



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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### **EMBARK GENETIC DIVERSITY PROJECT**

The Bearded Collie Club of America proudly supports Embark testing to promote genetic discovery within our breed. The BCCA and Embark have partnered to provide testing for Bearded Collie breeders/owners wishing to learn more about their dogs' genetics, and to participate in breed-wide research. The BCCA has agreed to subsidize the partnership and the Bearded Collie Club of America Charitable Trust is providing additional funds for education.

All participants purchasing this Bearded Collie Club of America-exclusive product agree to share their anonymized, de-identified data. All data will remain confidential. No personal information such as owner or dog names will be shared. When possible, the Bearded Collie Club of America *encourages participants to test dogs who are unrelated by two generations (no parents, direct offspring, or siblings)* to best inform on population analyses as we build a comprehensive Bearded Collie database.

By taking part in this limited time offer, you also agree that Embark can share your dog's data with the BCCA. While this will not include personal information about you or your dog, it could include your dog's raw genetic data, from which it might be possible to determine your dog's identity.

There are a number of articles on the BeaCon for Health website, that you will find helpful in understanding this study.

<https://www.beaconforhealth.org/genetis.html>

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - ANOTHER REMINDER!!!**

If you have not yet mailed your dues, please do so as soon as possible. AS it's after July 31st, a \$5 late fee applies to all renewals through August 31st. If dues remain unpaid after that, memberships will lapse. Download the renewal form from the BCCA website.

### **ANNUAL MEETING INPUT FROM MEMBERS**

The annual meeting will be held at the Crown Plaza Resort, Asheville, NC, Thursday, September 19th. Topics that members would like placed on the agenda should be emailed to Rosie Schroeder, recording secretary, by July 19th so that the agenda can be put together and published in a timely fashion. We want to hear from members about what is important to them. Remember that no club business can be conducted unless there is a quorum for the annual meeting, 49 members at last count!

### **2019 SPECIALTY**

Keep up to date with specialty information on the website – [www.bcca2019.com](http://www.bcca2019.com) – new information is being added on a daily basis.

The 2019 specialty committee is hard at work, beardie lovers have a super location for this year's National. There are lots of trophies for all venues still available to sponsor, - go to <http://www.bcca2019.com/trophy-sponsorship> to find out how to sponsor a trophy and also there is a link to view which ones are still available.

Master Registration and LogoWear online ordering is available through August 21st. You can also register with a mailable PDF, download the form from the specialty website, save it to your computer, open in Adobe Reader, fill it out, print and mail with your check to the specialty treasurer, info on the bottom of the order form. LogoWear is NOT available for mail in orders.

The schedule for the National is on the website, times will not be set until entries have closed.

Herding and Agility close Wednesday, 14 August. Conformation, Sweepstakes, Obedience and Rally close Wednesday, 21 August.

I hope to see many of you at the National this year!

*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.*

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**JULY 23, 2019 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

*Rosie Schroeder • [rschroeder198@gmail.com](mailto:rschroeder198@gmail.com)*

The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:31 PM EDT.

Present: Bihl, Blanchard, Colombo, Furlow, McNamara, Prassa, Ritter, Remell  
 Schroeder, Williamson, Woods

Absent: None

Report of the Recording Secretary (Schroeder) The minutes of the June 25, 2019 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. The following applications will be voted on at the August meeting:

Jo and Tom Burnside  
 Full/Joint  
 Clarkston, MI  
 Sponsor: Carolyn Hoffmann

Cathleen Young  
 Full/Single  
 Williamsville, NY  
 Sponsor: Jan Osterbauer

Meaghan Edwards  
 Full/Single  
 Riverside, CA  
 Sponsor: Patty Halverson

Report of the Treasurer (Bihl) - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes. The 2020 budget is attached as well.

**Reports of Committees**

A report from the 2019 BCCA National Specialty Committee was shared with the board.

Unfinished Business – There was no Unfinished Business.

