

BCCA FY 2021 AGILITY REPORT

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Goals for 2021-2022:

We will look at FAST and Time2Beat, as well as the Premier program, to incorporate them into the BCCA Agility Awards and Register of Merit programs.

Activities and Major Accomplishments:

ABCCA Awards

Joanne Williamson has done all the statistics for the BCCA Awards and AKC annual reports since 1996.

B. Trials:

BCCA

The Bearded Collie Club of America holds an annual National Specialty agility trial.

Affiliate Clubs

The Northern California Bearded Collie Fanciers hold all-breed agility trials annually. **Jack Buhite** will chair the NCBCF's 69th agility trial in October 2019. 10 were standalone specialties. 54 were all-breed trials.

C. Publication

The Agility Committee fosters the sport of dog agility through publication in the **Bagpipes** and the **Beardie Bulletin**. Milestones, explanations of new classes and rule changes, agility events, awards and tributes are published in the Bagpipes. The annual reports appear on both the BCCA and BAD websites. All AKC Titles and BCCA Awards are published in the Bulletin, as well National Events and articles on the sport.

The **Beardie Agility Diehards** (BAD) pay for all agility pages above the yearly allotment and for the publication of USDAA, NADAC, CPE, UKC, and UKI titles as well. Over the last 25 years the Diehards have sponsored articles in 85 issues of the Bulletin and contributed \$23,805 toward the publication of 293 agility pages.

D. Internet

The BCCA website's Agility Section contains agility articles and a link to the Beardie Agility Diehard website (www.beardieagilitydiehards.org).

The BAD website, created by **Karen Norteman** and launched on New Year's Day 1998, has a large section devoted to BCCA Agility, listing the current BCCA Agility Committee, the complete list of BCCA Agility Award winners since 1996, the Register of Merit for Agility, the National Specialty results starting with the first trial in 1996, and the annual agility reports. There are pdfs of all AKC Agility legs earned by Beardies from 1 January 2012 through 30 June 2021 so that BAD Members can update their pages. The website features a Rainbow Bridge page for all BAD Agility Beardies. Currently there are 886 Agility Beardies on the Website, including 833 at home and 53 abroad. Of these, 776 have earned legs and titles in the six United States and two Canadian dog agility organizations and 613 are BAD.

The Beardie Agility Diehards Discussion Group was moved to Google on August 5, 2021 and currently has 167 members.

The Beardie Agility Training & Performance Facebook Page was started in 2017 by **John Youngblood**. Currently, it has 88 Members. This group is designed to be an online resource to help in the training and performance of bearded collies in dog agility. To join, contact John.

New Pages on the BAD Website

All AKC Standard Titlists <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/AKCstandard.html>

All AKC Jumpers with Weaves Titlists <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/jww10.html>

All AKC FAST Titlists <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/FAST07.html>

All AKC T2B Titlists <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/T2B.html>

All AKC Premier and Triple Q Excellent Beardies <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/AKCpremier.html>

Recently updated on the BAD Website

All Beardie AKC legs earned from January 2012 through June 2020 <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org>

Links to 25 BCCA National Agility Trials <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BCCAntls.html>

2020 BCCA Nationals Agility Trial <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BCCAna20.html>
 2020 BCCA Awards <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BCCAaw20.html>
 2020 BCCA Annual Report <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BCCAar20.html>
 2020 BCCA Register of Merit for Agility <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BCCAROMA.html> html
 BCCA Versatility Masters and Versatility Excellent Beardies <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/vb.html>
 BAD Membership Page <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/MEMBERS.html>
 613 BAD Beardies with their agility titles <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BADstats.html>
 273 Non-Member Beardies with their agility titles <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/BADstatsN.html>
 All Champion and Masters Agility Beardies <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/MACH2Qs.html>
 Rainbow Bridge Agility Beardies <http://www.beardieagilitydiehards.org/BADagility/bridge>.

