

BCCA VERSATILITY COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Purpose

Collect and verify Versatility Award eligibility for all three levels 01 A, VX and MVX, produce and distribute Versatility Certificates at the annual Awards Banquet. Track and confirm points earned for the Chip Versatility Award at each year's National Specialty and announce the winner at the Awards Banquet

Duties of the Committee Chair

1. Collect and verify AKC titles for Versatility eligibility through the AKC website and members' submitted title certificates.
2. Solicit and report Versatility titles in the August and/or September BCCA newsletter.
3. Collect and calculate data for the Chip Versatility Award at the National Specialty
4. Validate, produce and distribute Versatility awards at the annual Awards Banquet
5. Compose an article for the Specialty issue of the Bulletin
6. Maintain communication with committee members
7. Keep informed of changes to obedience, rally, agility, herding and conformation rules, regulations and policies and communicate changes to membership
8. Submit pertinent data to web master
9. Update committee guidelines as needed
10. Be well-versed in all standing rules that apply to this position
11. Attend the AGM of the BCCA if possible.

Committee Yearly Work Plan

Activities	Date to Be Accomplished	Person(s) Responsible
Annual solicitation of eligible Versatility awardees in Bagpipes	August	Chair
Collect data	August	Chair
Year end statistical report for Bagpipes	August	Chair
Year end statistical analysis and report submitted to Bulletin editor for publication in the Specialty issue	November	Chair
New titles report	August/September	Chair
Present Annual awards at Awards Banquet	September/October	Chair
Prepare Annual Written Report for Board	September	Chair
Attend AGM	September/October	Chair

Applicable Standing Rules:

5.0 COMMITTEES AND AFFILIATE CLUBS	
5.1	Committees of the BCCA. 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.
5.2	Committee Records, 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

9.0 AWARDS AND TROPHIES		
9.1 General		
9.1.1	Awards Year. 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	Eligibility. 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	Trophy Approval. The board shall approve any trophy, plaque, award, or certificate presented at the national specialty. 07/04-01	
9.1.4	Trophies and Awards. 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	Club Trophies. The following trophies will be displayed at all BCCA national specialties, and will remain in the permanent possession of the club: <u>Perpetual Trophies</u> Chip Versatility Trophy – Versatility	

9.9 Versatility Trophies and Awards		
9.9.1	The Chip Versatility Trophy for Most Versatile Beardie at the National Specialty is a wooden plaque with a laminated photo collage and plates engraved with the names of each year's winner. This award is in memory of DC Britannia Chip Thrills UDX HS HI HXAs MX MXJ, the first Masters In Versatility winner. To be eligible, dogs must enter and compete in at least three venues offered at the specialty. 04/05-01	
9.9.2	The Versatility Award recognizes any bearded collie that has earned three titles that are maintained in the dog's AKC permanent record in three of the following six areas is eligible for a Versatility Award. Conformation, Obedience/Rally, Tracking, Herding, Agility, Miscellaneous (THD, Flyball, Barnhunt or Coursing Ability) Members who own dogs that qualify for this award must apply to the Versatility Awards Committee and present verification of titles. . 08/86-05, 05/95-01, 04/99-03, 05/04-02, 04/05-04	
9.9.3	The Versatility Excellent Award is established to encourage owners to continue to participate in various AKC activities. A minimum of eight titles garnered from a minimum three categories are needed to attain a Versatility Excellent. Each achievement is counted only once. The title systems are as follows (all based on AKC events): Conformation: CH, group placement, BIS (a maximum of three titles) Obedience: CD, CDX, UD, UDX, OTCh (a maximum of five titles) Agility: NA, NAP, NF, OA, OAP, OF, AX, AXP, XF, MX, MXP, MXF, NAJ, NJP, OAJ, OJP, AXJ, AJP, MXJ, MJP, PAX, FTC1, MACH (a maximum fifteen titles – All titles counted must be either Regular or Preferred Titles, not a combination of the two) Tracking: TD, TDX, VST, CT (a maximum of four titles) Herding: HT, PT, HSAs, HSBs, HSCs, HSAd, HSBd, HSAC, HSBc, HIAs, HIBs, HICs, HIAd, HIBd, HIAC, HIBc, HXAs, HXBs, HXCc, HXAd, HXBd, HXAc, HXBc, HC (a maximum of 24 titles) Rally Obedience: RN, RA, RE, RAE (a maximum of four titles) 08/97-01, 09/97-02, 03/98-03, 08/98-03, 05/04-03, 04/05-05, 09/06-03)	
9.9.4	The Masters of Versatility Award is available to all bearded collie owners who are members in good standing of the BCCA. ILP bearded collies are eligible. Dog shall already have earned Versatility and Versatility Excellent Awards. All earlier earned titles will count toward this award. Points shall be through the last full title earned. Acceptable governing bodies are as follows: Conformation, Obedience, Agility, and Tracking – AKC; Herding – AKC or the BCCA; Therapy – TDI or other similar agencies that test for therapy visitation; Canine Good Citizen – AKC with local club testing. General Requirements: 1. The dog must have earned an All-Breed Best In Show in Conformation or a Championship in Tracking, Herding, Obedience, or Agility.	

