



Official Newsletter of the
Bearded Collie Club of America
December 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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It's hard to believe that we're nearing the end to another year. This one has been especially busy for me and I'm sure many of you as well. The Club has implemented some great changes, like the ability to vote electronically for judges. After only a month of voting, we already have over 100 ballots. That's more than we total in some years. There's still the rest of December to cast your vote – whether by mail or electronically.

Have you noticed the plethora of puppies? And a good number of big litters as well. Recently there was discussion of reduced numbers of and smaller litters and worries about beardies becoming a vulnerable breed as they have been designated in the UK. But it seems currently that a lot of us got the great idea to breed a litter before the end of the year. This should be good news for people looking for a puppy to join their family. Don't forget to use the BCCA Litter Listing service so everyone knows you have pups available. Also, please consider registering the

puppies in your litter individually with AKC so that they can maintain statistics for the breed.

December brings the final competitions of the year, good luck to those chasing additional titles and points. I hope to see some of you in Orlando soon. I'll be looking forward to some warmer weather as well, although I really can't complain about things here in Ohio so far. One big snow and lots of rain.

And finally, the holidays will be upon us. I know these can be good or difficult times. I hope that you find comfort and companionship with friends and/or family. For those who may find themselves alone, I hope you might even be able to reach out to another beardie friend to share a meal or simply visit. If you find yourself in NE Ohio, our door is always open – the only requirement this year is that you don't leave with a puppy in your pocket!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

NOVEMBER 28, 2023 BCCA BOARD MEETING

Karen Norteman • webmonkey@bccca.us

(Minutes have been abbreviated to reflect the actual business of the meeting.)

Call to Order: President Pat Colombo called the meeting to order at 8:31 PM.

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

The minutes of the October 19, 2023 board meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer's Report documents were included in the emailed Board packet.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary

Motion to approve BCC Central Florida's request for \$500 to help offset the expenses of their seminar. Passed.

Old Business

2025 Judges Selection

Thus far, 102 unique responses have been received for the online ballots (regular and sweeps judges). Don has received one paper ballot.

Motion to approve authorizing and supporting the Puppy Mill Rescue Committee's efforts for a year as a pilot program. We will revisit in a year to evaluate. We would ask for a report of the number of dogs rescued and money spent, and where the dogs were obtained. Passed.

New Business

Nominations Committee

The Board will select a Nominations Committee at the January Board meeting. No suggestions have been fielded as of yet, and the deadline is December 15, 2023.

The committee is comprised of one board member and two club members. Linda Taylor and Lynne Corn both expressed interest. Pat thanked the volunteers and will present a committee chair

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AKC DELEGATE JULY 2024 - JUNE 2027

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next month.

Requests from the 2024 National Specialty

The Specialty Committee is requesting that we review two motions related to Specialty seed money.

Motion to approve transferring the \$2,500 Purina Pro Plan 2024 National Sponsorship monies to the 2024 Host Club's account. (Norteman) Passed.

Motion to approve distributing the BCCA's \$7,500 seed money for the 2024 National to the host club's account. (Norteman) Passed.

Breeder Judge Approval

Motion to approve the Northwest BCC of Puget Sound requested for Cheryl Poliak to judge breed at their July Specialty. This involves an application to AKC. A copy of the application is part of the Board packet. (Minner) Passed.

New membership application to be approved.

Rod & Lillian Vokey

Joint Foreign Membership

Pointe-Claire, QC Canada H9R 3Y4

rod@rvokey.ca

lill@rvokey.ca

Lucy Campbell & Tom Dixon

Challenge to a membership application:

The following application was challenged:

Mark Bettis & Tabatha Buckley-Bettis

Joint Full Membership

Milaca, MN 56353

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www.daykeyne.com

Sponsor: Jan Osterbauer

New membership applications read

Jill Scarborough

Single full membership

Jonesborough, AR 72401

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Sponsor: David Williamson

Wanda Packard

Single Full Membership

Oregon City, OR 97045

packardw719@msn.com

503-724-3250

Sponsor: Kathryn Haas

Motion to approve the changes to the judges' contract: Passed.

For the Good of the Order

Lynne contacted Elsa Sell about trophy disposition. Elsa was unaware, so we likely need to contact the other venue committee chairs about their trophies.

FYI from the November Update to Clubs: AKC now has a National Specialty Show Site Locator we can play with - https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/sitelocator/index.cfm?sc_src=email_369472&sc_lid=20256535&sc_uid=CV1eEzucpQ&sc_llid=3390&sc_eh=15fca976e59a85db1

Next Meeting Tuesday December 19, 2023 at 8:30 PM EST.

DECEMBER 2023 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES

Karen Norteman • webmonkey@bccca.us

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), for a bid packet.

2025 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES SELECTION

The preliminary ballot for selecting judges for the 2025 National Specialty is now available. There are now two ways to vote for Specialty judges.

- use this link for the online ballot - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTwdlf5tDU0tyZnmL-2V2d6TVu7Cco5_dTweZJbtBhUQlhA/viewform
- use this link for the mail-in ballot - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xiCsHRk5A9RB2jV70mofaMK_wvYwbdd7/view?usp=drive_link
- use this link for the judges' bios - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eWnQymrKGzlw9ooV_0SpRZJ05BHaidGW/view?usp=drive_link

Questions? Contact Karen Norteman, the Recording Secretary webmonkey@bccca.us

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Board of Directors will select a nominations committee at the January board meeting. Any suggestions for this committee should be sent to Karen Norteman, webmonkey@bccca.us, by December 15, 2023.