E. AKC Correspondence

None needed this year.

Statistical Information:

American Kennel Club- January 1-December 31, 2020 AKC Report from Joanne Williamson:

105 Beardies earned a total of 1,341 legs in the Regular, Preferred, FAST, T2B and Premier classes during this pandemic-shortened year. 73 competed in the regular classes with 30 in preferred and 2 in both. 64 of these teams accounted for 148 total titles including 46 Standard, 47 JWW, 22 FAST, 6 T2B, 1 Premier Standard, 1 Agility Grand Champion, 5 MACH, 3 PACH, 2 PAX, and 15 ACT. Many of the ACT titles were earned by submission of video, a service AKC introduced this year in response to restrictions on the holding of gatherings in many states.

Janice Leverenz and Smitty (Wynsum Rhythm And Brews) became the second team to complete an Agility Grand Championship in February. **Lawrence Dalan and Bing (Wigglesworth Pride And Prejudice)** earned MACHs 10 and 11. Of the six teams qualified, only **Larry and Bing and Suzanne O'Malley and Penny (Allaround Our Lucky Penny)** competed at the 2020 AKC Agility Invitational held in Orlando, FL in December. Larry and Bing had four clear rounds in the preliminary competition and qualified for the finals where they also ran clear and finished 6th. The 2020 AKC National Agility Championships were cancelled; the 2021 competition will be held in Tulsa, OK in March. The 14 Beadie teams who qualified for the 2020 championships are also eligible to compete in 2021.

American Kennel Club- AKC

747 Beardies have earned legs since 1994. 17 Beardies are new since last year.

78 Beardies have earned 259 Championships

Agility Grand Champions 2 AGCHs

Master Agility Champions 73 MACHs, 44 MACH2s, 28 MACH3s, 18 MACH4s, 14 MACH5s, 11 MACH6s,

9 MACH7s, 9 MACH8s, 7 MACH9s, 5 MACH10s, 4 MACH11s, 2 MACH12s, 2 MACH13s, 1 MACH14

Performance Agility Champions 20 PACHs, 8 PACH2s, 2 PACH3s, and 1 PACH4

United States Dog Agility Association- USDAA

172 Beardies have earned legs since 1992 and 130 have earned titles. 1 Beadie is new since last year.

14 Beardies have earned 16 USDAA Championships

1 triple champion (ADCH-Bronze), 9 champions (ADCH), and 6 Performance Champions (PDCH).

North American Dog Agility Council- NADAC

189 Beardies have earned legs since 1996.

6 Beardies have earned 12 NADAC Championships:

6 NADAC Champions (NATCH), 3 NATCH2s, and 2 NATCH3s,

of whom 2 also earned the NADAC Versatility Championship (Vers-NATCH),

Canine Performance Events- CPE

90 Beardies have earned legs since 2003. 3 Beardies are new since last year.

18 Beardies have earned 56 Championships

14 C-ATCHs, 2 CT-ATCHs, 1 CT-ATCH2s, 2 CS-ATCHs, 6 C-ATCH2s, 5 C-ATCH3s, 4 C-ATCH4s,

2 C-ATCH5s, 2 C-ATCH6s, 1 C-ATCH7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12

3 C-ATEs, 1 C-ATE2, 3, 4, and 5, 1 CT-ATE, 1 CS-ATE, and 1 CS-ATE2

United Kingdom International- UKI

At least 16 Beardies have competed in UKI since this organization came to the USA in 2010

One Beadie has completed a Championship - IAC

Commendations

Beardies have been competing in agility since 1992. To date, 105 Beardies and 70 handlers have earned 348 Agility Championships in 7 venues.

The BCCA Agility Committee congratulates the 10 Beardies and 10 handlers who earned 12 Agility Championships in 2020.

