



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America  
August 2023

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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It's August here in Ohio, that means days ranging from very hot and humid to storms bringing high winds, downed trees and hail. At least we've avoided tornados thus far. It seems to be hot everywhere, so I hope you're keeping cool, safe and dry.

My days are currently filled with plans for the National. So many deadlines are approaching. Logowear will be available for purchase this week, most events are open for entry, master registration is available and of course there are still many show and trophy sponsorships available. We're planning a very special time for you in Frankenmuth this October. This year we will be hosting a Fast CAT event that will be a first for the BCCA at a National. This event has generated amazing interest around the country and we expect entries to fill up quickly. It's a great opportunity for all beardie owners to participate in something extra with their dog.

We also have a large number of vendors lined up this year, more than I have seen in ages. Jewelry from 14-K9 will be available for the first time in several years; Whitman's will have their truck with sharpening, show supplies etc., Many local and

distant artists are attending as well as our many very talented Beardie artists. I'm sure shopping will be the best!

On Wednesday evening, we will have a special celebration to honor our veteran dogs competing in Veteran Sweepstakes. This event is brought to you courtesy of the Bearded Collie Club of America Charitable Trust and we are very grateful for their support. Linda Taylor, Chair and Don Means, Treasurer, will attend to describe the great work done by the Trust to improve the health of our breed. We're suggesting that everyone bring along their best sparkly clothes as well as tuxes if the guys have them. Linda and Don are also bringing a special guest to contribute to this event. At the end of Veteran Sweepstakes judging they will also present a commemorative engraved bowl to the breeder of the winning veteran. This bowl was donated by Sonja Blanchard and Eric Weglarz.

Finally we will wrap up after breed judging on Friday with a pizza and salad buffet, when Awards will be distributed. Our judges, Diane Newman and Nicolas Broadbridge, will share their thoughts and maybe we will have a surprise visitor from California with news of 2024. Hope to see all of you there!

## **JULY 18, 2023 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

Karen Norteman • [webmonkey@bccca.us](mailto:webmonkey@bccca.us)

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Colombo at 8:35 PM EDT via Google Meet.

Present: Barnes, Beddoe, Bond, Colombo, Corn, Means, Minner, Norteman, Poliak, Taylor  
Absent: Edwards

Report of the Recording Secretary (Norteman) - The minutes of the June 27, 2023 meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Treasurer (Means) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. Note that this month's copy of the budget is the correct one. The budget was discussed. Motion to accept the budget: Approved.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Minner)  
The Officers' List has been updated with AKC.

The Breeder-Judges' list has also been updated with a couple who were left out. Ian is no longer listed as active – he has resigned as a judge in the USA.

Lifetime achievement awards due to AKC in August: The Board discussed how people would be nominated. Everyone will read the information and see the list. Let Pat know if you want to nominate someone, and the Board will discuss whether we want to send nominations as a Board.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Trophy Distribution Committee – Lynne will be the chair for this effort.

Committee Reports --

Discussion of the Membership Committee (Next Steps) –

*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.*

## **BCCA OFFICERS**

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#### **AKC DELEGATE JULY 2024 - JUNE 2027**

##### **KATHY COXWELL**

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The Board discussed member retention – lost only 7 members (net) over the past year.

Funding Beardie Camp – While we support the ideals of Beardie Camp, the Board has decided that a affiliate approach, working with the affiliate clubs, would be preferable. The Board would be interested in assisting with funding/supporting 1-day affiliate club events – maybe free for the first funded event, then maybe charge in subsequent years or for other breeds. Further information will be discussed with the affiliate clubs.

Discussion on the second item: more articles in the Bagpipes/Bulletin. How do we get contributions? It was suggested that we Board members either write pieces or tag someone to write them in order to get things started. We wholeheartedly support this recommendation.

New Business

New Member: Joanie Alford's membership application is approved.

There were no new member applications this month.

Motion (Means):

**Motion to amend** Standing Rule 4.3:

Insert the following: 4.3.2 Payments for membership dues and Beardie Bulletin subscriptions from new members who were approved during the last quarter of the fiscal year will apply both to the remainder of that year and to the following year.

