



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America  
December 2022

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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I'm not sure about all of you, but December really crept up on me! I hope you had things in your life to be thankful for last month, family, friends, beardies, we can all find something it would seem. And now the holiday seasons are really upon us – happy days of family and traditions for some, but also difficult times for many. Stop and take a moment to reconnect with someone who might really appreciate your time. Remember to be present with your friends who might need you.

Elsewhere in the newsletter you'll see a notice from our Rescue Group. There are large areas of the country where we have no rescue coordinators or volunteers. We're very lucky because we don't find beardies needing rescue very often, but when we do get a call, the results can be heartwarming for both the dog and those who adopt. So think about how you could help. It might be going to a shelter near your home to determine if a dog is a bearded collie or not. It might be pulling the dog and helping to find foster. It could be speaking with an adoptive family to determine their suitability. Recently we have had a couple of cases of elderly owners who could no longer care for their

beloved dogs and asked for help rehoming. In every case, if the breeder is known, they are asked to take the dog back and make arrangements, but often it's difficult or impossible to determine who bred the dog.

Our Ad Hoc Membership Committee has been hard at work under the guidance of Carol Serrine. They are looking for ways to encourage new members, keep our current members and provide more value to membership for all. I'm hoping to have more news from them to share in the coming year.

Room reservations for the 2023 Specialty in Frankenmuth, Michigan will be available for booking soon. Information will be on the Specialty website as well as announcements in the members list and on FaceBook.

Finally, we have had some folks looking into the possibility of hosting a Specialty in 2024, but nothing solid yet. And then there's always 2025!

See you all in 2023!

## **NOVEMBER 15, 2022 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

Merilynn Bergstresser • [mberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mberg50@gmail.com)

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Colombo at 8:30 PM EST via Google Meet.

Present: Beddoe, Bergstresser, Colombo, Corn, Edwards, McNamara, Means, Poliak, Ritter, Taylor, Williamson

Absent: Furlow

Report of the Recording Secretary (Bergstresser) - The minutes of the October 18, 2022 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 were three new membership applications.

Gus & Maryann Carre

Joint/Full

Rotonda West, FL

Sponsor: Elizabeth Hayes

Karen Ritzenthaler

Single/Full

Mountainview, NY

Sponsor: Patricia Halvorson

Davis & Anna Marie Smith

Joint/Full

Scottsdale, AZ

Sponsor: Tracy Takara Corey

Report of the Treasurer (Means) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. Don Means provided a brief summary of the 2021 tax return which has been completed by an outside tax firm.

*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 Bearded Collie owners, breeders, and the general public to learn, connect, and compete, while supporting research into breed-specific health issues and rescuing Bearded Collies in need.*

## **BCCA OFFICERS**

### **PRESIDENT**

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### **RECORDING SECRETARY**

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### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **CLASS OF 2023**

#### **MEAGHAN EDWARDS**

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#### **DEBORAH FURLOW**

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#### **MOLLY MCNAMARA**

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408-667-0049 • bouncebarkrun@gmail.com

#### **CLASS OF 2024**

#### **SUZI BEDDOE**

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541-880-6571 • beddoe.suzi@gmail.com

#### **LYNNE CORN**

Falls Church, VA 22043  
571-765-0522 • brynacap@aol.com

#### **CHERYL POLIAK**

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### **AKC DELEGATE JULY 2021 - JUNE 2024**

#### **KATHY COXWELL**

Monroeville, AL 36460  
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Committee Reports – Pat Colombo read the report from the 2022 National Specialty chairs, Laura Colombo and Casey Minner. Overall, the Specialty was extremely successful and they are wrapping things up. Both are willing to provide assistance to future Specialty committees reference lessons learned regarding contracts, hotels, international judges, etc.

#### **New Business**

1. Motion to approve the following new members. The motion passed.  
Linda and Mark Glaman  
Joint/Full  
Kennewick, WA  
Sponsor: Karen Norteman
2. Motion to approve the Bearded Collie Club of Maine use of the BCCA's license to host the following events in 2023. (Bergstresser) The motion passed.
  - May 20-21, 2023: Supported entries at the Southern Maine Coastal Classic Cluster, Cumberland, ME. Event chair: Val Maloney. Superintendent is MB-F.
  - June 3, 2023: Specialty in conjunction with Ladies' Dog Club, Wrentham, MA. Event Chair: Karen Norteman. Superintendent is MB-F.
  - June 4, 2023: Supported entry at Ladies' Dog Club, Wrentham, MA. Event Chair: Karen Norteman. Superintendent is MB-F.
  - June 24-25, 2023: Supported entries at the Chickadee Classic Cluster, Cumberland, ME. Event chair: Karen Norteman. Superintendent is MB-F.
- c. Motion to approve the Great Lakes Bearded Collie Club use of the BCCA's license to hold a BCCA regional specialty July 7, 2023 at Monroe County Fairgrounds, 3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe, MI. Superintendent will be MB-F. (Bergstresser) The motion passed.

