



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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EDUCATION AT THE NATIONAL

I can't emphasize enough the value of the seminar being presented by Jerold Bell, DVM on "Genetic Diversity of the Bearded Collie." Dr. Bell has reviewed information provided by the BCCA regarding breed health and contacted researchers identified by the BCCA to be working on health issues pertaining to the Bearded Collie. He has also researched other genetic disorders reported in the breed and report his findings.

The goal is to educate and inform breeders and breed enthusiasts about genetic defects as well as the genetic diversity of the breed - to aid in future breeding choices and in turn, improve the health and longevity of the breed.

Dr. Bell is a veterinarian and professor at Tufts University, with an expertise in genetics.

I urge you to sign up for the seminar, the fee for the seminar only is \$20, registration is open until midnight September 6th. Here is the link to registration - <https://tinyurl.com/ywmn5y85>

NATIONAL SPECIALTIES

The 2021 BCCA National is scheduled for September 18-25th, starting with herding at Packleader Farms, Gig Harbor, WA, agility at Lacey Regional Athletic Center, and obedience, rally, sweepstakes and conformation at the Hotel RL Olympia.

AUGUST 24, 2021 BCCA BOARD MEETING

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The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:31 PM EDT.

Present: Bergstresser, Corn, Edwards, Furlow, McNamara, Means, Remell, Ritter, Taylor, Williamson, Woods

Absent: none

Report of the Recording Secretary (Bergstresser) - The minutes of the July 27, 2021 board meeting were approved as corrected.

We are still looking for a club to host the 2023 National, ideally it should be in the midwest.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The membership renewal period has now closed, if you neglected/forgot to renew and wish to continue as a BCCA member, you will need to fill out a new membership application and have a BCCA member sponsor you.

ANNUAL MEETING INPUT FROM MEMBERS

Per BCCA bylaws the Annual Meeting is scheduled to held in September or October, in conjunction with the National Specialty. As I will not be able to attend the 2021 National, the plan is to hold the Annual Meeting via teleconference, *after* the National., on Tuesday October 12.

Topics that members would like placed on the agenda should be emailed to Merilynn Bergstresser, recording secretary, in order that the agenda can be put together and published in a timely fashion. We want to hear from members about what is important to them. Remember that no club business can be conducted unless there is a quorum, currently 66 members (a quorum is 10% of the membership.)

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 (Means) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. There was discussion regarding the 2022 member renewals. Board members have been personally calling members who have not renewed.

Reports of Committees – There were no committee reports.

Unfinished Business - There was no Unfinished Business.

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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New Business

1. The following applicant was approved for BCCA membership. (Williamson)

Diana Hartman
Northridge, California
Single/Full

Sponsors: Carol Serrine, Brian Wistrom

2. Motion to approve Merilynn Bergstresser, Don Means and Michele Ritter as the Executive committee was approved without . {Bergstresser}

3. Motion to approve 2020 committee chairs was approved. (Ritter)

4. Motion to approve the Bearded Collie Club of Texas' use of the BCCA Fast CAT license for 12 BCCA trials in 2022 was approved. Dates are April 30 - May 1, 2022 (4 events), October 1 - 2, 2022 (4 events), December 10 - 11, 2022 (4 events). Trials will be held at Walter Hall Park, 807 Hwy 3, League City, TX 77573 and superintended by American Lure Course Racing, Cindy Wildman, www.americanlurecourseracing.com (Bergstresser)

5. Motion to approve the Great Lakes Bearded Collie Club's use of the BCCA's license to hold a BCCA regional specialty July 8, 2022 at Monroe County Fairgrounds, 3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe, MI was approved. Superintendent will be MB-F. (Bergstresser)

6. Motion was approved to amend SR 9.2.4, "The Preferred Agility Veteran Award is sponsored by Carl Widell in memory of Cagney, the first beardedie to earn Preferred Excellent agility titles. This award will go to the top veteran dog, seven years of age or older, during the entire competition year, for performance in both Standard Agility and Jumpers with Weaves. Only legs toward titles will be considered. . .," by striking out "The trophy is a rectangular plaque with a large metal plate on the left side that is laser-inscribed with the words 'Bearded Collie Club of America Preferred Agility Veteran of the Year' topped by a stop-action image of Cagney exiting the weave poles. On the right side of the plaque are metal plates for inscribing the winners' names and years", and inserting "Each year's winner receives a keepsake award." (Ritter)

7. Motion was approved to amend SR 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," by striking out the words "is a wooden plaque with a laminated photo collage and plates engraved with the names of each year's winner" and inserting "Each year's winner receives a keepsake award." (Ritter)

There were no Proposed Motions for the September board meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM EDT.

.Next Meeting September 28, 2021 at 8:30 PM EDT.

AUGUST RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES

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2023 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HOST CLUB

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2023 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact National Specialty Advisor Joanne Williamson - balgrae@ix.netcom.com - for a bid packet.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the BCCA will be held Tuesday, October 12, 2021, using Google Meet. A link to join the meeting will be provided once it is set up.. In order to conduct any business, there must be a quorum present. The BCCA has 654 members, a quorum is 10%, so 66 members must attend the Google Meet in order to conduct any business.

AUGUST CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Welcome to new member Diana Hatman

COMMUNICATIONS

- August AKC Gazette is emailed
- AKC Meet the Breeds Tour is postponed until 2022

LITTER LISTINGS POSTED TO THE BCCA WEBSITE

Litter Birth Date: 08/08/2021

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Nonesuch Lakewood Turn Back Time ex CH RiverCity's Muddy Waters
Sire: CHIC # 145528
Dam: CHIC # 143407
2 black males, 3 blue males, 1 fawn male; 1 black female, 2 blue females

Litter Birth Date: 07/09/2021

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Litter Birth Date: 07/05/2021

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BREEDER LISTINGS POSTED TO THE BCCA WEBSITE

Debby and Larry Furlow