



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America  
March 2023

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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Aloha!

I'm writing from beautiful Hawaii, about halfway through my first trip to the Islands. I can see some areas of the mainland are still suffering some severe weather. I hope everyone and their beardies are safe and warm. At our February meeting we reviewed the proposed rules for Scent Work. We discussed comments received from the membership as well as board members. Based on all, the rules were returned to committee for further reworking. I'm hopeful they can be finalized in March.

The Membership committee has finished their work and will be presenting their report at the March meeting. It will be very interesting to see their work and suggestions. I know they had a good response to their questionnaire.

Congratulations to the National Capitol Bearded Collie Club and their show committee chaired by Casey Minner and Laura

## **FEBRUARY 21, 2023 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

Merilynn Bergstresser • [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@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: None

Report of the Recording Secretary (Bergstresser) - The minutes of the January 24, 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 two new membership applications.

Claudia & Joe Diaz

Joint/Full

Marengo, IL

Sponsor: Kathy Comer

Leslie Papa

Single/Full

Bedford, VA

Sponsor: Jennifer Waldeck

Colombo for running a financially successful specialty. I'm sure many of you have fond memories of Virginia Beach.

You have probably seen that fund raising for the 2023 Specialty is in full swing. There are many great and useful items being offered. Please support the show by bidding on the items offered. We have some new things planned that I think all of you will enjoy.

The Nominating Committee presented their recommendations for officers for the new Board starting in July, I'd like to thank them for their work. Their suggestions are presented elsewhere in the newsletter.

Don't forget to send your final selection for judges for 2024.

Take care and enjoy your beardies!

Report of the Treasurer (Means) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. The financial statement from the 2022 National Specialty was presented/ accepted.

### **Committee Reports**

The Nominating Committee, comprised of Chair Debby Furlow, Sheree Girty and Kathy Pavlich have submitted the following nominations for the 2023 election:

#### **Officers**

President: Pat Colombo

Vice President: Linda Taylor

Recording Secretary: Karen Norteman

Corresponding Secretary: Casey Minner

Treasurer: Don Means

#### **Directors, Class of 2025**

Meaghan Edwards

Carol Bond

Kristen Barnes

*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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### **PAST PRESIDENT**

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### **VICE PRESIDENT**

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### **RECORDING SECRETARY**

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### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

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### **TREASURER**

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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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#### **CLASS OF 2024**

#### **SUZI BEDDOE**

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#### **LYNNE CORN**

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#### **CHERYL POLIAK**

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

#### **KATHY COXWELL**

Monroeville, AL 36460  
251-743-4055 • hattieboo@gmail.com

### **New Business**

a. Motion to approve the following new members. The motion passed.

Tina Duncan  
Single/Foreign  
Chertsey, Quebec, CN  
Sponsor: Debby Furlow

Lisa & Dennis Florentino  
Joint/Full  
Plover, WI  
Sponsor: Patricia Halvorson

Scott & Lisa Michaeloff  
Joint/Associate  
Boca Raton, FL  
Sponsor: Kay Sakowski

b. Motion to approve new Standing Rules for Scent Work – SR 9.10-9.11.2.  
Motion was referred back to the committee.

For the Good of the Order

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM EST.

*Next Meeting March 21, 2023 at 8:30 PM EDT*

## **MARCH 2023 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES**

*Merilynn Bergstresser • mmberg50@gmail.com*

### **2023 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

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Kristin Barnes

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, 2022). 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.

The nominating committee shall verify that each candidate meets the requirements for the position for which nominated and shall secure from each candidate a written consent to serve if elected."

The BCCA membership number currently stands at 629, so 32 signatures (5%) are required to support each petition. All additional nominations should be emailed to

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

### **2024 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 Elsa Sell, the BCCA Herding chair, by March 15, 2023

Elsa Sell  
764 Liberty Road  
Milner, GA 30257  
[beaconbb@bellsouth.net](mailto:beaconbb@bellsouth.net)

## **BID FOR BEARDIE BULLETIN EDITOR**

Bids are now being solicited and accepted for editing the Beardie Bulletin for 2023-2024. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before March 15, 2023 to Merilynn Bergstresser, [mmberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mmberg50@gmail.com)

## **FINAL BALLOT FOR 2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES**

The following names were elected to be on the final ballot for the regular classes.

Regular Classes  
Lesley Tomlinson  
Gillian R. Burfitt  
Pam Douglas  
  
Sweepstakes  
Kathy Goetz-Perry  
Katherine Rudd Beard  
Laura Colombo  
Brenda Wantland

The final ballots were emailed in February, via the Bagpipes, and are due to the Treasurer, Don Means, by March 30, 2023.

