

## BCCA AGILITY COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

**Purpose:** Collect and report agility statistics pertinent to bearded collies, determine the necessity for new awards and the appropriateness of scoring systems as AKC classes evolve, and promote the sport of agility. Encourage a sense of community, sharing, helpfulness, and good sportsmanship among bearded agility competitors.

### **Duties of the Agility Co-Chairs and AKC Statistician:**

1. Collect and report agility statistics (scores, legs, titles) as generated by the AKC quarterly for bearded collies.
2. Determine, record, and report ROMA and ROMAX titles.
3. Collect and calculate data for the annual BCCA Awards: Diehard Trophy, Denia Trophy, Mirage Trophy, Preferred Veteran Award, Sunshine Award, and top agility bearded in each Standard and JWW Class.
4. Prepare take home awards and distribute awards and certificates at the annual awards banquet. Be sure that those not picked up are mailed.
5. Keep informed of changes to agility rules, regulations and policies and communicate changes to membership through publications and the agility line.
6. Compose articles for the Bulletin and the Bagpipes, including AKC titles and AKC/BCCA National Events and interest articles.
7. Appoint Agility Committee members for their knowledge and experience of AKC Agility. Maintain communication with them.
8. When the AKC offers new classes, determine the need and scoring system for new awards with the agility committee.
9. Submit pertinent data to webmaster.
10. Keep and provide historical data. Currently the annual reports, all of the National Specialty Agility Trials, the "firsts," the annual National AKC Championships, and all of the Annual Agility Awards with descriptions and winners, including the ROMA/ROMAX Beardies, are kept on the Bearded Agility Diehard Website with a link from the BCCA website.
11. Be well-versed in all standing rules that apply to this position.
12. Attend the AGM of the BCCA if possible.

### **Committee Yearly Work Plan**

Activities	Date to Be Accomplished	Person(s) Responsible
Collect Data from AKC Awards	Quarterly	AKC Statistician
Collect and verify data from members	Quarterly	Co-Chairs
Submit Articles to Bagpipes	Monthly	Co-Chairs
Submit Articles to Bulletin	Quarterly	Co-Chairs
Provide AKC Titles Reports to Bulletin	Quarterly	Co-Chairs
Publish Report of AKC statistical analysis and listing of awards for Nationals.	Bulletin: August- Performance Issue	Co-Chairs with AKC Statistician
Prepare Annual Awards, including photo plaques, for Awards Banquet.	August/September	Co-Chairs with AKC Statistician
Provide Annual Written Report for Board	September	Co-Chairs with AKC Statistician
Publish Annual Report for Membership	Bagpipes: November	Co-Chairs with AKC Statistician
Recap of Agility Results at the Nationals	Bulletin: November- Specialty issue	Co-Chair and/or Nationals Agility Chair

**Applicable Standing Rules:**

<b>5.0 COMMITTEES AND AFFILIATE CLUBS</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	<b>Committees of the BCCA.</b> Chairs are appointed by the board at the first meeting of the fiscal year (July) and when necessary. All committee chairs shall operate in accordance with the job description for their committee. Job descriptions are approved by the board.
<b>5.2</b>	<b>Committee Records,</b> such as statistics, historical documentation, photographs, and displays are the sole property of the Bearded Collie Club of America and must be surrendered immediately when notified by the recording secretary at the direction of the board. 03/94-03, 06/99-02

<b>9.0 AWARDS AND TROPHIES</b>	
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<b>9.1 General</b>	
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9.1.1	<b>Awards Year.</b> Except where otherwise specified, an awards year shall be January 1 – December 31. 01/90-04, 7/90-07, 01/95-05, 05/95-03
9.1.2	<b>Eligibility.</b> In order to qualify for a BCCA award, at least one owner of a dog and one parent of a junior handler must be a BCCA member in good standing.
9.1.3	<b>Trophy Approval.</b> The board shall approve any trophy, plaque, award, or certificate presented at the national specialty. 07/04-01
9.1.4	<b>Trophies and Awards.</b> Winners of trophies have the option to take their trophies home or leave them in the custody of BCCA. Awards are won outright and reside with the recipients.
9.1.5	<b>Club Trophies.</b> The following trophies will be displayed at all BCCA national specialties, and will remain in the permanent possession of the club: <b><u>Perpetual Trophies</u></b> Denia Trophy - Agility Diehard Agility Trophy - Agility Mirage Trophy - Agility Preferred Agility Veteran Trophy - Agility