BCCA Nominations 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.

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 slate by March 1.

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 nominations to the Recording Secretary	On or before March 1	Chair

DECEMBER CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT

Casey Minner • moonstonebeardies2@gmail.com

GENERAL NOTES

- AKC Updates
- No new permitted Beardie judges for November.
- Event Request

LITTER LISTINGS

Litter Birth Date: 11/2/2023

Pat Sherwood
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513-313-0587
bramptonbeardies@msn.com
CH Black Friar Cooda Wooda Shooda
BC-4177G56M-VPI, BC-EYES5/55M-VPI, BC-EL597/M56-VPI
CH Brampton Sgurr Fiona (CHIC #181816)
BC-4834E30F-C-VPI, BC-EYE459/30F-VPI, BC-TH891/30F-VPI, BC-EL1006F30-C-VPI
2 Bl M, 1 Br M, 3 Bl F, 1 Br F

Litter Birth Date: 11/20/2023

Susann Brody
23442 Hatteras Street
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
818-422-9904
BIS MBISS GCHG Sweetwater's Blue Ribbon
CHIC# 106893, BC-4346G24M-VPI, BC-EYE110/21M-VPI, BC-TH555/23M-VPI, BC-EL687M24-VPI, BC-CA57/21M/C-VPI
CH Dreamchaser Elegant Emerald
CHIC# 153035, BC-4704G27F-VPI, BC-EYE367/27F-VPI, BC-TH804/27F-VPI, BC-EL903F27-VPI
4 Bl M, 4 Bl F

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Litter Birth Date 11/26/2023

Ray & Dr. Kathy Harrington

Venetia, PA 15367

412-999-0195

rharrington24@verizon.net

GCHP Dunhill Steeler Nation (CHIC# 112442)

BC-4126G25M-VPI, BC-EYE162/69M-PI, BC-TH590/68-PI

GCHG Dunhill Scott's Sophie's World (CHIC# 152911)

BC-4648G24F-VPI, BC-EYE369/36F-VPI, BC-TH768/24F-VPI

3 BI M, 5 BI F

Litter Birth Date: 12/1/2023

Pat Sherwood

1495 Larry Joe Dr

Cincinnati, OH 45230

513-313-0587

bramptonbeardies@msn.com

CH After Dark Life on Mars

CHIC# 163502, BC-4766G64M-VPI, BC-EYE403/65M-VPI,

BC-TH838/64-VPI, BC-EL951M64-VPI

CH Brampton Gael Charm

CHIC #187263, BC-4837G31F-C-VPI, BC-EYE464/30F-VPI,

BC-TH894/31F-VPI, BC-EL1008F31-C-VPI

4 M, 3 F

Projected Litter Birth Date: 12/31/2023

Kathy Pavlich

Eureka, CA 95503

707-444-3293

kpavlich@suddenlink.net

BISS CH Firstprizebears Haagen Dazs, BC-1921G5M, BC407

Chantilly's Thanks I'll Have Another

CHIC# 163659, BC-4765E25F, BC-EYE404/26F-VPI, BC-

TH839/25F-PI, BC-E950F25

BALANCE SHEET AS OF NOV 30, 2023Don Means • demeans@msn.com

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS	
BANK ACCOUNTS	
01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	
010 BCCA CHECKING	82,679.43
020 BCCA RESCUE	12,383.01
TOTAL 01000 CHECKING (EDWARD JONES)	\$95,062.44
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS	\$95,062.44
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
04000 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
03000 PREPAID EXPENSE	
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$95,062.44
OTHER ASSETS	
10000 SAVINGS	
010 CDS (EDWARD JONES)	238,000.00
020 BCCA RESCUE CD'S	63,000.00
TOTAL 10000 SAVINGS	\$301,000.00
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$301,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$396,062.44
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	17,693.40
TOTAL EQUITY	\$396,062.44
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$396,062.44

BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES
is **JANUARY 2, 2024**

Email your reports and articles to
Michele Ritter, topdogs@ptd.net

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the next issue of the
BEARDIE BULLETIN
are due **MARCH 15, 2024**

Contact the editor to reserve ad space,
Lillian Esposito, lillianespo@verizon.net

PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON AS OF NOV 30, 2023

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	TOTAL	
	Oct 2023	Jul - Oct, 2023 (YTD)
INCOME		
01000 MEMBERSHIP		
010 INDIVIDUALS		
1 RENEWALS		14,408.92
2 LATE FEES		225.00
3 NEW MEMBERS	35.00	225.00
TOTAL 010 INDIVIDUALS	\$35.00	\$14,858.92
020 AFFILIATE CLUBS		300.00
TOTAL 01000 MEMBERSHIP	\$35.00	\$15,158.92
02000 OTHER		
010 INTEREST	1,835.89	5,309.64
030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)		
2 ILLUSTRATED STANDARD	13.00	259.00
3 BREEDER LISTING		1,000.00
TOTAL 030 PUBLICATIONS (NON-B'TIN)	\$13.00	\$1,259.00
TOTAL 02000 OTHER	\$1,848.89	\$6,568.64
10000 BULLETIN		
010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES		
1 SUBSCRIPTIONS	114.00	8,765.00
TOTAL 010 SUBSCRIPTION & COPIES	\$114.00	\$8,765.00
020 ADVERTISING	5,575.50	9,883.00
TOTAL 10000 BULLETIN	\$5,689.50	\$18,648.00
18000 RESCUE		
010 ADOPTION	200.00	350.00
040 FUND RAISING	682.00	1,534.00
TOTAL 18000 RESCUE	\$882.00	\$1,884.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$8,455.39	\$42,259.56
GROSS PROFIT	\$8,455.39	\$42,259.56

