



Official Newsletter of the  
Bearded Collie Club of America

February 2020

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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I enjoyed watching the streaming video of beardedies at Westminster on Sunday, congratulations to all the winners, it was super to see so many good representation of the breed.

### **2021 NATIONAL JUDGES FINAL BALLOT**

Included with the email for the newsletter is the final ballot for 2021 BCCA National Specialty judges, to be returned to the treasurer postmarked no later than March 30th. Only 89 members voted in the preliminary balloting. A suggestion was made from one of the members to conduct the vote using electronic balloting, however the BCCA is incorporated in the state of New York, and they do not allow electronic balloting for non-profits. Exercise your right to vote!

### **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

Sharon Prassa, Chairperson, Barbara Burton, and Elizabeth Hayes were selected as the 2020 nominating committee with Pat Colombo as alternate. If you are interested in serving the BCCA, or have a suggestion, contact one of the committee members.

## **DECEMBER 2019 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

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The meeting was called to order by President Michele Ritter at 8:30 PM EST.

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

Absent: None

Report of the Recording Secretary (Schroeder) The minutes of the December 17, 2019 board meeting were approved as distributed with the following corrections:

Reports of Committees - The Health Committee submitted a **report on the Embark Project** Embark's 2019 3rd Quarter report. This report will be published in the Bagpipes.

Proposed Motions for **December**-January.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Williamson) - The Corresponding Secretary's report is attached hereto and is a part

### **2021 & 2022 NATIONAL SPECIALTIES**

The Northwest Bearded Collie Club of Puget Sound's will host the 2021 National, with plans to hold it at Olympia, WA, the site of the 2015 National. Courtnie Eastman and Amy Stelz are cochairs. The board has accepted National Capital Bearded Collie Club's bid to host the 2022 National, with Casey Minner and Laura Colombo cochairs. I encourage any clubs or members interested in helping out, to contact the show chairs; many hands make light work!

### **2019 ROSTER**

There were some errors in the roster published in January, a corrected one is available at [this link](#). If you find any errors in your information, contact the recording secretary, David Williamson at [beardieboys@comcast.net](mailto:beardieboys@comcast.net)

### **WESTMINSTER MEET THE BREEDS**

Thanks to Megan and Audrey Woods, Bob Lamm, Sue Ross, Samantha Cotton, Carol Bond and their beardedies for representing us at this year's Meet The Breeds in New York, NY,

of these minutes. There are no applications to be voted on at the February meeting.

Report of the Treasurer - The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Reports of Committees – The health committee is working on a program for the 2020 Specialty. Debby Furlow will attend an Embark function during Westminster. Shannon Smart has agreed to Chair a discussion among Health Committee Members.

The goal is to have a report to send to the Board by the March meeting with recommendations as to the best way to share and make accessible Embark information to anyone interested. Participation in the database will of course be voluntary.

Unfinished Business – There was no Unfinished Business.

*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 Beardedie owners, breeders, and the general public to learn, connect, and compete, while supporting research into breed-specific health issues and rescuing Beardedies in need.*

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**New Business –**

1. Motion to allow the Great Lakes Bearded Collie Club to use the BCCA License to host the following events in 2020 (Schroeder)

- a. July 3 -Specialty (Friday) with Sweeps & Veteran Sweeps and
- b. July 4 & 5 - Supported entry (Saturday & Sunday), in conjunction with Ann Arbor Kennel Club, Monroe, MI, Carolyn Hoffman, Event Chair, passed without dissension. (Ritter)

2. Motion to approve National Capital's bid to host the 2022 BCCA National. (Bid, Budget, and Hotel contract attached) passed without dissension. (National Specialty Advisors)

3. Motion to approve Janet McKinney to assist in counting 2021 judges' ballots passed without dissension. (Schroeder)

4. Motion to approve Sharon Prassa, Chairperson, Barbara Burton, and Elizabeth Hayes as the 2020 nominating committee with Pat Colombo as alternate passed without dissension. (Ritter)

5. The following applicant was approved for BCCA membership.

Sandra Bosworth  
 Single/Full  
 Cambria, California  
 Sponsor: Lynne Corn

Proposed Motions for the February Board Meeting.