**New Business**

1. Motion to approve the revised Breed Education Committee Guidelines passed without dissention. (BEC committee)
2. Motion to approve Casey Minner as a mentor passed without dissention. (BEC committee)
3. Motion to approve Laura Colombo as a mentor passed without dissention. (BED committee)
4. Motion to amend the following motion from the BCCA Health Committee Motion that the BCCA apply for a grant from the BCCA Charitable Trust to be used to reduce the cost of Embark Project testing. (Health Committee) was amended without dissention to Motion that the BCCA apply for a grant from the BCCA Charitable Trust to support the Embark Genetic Study Project. (Schroeder) The amendment passed without dissention.
5. Motion to approve the 2020 BCCA Budget as submitted by Rich Bihl, Treasurer passed without dissention. (Schroeder)
6. Motion to approve 2020 committee chairs passed without dissention. (Ritter)
7. Motion to approve Laurie Lo providing an internet ring readiness/polishing class, with fees\* for the course going to the BCCA, to be used to defray the purchase of additional obedience and rally medallions passed without dissention. (Obedience committee) Cost: \$100 for auditors, \$150 for participants done via YouTube and Yahoo groups feedback.)

There are no Proposed Motions for the August Board Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM EDT

***Next Meeting – August 27, 2019 at 8:30 PM EDT.***

## **AUGUST 2019 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES**

Rosie Schroeder • [rschroeder198@gmail.com](mailto:rschroeder198@gmail.com)

### **BCCA MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

You received your membership renewal form on or before July 1st. Your 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.

### **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, Richard Bihl, 163 Holly Hill Drive, Richmond, KY 40475 or to [rlbihl@icloud.com](mailto:rlbihl@icloud.com).

There is a form available on the club website for this information, see <https://beardedcolliclub.us/wp-content/uploads/forms/BCCA-Affiliate-Club-Renewal-Form.pdf>

### **ANNUAL BOARD MEETING**

The Board of Directors of the BCCA ABM will be Tuesday, September 17, 2019. Time and place to be determined.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting of the BCCA will be held Thursday, September 19, 2019, ringside, after Judges Education.

### **2022 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HOST CLUB**

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2022 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact National Specialty

Advisor Joanne Williamson - [balgrac@ix.netcom.com](mailto:balgrac@ix.netcom.com) - for a bid packet.

### **NOMINATIONS FOR REGULAR AND SWEEPSTAKES JUDGES FOR THE 2021 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**

Please send your nominations for regular and sweepstakes judges for the 2021 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary, Rosemary Schroeder, 1405 Everest Road, Venice, FL 34293 or [rschroeder198@gmail.com](mailto:rschroeder198@gmail.com). 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, 2019.

*All nominations must contain the email address for the person nominated.*

A preliminary Ballot with all nominations will be emailed to the membership with the November issue of the Bagpipes and must be returned to the treasurer no later than January 15, 2020. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot with the 2020 February issue of the Bagpipes, with the final ballots to be returned to the treasurer no later than March 20, 2020. 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 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.

## **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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Please send all changes to your email and snail mail addresses and telephone numbers to the BCCA Corresponding Secretary.

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Jason McNeil of Mulberry, FL

### **NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS**

Meaghan Edwards

Full/Single

Riverside, CA

Sponsor: Patty Halverson

Jo and Tom Burnside

Full/Joint

Clarkston, MI

Sponsor: Carolyn Hoffmann

Cathleen Young

Full/Single

Williamsville, NY

Sponsor: Jan Osterbauer

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Second quarter AKC agility, rally, and obedience reports were sent to the respective BCCA committee chairs.

Two requests for information on Bearded Collie puppies were received; email referring to the online BCCA Breeders' List was returned.

Response forms and check sent to AKC for medallions and for Meet the Breeds booth for the December show in Orlando, Florida.

July AKC Gazette distributed to Membership.

Request from Dog News magazine distributed to Membership.

Update to AKC Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Tests -- Beginning August 1, 2019, dogs with artificial coloring allowed to participate in agility trials on a one-year pilot basis.

"Good Show Dogs Can Be Good Field Dogs" is an article being written by M.J. Nelson for Dog News. He is looking for dogs that are dual champions or have an HX and also have a BIS, RBIS or a group win in the show ring. If there are any Beardies that qualify, you can contact the author at this email address:

[probe@upstel.net](mailto:probe@upstel.net)

## **BREEDER LISTING**

If you would like to add your kennel to The Breeder Listings, just add it when you renew your BCCA membership or email me at [beardieboys@comcast.net](mailto:beardieboys@comcast.net)

### **LITTER LISTINGS**

**Litter Birth Date: 6/1/19**

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BISS GCHB Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham PT MXB MX