## **FEBRUARY 2023 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

Welcome new members Gus & Maryann Carre, Karen Ritzenthaler, and David & Anna Marie Smith

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Event application overdue notices received for agility trials that were held at Beardie Camp; replied to AKC that these events were not being held in 2023 so no application was necessary.
- Received e-mail from the Chief Scientific Officer of the AKC Canine Health Foundation offering to attend a club Zoom meeting and talk about CHF activities. Scan attached to this report.
- Links to various notices, newsletters including AKC Communicates, Governmental Relations, conformation judge approvals and the AKC Gazette posted to the members' list.
- Invoice for the 2023 Quarterly Report Subscription received and forwarded to Don for payment with a copy sent to Pat.
- Memo received with details on a Specialty Show Site Locator and check list; completion of a survey on our most recent Nationals was requested. Survey needs to be filled out by a club representative who has access to our National Specialty Log-in information.
- <https://link.akc.org/view/5b58b95324c17c17c657ae6fi4284.4g/7718cf97>
- Sent an e-mail to AKC requesting the free litter registration offered by AKC to parent clubs for the Best Bred By Exhibitor at the 2022 National Specialty.
- Welcome letters and invitations to join the Members' and Mail Chimp lists were sent to Dorothy Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Dawn Robitaille, and Kathy & Phil Ward.

- New member information was forwarded to Don Means and Michele Ritter for addition to the membership database and invoicing as required.
- New breeder listing request received from Rhonda Hardy; PayPal invoice for this service requested from Don Means.
- Action on two new membership applications still pending due to lack of sponsor statements. Continuing to work with applicants to fix this.
- Received a membership application from Bonnie & Matt Hlasten of Fairhope, AL without a sponsor statement; am trying to contact the member they said would serve as their sponsor to complete the application.
- Received a request from a new member to check on the status of her application payment; forwarded her request to Don for action.
- Received an inquiry from a Rachel Bloecker about finding a sponsor for her membership application. Determined that one of the breeders of her current beardies is a BCCA member and provided an e-mail address for that person. Rachel agreed to contact her breeder but no application has been received to date.

Welcome new members, Dorothy Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Dawn Robitaille, and Kathy & Phil Ward

Membership Applications for March Vote

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Joint/Full  
Marengo, IL  
Sponsor: Kathy Comer  
  
Leslie Papa  
Single/Full  
Bedford, VA  
Sponsor: Jennifer Waldeck

## BCCA WEBSITE LITTER LISTINGS

Litter Expected Birth Date: 4/1/2023

Brenda Cox

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Creswell, OR 97426

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harvestbeardies@msn.com

CH Harvest Special Treat ex OTCH Harvest Without A  
Trace UDX 4

Sire: CHIC #145292, Hips BC-4656G27M-VPI; Eyes BC-  
EYE314/19M-VPI, Thyroid BC-TH774/27M-VPI

Dam: CHIC #132904, Hips BC-4560G26F-VPI; Eyes: BC-  
EYE208/9F-VPI;Thyroid BC-TH712/26F-VPI

## BALANCE SHEET AS OF MARCH 1, 2023

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	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
BANK ACCOUNTS	
01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	
010 BCCA CHECKING	195,338.70
020 BCCA RESCUE	17,289.29
TOTAL 01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	\$212,627.99
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$212,627.99
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
04000 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
03000 PREPAID EXPENSE	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$212,627.99
OTHER ASSETS	
10000 SAVINGS	
010 CDS (EDWARD JONES)	120,969.13
020 BCCA RESCUE CD'S	42,000.00
TOTAL 10000 SAVINGS	\$162,969.13
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$162,969.13
TOTAL ASSETS	\$375,597.12
<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	
EQUITY	
50000 RETAINED EARNINGS	294,160.29
RETAINED EARNINGS	69,234.83
NET INCOME	12,202.00
TOTAL EQUITY	\$375,597.12
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$375,597.12</b>

### BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES  
is **APRIL 1, 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  
were due **MARCH 15, 2023**

