



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America  
April 2021

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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### **2020 BCCA NATIONAL SCHEDULE**

TUESDAY, JUNE 15th

Herding Tests & Trials  
Drovers Dinner/Herding Awards

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16th

Herding Tests & Trials  
Herding Instinct Test, ½ hour after close of trial

THURSDAY, JUNE 17th

Agility Trial 1  
BAD Dinner/Agility Awards

FRIDAY, JUNE 18th

Agility Trial 2  
Agility Relay  
Move in to Event Center  
Welcome Party at Labaddie Brewery

SATURDAY, JUNE 19th

Obedience & Rally  
BCCA Board Meeting

SUNDAY, JUNE 20th

Puppy, Junior & Veteran Sweepstakes  
Education Seminar  
Auction Dinner

MONDAY, JUNE 21st

Class & Veteran Dogs & Bitches  
Performance & Sexually Altered Dogs & Bitches  
Parades  
Breed Education  
Historical Presentation & Cocktails

SUNDAY, JUNE 22nd

Junior Showmanship  
4 - 6 Months Beginner Puppy  
Best of Breed  
Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Brace & Best Puppy  
Best Veteran  
Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show  
Awards & Closing Celebration  
Judges' Critiques

The National will be held at the Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO. The Herding trials will be at Rotti-Ewe, Wright City, MO, an hour away.

### **BCCA MEMBER OF THE YEAR**

There is still time to nominate that special member who has gone above and beyond to make a significant contribution to the advancement of the Bearded Collie Club of America or the bearded collie. Nominations are due to Rosie Schroeder by April 15th.

### **PLANS ARE FULL STEAM AHEAD FOR THE (POSTPONED) 2020 BCCA NATIONAL**

The 2020 show committee, chaired by Carol Serrine, has contingency plans for both inside and outside conformation competition at the National. Read more about it in the Extra Edition. More information can be found on their website - <http://www.bcca2020.com/> - or Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/events/397040464578016>

### **2021 BCCA NATIONAL**

Keep up to date with the 2021 by visiting their website - <https://bcca2021.com/> - or Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/events/662611014393224>

**STAY SAFE, WEAR A MASK & WASH YOUR HANDS!**

*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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**MARCH 23, 2021 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

Merilynn Bergstresser • [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@gmail.com)

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:30 PM EST.

Present: Bergstresser, Bihl, Blanchard, Corn, Furlow, McNamara, Remell, Ritter, Williamson, Woods

Absent: Taylor

The minutes of the February 23, 2021 board meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Williamson) - The Corresponding Secretary's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. There are two applications to be voted on at the April meeting.

Emily Johnson and David Robinson  
 Joint / Full  
 Portland, Oregon  
 Sponsor: Debra Thomas

Carrie Weiss  
 Single/Full  
 Ashland, OH  
 Sponsor: Audrey Williams

Report of the Treasurer (Bihl) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Reports of Committees – There were no committee reports.

Unfinished Business - There was no Unfinished Business.

New Business

1. The following applicant was approved for BCCA membership, without dissent. (Williamson)

Anne and Sarah Marfisi  
 Council Bluffs, Iowa  
 Joint / Full

Sponsor: Meaghan Edwards

Proposed Motions for the April board meeting – motion to go into Executive Session to elect Member of the Year. Submissions have a 15 April deadline.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM EST

*Next Meeting April 27, 2021 at 8:30 PM EDT.*

**APRIL RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES**

Merilynn Bergstresser • [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@gmail.com)

**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.

If you have experience in editing/publishing/creative design, or would like to learn, bids are still being accepted for editing the Beardie Bulletin, BCCA's official publication. The Beardie Bulletin is normally published four times a year. Please contact the Recording Secretary, Merilynn Bergstresser, at [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@gmail.com), for bid specifications if you are interested.

**2021 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Nominating Committee, comprised of Chair Sonja Blanchard, Rosemary Schroeder, and Julie Sneed have submitted the following nominations for the 2021 election:

Officers

President: Michele Ritter, Vice President: Linda Taylor, Recording Secretary: Merilynn Bergstresser, Corresponding Secretary: David Williamson, Treasurer: Don Means  
 Directors, Class of 2023

Deborah Furlow. Moly McNamara & Meaghan Edwards

AKC Delegate 2021 – 2024

Kathy Coxwell

# MARCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

David Williamson • [beardieboys@att.net](mailto:beardieboys@att.net)

Please send all changes to your telephone numbers, email, and snail mail addresses to the corresponding secretary. If you would like to add your kennel to the breeder listings, or list a litter, email the corresponding secretary.

Welcome new members Anne and Sarah Marfisi.