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PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON AS OF NOV 30, 2023

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	TOTAL	
	Nov 2023	Jul - Nov, 2023 (YTD)
EXPENSES		
05000 ADMINISTRATIVE		
010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS		12.00
1 POSTAGE & MAIL SVCS	1,096.17	1,096.17
TOTAL 010 GENERAL SUPPLIES & SVCS	\$1,096.17	\$1,108.17
020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
1 SOFTWARE	30.00	150.00
TOTAL 020 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$30.00	\$150.00
040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS		
2 PAYPAL	14.34	912.65
TOTAL 040 BANKING & PAYMENT SVCS	\$14.34	\$912.65
060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
1 ACCOUNTING		500.00
TOTAL 060 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		\$500.00
080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS		
1 DUES	25.00	25.00
TOTAL 080 AKC DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$25.00	\$25.00
210 AMORTIZATION	683.56	1,344.75
TOTAL 05000 ADMINISTRATIVE	\$1,849.07	\$4,040.57
06000 MISSION RELATED		
010 BREED ED & PROMOTION		215.00
020 CHARITABLE DONATIONS		10,000.00
050 HEALTH COMMITTEE		100.00
080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		
5 PRINTING		121.87
TOTAL 080 TROPHIES & AWARDS		\$121.87
TOTAL 06000 MISSION RELATED		\$10,436.87
11000 BULLETIN		
020 PRODUCTION	4,295.00	11,369.45
2 MAILING		1,594.94
TOTAL 020 PRODUCTION	\$4,295.00	\$12,964.39
TOTAL 11000 BULLETIN	\$4,295.00	\$12,964.39
19000 RESCUE		
010 VETERNARIAN	250.00	1,425.55
030 BOARDING		84.32
TOTAL 19000 RESCUE	\$250.00	\$1,509.87
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,394.07	\$28,951.70
NET OPERATING INCOME	-\$2,008.53	\$17,693.40
NET INCOME	-\$2,008.53	\$17,693.40



BAGPIPES *EXTRA Edition*

December 2023

OBEDIENCE NEWS

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We have a new beardie “first”. In October Laurie Lo and her beardie Vim, OTCH Majela Chaniam Vimiusa By Stealth UDX6 OGM, became the first beardie to earn the Obedience Grand Master title. Congratulations to Laurie and Vim.

Abbreviated report from the National Specialty Obedience and Rally Trials

The Obedience and Rally trials went very well. Our judge, Sharon Redmer was very fair and truly appreciates Beardies. Our Beardies did their best, and we had wonderful performances. I could not have done it without the help of club members and participants who helped out - Lynne Corn, Mary Maurer, Char Carentz, Tom Dixon and Rod Vokey. Thank you. *Cheryl Poliak*

A report listing individual class qualifiers with scores and placements will be included in the National Specialty edition of the Beardie Bulletin. Following are the Awards for obedience and rally.

AGILITY NEWS

Libby Myers-Buhite and Joanne Williamson

The point accumulation period for the 2024 AKC National Agility Championships to be held in Perry, GA in March closed on November 30; entries opened on December 5. The final list of dogs eligible to enter has not been posted yet but, from the results available through September, at least five beardies

AGILITY COURSE OF THE MONTH

Joanne Williamson • balgrae@ix.netcom.com

The recently concluded Thanksgiving cluster at the Eastern States Exposition Grounds in West Springfield, MA will likely be the largest AKC agility cluster in the US again. It features four days of trials, Friday-Monday, with Monday being Excellent-Masters only. On Saturday alone there were around 2,000 entries requiring 6 judges! The panel included three judges who have judged beardie Nationals in the past: Abbie Hanson (2019 Nationals in NC) and Linda Syner and Pam Johnson

HS Dog in the Regular Obedience Classes (out of Novice B)

Dreamchaser Strathearn Acclaim
owned by Lucy Campbell-Gracie, Thomas Dixon
& Anna Gracie

HS Veteran in the Regular Obedience Classes (out of Novice B)

Jocala Briarpatch Wish Upon A Star,
owned by Carol & Joseph Lamb

High Scoring Triple Q in Rally
Runningmtn Hairloom Rise Up Shepherd,
owned by M Lynne Corn

High Combined Score, Excellent B & Advanced B in Rally

Runningmtn Hairloom Rise Up Shepherd,
owned by M Lynne Corn

High Scoring Veteran (Out of Novice A) in Rally

Sir Simon Barks A Lot, owned by Nancy Kois

have qualified to compete in the regular classes and three in the preferred classes. Stay tuned for the final list next month. In the meantime, the AKC Agility Invitationals begin on December 15 in Orlando. Hoping for a good showing by the beardie entry. Best of luck and safe travels to all making the journey south!