American Kennel Club

AGCH	Smitty	Wynsum Rhythm And Brews	Jan Leverenz	2.09.20
MACH	Penny	Allaround Our Lucky Penny	Kevin and Suzanne O'Malley	9.07.20
MACH4	Szaffi	Wookiee Gang Ambermoon	Richard Masley	11.14.20
MACH10	Bing	Wigglesworth Pride And Prejudice	Lawrence Dalan	2.13.20
MACH11	Bing	Wigglesworth Pride And Prejudice	Lawrence Dalan	8.29.20
MACH13	Rezoom	Wigglesworth Super Smooth Operator	Jeff Ipser	2.09.20
PACH	Linus	Linus	Karen Deitke	3.14.20
PACH2	Emie	Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye	Meg Naylor	3.15.20
PACH3	Smitty	Wynsum Rhythm And Brews	Jan Leverenz	8.07.20

United States Dog Agility Association

PDCH	Claymore	Highlander Carry On Bravely	Joe Root	3.15.20
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Canine Performance Events

C-ATCH	Ice	Burlesque Ice Ice Baby	Martha Fruewald	10.24.20
C-ATCH	Quincy	Lil'Clove True Grit	Sonja Blanchard	10.25.20

Thank you

The Agility Committee thanks **Joanne Williamson** for 26 years of recording and analyzing AKC and BCCA statistics, the **Beardie Agility Diehards** for the Diehard Trophy, **Emily Venator and Glenn Hamilton** for the Denia Trophy, **Beth White** for the JWW Trophy in Honor of Mirage, **Carl and Kay Widell** for the Veteran Preferred Trophy in honor of Cagney, **Lori Weinberg** for the Lightning Trophy in honor of Rocky, **Beth Canner** for her past support of the Sunshine and Ryan Awards, **Beth Canner and Gail Romine** for the Relay Banner designed by **Gretchen Blackburn**, and **Karen Norteman** for designing the BCCA and BAD websites.

We thank **Joanne Williamson and Libby Myers-Buhite** for their columns in the Bulletin and Bagpipes, including all Agility titles earned in 2020, AKC Statistics for 2020, the BCCA Awards, the Register of Merit for Agility, the 2020 Invitational Standings, and the National Agility Championship Standings. Joanne wrote up the 25th National Specialty Agility Day, held in June 2021. Libby wrote a Rainbow Bridge Article for the Bulletin. Many thanks to **Cheri Omnis**, BCCA Agility Chair, for coordinating the many interesting agility articles in the Bagpipes. Aside from **Lori Weinberg** and **Richard Masley's** articles about their experiences during the 2019 Agility Invitational, all the other articles were about training and trialing during COVID. **Joanne Williamson** shared what to expect from Online Agility Classes. **Jeff Ipser** wrote two articles, including courses, about FAST. **Judge Lisa Pott** contributed agility sequences to do at home. **Cheri Omnis** shared **Judge Karen Winter's** Agility Drills to do during COVID and later wrote an article about the changes at agility trials due to COVID. We especially thank **Lillian Esposito** and **Michele Ritter** for doing such a fine job with agility publication in the Bulletin and Bagpipes. It has been a pleasure working with all of you!

And finally, many thanks to those who made our **25th Annual National Specialty Agility Day** an event to remember, especially **Cheri Omnis-Chair** and **David Williamson-Secretary**. **Cheri** wrote "First, I want to thank **Carol Sirine** for not giving up on the 2020 National Specialty! I want to thank my committee members **David Williamson** (my right-hand guy), **Larry Dalan**, **Meg Naylor**, **Lori Weinberg**, **Martha Fruehwald**, and **Nancy Kois**. Also thank you to all those who worked on the Specialty to make it so great. Thank you to all of you who volunteered to work throughout the day helping to keep the trial moving along. Thank you also for all of you who brought donations for the worker raffle! We sure had a lot of great stuff to raffle off! There were lots of great runs and the relay was a blast. **Judge Lisa Potts** put out some fun and challenging courses. Thank you all so much! What a fun two days we had!"

BCCA Agility Committee
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