

# Official Notices from the Recording Secretary

## February 2024

### 2025 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 the BCCA Herding chair, by **March 15, 2024**:

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

### 2023 Member of the Year Nominations

**Standing Rule 4.7.1 • Member of the Year.** This award will recognize the BCCA member or group of members who, as a result of their activity, has made the most significant contribution to the advancement of the Bearded Collie Club of America or the bearded collie. The award will be publicly announced and presented at the National Specialty banquet in the year following the calendar year for which the honor is awarded. Nominations for the award will be accepted from any BCCA member in good standing. Nominations must be received by the recording secretary on or **before March 21st** of the year following the calendar year for which the award is made. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a 250 word (maximum) statement justifying the award for the particular nominee. Seated officers and board members are not eligible for the award.

Send your Member of the Year 2023 nominations to the recording secretary, Karen Norteman, at [webmonkey@bccca.us](mailto:webmonkey@bccca.us).

### Bid for *Beardie Bulletin* Editor

Bids are now being solicited and accepted for editing the Beardie Bulletin for 2024-2025. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before **March 15, 2024** to Karen Norteman, [webmonkey@bccca.us](mailto:webmonkey@bccca.us).

### 2025 and 2026 National Specialty Host Clubs

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2025 and 2026 BCCA National Specialties. Please contact National Specialty Advisor Joanne Williamson ([balgrae@ix.netcom.com](mailto:balgrae@ix.netcom.com)) for a bid

packet.

## **Nominations Committee**

The Board of Directors has elected Linda Taylor to serve as the chair of the 2024 Nominations Committee. Please contact any of the Committee members with questions, or with nominations for any of the positions.

Linda Taylor: [doggieangels@msn.com](mailto:doggieangels@msn.com)

Debby Furlow: [df211@msn.com](mailto:df211@msn.com)

Ray Harrington: [rharrington24@verizon.net](mailto:rharrington24@verizon.net)

## **Final Ballot for 2025 National Specialty Judges**

The final ballot contains the following finalists:

### **Regular Classes**

Robert Lamm

Brenda White

Pam Douglas

### **Sweepstakes**

Kirsten Andreassend

Kelly Canham

Dawn Mieras

The final ballots will be available for online vote or for download by **February 15, 2024**. Paper ballots are due to the treasurer, Don Means, and must be postmarked by **March 30, 2024**. Deadline for online voting is also March 30.