Renumber Subsection 4.3.2 as Subsection 4.3.3

Although this rule was in old versions of the Standing Rules, it was omitted at some point in time. The motion will be published in the August Bagpipes and voted upon at the next Board meeting.

Meeting format. While using Google Meet, multiple members were kicked off the meeting and had to rejoin, some more than once. The Board decided to experiment with meeting over Zoom in August. Don has a Zoom license for his business, and will share the link.

The Board discussed the possibility of upgrading our FileMaker Pro license so the officers who need to do so can use the BCCA database. Action item: Karen will research the cost of new FileMaker Pro software and will bring findings to the August Board meeting.

For the Good of the Order

The Board entered Executive session at 10:05 PM to discuss two items. The session ended at 10:08 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 PM.

October Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting will be held virtually once again. Pat will poll Board Members for a good date and then publish this for all members.

*Next Meeting August 15, 2023 at 8:30 PM EDT*

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

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### **BCCA MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

You will receive your membership renewal form on or before July 1st. Dues are to be paid by August 1st. If paid after August 1st but on or before August 31st, a \$5 penalty shall be added. If your dues are unpaid after August 31st, membership will be terminated. You must then reapply if you want to continue as a member.

## **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 to Merilynn Bergstresser, [mberg50@gmail.com](mailto:mberg50@gmail.com)

## **2025 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HOST CLUB**

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2025 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 FOR REGULAR AND SWEEPSTAKES JUDGES FOR THE 2025 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Please send your nominations for regular and sweepstakes judges for the 2025 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary, Karen Norteman - [webmonkey@bccca.us](mailto:webmonkey@bccca.us). Each BCCA member is entitled to nominate one person for regular classes and one for sweepstakes. Deadline for receipt of all nominations is September 1, 2023.

IMPORTANT: All nominations must include email addresses for the nominees.

A preliminary ballot with all nominations will be emailed to the membership with the November issue of the Bagpipes, and it must be returned to the treasurer no later than January 15, 2024. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot with the February issue of the Bagpipes, with the final ballots to be returned to the treasurer no later than March 20, 2024. Nominations of judges from other countries who are eligible to judge championship shows are allowed for regular conformation classes only.

**Regular Conformation Judges Eligibility.** All nominees must be an AKC permit or approved judge, or approved to judge bearded collies in another country. In addition, a US or Canadian BCCA member who is not approved by AKC to judge bearded collies may also be nominated if he/she meets the following criteria:

- Is 21 years of age or older
- Is occupationally eligible
- Is knowledgeable of the breed with success in breeding/exhibiting/handling the breed for 15 or more years
- Has a thorough understanding of the AKC's Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges, and the Bearded Collie Standard
- Is approved by the AKC Judges Review Committee at the request of the BCCA
- Is willing, if elected, to take and pass the AKC's procedural and anatomy exam and submit a

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

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### **NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS**

Deborah Gentile  
Single/Full  
Tucson, AZ  
Sponsor: Meg Naylor

AJ Maclean  
Single/Full  
Jersey Village, TX  
Sponsor: David Williamson

Dora Murphy & Joshua Courter  
Joint/Full  
Cincinnati, OH  
Sponsor: Patricia Sherwood

non-refundable \$25 processing fee to AKC.

**Sweepstakes Judges Eligibility.** US and Canadian BCCA members in good standing, who are not eligible to judge bearded collies in any country, may judge sweepstakes at the national specialty. Nominees for sweepstakes should have at least seven years of experience as an exhibitor in conformation or as a breeder of bearded collies and have a thorough understanding of the AKC's Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges, and the standard of the breed, to be eligible for nomination.

Any judge officiating at the BCCA National Specialty will not be permitted on the ballot again until a two-year time period has elapsed.

### **NOTICE TO BREEDERS**

If you want to be listed on the BCCA website, there will be a line on the Membership Renewal Form that will allow you to enroll for a yearly fee of \$25. All the information needed is already in our database, however, if you have a website, you will need to enter the address in the space provided on the Membership Renewal Form.