(2023 Nationals in MI). As each of the four rings has a line of three poles about a third of the way from the front of ring, course design is quite a challenge. I thought this year’s courses all made excellent use of the space. The surface is packed dirt (on concrete), brought in especially for this event. To minimize conflicts, each E/M jump height runs all of their classes in the same ring each day. The Novice-Open classes have their own ring. There is also a special competition, called the New England

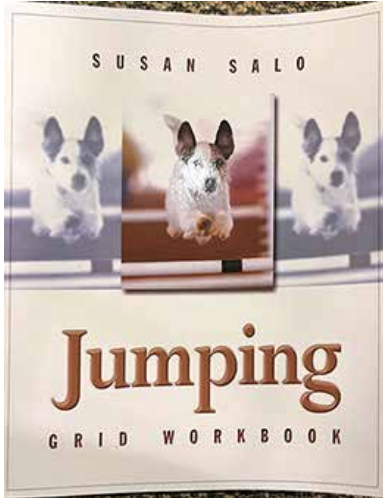
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Agility Championship, held Saturday night and filmed by AKC. TV. To qualify, you must enter Excellent/Master Standard and JWW and a Premier class on Friday; a percentage of the entry in each jump height with the highest scores/fastest times makes the finals. The Premier Standard course on Saturday serves as the challengers round, much like at AKC Nationals. And if this isn't enough, there are team competitions on Friday and special

TRAINING AT HOME

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Grid work is an excellent way to develop your beardedie's jumping ability. Susan Salo has authored a work book with lots of



suggested exercises which I highly recommend. The link below shows Allie's first introduction to grid work. I want to say up front that Salo does not recommend putting the grid jumps on a fence line. But I have always done this for initial exposure because I want to be able to concentrate on motion forward towards the reward. When Allie understands what I am

awards every day for the highest scoring dogs with titles in sports other than agility. The course maps for the weekend can be found at pawprinttrials.com: go to the website home page and click on trials, then choose completed, then choose Thanksgiving cluster. These courses are a super source of exercises you can set up in your own backyard!

looking for, I will move the jumps away from the fence. For this initial work, I guessed a spacing of about 4 feet between the jumps based on Allie's size/stride length. The goal is for her to bounce jump i.e., not put a stride on the ground in between the jumps. I started by back chaining, doing only the last jump first, then the last two, three, four etc until she was at the other end of the grid waiting to be released. Another advantage of these exercises is that you are training the stay at the start as well as jumping. I was pleased with Allie's response. Our reps at the end of the video showed some decent work. Looking forward in future training sessions to get her moving ahead of me. Remember though, even for an adult dog, grid jumping is hard work and shouldn't be overdone.

<https://vimeo.com/886652526>

Happy Holidays!

VERSATILITY NEWS

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Beardies earned 88 new titles in October, the most in a month in 2023 thus far! Many of them were completed at the Nationals in Frankenmuth and led to new versatility awards.

I am very happy to be able to report that my Truman, **CH MACH2 Charter's True North BN RI HSAs MXS MJC MFS TQX T2B3 ACT2 ACT2J BCAT CGC TKN**, is the 29th beardedie to complete the requirements for a Master In Versatility award and the 12th with a MACH.

Congratulations are also due to these teams.

VERSATILITY EXCELLENT

Nonesuch My Dream Girl At Willowridge RI FDC BCAT ACT1J SWN CGCA CGCU TKN VSWB FITB, owned by Charle Carentz

CH PACH2 Wynsum Turning On The Charm RI MX AXJ MXP7 MXP7 MJP7 MJPS PAX2 MXF MFPB TQXP T2BP2 BCAT CGCA TKI, owned by Janice Leverenz & Carol Carlsen

VERSATILITY

GCHB CH Meadows' Turn The Paige RN CA, owned by Julie Kempster & Bea Sawka

Nonesuch Third Times A Charm Lanark BN RI CGCA TKN, owned by Linda & Mark Glaman

Rivercity's You Better Watch Your Speed! RN SWN SCA SEA CGC, owned by Cynthia Hawthorne

A THOUGHT FROM MACRAEWAY – WHAT IS A CHALLENGING DOG?

Submitted by Elsa Sell

The challenging dogs have taught me most. In addition to the nuance of their individual training, they've taught me to lose my ego and impatience. They've helped me gain accountability, self-awareness and trust.

Even though I've often missed their message the first time, they don't give up on me.

Not every day feels like a win and things don't often go as planned with a difficult dog.

But I have so much gratitude for what they've helped me to understand about connection; they've taught me to raise the expectation of my teaching, instead of my expectation of them.

AKC NEW TITLES

SEPTEMBER 2023

CONFORMATION

Champion, CH Aberlour's Mercury Blues, D, DN67774801, 11-Jun-21, 8-Sep-23, Bl, CH Nonesuch Rock You Like A Hurricane x CH Aberlour's Wicked, Dawn Mieras

Champion, CH Meadows' Miss Dinahmite BN NA NAJ CGC TKN, B, DN55829504, 1-Dec-18, 16-Sep-23, Blk, GCHG Classical's My Turn CGC x GCH Meadow's Ready To Shine, Mrs. Carolyn Conrad Hoffmann & Mrs. Eileen Eaton

Champion, CH Mirimar Ha'Penny Stella By Starlight, B, DN70856901, 12-Feb-22, 9-Sep-23, Bl, GCH Britannia For Pete's Sake BN RI HT RATO x CH Mirimar Ha'Penny I Deux B Daphne, Michele Marini & Richard Marini & Mrs. J. Richard Schneider

