



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America
January 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW!

A new email list, resericted to BCCA members only) has been set up, every member that we have an email for has been invited to sign up for the new group - BCCAmemberlist@group.io

NEW BCCA FACEBOOK GROUP

We also have a brand spankin' new Facebook group, The group is fully moderated, and owned by the Bearded Collie Club of America. You do not have to be a BCCA member to join the Facebook group.

Its existence is for the sole purpose of discussing current club business, the exchange of ideas and offering positive suggestions by the BCCA membership.

You must have a Facebook account to access it, here is the link. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/beardedcollieclubofamerica>

DECEMBER 22, 2020 BCCA BOARD MEETING

Merilyn Bergstresser • mmberg50@gmail.com

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:34 PM EST.

Present: Bergstresser, Bihl, Corn, McNamara, Remell, Ritter, Williamson

Absent: Blanchard, Furlow, Taylor, Woods

Report of the Recording Secretary (Bergstresser) The minutes of the November 24, 2020 board meeting were approved as corrected. (Woods was not listed as present.) The corrected minutes are avialable on the BCCA website.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Williamson) - The Corresponding Secretary's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Report of the Treasurer - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. The Treasurer has received few returned ballots for 2022 National Specialty judge selection.

Reports of Committees There were no committee reports.

Unfinished Business – There was no Unfinished Business.

2022 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES BALLOTS

The type in red are links to the biographies and ballot for judges for the 2022 National. You will note that there are no candidates listed for Sweepstakes; the club's standing rules state that for any category with three or less candidates, those candidates will move to the final ballot. The ballots must be postmarked by January 15, 2021 in order to be counted.

2021 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By February 1st, the board selects a nominating committee for officers and directors to be elected in the spring. Information was provided in the last Bagpipes and will be again this month in the Secretary's Announcements. If you are interested in serving or have a suggestion, please contact [Merilyn Bergstresser](#). Remember it's *your* club, all suggestions will be considered.

NEW BUSINESS

Kathy Blake was approved for BCCA membership. (Williamson) Passed without dissention.

The Bearded Collie Club of Maine was approved to use the BCCA license to host the following events in 2021. (Williamson)

1. May 22 & 23: Supported entries held at the Southern Maine Coastal Classic Cluster, Cumberland, ME. Saturday's host club is Vacationland Dog Club. Sunday's is York County Kennel Club of Maine, Valarie Maloney, Event Chair.
2. June 5 & 6: Specialty (Saturday) with Sweeps & Veteran Sweeps, plus a Supported entry (Sunday), in conjunction with Ladies' Dog Club in Wrentham, MA, Karen Norteman, Event Chair. Judges: Bob Lamm (breed) and Pat Colombo (sweeps).

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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3. June 26 & 27: Supported Entries at the Chickadee Classic Cluster, Cumberland, ME. Our host club is the Penobscot Valley KC, Valarie Maloney, Event Chair.

The superintendent for these events is MB-F. Passed without dissension.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM EST

Next Meeting January 26, 2021 at 8:30 PM EST.

OCTOBER 2020 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

David Williamson • beardieboys@att.net

Please send all changes to your contact information to the BCCA Corresponding Secretary.

If you would like to add your kennel to the Breeder listings, email the corresponding secretary at beardieboys@att.net

COMMUNICATIONS

Posted to the BCCAmemberslist@groups.io

- AKC Obedience and Rally modifications
- into on the AKC Nationals

Four beardedie pupp inquires

BCCME event approvals requests forwarded for the December board meeting

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Kathy Blake

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

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There are no new membership applications, litter or breeder listings for January,

OCTOBER 2020 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES

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2022 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HERDING TRIAL JUDGE NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 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)."

Please send your recommendations to the BCCA Herding chair, by March 15, 2020.

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2020 MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 4.7.1 • Member of the Year. This award will recognize the BCCA member or group of members who, as a result of their activity, has made the most significant contribution to the advancement of the Bearded Collie Club of America or the bearded collie. The award will be publicly announced and presented at the National Specialty banquet in the year following the calendar year for which the honor is awarded. Nominations for the award will be accepted from any BCCA member in good standing.

Nominations must be received by the recording secretary on or before March 21st of the year following the calendar year for which the award is made. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a 250 word (maximum) statement justifying the award for the particular nominee. Seated officers and board members are not eligible for the award.

BID FOR BEARDIE BULLETIN EDITOR

Bids are now being solicited and accepted for editing the Beardie Bulletin for 2021-2022. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before March 15, 2021 to Merilynn Bergstresser, 1092 Millwood Ct, Brentwood, TN 37027 or email to mmberg50@gmail.com.

