

Official Notices From the Recording Secretary August 2011

Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the BCCA will be held the evening of Thursday, October 6, at the Colony Inn in Kennebunkport, Maine. The exact room and time will be announced later.

Annual Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the BCCA will meet on Tuesday, October 4, at the Colony Inn in Kennebunkport, Maine. The exact room and time will be announced later.

Notice to All Affiliate Clubs

Please have your club secretary send a listing of your current officers and directors to the Recording Secretary of the BCCA: Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, North Carolina 28080 or stonebaybeardies@yahoo.com.

2014 National Specialty Host Clubs

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2014 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact the Recording Secretary for a bid packet: Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, North Carolina 28080 or stonebaybeardies@yahoo.com.

Nominations for Regular, Sweepstakes, and Futurity Judges for the 2013 National Specialty

Please send your nominations for regular, sweepstakes, and futurity judges for the 2013 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary: Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, North Carolina 28080 or stonebaybeardies@yahoo.com. Each BCCA member is entitled to nominate one person for regular classes, one for sweepstakes, and one for futurity.

Deadline for receipt of all nominations is September 1, 2011. **Do it Now!**

A preliminary ballot with all nominations will be mailed to the membership with the November issue of the Bagpipes and must be returned to the Treasurer no later than January 15, 2012. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot with the February issue of Bagpipes, with the ballots to be returned to the treasurer no later than March 30, 2012.

Nominations of judges from other countries who are eligible to judge championship shows are allowed for regular conformation classes only.

In the selection of sweepstakes judges, persons eligible to judge the entire Herding Group in this country or the Group to which Bearded Collies belong in any other country, or are eligible to judge the breed at any AKC shows, are ineligible to judge sweepstakes at the National Specialty. All nominees for sweepstakes should have at least seven (7) years of experience as an exhibitor in conformation and/or as a breeder of Bearded Collies and have a thorough understanding of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Judging as well as the Standard of the Bearded Collie to be eligible for nomination. Only U.S. and Canadian residents may judge sweepstakes at the National Specialty. Only BCCA members in good standing may be candidates to judge sweepstakes at the National Specialty.

Any judge officiating at the BCCA National Specialty will not be permitted on the ballot again until a two year time period has elapsed.