Champion, CH Runningmtn Little Yellow Jacket, D, DN69544302, 24-Jul-21, 24-Sep-23, Br, GCHG Tolkien Raintree Mister Baggins x Glenspey Lonestar, Tish Pollock

Grand Champion, GCH Cameron Dunhill Scene Stealer, D, DN59513301, 12-Apr-19, 8-Sep-23, Blk, GCHP Dunhill Stealer Nation x Cameron's Morning Glory, Ray Harrington & Dr. Kathy Harrington

OBEDIENCE

Preferred Companion Dog, Harvest Mtn High Hope At Summit PCD BN RE HSAs SCN SIN SEN CGC TKA, B, DN58372902, 13-May-19, 4-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Britannia Sebring All Time High CDX PCDX BN GN RAE2 HT TKP x OTCH Harvest Without A Trace UDX3 OM4 BN GO VER RM, Kathy Thomas & Brenda M Cox

RALLY

Rally Novice, CH K9 Magic Don'T Stop Me Now At Spindrift RN SWN SIA SBA RATN CGC TKN, B, DN60982005, 9-Feb-20, 17-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Starlight Midnight Express RE PT FDC NA NAJ NF BCAT ACT2 SWA SIE SBE RATO CGCA CGCU TKI x CH Risa's K9magic Miss Tess RE HT ACT2 SWE SCM SBM SHDN RATS CZ8B CGCU TKA, Pamela Harris & Mark P Harris

We get asked thousands of questions about dog training and probably 90 percent of the answers are reflected back on the handler. We as humans so badly want it to be something else that we sometimes allocate blame elsewhere.

But If we're humble enough to look at ourselves, our mindset, our training, our commitment to continue to Learn, and be honest with ourselves, we'll often find the answer.

Many of the most valuable lessons in life I've learned from dogs.

<https://macraeway.com/>

Rally Intermediate, GCH Dunnachie Take A Chance On Me RI PT, D, DN52316903, 16-Dec-17, 15-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Glenspey Taking My Turn x CH Dunnachie Treasure Like Fyvie OA AXJ XF CGC TKI, Kathleen Harold & Jackie Dunn

Rally Advanced, CH Britannia Abbey Road BN RA FDC SWN CGC TKP, B, DN36858302, 31-May-13, 22-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Britannia Sebring All Time High CDX PCDX BN GN RAE2 HT TKP x CH Britannia Not How You Say Tart BN RN TD, Becky Tupa & Mike Tupa

Rally Excellent, Mccrystal Moonlark Of Orion RE HT CGC TKI ATT BN-V VHMA VSWB FITG, B, DN58455602, 27-May-19, 29-Sep-23, Bl, GCHB Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham RN PT MX MXB MXJ MJB MXF T2B2 x GCHB Sengalas Amelia Mccrystal PT, Molly McNamara & Kristen Webb & Shannon Smart

Rally Advanced Excellent, CH Wigglesworth Daybar Groovy Kind Of Love CD RAE HT FDC AX AXJ NF ACT2 CGCA TKI, B, DN55251103, 24-Jul-18, 11-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Wigglesworth Aberlour Black Magic x GCH Daybar My Gal Friday BCAT CGC, Meg Naylor & Sharon Ipsier

Rally Advanced Excellent 2, CH Blackfriar Amazing Grace At Castlebay RM RAE2 NA NAJ ACT1 ACT1J, B, DN58508302, 15-Jun-19, 3-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Blue Moon Spirit Of The Chase x CH Blackfriar Castlebay Pandemonium, Jan & Tony Vallone

HERDING

Herding Tested, Pentangle's Give The Girl A Kiss PT, B, DN73933101, 20-Sep-22, 30-Sep-23, Blk, CH Pentangle's Express Yourself At Marikei CD BN RN AX OAJ OF CA x CH Tweeddale's Wild Heart At Pentangle HSAs, Debra Susan Thomas D.V.M.

Pre-Trial Tested, Pentangle's Give The Girl A Kiss PT, B, DN73933101, 20-Sep-22, 30-Sep-23, Blk, CH Pentangle's Express Yourself At Marikei CD BN RN AX OAJ OF CA x CH Tweeddale's Wild Heart At Pentangle HSAs, Debra Susan Thomas D.V.M.

Herding Started Course A Sheep, Sallen Churchill HSAs, D, DN72704701, 22-May-21, 3-Sep-23, Br, Sallen Csar x Sallen Hippolyta, Carol Serrine & Brian Wistrom

AGILITY

Open Agility, CH Charter O'Tis A Shepherd's Pride HSAs HSBd HIAds OA OAJ, D, DN57594401, 13-Feb-19, 10-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Wigglesworth Aberlour Black Magic x DC Pentangle's Liz She Is HSAs HSBd HIAds HIBd HXAds HXBd AX OAJ NF, Mrs. Terry R Manganiello & Mr. Charles A Manganiello

Master Agility Excellent, CH Allaround Swift Running Brooke RE HT MX MXJ DJ DN CGCA TKN, B, DN40164001, 2-Jul-14, 9-Sep-23, Blk, DC Pentangle's Captain Jack BN RAE HSAs HSBd HIAds HIBd HXAdM HXBdM MX MXJ MXF T2B x CH MACH4 Estrella Theres A Breeze Allaround BN RI HT MXC MJB2 MJP NF CGCA TKI, Andrea Hobe