2. In addition to the above, the dog must earn twelve additional titles from at least three other categories of activity, not including the BIS or Championship category. One area of activity can remain unexplored.

Example #1: Conformation, Obedience, Agility, and Tracking, with Herding left unexplored. Championship in Tracking.

Example #2: Herding, Agility, Obedience, and Tracking, with Conformation left unexplored. Championship in Herding.

The following list offers the titles and awards that will count as individual points towards the twelve required points in addition to the Championship or BIS that is required.

One point will be awarded for:

Conformation title and awards (a maximum of three titles)

- Championship:
- Group Placement (any position, Group 1 through 4, which counts only once) or a Specialty Best in Show
- All Breed Best In Show

Obedience titles (a maximum of five titles)

- Companion Dog Companion Dog Excellent
- Utility Dog Utility Dog Excellent
- OTCH

Tracking Titles (a maximum of four titles)

- Tracking Dog
- Tracking Dog Excellent
- Variable Surface Tracking
- Tracking Championship

Herding Titles (a maximum of six titles; skipped titles are not counted)

- Herding Certified (may be counted provided the dog has earned at least one AKC herding title other than the AKC Instinct Test.
- Herding Tested
- Pre-trial Tested
- Herding Started: Course A Sheep; Course B Sheep; Course C Sheep (only sheep are used on course C)
- Herding Started: Course A Duck; Course B Ducks
- Herding Started: Course A Cattle; Course B Cattle
- Herding Intermediate: Course A Sheep; Course B Sheep; Course C Sheep
- Herding Intermediate: Course A Ducks; Course B Ducks
- Herding Intermediate: Course A Cattle; Course B Cattle
- Herding Advanced: Course A Sheep; Course B Sheep; Course C Sheep
- Herding Advanced: Course A Ducks; Course B Ducks
- Herding Advanced: Course A Cattle; Course B Cattle
- Herding Championship

Agility Titles (a maximum eight titles – all titles counted can be either regular or preferred titles, they cannot be added together.)

- Standard or Preferred: Novice, Open, Excellent, Masters
- JWW of Preferred JWW: Novice, Open, Excellent, Masters
- Master Agility Championship

Rally Obedience: (a maximum of four titles)

- RN, RA, RE, RAE

Other Titles

- Canine Good Citizen, TDI or similar Therapy Title

In order to receive a Masters in Versatility Award, all titles must be earned prior to May 1st of the year in which the award will be given. Copies of said titles must be in the form of a copy of the actual title, page number or actual copy of page from awards magazine where individual wins would be recorded, or copy from breed magazine statistics, and must reach the Versatility Chairperson 45 days prior to the date of the specialty in that year. 03/04-02, 05/04-04, 04/05-04