must be 10 points or larger with half inch margins. All publishing guidelines must be followed. The biographies will be printed as submitted, without editing, and listed alphabetically by office and board.

BCCA PROFIT & LOSS MARCH 2017

2:57 PM • 04/03/17 • Cash Basis

BCCA BALANCE SHEET

2:59 PM • 04/03/17 • Cash Basis

	<u>Mar 17</u>	<u>Jul '16 - Mar 17</u>
Income		
2016 National Specialty		9,155.34
Agility Trials		
Bearded Collie Club of America		14,912.00
Total Agility Trials		14,912.00
Bagpipes		
Litter Listings & Ads		50.00
Total Bagpipes		50.00
Beardie Bulletin		
Additional Copies		50.00
Advertising	100.00	14,065.50
Subscriptions		13,465.00
Total Beardie Bulletin	100.00	27,580.50
Donations from Members		
General Fund		44.00
Total Donations from Members		44.00
Illustrated Standard Sales		258.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	260.78	1,872.04
Total Investments	260.78	1,872.04
Member Dues		
Affiliate Clubs		375.00
New Members		385.00
Renewal Dues		
Late Fee		530.00
Renewal Dues - Other		14,490.00
Total Renewal Dues		15,020.00
Total Member Dues		15,780.00
Misc Income		390.92
Rescue		
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds		
2016 Auction Proceeds (Rescue)		1,300.80
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds - Other	255.00	2,669.00
Total BCCA Designated Rescue Funds	255.00	3,969.80
Total Rescue	255.00	3,969.80
Total Income	615.78	74,012.60
Expense		
Agility Trial Expenses		
BCCA Agility Expenses		7,593.30
Total Agility Trial Expenses		7,593.30
AKC Club Dues & Subscriptions	6.72	591.72
Bank Charges (NSF & Fees)		35.00
Bulletin		
Art Direction, Editing		5,748.66
Postage	1,388.07	2,791.47
Printing		14,959.74
Bulletin - Other		-30.00
Total Bulletin	1,388.07	23,469.87
Charitable Donation		22,500.00
Contract Services		
CPA - Tax Prep		500.00
Total Contract Services		500.00
Herding		
Database conversion		840.00
Total Herding		840.00
Juniors Scholarships		250.00
Meet the Breeds Booth		269.00
Misc Expense		128.81
National Specialty		
2017 National Specialty		7,000.00
2018 National Seed Money		7,500.00
Total National Specialty		14,500.00
Parliamentarian Expenses	-30.00	2,522.44
PayPal	4.26	503.69
Postage		67.31
Reconciliation Discrepancies		75.10
Sunshine Committee		200.00
Trophies		
Maintenance		247.61
Total Trophies		247.61
Web Expenses		411.63
Total Expense	1,369.05	74,705.48
Net Income	-753.27	-692.88

	<u>March 31, 2017</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Edward Jones Checking	
Rescue	44,543.31
Edward Jones Checking - Other	118,430.15
Total Edward Jones Checking	162,973.46
Total Checking/Savings	162,973.46
Other Current Assets	
Edward Jones Certificates	142,496.74
Total Other Current Assets	142,496.74
Total Current Assets	305,470.20
TOTAL ASSETS	305,470.20
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	244,945.81
Retained Earnings	60,073.99
Net Income	450.40
Total Equity	305,470.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	305,470.20