Motion to establish a Scent Work Committee. (Ritter)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM EST

*Next Meeting – Tuesday January 28, 2020 at 8:30 PM EST.*

**FEBRUARY 2020 RECORDING SECRETARY'S NOTICES**

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**2021 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, 2020. Elsa Sell, 764 Liberty Road, Milner, GA 30257 • [beaconbb@bellsouth.net](mailto:beaconbb@bellsouth.net)

**2019 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.

## CALL FOR BCCA OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

The Board has elected Sharon Prassa to serve as the chair of the 2029 Nominations Committee. Please contact any of the nominating committee members with questions or with nominations for any of position.

Chair, Sharon Prassa [sprassa@earthlink.net](mailto:sprassa@earthlink.net)  
 Barbara Burton [bouncingbeardies@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bouncingbeardies@sbcglobal.net)  
 Elizabeth Hayes [bouncingbeardies@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bouncingbeardies@sbcglobal.net)  
 Alternate - Pat Colombo [beardies@ix.netcom.com](mailto:beardies@ix.netcom.com)

## RESULTS OF THE PRELIMINARY BALLOT FOR 2021 NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES

The following names were elected to be on the final ballot for the regular classes.

<b>Regular Classes</b>	<b>Sweepstakes</b>
Michael Faulkner	Julie Patzius
Glenda O'Connell	Bela Szecsy
Bea Sawka	Lesley Woodcock

The final ballots will be emailed by February 15th, and are due to the treasurer, Rich Bihl, by March 30, 2020.

## BID FOR BEARDIE BULLETIN EDITOR

Bids are now being solicited and accepted for editing the Beadie Bulletin for 2020-2021. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before March 15, 2020 to Rosemary Schroeder, 1405 Everest Road, Venice, FL 34293 or email to [rschroeder198@gmail.com](mailto:rschroeder198@gmail.com).

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Please send all changes to your contact information to the BCCA Corresponding Secretary. If you would like to add your kennel to the Breeder Listings, email the BCCA corresponding secretary.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Sandra Bosworth

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

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## BALANCE SHEET JANUARY 2020

Date Prepared	2/3/2020		
		Current Month	Year Ago
<b>Assets</b>			
Checking			
Unrestricted		88,936	94,070
Restricted - Rescue		60,703	58,502
Total Checking		149,638	152,572
Investments (CDs)		191,354	191,163
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>340,992</b>	<b>343,735</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>			
Retained Earnings		324,223	317,843
YTD Profit/(Loss)		16,769	25,892
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>		<b>340,992</b>	<b>343,735</b>

## PROFIT/LOSS YTD COMPARISON JANUARY 2020

Date Prepared	2/3/2020				
		Current Month		Year-to-Date	
		This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
<b>General</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
Membership					
Individual			30	16,395	16,430
Affiliate Club		50		350	375
Membership Total		50	30	16,745	16,805
Other					
Interest (net of amortization)		64	125	3,540	2,990
Donations & Grants (non-Rescue)				5,634	158
Publications (non-Bulletin)		100	20	1,658	1,187
Agility Trials (net of expenses)			12,088		12,088
Miscellaneous					
Other Total		164	12,233	10,832	16,423
<b>Income Total</b>		<b>214</b>	<b>12,263</b>	<b>27,577</b>	<b>33,228</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
Administrative					
Office Supplies & Services				129	
Insurance					620
Professional Services					
Information Technology					
Bank & Payment Services		2	9	759	773
AKC Dues & Education				25	25
Travel					
Miscellaneous		420		420	-65
Administrative Total		422	9	1,333	1,353
Mission-related					
Breed Ed & Promotion			112	469	437
Charitable Donations			100	14,550	12,850
Publications (non-Bulletin)		772		952	226
Health		1,500		3,000	
Trophies				1,178	1,481
Herding		280		380	
Companion		280		280	
Agility					
Mission-related Total		2,832	212	20,809	14,994
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>3,255</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>22,142</b>	<b>16,347</b>
<b>General Gain/(Loss)</b>		<b>(3,040)</b>	<b>12,042</b>	<b>5,434</b>	<b>16,881</b>
<b>Bulletin</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
Subscriptions & Copies			64	12,254	12,558
Advertising		420	5,192	9,543	18,120
<b>Income Total</b>		<b>420</b>	<b>5,256</b>	<b>21,797</b>	<b>30,678</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
Pre-production		3,890		8,900	8,983
Production & Mailing		125		9,292	10,974
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>4,015</b>		<b>18,192</b>	<b>19,957</b>
<b>Bulletin Gain/(Loss)</b>		<b>(3,595)</b>	<b>5,256</b>	<b>3,604</b>	<b>10,721</b>
<b>Rescue</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
Donations		150	486	11,165	2,766
Adoption		150		1,200	450
Fund Raising (net of expenses)		247	162	2,813	1,880
Auction		2,184		2,184	
<b>Income Total</b>		<b>2,731</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>17,362</b>	<b>5,096</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
Veterinary		1,319	263	9,000	2,801
Boarding & Grooming					
Other		1,121		1,504	505
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>2,440</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>10,504</b>	<b>3,306</b>
<b>Rescue Gain/(Loss)</b>		<b>292</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>6,858</b>	<b>1,790</b>
<b>National Specialties</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
2018 - Sacramento					
2019 - Asheville		3,373		3,373	
<b>Income Total</b>		<b>3,373</b>		<b>3,373</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>					
2018 - Sacramento					2,500
2019 - Asheville				2,500	
2020 - St Louis					1,000
<b>Expense Total</b>				<b>2,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>
<b>National Specialties Gain/(Loss)</b>		<b>3,373</b>		<b>873</b>	<b>(3,500)</b>
<b>Club Gain/(Loss)</b>		<b>(2,970)</b>	<b>17,683</b>	<b>16,769</b>	<b>25,892</b>