#### **For the Good of the Order**

1. Lynne Corn reported that contributions for the new Owd Bob award were significantly more than needed and a little more than \$700 has been donated to the BCCA Charitable Trust for health. Also, the Scent Committee is working hard to draft scent and barn hunt award rules for BCCA Standing Rules, Section 9.
2. Joanne Williamson mentioned that she has no bids to host the 2024 National Specialty has suggested that the Specialty could easily be held in conjunction with a "cluster" of conformation shows already scheduled for September/October 2024.
3. Pat Colombo led a discussion regarding the timing and format of the Annual General Meeting. The two virtual Annual Meetings held in 2021 and 2022 were well attended (quorum was reached) and members have suggested having the Annual Meeting virtually every year. AKC has ruled that virtual Annual Meetings are allowed as long as they are in compliance with the state the club is incorporated in. BCCA was incorporated in New York which allows virtual Annual Meetings. However, BCCA By-laws Article IV, section 1a states that "the annual meeting of the membership shall be held in September or October, in conjunction with the National specialty, at a time and place designated by the Board of Directors." Changing the By-Laws would require a membership vote. Discussion was tabled pending a discussion with our parliamentarian.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM EST.

*Next Meeting December 20, 2022 at 8:30 PM EST*

## DECEMBER 2022 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES

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

### 2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HOST CLUB

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2024 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact the National Specialty Advisor, Joanne Williamson - [balgrae@ix.netcom.com](mailto:balgrae@ix.netcom.com) for a bid packet.

### NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Board of Directors selects a nominating committee at the January board meeting. Any suggestions for this committee should be sent to Merilynn Bergstresser, [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@gmail.com), by December 15, 2022.

#### 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.

#### 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

## DECEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Joanne Williamson • [balgrae@ix.netcom.com](mailto:balgrae@ix.netcom.com)

Welcome new members Max & Jeannette Ann Smothers

### COMMUNICATIONS

- Mailed checks to Don for new memberships.
- New member information and an address change for existing members sent to Michele for the roster/members' database.
- Received a number of e-mails from AKC.
- Numerous closure notices for events at Nationals and reminders about procedures for applying to hold the 2023 Nationals.
- Links to the AKC Gazette and AKC Communicates which were posted to the members' list.
- Memo on newly approved breed/group/BIS judges posted to the members' list.
- Welcome letters and invitations to join the Members' and Mail Chimp lists were sent to Tammy & Mark Dijoseph, Linda Emerson and Al & Glee Ann Seymour.
- Received an inquiry about applying for BCCA membership from Dawn Robitaille. Replied to her with an application and my contact information. Have not yet heard anything back.

#### 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 three-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.

- Contacted by Donnata Perry of MI who wanted information about attending events at the 2023 Nationals in Frankenmuth. Sent her the link to the 2023 Nationals website along with a brief description of Nationals week.
- Sent an invitation to join the members' list to a current member upon request.

Welcome new members Tammy & Mark Dijoseph, Linda Emerson, and Al & Glee Ann Seymour

New Membership Application for November Vote

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Joint/Full  
Kennewick, WA  
Sponsor: Karen Norteman

Membership Applications for December Vote

Gus & Maryann Carre  
Joint/Full  
Rotonda West, FL  
Sponsor: Elizabeth Hayes

Karen Ritzenthaler  
Single/Full  
Mountainville, NY  
Sponsor: Patricia Halverson

### BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **January 2, 2023**

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 **MARCH 15, 2023**

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

Davis & Anna Marie Smith  
 Joint/Full  
 Scottsdale, AZ  
 Sponsor: Tracy Takara Corey

**BCCA WEBSITE LITTER LISTINGS**

**Litter Birth Date: 10/10/2022**

Kirsten Andreassend & Joyce Emerson  
 6562 Rollin Brown Ct  
 Bakersfield, CA 93313  
 sebringbeardies@bak.rr.com  
 661-342-0421  
 GCH Sebring's Rollin in the Dough ex Ch Sebring Summer Breeze  
 Sire: CHIC #119886, Hips BC-4465E24M-VPI, Eyes BC-EYE187/81M-VPI, Thyroid BC-TH601/16M-VPI, Elbows BC-EL757M24-VPI  
 Dam: CHIC #149913, Hips BC-4676G25F-VPI, Eyes BC-EYE352/47F-VPI, Thyroid BC-TH788/25F-VPI, Elbows BC-EL882F25-VPI

**Litter Birth Date:12/4/2022**

Rhonda Hardy  
 635 S 14th St  
 San Jose, CA 95112  
 74092 College View Cir W  
 Palm Desert, CA 92211 (winter address)  
 SeafarerBeardedCollies@gmail.com  
 408- 221-0902  
 CH Willowisp Ramsay PT Ex GCH McCrystal Everblaze HSAs RI THDN FDC CGCA CGCU TKN  
 Sire: CHIC #99825, Hips BC-4227G24M-VPI, Eyes BC-EYE 85/76M VPI, Thyroid BC-TH503/24M-VPI, Elbows BC-EL625M24-VPI  
 Dam: CHIC #165120, Hips BC-4755G26F-VPI, Eyes BC-EYE410/30 F-VPI, Thyroid BC-TH831/26F-VPI, Elbows BC-EL939F26-VPI  
 2 Black M, 1 Brown M, 1 Black F