<b>9.2 Agility Trophies and Awards</b>	
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9.2.1	<p><b>The Diehard Agility Trophy</b> is established to honor the highest scoring bearded collie in Excellent level agility. The trophy features an original Chet Jezierski color drawing of beardies doing agility and is imbedded in acrylic and mounted on a walnut base. Plaques attached to the base allow the names of the winners to be permanently engraved. Designed by Chet Jezierski, it is offered and financed by freewill donations from the beardie agility community. Legs earned in Excellent A and B Standard, and Excellent A and B Jumper's With Weaves (JWW) will be counted. To be eligible for this award, a beardie must earn at least three qualifying scores of 100 in Excellent Standard and JWW. The scoring system is:</p> <p>Each clean run will be awarded 1 point for every full second under Standard Course Time (SCT). In addition, each Double Q (QQ) (qualifying in both Standard and JWW on the same day) will be awarded an additional 10 points. Points will be totaled for each individual qualifying leg and QQ, and then added together to determine the dog's total score.</p> <p>If a tie in points occurs, the beardie with the highest average yards per second (YPS calculated to 0.01 seconds) in Standard and JWW will be considered the winner.</p> <p>For Standard: YPS [course length in yards/(dog's time on course – 5)] For JWW: YPS [Course length in yards/dog's time on course]</p> <p>YPS will be calculated for each individual qualifying leg and the average value determined for Standard and JWW. These two averages will then be added and the dog having the highest YPS will be declared the winner. If, after carrying out this procedure, the dogs remained tied, both will listed as the winners for that year. 04/01-01, 09/01-02, 02/11-02</p>
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<p>9.2.2</p>	<p><b>The Beardie Trophy for High in Jumpers with Weaves</b> was created by Ed and Don the top bearded collies in a decision made in 1971. The first awards were established in 1972 by the American Collie Club of America in collaboration with the BCCA. The first awarded trophy to the bearded collie was the Beardie trophy. The award is a metal plaque with a large metal plate on the left side that is laser-inscribed with the words "Bearded Collie Club of America" "Beardie Trophy" topped by a stop-action image of Cagney exiting the weave poles. On the right side of the plaque are metal plates for inscribing the winners' names and years.</p> <p>Only legs toward titles of the Beardie classes through the MA, Novice, Open and Excellent B, will be scored, no matter the year in which they were earned. In these classes, a beardie will be eligible for a title based on scores according to the year following the title is earned. For beardies competing in Excellent B, all legs earned during the current year will be scored and there is no requirement for a title to be earned in order to be eligible for the Excellent B JWW award.</p> <p>Scoring: 98 = 6 Novice 95 Excellent A: 97</p> <p>The scores of the three legs leading to the title will be summed and the beardie with the highest total score will be the winner. If a tie in score occurs, YPS will be calculated (to 0.01 seconds) for each of the three legs and the results averaged. The winner will be the beardie with the highest average YPS. If a tie remains after this calculation, all those tied will be declared the winners of the award for that year. If a tie occurs in point total, the tie breaking mechanism will be to calculate the average yps (yps = <math>\frac{\text{course length (single time) + 5}}{\text{time}}</math>) for each dog's individual legs and calculate the average of those to 0.01 seconds. The winner will be the dog with the higher yps average. If the dogs are tied after this procedure has been carried out, both will be listed as winners of the award for that year. 05/11, 08/95-19</p>																		