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

## PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON AS OF MARCH 1 2023

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	Total	
	FEB 2023	JUL 2022 - FEB 2023 (YTD)
INCOME		
01000 MEMBERSHIP		
010 INDIVIDUALS		
1 RENEWALS		14,615.00
2 LATE FEES		245.00
3 NEW MEMBERS	70.00	570.00
TOTAL 010 INDIVIDUALS	\$70.00	\$15,430.00
020 AFFILIATE CLUBS		310.00
TOTAL 01000 MEMBERSHIP	\$70.00	\$15,740.00
02000 OTHER		
010 INTEREST	1,177.45	5,568.97
020 DONATIONS (NON-RESCUE)		<b>12.00</b>
030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)		
2 ILLUSTRATED STANDARD		243.00
3 BREEDER LISTING	<b>25.00</b>	1,150.00
TOTAL 030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)	<b>\$25.00</b>	\$1,393.00
090 MISCELLANEOUS		70.00
TOTAL 02000 OTHER	<b>\$1,202.45</b>	<b>\$7,043.97</b>
10000 BULLETIN		
010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES		
1 SUBSCRIPTIONS		9,663.00
2 COPIES		28.00
TOTAL 010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES		\$9,691.00
020 ADVERTISING	2,825.00	17,947.93
TOTAL 10000 BULLETIN	<b>\$2,825.00</b>	<b>\$27,638.93</b>
18000 RESCUE		
010 ADOPTION	750.00	1,200.00
<b>020 DONATIONS</b>	<b>1,589.50</b>	<b>1,904.50</b>
<b>040 FUND RAISING</b>	<b>308.00</b>	<b>3,283.00</b>
<b>TOTAL 18000 RESCUE</b>	<b>\$2,647.50</b>	<b>\$6,387.50</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$6,744.95</b>	<b>\$56,810.40</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$6,744.95</b>	<b>\$56,810.40</b>

**PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON AS OF MARCH 1, 2023**  
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EXPENSES	FEB 2023	JUL 2022 - FEB 2023 (YTD)
<b>05000 ADMINISTRATIVE</b>		
010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS		
1 POSTAGE & MAIL SVCS		310.98
2 PRINTING & COPYING		157.90
TOTAL 010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS		<b>\$468.88</b>
020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	300.00	300.00
1 SOFTWARE	30.00	265.00
TOTAL 020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	<b>\$330.00</b>	<b>\$565.00</b>
040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS		
1 BANK FEES	6.00	12.00
2 PAYPAL	53.35	1,061.92
TOTAL 040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS	<b>\$59.35</b>	<b>\$1,073.92</b>
060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
1 ACCOUNTING		500.00
TOTAL 060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		<b>\$500.00</b>
080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS		
1 DUES		25.00
2 SUBSCRIPTIONS	300.00	300.00
TOTAL 080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$300.00	\$325.00
210 AMORTIZATION		-8.26
TOTAL 05000 ADMINISTRATIVE	<b>\$689.35</b>	<b>\$2,924.54</b>
06000 MISSION RELATED		
010 BREED ED & PROMOTION		
1 JUDGES EDUCATION		191.20
2 BREED PROMOTION	390.53	605.53
TOTAL 010 BREED ED & PROMOTION	<b>\$390.53</b>	<b>\$796.73</b>
020 CHARITABLE DONATIONS		10,000.00
1 SUNSHINE COMMITTEE	100.00	100.00
TOTAL 020 CHARITABLE DONATIONS	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$10,100.00
080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		
3 SHIPPING		50.00
TOTAL 080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		\$50.00
TOTAL 06000 MISSION RELATED	\$490.53	\$10,946.73
11000 BULLETIN		
010 PRE-PRODUCTION		3,340.28
020 PRODUCTION	4,508.00	15,849.25
2 MAILING		1,126.61
TOTAL 020 PRODUCTION	<b>\$4,508.00</b>	\$16,975.86
<b>030 OTHER</b>		<b>122.46</b>
TOTAL 11000 BULLETIN	<b>\$4,508.00</b>	<b>\$20,438.60</b>
19000 RESCUE		
010 VETERNARIAN		3,454.51
020 GROOMING		16.35
030 BOARDING		2,571.96
090 OTHER		457.94
TOTAL 19000 RESCUE		<b>\$6,500.76</b>
60000 NATIONAL SPECIALTIES		
070 2023 - FRANKENMUTH		3,785.02
TOTAL 60000 NATIONAL SPECIALTIES		<b>\$3,785.02</b>
PAYROLL EXPENSES		2.75
UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSE		10.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	<b>\$5,687.88</b>	<b>\$44,608.40</b>
NET OPERATING INCOME	<b>\$1,057.07</b>	<b>\$12,202.00</b>
NET INCOME	<b>\$1,057.07</b>	<b>\$12,202.00</b>