### **GUIDELINES FOR BCCA BREEDER LISTING PROGRAM**

The Corresponding Secretary shall maintain the breeder listing that will be published on the BCCA Website.

The list will be maintained on a yearly basis from July 1 to June 30, to coincide with the BCCA fiscal year.

Members may enroll in the Breeder Listing program for a \$25 fee using the membership renewal form. Members may also sign up any time during the year by notifying the corresponding secretary and submitting the fee; the fee will not be pro-rated.

Information to be listed on the BCCA website is limited to the following

- Kennel Name
- Owner Name
- Address
- Email Address
- Phone
- Website

### **NOTICE TO ALL AFFILIATE CLUBS**

Each club secretary must send \$25 dues, a current membership list, a list of officers and directors, and a calendar of dates for club meetings and sponsored events to the BCCA Treasurer, Don Means, 35869 Elkridge Run, Elizabeth, CO 80107 or to [demeans@msn.com](mailto:demeans@msn.com)

The BCCA Affiliate Club Renewal Form is located on the BCCA website at <https://beardedcollieclub.us/about-the-bcca/forms/>

## PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON AS OF JULY 31, 2023

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	Total	
	TOTAL	
	Jul 2023	Jul 2023 (YTD)
<b>INCOME</b>		
01000 MEMBERSHIP		
010 INDIVIDUALS		
1 RENEWALS	11,719.00	11,719.00
3 NEW MEMBERS	125.00	125.00
TOTAL 010 INDIVIDUALS	\$11,844.00	\$11,844.00
020 AFFILIATE CLUBS	250.00	250.00
TOTAL 01000 MEMBERSHIP	\$12,094.00	\$12,094.00
02000 OTHER		
010 INTEREST	492.57	492.57
030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)		
2 ILLUSTRATED STANDARD	132.00	132.00
3 BREEDER LISTING	825.00	825.00
TOTAL 030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)	\$957.00	\$957.00
TOTAL 02000 OTHER	\$1,449.57	\$1,449.57
10000 BULLETIN		
010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES		
1 SUBSCRIPTIONS	7,292.00	7,292.00
TOTAL 010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES	\$7,292.00	\$7,292.00
020 ADVERTISING	3,485.00	3,485.00
TOTAL 10000 BULLETIN	\$10,777.00	\$10,777.00
18000 RESCUE		
040 FUND RAISING	158.00	158.00
TOTAL 18000 RESCUE	\$158.00	\$158.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$24,478.57	\$24,478.57
GROSS PROFIT	\$24,478.57	\$24,478.57
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
05000 ADMINISTRATIVE		
020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
1 SOFTWARE	30.00	30.00
TOTAL 020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$30.00	\$30.00
040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS		
2 PAYPAL	742.28	742.28
TOTAL 040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS	\$742.28	\$742.28
TOTAL 05000 ADMINISTRATIVE	\$772.28	\$772.28
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$772.28	\$772.28
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$23,706.29	\$23,706.29
NET INCOME	\$23,706.29	\$23,706.29

**BALANCE SHEET AS OF JULY 31, 2023**Don Means • [demeans@msn.com](mailto:demeans@msn.com)

	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
BANK ACCOUNTS	
01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	
010 BCCA CHECKING	106,245.47
020 BCCA RESCUE	25,799.86
TOTAL 01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	\$132,045.33
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$132,045.33
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
04000 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	30.00
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$30.00
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
03000 PREPAID EXPENSE	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$132,075.33
OTHER ASSETS	
10000 SAVINGS	
010 CDS (EDWARD JONES)	220,000.00
020 BCCA RESCUE CD'S	50,000.00
TOTAL 10000 SAVINGS	\$270,000.00
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$270,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$402,075.33
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	
40000 DEFERRED INCOME	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	
EQUITY	
50000 RETAINED EARNINGS	294,160.29
RETAINED EARNINGS	84,208.75
NET INCOME	23,706.29
TOTAL EQUITY	\$402,075.33
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$402,075.33