<p>9.2.3</p>	<p><b>The Mirage Trophy for High in Jumpers With Weaves</b> is awarded to the bearded collie with the most outstanding performance in JWW. This trophy, featuring a metal statue of Mirage performing the weave poles on a walnut base, was proposed and financed by Beth White and designed by John Stanbridge. Each year's winner will receive a statue donated by Beth White. The base will remain in the possession of the BCCA.</p> <p>To be eligible for this award, a beardie must earn at least 6 qualifying scores of 100 at any level of JWW (Novice, Open, or Excellent.) In Novice, Open, and Excellent A; only clean runs leading to titles will be counted. In Excellent B, all legs will be counted. The following scoring system is to be followed: A beardie will receive 5 points for each clean run and 1 point for each full second under Standard Course Time (SCT). If a tie in points occurs, the tie will be broken by calculating YPS for each of the tied dogs' individual legs and the results averaged. The winner is the beardie with the highest YPS. If, after this procedure is carried out, the average YPS for each of the tied dogs is the same, all will be declared winners of that year's award. 04/01-02, 09/01-02, 02/11-02</p>																		
<p>9.2.4</p>	<p><b>The Preferred Agility Veteran Award</b> is sponsored by Carl Widell in memory of Cagney, the first beardie to earn Preferred Excellent agility titles. This award will go to the top veteran dog, seven years of age or older, during the entire competition year, for performance in both Standard Agility and Jumpers with Weaves. Only legs toward titles will be considered. The trophy is a rectangular plaque with a large metal plate on the left side that is laser-inscribed with the words "Bearded Collie Club of America" "Preferred Agility Veteran of the Year" topped by a stop-action image of Cagney exiting the weave poles. On the right side of the plaque are metal plates for inscribing the winners' names and years.</p> <p>The scoring will be based on the following sliding scale:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="357 1491 730 1764"> <tr> <td>Qualifying Score</td> <td>Point Value</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100</td> <td>= 8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>99</td> <td>= 7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>98</td> <td>= 6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>95 - 97</td> <td>= 5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>93 - 94</td> <td>= 4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>90 - 92</td> <td>= 3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>88 - 89</td> <td>= 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>85 - 87</td> <td>= 1</td> </tr> </table> <p>If a tie in points occurs, the beardie with the highest average YPS (calculated to 0.01 seconds) for all Standard + JWW legs earned will be the winner. For Standard legs, YPS = <math>\frac{\text{STD course length}}{\text{time on course} - 5}</math>. For JWW legs, YPS = <math>\frac{\text{STD course length}}{\text{time on course}}</math>. 05/06-01</p>	Qualifying Score	Point Value	100	= 8	99	= 7	98	= 6	95 - 97	= 5	93 - 94	= 4	90 - 92	= 3	88 - 89	= 2	85 - 87	= 1
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9.2.6	<p><b>Award Certificates for Standard Agility.</b> An annual award certificate is established for the top bearded collie in each level of Standard agility. In Novice A, Novice B, Open, and Excellent A, legs leading to titles will be scored, no matter the year in which they were earned. In these levels, a beardie will be eligible for the Standard award only in the year in which the title is earned. For beardies competing in Excellent B, all legs earned during the current year will be scored and there is no requirement for a title to be earned in order to be eligible for the Excellent B Standard award.</p> <p>Scoring:</p> <p><u>Novice A - Excellent A:</u> The scores of the three legs leading to the title will be summed and the beardie with the highest total score will be the winner. If a tie in score occurs, YPS will be calculated (to 0.01 seconds) for each of the three title legs and the results averaged. The winner is the beardie with the highest average YPS. If a tie remains after this calculation, all those tied will be declared the winners of the award for that year.</p> <p><u>Excellent B:</u> A beardie accrues 5 points for each leg earned during the calendar year and one point for each full second under SCT. Ties in score will be broken by the YPS calculation specified above.</p> <p>05/99-03 The winner of the Novice A standard certificate will also be the <b>Sunshine Award</b> winner, honoring the top Novice A beardie and handler. 05/99-02</p>
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