MXF T2B2 ex CH Centennial Ultraviolet PT CGCA CGCU

TKN

Sire: OFA CHIC #81212

Dam: OFA CHIC #135722

2 Black M, 2 Brown M, 2 Black F, 1 Brown F

# PROFIT & LOSS YTD COMPARISON JULY 2019

Date Prepared 8/1/2019

General	Current Month		Year-to-Date	
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
<b>Income</b>				
Membership				
individual	14,370	13,995	14,370	13,995
Affiliate Club	275	300	275	300
Membership Total	14,645	14,295	14,645	14,295
Other				
Interest (net of amortization)	-77 *	201	-77	201
Donations (non-Rescue)	25		25	
Publications (non-Bulletin)	986	804	986	804
Agility Trials (net of expenses)				
Miscellaneous				
Other Total	934	1,005	934	1,005
Income Total	15,579	15,300	15,579	15,300
<b>Expense</b>				
Administrative				
Office Supplies & Services				
Insurance				
Professional Services				
Information Technology				
Bank & Payment Services	649	615	649	615
AKC Dues & Education				
Travel				
Miscellaneous		-65		-65
Administrative Total	649	550	649	550
Mission-related				
Breed Ed & Promotion	380		380	
Charitable Donations				
Publications (non-Bulletin)	180	226	180	226
Health				
Trophies				
Herding	100		100	
Companion				
Agility				
Mission-related Total	660	226	660	226
Expense Total	1,309	776	1,309	776
<b>General Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>14,270</b>	<b>14,524</b>	<b>14,270</b>	<b>14,524</b>
<b>Bulletin</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Subscriptions & Copies	11,090	10,953	11,090	10,953
Advertising	3,111	4,396	3,111	4,396
Income Total	14,201	15,349	14,201	15,349
<b>Expense</b>				
Pre-production	2,590	2,520	2,590	2,520
Production & Mailing	3,500		3,500	
Expense Total	6,090	2,520	6,090	2,520
<b>Bulletin Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>8,111</b>	<b>12,829</b>	<b>8,111</b>	<b>12,829</b>
<b>Rescue</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Donations	10,205	140	10,205	140
Adoption	300	150	300	150
Fund Raising (net of expenses)	491	378	491	378
Auction				
Income Total	10,996	668	10,996	668
<b>Expense</b>				
Veterinary	1,916	1,376	1,916	1,376
Boarding & Grooming				
Other	190		190	
Expense Total	2,106	1,376	2,106	1,376
<b>Rescue Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>8,890</b>	<b>(708)</b>	<b>8,890</b>	<b>(708)</b>
<b>National Specialties</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
2018 - Sacramento				
2019 - Asheville				
Income Total				
<b>Expenses</b>				
2018 - Sacramento		2,500		2,500
2019 - Asheville	2,500		2,500	
2020 - St Louis				
Expense Total	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
<b>National Specialties Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>	<b>(2,500)</b>
<b>Club Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>28,771</b>	<b>24,145</b>	<b>28,771</b>	<b>24,145</b>

\* The negative interest amount is related to the correction of a mis-statement on the June financial report.

# BALANCE SHEET JULY 2019

Date Prepared 8/1/2019

	Current Month	Year Ago
<b>Assets</b>		
Checking		
Unrestricted	99,132	144,791
Restricted - Rescue	62,735	56,004
Total Checking	161,867	200,795
Investments (CDs)	191,127	141,193
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>352,994</b>	<b>341,988</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>		
Retained Earnings	324,223	317,843
YTD Profit/(Loss)	28,771	24,145
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>352,994</b>	<b>341,988</b>

## ORTHOPEDIC FOUNDATION FOR ANIMALS BEARDED COLLIE HEALTH SURVEY

The Health committee is pleased to announce that the Bearded Collie Health Survey is up and running on the OFA Website. It is easy to complete, totally anonymous and provides real time results. We are hoping that all bearded collie owners will participate. Please feel free to share!

To access the survey, click on this link - <https://www.ofa.org/about/educational-resources/health-surveys>

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Ad reservations for the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **NOVEMBER 1ST, 2019**. Contact the editor to reserve ad space Lillian Esposito, [lillianespo@verizon.net](mailto:lillianespo@verizon.net).

## BAGPIPES DEADLINE

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2019**. Email your reports and articles to Michele Ritter [topdogs@ptd.net](mailto:topdogs@ptd.net)