## COMMUNICATIONS

One puppy Inquiry  
Posted to the [BCCAmemberslist@groups.io](mailto:BCCAmemberslist@groups.io)  
March edition of the AKC Gazette  
AKC's Dennis Sprung: Noteworthy News

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Emily Johnson and David Robinson  
Joint / Full  
Portland, Oregon  
Sponsor: Debra Thomas  
  
Carrie Weiss  
Single/Full  
Ashland, OH  
Sponsor: Audrey Williams

## LITTER LISTINGS

**Litter Birth Date: 03/21/2021**

Eric Rayman/Lillian Esposito  
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GCH Highland's Deacon Blues ex Harwood Ha'Penny Emma of Rensselaerville  
Sire: OFA CHIC #138547  
Dam: Hip BC-4638G57F-VPI, Eye Normal, Thyroid BC-TH801/71F-VPI  
2 black males, 1 blue male, 2 black females

The BCCA Bylaws, Article V, Sections 4 D & E, state "Each member may nominate a candidate for officer and director positions by signing a document that is sent to the recording secretary by a date to be determined by the board each year (April 15, 2021). The name of a candidate who receives nomination signatures from five percent of the members in good standing shall appear on the ballot.

1. Nominations for each office shall be submitted as a separate document.
2. A nomination document may contain the signatures of more than one member.

## BALANCE SHEET APRIL 2021 AS OF MARCH 31, 2021

	Current Month	Year Ago
<b>Assets</b>		
Checking		
Unrestricted	173,124	93,663
Restricted - Rescue	<u>64,762</u>	<u>61,046</u>
Total Checking	237,887	154,709
Accounts Receivable	215	188
Investments (CDs)	115,277	185,605
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>353,378</u>	<u>340,502</u>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>		
Retained Earnings	330,313	324,223
YTD Profit/(Loss)	23,066	16,279
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<u>353,378</u>	<u>340,502</u>

### BAGPIPES DEADLINE

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

Email your reports and articles to Michele Ritter, [topdogs@ptd.net](mailto:topdogs@ptd.net)

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the next issue of the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **MAY 1, 2021**.

Contact the editor to reserve ad space, Lillian Esposito, [lillianespo@verizon.net](mailto:lillianespo@verizon.net)

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON MARCH 2021**  
**AS OF MARCH 31, 2021**

General	Current Month		Year-to-Date	
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
Income				
Membership				
Individual	65	60	16,000	16,485
Affiliate Club			325	350
Membership Total	<u>65</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>16,325</u>	<u>16,835</u>
Other				
Interest (net of amortization)	-24	331	2,603	4,349
Donations (non-Rescue)			46	5,634
Publications (non-Bulletin)	25		1,313	1,658
Agility Trials (net of expenses)				
Miscellaneous				
Other Total	<u>1</u>	<u>331</u>	<u>3,962</u>	<u>11,641</u>
Income Total	<u>66</u>	<u>391</u>	<u>20,287</u>	<u>28,476</u>
Expense				
Administrative				
Office Supplies & Services				129
Insurance				
Professional Services				
Information Technology	208	2,111	208	2,111
Bank & Payment Services	18	1	900	765
AKC Dues & Education	18		43	25
Travel				
Miscellaneous				420
Administrative Total	<u>244</u>	<u>2,112</u>	<u>1,151</u>	<u>3,450</u>
Mission-related				
Breed Ed & Promotion				569
Charitable Donations			11,750	14,550
Publications (non-Bulletin)			263	952
Health				3,000
Trophies & Awards				1,178
Herding			280	380
Companion			280	280
Agility				
Mission-related Total	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,573</u>	<u>20,909</u>
Expense Total	<u>244</u>	<u>2,112</u>	<u>13,723</u>	<u>24,359</u>
<b>General Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>(178)</b>	<b>(1,721)</b>	<b>6,564</b>	<b>4,117</b>

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON MARCH 2021**  
**AS OF MARCH 31, 2021**

		Current Month		Year-to-Date	
		This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
<b>Bulletin</b>					
Income					
	Subscriptions & Copies	64	60	11,934	12,348
	Advertising	10,700	180	21,580	16,585
	<b>Income Total</b>	<b>10,764</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>33,514</b>	<b>28,933</b>
Expense					
	Pre-production	4,860		10,500	8,900
	Production & Mailing	129	5,652	10,893	14,944
	<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>4,989</b>	<b>5,652</b>	<b>21,393</b>	<b>23,844</b>
	<b>Bulletin Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>5,775</b>	<b>(5,412)</b>	<b>12,121</b>	<b>5,089</b>
<b>Rescue</b>					
Income					
	Donations	50	102	1,352	11,271
	Adoption			600	1,200
	Fund Raising (net of expenses)	280	120	4,525	3,050
	Auction				2,184
	<b>Income Total</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>17,705</b>
Expense					
	Veterinary			1,978	9,000
	Boarding & Grooming			80	
	Other			37	1,505
	<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>10,505</b>
	<b>Rescue Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>4,381</b>	<b>7,200</b>
<b>National Specialties</b>					
Income					
	2018 - Sacramento				
	2019 - Asheville				3,373
	<b>Income Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,373</b>
Expenses					
	2018 - Sacramento				
	2019 - Asheville				2,500
	2020 - St Louis				
	2022 - Virginia Beach		1,000		1,000
	<b>Expense Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,500</b>
	<b>National Specialties Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1,000)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(127)</b>
	<b>Club Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>5,927</b>	<b>(7,911)</b>	<b>23,066</b>	<b>16,279</b>