

## BCCA HERDING COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

### Purpose

The BCCA Herding Committee is responsible for administering the BCCA Herding program which consists primarily of maintaining herding title/award records and providing educational material for the membership.

### Duties of the Committee Chair

1. Oversee the transmission of information to BCCA members.
2. Represent the BCCA in herding matters with the American Kennel Club and other herding organizations.
3. Report new AKC titles monthly in the Bagpipes.
4. Process herding correspondence and issues from the Board, etc.
5. Forward income from Herding Certificates or event Sanctioning is to the BCCA Treasurer.
6. Keep a tabulation of income and expenses and forward to the Treasurer periodically.
7. Annually, review Herding Certificate records for the issuing of ROMI(X) Certificates and Herding Titles records for the issuing of ROMH(X) Certificates
8. Tabulate Herding Certificates issued during the year for a summary report to the Board
9. Keep appropriate current and historical records.
10. Act as the Board's liaison with the event's chair-person when regional Bearded Collie clubs host BCCA herding events licensed by AKC. These licensed events may be held in conjunction with the National Specialty or as a local event for the BCCA throughout the year. AKC herding event guidelines regulate the holding of these licensed events.
11. Oversee the information network in current existence which is electronic with two Beardie herding lists that are privately owned. Regional affiliate clubs have connections to herding trainers in their areas.
12. Post information regarding herding events, yearly awards, and mentors on the BCCA Web site.
13. Be well-versed in all standing rules that apply to this position.

### Committee Yearly Work Plan

Activities	Date to Be Accomplished	Person(s) Responsible
Attend to Correspondence	As needed	Chair
Update Certificates	Ongoing	Chair or Designee
Inform Awards Chair of new ROMI and ROMH Certificates	September	Chair or Designee
Submit Articles to the Bagpipes regarding herding activities	Monthly	Chair or Designee
Submit quarterly article on herding related topic to Bulletin	Bulletin Deadline	Chair
Hold electronic meetings of the committee several times yearly	As needed by goals or new responsibilities; approximately quarterly	Chair
Liaise with the Board for all herding events.	As needed/National Specialty	Chair
Prepare Annual Written Report to Board	September	Chair

### Maintain Herding Guidelines and Obtain Board Approval for Changes

BCCA Herding Mentor Program for AKC Conformation Judges

Herding Standard for the Bearded Collie

Guidelines for BCCA Herding Instinct Test - (BCCA HIC Forms and Rules)

Herding Instinct Power Point Presentation

All of the above can be found on the BCCA Website - [http://www.bcca.us/About Beardies/herding/index.shtml](http://www.bcca.us/About_Beardies/herding/index.shtml)

Herding Electronic Database Of All AHBA Titles And All AKC Herding Titles And Qualifying Runs

<http://beaconforhealth.org/HerdingDB/> Contact herding chair for log in information.

Person responsible for calculating yearly BCCA herding awards and ROMH(X) statistical data must receive the AKC Custom Herding Report (Effective 1/1/12). Person responsible for determining new ROMI(X) statistics/certificates must receive the HIC test forms of all passing and non-passing dogs from BCCA HIC test sponsors.

## 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>8.0 NATIONAL SPECIALTY</b>	
<b>8.1 General Procedures</b>	
8.1.6	<b>Scheduling at the National Specialty.</b> Obedience shall not be held concurrently with any other competitive specialty event. Herding trials, when offered in conjunction with national specialties, shall be scheduled prior to the opening of the conformation event. Herding tests may be scheduled either before or after the conformation event. 09/95 AGM, 11/98-01

<b>8.4 Herding Judges</b>	
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). 03/02-01

<b>9.0 AWARDS AND TROPHIES</b>	
<b>9.1 General</b>	
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>Challenge Trophies</u></b> The Faith Challenge Trophy for Herding <b><u>Perpetual Trophies</u></b> The Bishop Trophy - Herding The Boone Memorial Trophy - Herding

	The DC Britannia Chip Thrills Memorial Trophy - Herding
<b>9.4 HERDING AWARDS</b>	
9.4.1	<p><b>Top Herding Dog – Awards.</b> These annual awards are presented to the four dogs participating in AKC-licensed events that attain the highest overall average qualifying score (from all three qualifying runs in attaining the title and the top three qualifying runs in the case of the Championship Class) for each of the following classes: Started Class, Intermediate Class, Advanced Class, and Championship Class in keeping with any current AKC Regulations. These awards shall be presented in the year in which the titles are earned, regardless of the year in which the title is obtained. Ties shall be broken by the average of the number of dogs defeated using the first three qualifying runs under at least two different judges to obtain the title. 06/99-09, 09/99-07, 04/11-04</p>
9.4.2	<p><b>Herding Dog of the Year Award</b> is awarded to the first ranked bearded collie in the Started, Intermediate, and Advanced levels of the AKC Herding Trial Program each year in accordance with the current AKC Herding regulations. The ranking of each dog at each level will be calculated as follows: first, identify the three highest point counts, then take the scores associated with the highest point counts.</p> <p>A. Points:</p> <p>A dog earns one point for every dog which had a lower or non-qualifying score in the class at that Trial.  High in Trial carries points equal to the total dogs in competition in that trial minus one point, instead of class points.  Reserve High in Trial carries points equal to the total dogs in competition in that trial minus two points, instead of class points.</p> <p>B. Ranking:</p> <p>At each level, the dog's three highest point counts from three different judges will be averaged to two decimal places.  The scores of those three runs will be averaged to two decimal places.  If a dog has one or more identical point count(s) under different judges, the higher scores(s) will be used in the calculations.  The two averages will be added together.  The dog with the highest combined average at each AKC herding level will be ranked #1, etc.</p> <p>C. Ties:</p> <p>Using only the three runs determined by items A and B above, ties will be broken by:  The highest average placement in the classes.  The highest average point count.  The highest average score.</p> <p>All points/scores will apply at each level in the year of completion of the title, regardless of the year earned, except that once the Advanced title has been earned, for the next and subsequent years, points and scores must be earned within each calendar year. 01/99-03</p>