Master Agility Excellent Preferred 7, CH PACH2 Wynsum Turning On The Charm RN MX AXJ MXP7 MXPS MJP6 MJPS PAX2 MXF MFPB TQXP T2BP2 BCAT CGCA TKI, D, DN50305702, 25-Jun-17, 30-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Glenspey Taking My Turn x GCH Wynsum Sweet Indulgence, Janice Leverenz & Carol Carlsen

Novice Agility Jumper Preferred, Tweeddale's Bodacious Firecracker NJP, D, DN45591203, 25-Mar-16, 17-Sep-23, Blk, CH Moonstone Get Out Of My Way BN RA HSA HSDs HSAsM FDC MX MXJ MJB XF T2B x Tweeddale's Black Magic Woman MX MXJ XF, Charles Gibson & Karen Joy Gibson

Master Excellent Jumper, Wynsum Patriot Game On! AX MXJ XF, B, DN63793901, 6-Sep-20, 2-Sep-23, Br, CH Wynsum Soul And Heart's Inspiration NA x Wynsum Whimsical Charming Treasure, Carol J Carlsen

Master Excellent Jumper, CH Wynsum Sweet Dreams Are Made Of This AX MXJ MXF, D, DN44877401, 23-Jan-16, 24-Sep-23, Blk, GCHG Ha'Penny Mirimar The Fab Fawn x GCH Wynsum Sweet Indulgence, Carol J Carlsen

Master Century Jumper, MACH Cameron's Flash Of Glory MXC MJC MXF, B, DN48982601, 28-Feb-16, 23-Sep-23, Blk, Cameron's Moving Violations x Britannia Reflected Glory, Richard Masley & Rosanna Masley

Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 2, CH MACH Tweeddale's Black As The Ace Of Spades HT FDC MXS MJG MXP MJP2 MFS TQX MFP T2B2 FCAT SWN SIA CGC TKA, D, DN43063802, 4-Jul-15, 3-Sep-23, Blk, CH Moonstone Get Out Of My Way BN RA HSA HSDs HSAsM FDC MX MXJ MJB XF T2B x Tweeddale's Black Magic Woman MX MXJ XF, Deborah Alexander

Master Silver FAST, CH MACH Charter's True North HSAs MXS MJG MFS TQX T2B2 ACT2 ACT2J CGC TKN, D, DN57594404, 13-Feb-19, 4-Sep-23, Br, GCHB Wigglesworth Aberlour Black Magic x DC Pentangle's Liz She Is HSAs HSBd HIAds HIBd HXAds HXBd AX OAJ NF, Joanne M Williamson

Master Bronze FAST Preferred, CH PACH2 Wynsum Turning On The Charm RN MX AXJ MXP7 MXPS MJP6 MJPS PAX2 MXF MFPB TQXP T2BP2 BCAT CGCA TKI, D, DN50305702, 25-Jun-17, 30-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Glenspey Taking My Turn x GCH Wynsum Sweet Indulgence, Janice Leverenz & Carol Carlsen

Master Agility Champion 2, CH MACH2 Charter's True North HSAs MXS MJG MFS TQX T2B2 ACT2 ACT2J CGC TKN, D, DN57594404, 13-Feb-19, 10-Sep-23, Br, GCHB Wigglesworth Aberlour Black Magic x DC Pentangle's Liz She Is HSAs HSBd HIAds HIBd HXAds HXBd AX OAJ NF, Joanne M Williamson

Time 2 Beat 15, CH AGCH2 MACH19 Wigglesworth Pride And Prejudice MXG5 PDS2 MJB6 PJG2 NAP NJP MFC2 TQX NFP T2B15, D, DN39736101, 24-Jan-14, 4-Sep-23, Blk, CH Windfiddler's Best Of Times x CH Wigglesworth Full Throttle MX MXB MXJ MJB, Lawrence Dalan

BCAT, Full Of The Dickens Odds On Favorite RE BCAT ACT1 ACT2J RATM TKA, D, DN47945101, 9-Jul-16, 16-Sep-23, Blk, Philabeg Kosmopolitan For Bonny And Clyde's x Full Of The Dickens My Funny Valentine, Tim Kregor & Wendy Kregor

BCAT, Tweeddale's Girl On Fire BCAT CGC TKN, B, DN69137101, 28-Oct-21, 14-Sep-23, Blk, GCHS Highlander Macbean At Burlesque RN HT x CH Just Miracle Peony Z Domu Etny RA HT OA NAJ NF, Linda J Porter

BCAT, GCH Wigglesworth Daybar Adamant At Briery Knob FDC BCAT CGC, D, DN52251401, 9-Dec-17, 30-Sep-23, Blk, CH Windfiddler's Best Of Times x GCH Daybar My Gal Friday BCAT CGC, Katherine Rudd Beard & Mary-Jean Rudd & Sharon Ipsier

Agility Course Test 1 JWW, Furlong's Bearded Collie ACT1J, B, DN53325103, 26-Feb-18, 2-Sep-23, Blk, Hampton O'Cornith Djw x Deja Of Presley Bella Djw, Patty Furlong

SCENT WORK

Scent Work Handler Discrimination Novice, Harvest Mtn High Hope At Summit PCD BN RE HSAs SCN SIN SEN SHDN CGC TKA, B, DN58372902, 13-May-19, 8-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Britannia Sebring All Time High CDX PCDX BN GN RAE2 HT TKP x OTCH Harvest Without A Trace UDX3 OM4 BN GO VER RM, Kathy Thomas & Brenda M Cox