BCCA NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

PURPOSE

To nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office, board position, and AKC Delegate on a three year rotation and procure the acceptance of each nominee so chosen.

DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

1. Contact current Board members whose terms of service are ending and inquire whether they are interested in

being considered for nomination. Those answering in the affirmative should be considered with all other suggested persons. There is no requirement that incumbents whose terms are ending must be asked to serve another term.

2. Determine if a nomination is needed for the AKC Delegate (in 3 year rotation).
3. Contact all members of the committee to plan your approach.
4. Notify all members in the Bagpipes that the committee is accepting ideas for nominees.
5. Follow recommendations in the Guidelines for the Nominating Committee.
6. Notify the Recording Secretary of the nominees by March 1.

COMMITTEE YEARLY WORK PLAN

Activities	Date to Be Accomplished	Person(s) Responsible
Notify members that they can submit names for nomination	February Bagpipes	Chair
Contact current Board	Early in February	Chair
Send the nominations to the Recording Secretary	On or before March 1	Chair

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR JUDGES FOR THE 2022 SPECIALTY

Links to 2022 BCCA National Judges [Preliminary Ballots](#) and [Biographies](#)

IN ORDER TO HAVE YOUR BALLOT COUNTED, IT MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 15TH!

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 2020 AS OF JANUARY 3, 2021

	Current Month	Year Ago
Assets		
Checking		
Unrestricted	171,109	92,176
Restricted - Rescue	64,202	60,411
Total Checking	235,312	152,587
Accounts Receivable	1,020	0
Investments (CDs)	115,353	191,376
Total Assets	351,685	343,963
Liabilities & Equity		
Retained Earnings	330,313	324,223
YTD Profit/(Loss)	21,372	19,740
Total Liabilities & Equity	351,685	343,963

BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **FEBRUARY 1ST, 2021**

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 **MARCH 15, 2021.**

Contact the editor to reserve ad space, Lillian Esposito, lillianespo@verizon.net

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON DECEMBER 2020
AS OF JANUARY 3, 2021**

General	Current Month		Year-to-Date	
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
Income				
Membership				
Individual	130	65	15,935	16,395
Affiliate Club			325	300
Membership Total	<u>130</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>16,260</u>	<u>16,695</u>
Other				
Interest (net of amortization)	196	205	2,302	3,475
Donations (non-Rescue)		10	46	5,634
Publications (non-Bulletin)	35	40	1,242	1,558
Agility Trials (net of expenses)				
Miscellaneous				
Other Total	<u>231</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>3,590</u>	<u>10,667</u>
Income Total	<u>361</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>19,850</u>	<u>27,362</u>
Expense				
Administrative				
Office Supplies & Services				129
Insurance				
Professional Services				
Information Technology				
Bank & Payment Services	7	11	855	757
AKC Dues & Education			25	25
Travel				
Miscellaneous				
Administrative Total	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>880</u>	<u>911</u>
Mission-related				
Breed Ed & Promotion				469
Charitable Donations			11,650	14,550
Publications (non-Bulletin)			263	180
Health				1,500
Trophies & Awards				1,178
Herding				100
Companion				
Agility				
Mission-related Total	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11,913</u>	<u>17,977</u>
Expense Total	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12,793</u>	<u>18,888</u>
General Gain/(Loss)	<u>354</u>	<u>309</u>	<u>7,056</u>	<u>8,474</u>

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		Current Month		Year-to-Date	
		This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
Bulletin					
Income					
	Subscriptions & Copies	51	30	11,843	12,254
	Advertising	2,336	75	10,435	9,123
	Income Total	2,387	105	22,278	21,377
Expense					
	Pre-production			6,108	5,011
	Production & Mailing			5,676	9,167
	Expense Total	0	0	11,784	14,178
	Bulletin Gain/(Loss)	2,387	105	10,494	7,199
Rescue					
Income					
	Donations	353	385	1,027	11,015
	Adoption		150	300	1,050
	Fund Raising (net of expenses)	-83	63	3,564	2,566
	Auction				
	Income Total	271	598	4,890	14,631
Expense					
	Veterinary	270	430	1,069	7,681
	Boarding & Grooming				
	Other		128		384
	Expense Total	270	558	1,069	8,065
	Rescue Gain/(Loss)	0	40	3,821	6,566
National Specialties					
Income					
	2018 - Sacramento				
	2019 - Asheville				
	Income Total	0	0	0	0
Expenses					
	2018 - Sacramento				
	2019 - Asheville				2,500
	2020 - St Louis				
	Expense Total	0	0	0	2,500
	National Specialties Gain/(Loss)	0	0	0	(2,500)
	Club Gain/(Loss)	2,742	454	21,372	19,739