9.4.3	<p><b>The Bishop Award for Herding Excellence</b> shall be awarded to the bearded collie that earns the highest average points on sheep. The award will be a lead crystal "Rising Star" with Bishop's face etched in the top. There shall be a wooden base for plaques listing the winners of this award. The winner shall be announced each year in the BCCA Newsletter and Beardie Bulletin which are published immediately following publication of the March AKC Awards.</p> <p>The actual award shall be presented to the winning bearded collie at the BCCA national specialty and is to be held by the winner's owner for eleven months. Each winner shall also receive an award to be retained permanently by the owner.</p> <p>The BCCA herding chair shall be responsible for tabulating all qualifying scores and numbers of dogs outscored. The points shall be taken only from the official AKC Awards and shall be calculated as follows:</p> <p>The three highest actual scores earned on sheep on any course at trials held within each calendar year shall be averaged to 100ths of a point;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The three highest actual scores earned on sheep on any course at trials held within each calendar year shall be averaged to 100ths of a point;</li> <li>2. The three highest actual number of dogs outscored on sheep on any course at trials held within each calendar year shall be averaged to 100ths of a point;</li> <li>3. These average point counts shall be added together and the one dog with the highest point average shall be deemed the winner of the Bishop Award.</li> </ol> <p>Should a tie occur, the tie shall be broken as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The dog whose scores and numbers come from a higher class or classes shall be declared the winner.</li> <li>2. Should Provision (a) not break the tie, then the dog which has the most High In Trial wins throughout the calendar year shall be declared the winner.</li> <li>3. If no prospective winner has attained a high in trial win, then the number of reserve high in trial(s) or the higher average of actual class placements shall determine the winner. 09/06-12</li> </ol>															
9.4.4	<p><b>The Faith Memorial Challenge Trophy</b> is to be awarded to the bearded collie bitch with the highest combined score on sheep earned during the national herding event(s) each year until retired, using qualifying scores from A, B, or C course or any combination of these courses. The trophy, offered by Cindy Mendonca in memory of HC Artisan Starlight HXAs, is a hand-painted slice of agate mounted on wood. 02/08-01</p>															
9.4.5	<p><b>The Boone Memorial Trophy</b> is awarded to the bearded collie dog with the highest combined score on sheep earned during the national herding event(s) each year, using qualifying scores from A, B, or C course or any combination of these courses. Individual trophies, offered on a limited lifetime basis through 2032, by Ann Witte in memory of Am/Can CH Artisan Bronze Paladin HXAs, will be small replicas of a bronze sculpture of a bearded collie facing off a Scottish blackface ram mounted on a wooden base. 02/08-02</p>															
9.4.6	<p><b>The DC Britannia Chip Thrills UDX HXAs MX MXJ MV Memorial Trophy</b> is presented to the overall highest scoring bearded collie at each year's National Specialty Herding Event(s), earned on any type of stock. The trophy, offered by Sandy Weiss, is a bronze sculpture of a bearded collie herding sheep, mounted on a wooden base, on which each winner's name is engraved. 02/08-03, 10/08-01</p>															
9.4.7	<p><b>Top Herding Dog Master's Award</b> in Started, Intermediate, and Advanced levels will be given to the dog having the highest average of the eight qualifying runs for the Master's title, which begin after the third qualifying run for the regular title at that level. The Master's award will be given in the year in which the title is earned and the qualifying runs can come from that and previous years. Ties shall be broken by the average number of dogs defeated in the eight qualifying runs.</p> <p>AKC herding trial qualifying runs that are eligible for BCCA yearly awards:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="293 1604 1523 1923"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="293 1604 760 1640"><b>Award (yr begun)</b></th> <th data-bbox="760 1604 1068 1640"><b>Previous Years</b></th> <th data-bbox="1068 1604 1523 1640"><b>Award Year (Calendar)</b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1640 760 1703">Masters THD (12): started, intermediate, advanced</td> <td data-bbox="760 1640 1068 1703">Starts after Q run for title at that level</td> <td data-bbox="1068 1640 1523 1703">Ends with 8<sup>th</sup> Q run at that level</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1703 760 1766">THD (93): all courses, all stock, all levels including championship</td> <td data-bbox="760 1703 1068 1766">Yes</td> <td data-bbox="1068 1703 1523 1766">Ends 60 days after run that completes the title</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1766 760 1860">HDOTY (99): all courses, all stock, levels – started, intermediate, advanced</td> <td data-bbox="760 1766 1068 1860">Yes for started and intermediate only</td> <td data-bbox="1068 1766 1523 1860">Yes for all levels. Ends 60 days after run that completes the title</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1860 760 1923">Bishop (07): sheep only, any course, any level</td> <td data-bbox="760 1860 1068 1923">No</td> <td data-bbox="1068 1860 1523 1923">Yes</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<b>Award (yr begun)</b>	<b>Previous Years</b>	<b>Award Year (Calendar)</b>	Masters THD (12): started, intermediate, advanced	Starts after Q run for title at that level	Ends with 8 <sup>th</sup> Q run at that level	THD (93): all courses, all stock, all levels including championship	Yes	Ends 60 days after run that completes the title	HDOTY (99): all courses, all stock, levels – started, intermediate, advanced	Yes for started and intermediate only	Yes for all levels. Ends 60 days after run that completes the title	Bishop (07): sheep only, any course, any level	No	Yes
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