Scent Work Container Novice, GCH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander CD BN RE HSAs FDC SWN CGC TKI ATT VSWB FITG, B, DN39841902, 18-Jun-14, 8-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham RN PT MX MXB MXJ MJB MXF T2B2 x GCH Highlander Shall We Dance HT, Molly McNamara & Shannon Smart & Beth Tilson

Scent Work Buried Novice, Harvest Mtn High Hope At Summit PCD BN RE HSAs SWN SHDN CGC TKA, B, DN58372902, 13-May-19, 10-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Britannia Sebring All Time High CDX PCDX BN GN RAE2 HT TKP x OTCH Harvest Without A Trace UDX3 OM4 BN GO VER RM, Kathy Thomas & Brenda M Cox

Scent Work Novice, Harvest Mtn High Hope At Summit PCD BN RE HSAs SWN SHDN CGC TKA, B, DN58372902, 13-May-19, 10-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Britannia Sebring All Time High CDX PCDX BN GN RAE2 HT TKP x OTCH Harvest Without A Trace UDX3 OM4 BN GO VER RM, Kathy Thomas & Brenda M Cox

Scent Work Novice, GCH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander CD BN RE HSAs FDC SWN CGC TKI ATT VSWB FITG, B, DN39841902, 18-Jun-14, 8-Sep-23, Blk, GCHB Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham RN PT MX MXB MXJ MJB MXF T2B2 x GCH Highlander Shall We Dance HT, Molly McNamara & Shannon Smart & Beth Tilson

Scent Work Container Advanced, CH K9 Magic Don'T Stop Me Now At Spindrift RN SWN SCA SIA SBA RATN CGC TKN, B, DN60982005, 9-Feb-20, 30-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Starlight Midnight Express RE PT FDC NA NAJ NF BCAT ACT2 SWA SIE SBE RATO CGCA CGCU TKI x CH Risa's K9magic Miss Tess RE HT ACT2 SWE SCM SBM SHDN RATS CZ8B CGCU TKA, Pamela Harris & Mark P Harris

Scent Work Interior Advanced, CH Winsomoor Secret For Success MX MXJ XF SWA CGC TKN, D, DN42910403, 10-Mar-15, 24-Sep-23, Bl, CH Winsomoor Finnish First RN x CH In Vogue Island Hidden Message, Carol S Hegg

Scent Work Buried Advanced, Estrella's One Crazy Summer RI AX AXJ OF CA FCAT SWA SCE SIE DN CGC TKN, B, DN39989201, 27-Jun-14, 10-Sep-23, Br, Chantillys Tyme Moves On Of Xtc x CH MACH Estrella's Solamente Mia BN RN MXB MJS OF CA BCAT, Jennifer Scheytt

Scent Work Buried Advanced, Orion's Starfire RI PT BCAT SWN SIA SEA SBA RATN TKA BN-V VHMA VSWB FITG, B, DN61402906, 25-Mar-20, 9-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Aellen Zing! Went The Strings Of My Heart RN HIAs HSAsM HXAsM FDC TKN x GCH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander CD BN RE HSAs FDC SWN CGC TKI ATT VSWB FITG, Molly McNamara

Scent Work Advanced, Estrella's One Crazy Summer RI AX AXJ OF CA FCAT SWA SCE SIE DN CGC TKN, B, DN39989201, 27-Jun-14, 10-Sep-23, Br, Chantillys Tyme Moves On Of Xtc x CH MACH Estrella's Solamente Mia BN RN MXB MJS OF CA BCAT, Jennifer Scheytt

Scent Work Advanced, CH Winsomoor Secret For Success MX MXJ XF SWA CGC TKN, D, DN42910403, 10-Mar-15, 24-Sep-23, Bl, CH Winsomoor Finnish First RN x CH In Vogue Island Hidden Message, Carol S Hegg

PRELIMINARY BALLOTS FOR 2025 NATIONAL SPECIALTY CONFORMATION JUDGES

The ballots and bios are available at these links.

- [2025 Preliminary Bios](#)
- [2025 Preliminary Online Ballot](#)
- [2025 Preliminary Mail-In Ballot](#)

Online balloting is available if you want to pursue that option. If you mail a ballot and also vote online, only the first received ballot will be counted.

This year there are 10 nominees for regular class judging and eight nominees for sweepstakes. Lots to choose from!

Scent Work Container Excellent, GCH Meadows' Life's A Breeze FDC BCAT SWA SCAE SCE CGC TKN, B, DN67667206, 1-Jun-21, 2-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Wigglesworth Daybar Adamant At Briery Knob FDC BCAT CGC x CH Meadows' Alpine Holiday RN FDC CGC TKN, Lisa Werkhaven & Claudia McNulty

Scent Work Interior Excellent, Estrella's One Crazy Summer RI AX AXJ OF CA FCAT SWA SCE SIE DN CGC TKN, B, DN39989201, 27-Jun-14, 10-Sep-23, Br, Chantillys Tyme Moves On Of Xtc x CH MACH Estrella's Solamente Mia BN RN MXB MJS OF CA BCAT, Jennifer Scheytt