**BALANCE SHEET AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022**  
 Don Means • [demeans@msn.com](mailto:demeans@msn.com)

	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
<b>BANK ACCOUNTS</b>	
01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	
010 BCCA CHECKING	172,071.51
020 BCCA RESCUE	17,080.06
TOTAL 01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	\$189,151.57
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$189,151.57
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>	
04000 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
<b>OTHER CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
03000 PREPAID EXPENSE	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$189,151.57
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>	
10000 SAVINGS	
010 CDS (EDWARD JONES)	144,969.13
020 BCCA RESCUE CD'S	42,000.00
TOTAL 10000 SAVINGS	\$186,969.13
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$186,969.13
TOTAL ASSETS	\$376,120.70
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
40000 DEFERRED INCOME	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	
<b>EQUITY</b>	
50000 RETAINED EARNINGS	294,160.29
RETAINED EARNINGS	69,234.83
NET INCOME	12,725.58
TOTAL EQUITY	\$376,120.70
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$376,120.70</b>

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON NOVEMBER 2022**  
**AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022**

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	TOTAL	
	NOV 2022	JUL - NOV, 2022 (YTD)
INCOME		
01000 MEMBERSHIP		
010 INDIVIDUALS		
1 RENEWALS		14,615.00
2 LATE FEES		245.00
3 NEW MEMBERS	105.00	305.00
TOTAL 010 INDIVIDUALS	\$105.00	\$15,165.00
020 AFFILIATE CLUBS	25.00	310.00
TOTAL 01000 MEMBERSHIP	\$130.00	\$15,475.00
02000 OTHER		
010 INTEREST	1,536.94	2,859.83
030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)		
2 ILLUSTRATED STANDARD		183.00
3 BREEDER LISTING		1,125.00
TOTAL 030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)		\$1,308.00
090 MISCELLANEOUS		70.00
TOTAL 02000 OTHER	\$1,536.94	\$4,237.83
10000 BULLETIN		
010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES		
1 SUBSCRIPTIONS	64.00	9,513.00
2 COPIES		13.00
TOTAL 010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES	\$64.00	\$9,526.00
020 ADVERTISING		7,947.43
TOTAL 10000 BULLETIN	\$64.00	\$17,473.43
18000 RESCUE		
020 DONATIONS		215.00
040 FUND RAISING	60.00	2,050.00
<b>TOTAL 18000 RESCUE</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$2,265.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$1,790.94</b>	<b>\$39,451.26</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$1,790.94</b>	<b>\$39,451.26</b>

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON NOVEMBER 2022**  
**AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022**

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<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>05000 ADMINISTRATIVE</b>		
010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS		
2 PRINTING & COPYING		<b>157.90</b>
TOTAL 010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS		\$157.90
020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
1 SOFTWARE	30.00	175.00
TOTAL 020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$30.00	\$175.00
040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS		
1 BANK FEES		6.00
2 PAYPAL		973.23
TOTAL 040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS		\$979.23
060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
1 ACCOUNTING	500.00	500.00
TOTAL 060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$500.00	\$500.00
080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS		
1 DUES	25.00	25.00
TOTAL 080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$25.00	\$25.00
210 AMORTIZATION		-438.11
TOTAL 05000 ADMINISTRATIVE	\$555.00	\$1,399.02
06000 MISSION RELATED		
010 BREED ED & PROMOTION		
1 JUDGES EDUCATION		191.20
2 BREED PROMOTION		215.00
TOTAL 010 BREED ED & PROMOTION		\$406.20
020 CHARITABLE DONATIONS		10,000.00
080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		
3 SHIPPING		50.00
TOTAL 080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		\$50.00
TOTAL 06000 MISSION RELATED		\$10,456.20
11000 BULLETIN		
020 PRODUCTION	2,806.25	7,946.25
2 MAILING		202.91
TOTAL 020 PRODUCTION	\$2,806.25	\$8,149.16
TOTAL 11000 BULLETIN	\$2,806.25	\$8,149.16
19000 RESCUE		
010 VETERNARIAN		105.00
030 BOARDING		2,457.00
090 OTHER		364.28
<b>TOTAL 19000 RESCUE</b>		<b>\$2,926.28</b>
<b>60000 NATIONAL SPECIALTIES</b>		
<b>070 2023 - FRANKENMUTH</b>	<b>3,785.02</b>	<b>3,785.02</b>
<b>TOTAL 60000 NATIONAL SPECIALTIES</b>	<b>\$3,785.02</b>	<b>\$3,785.02</b>
<b>UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSE</b>		<b>10.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$7,146.27</b>	<b>\$26,725.68</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>-\$5,355.33</b>	<b>\$12,725.58</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>-\$5,355.33</b>	<b>\$12,725.58</b>