Scent Work Interior Excellent, GCH Meadows' Life's A Breeze FDC BCAT SWA SCAE SCE SIE CGC TKN, B, DN67667206, 1-Jun-21, 16-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Wigglesworth Daybar Adamant At Briery Knob FDC BCAT CGC x CH Meadows' Alpine Holiday RN FDC CGC TKN, Lisa Werkhaven & Claudia McNulty

Scent Work Buried Excellent, GCH Starlight Midnight Express RE PT FDC NA NAJ NF BCAT ACT2 SWA SIE SBE RATO CGCA CGCU TKI, D, DN49119102, 13-Jan-17, 30-Sep-23, Blk, Alistair's Uppercut x GCHG Larkangen's American Trendy Girl FDC NAJ OAP OJP OFP BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN, Mrs. PAMELA HARRIS & Patricia L Cahill & Mr. MARK HARRIS

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

Canine Good Citizen, Edradour's Never In My Wildest Dreams CGC, D, DN73078606, 27-Jun-22, 24-Aug-23, Blk, Full Of The Dickens Prelude To A Kiss NA MXF x Estrella's Edradour Just A Wee Nip RI HT FDC NA OAJ OF BCAT CGCA TKI, NANCY KOIS

Canine Good Citizen, It's A K9 Magic's One Vision With John Deacon SWN SEA RATN CGC TKN, D, DN60982003, 9-Feb-20, 30-Sep-23, Blk, GCH Starlight Midnight Express RE PT FDC NA NAJ NF BCAT ACT2 SWA SIE SBE RATO CGCA CGCU TKI x CH Risa's K9magic Miss Tess RE HT ACT2 SWE SCM SBM SHDN RATS CZ8B CGCU TKA, Franklin & Mary Chadwick

Canine Good Citizen, Ragtyme Grand Slam CGC, D, DN65305701, 12-Oct-20, 19-Sep-23, Blk, CH Plaisir D'Amour Des Gardes Champetre x CH Ragtyme The Stars Will Remember HT, Ginger Mendez & Lynn A Zagarella

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions for the online ballot are included with ballot

FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS

Follow the instructions included with the ballot.

In each category (Regular and Sweepstakes), place an X or ✓ on the line beside the nominee(s) of your choice. Vote for UP TO THREE for the Regular class judges and UP TO THREE for Sweepstakes judges. Do not write anywhere else on the ballot.

To be valid, ballots must be received by the treasurer at his regular address, postmarked no later than JANUARY 15, 2024.

2023 Andrew Award Winner

Luke and Norm Lazarus



TTrue to his breed, **Luke** had the sweetest disposition and was best known for his therapy work. He spent half day every Tuesday for 10 years working at Swedish Medical Center. We received the Bearded Collie Club of America's Andrew Award for therapy in 2017, 2021 and I was honored to be recognized for 2022 for my therapy work with Luke. Luke kept working as a therapy dog after being diagnosed with liver cancer in April of 2019.

During the initial wave of Covid when the hospital was offering vaccines, the Hospital contacted us right away with the medical staff via a late-night e-mail to come in right away in order to continue the visits.

Upon our return post-Covid, I discovered my favorite nurse had moved to another office. The message went out from the nurse's station that there was a hairy guy named Luke here to visit and less than a minute later, Luke and the nurse were reunited and hugging.

As Luke was nearing 14 ½ years it was becoming difficult for him to catch a proper grip on the smooth floors and our visits were getting much shorter in length. As he struggled to get going, I was getting flustered and about to lift him up and carry him to the nearest elevator to exit. Little did I know I was being watched from down the end of this long hallway by two nurses and an aide who were escorting a patient from surgery to their room. I could hear someone say, "this doesn't look right" and saw out of the corner of my eye that these

two nurses were running frantically at us. One of them ran to the nearby supply closet to gather two sets of socks for his feet. His feet were much too hairy and the socks kept falling down. The other nurse ran back to the supply room, grabbed a roll of scotch tape and we were shortly on our way to complete the visit, getting lots of quizzical looks for the peculiar fashion statement we had made. Our visits ended shortly thereafter in July of 2022.



Luke

12/18/07 – 8/04/23

GCHB CH Woodsong Tangled Up In Blue
RN NA NAJ NF OFF SWN THDD RATO CGCA TKI VX HIC

UKC Titles NI NC NV AC
and

NACSW Title NW1 - Luke took 3rd place
out of 44 dogs entered

He received 3 Group Placements.
He was the 5th Bearded Collie in the country
to receive his grand championship.

Given the nature of the job, we were on the receiving end of many kind remarks and actions. It was nice that Luke got offered snacks but the real treat for me was the comments people make to show their appreciation for just being someone's companion for a short while. It built as time went on. One nurse told me she had a picture of Luke in her locker as her source of inspiration as she starts her work day. Another said she got a dog because of Luke. The young girl behind the snack counter runs out to offer Luke a piece of cheese. The CEO takes a moment as he's walking by to greet us as he's having a phone conversation. I had two volunteer octogenarian lady friends I regularly checked in with — Cretia and Eve. Eve always had a treat for Luke. When her dog died she gave me her expensive leftover medicine that we had been also using for Luke. She started crying when she saw Luke and died two weeks later. Cretia had no computer so I made a copies of her special recognition award and photo so she could send them to her family members. She passed away as well.

I suggested to many of those who were the most overjoyed to get a visit from Luke to take photos of him to be kept and revisited on a blue day. That way the memory never has to end, as it will never end for me.

Luke was very special and will be forever in our Heart. — Norm Lazarus