## 2020 BCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### JANUARY

- BCCA Member of the Year Nominations Open
- 15 BCCA – Deadline for return of Specialty judges preliminary ballots to the Treasurer
- 25 GSBCC – Meet the Breeds at the Javits Center, New York, NY.

### FEBRUARY

- 15 BCCA – Deadline for ad reservations for the Beardie Bulletin. FYI: Contact Lillian Esposito.
- 15 BCCA – Deadline for final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due to membership for voting
- 22-23 CSCBB – Meet the Breeds at the Del Mar dog show, Del Mar, CA.
- 25 BCCA – Deadline for suggestions for Board positions to Nominating Committee

### MARCH

- 15 BCCA – Herding Judge recommendations for the 2020 Specialty are due to the Herding Chair
- 21 BCCA – Deadline for submissions for Member of the Year Award to Recording Secretary
- 26-28 BCCSC – Specialties and Supported Entries, Bakersfield, CA. Superintendent: Jack Bradshaw.
- 30 BCCA – Postmark deadline for Specialty conformation judges final ballots returned to Treasurer.

### APRIL

- BCCA – Nominations for BCCA Officers and Directors announced to membership.
- 17 NCBCC – Specialty, Timonium, MD. Superintendent: MB-F.
- 19 NCBCC – Supported Entry, Timonium, MD.

### MAY

- 16-17 BCCME – BCCA Supported entries hosted by BCCME, Scarborough, ME. Closing Date: 4/29. [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)  
Closing date: 5/13.
- 30-31 BCCME – BCCA Specialty and Supported Entry at Ladies' Dog Club, Wrentham, MA. [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)  
Closing date: 5/13.

### JUNE

- 1 BCCA Membership Renewal Notices to be sent
- 20-21 BCCME – BCCA Supported entries, hosted by BCCME at the Penobscot Valley KC Shows, Cumberland, ME.  
[www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com) Closing Date 6/3.

### JULY

- 1 BCCA membership renewal deadline/affiliate club membership renewal deadline
- 1 New BCCA Board seated
- 3 BCCA regional specialty, hosted by GLBCC. Closing date 6/17, [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)
- 4 & 5 BCCA supported entries, Ann Arbor KC, hosted by GLBCC. Closing date 6/17, [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)
- 11 BCCME – 15th Annual Beardie Bounce & BBQ, Scarborough, ME
- 31 BCCA – Last day to pay dues

### AUGUST

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 BCCA – Deadline for all nominations for 2021 Specialty conformation and sweepstakes judges due to the recording secretary
- 5-6 GSBCC – Specialty and Supported entries, Somerset and Westchester KCs, Bridgewater, NJ. [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com).  
Entries close 8/19.
- 25-10/1 BCCA 2020 National Specialty, Gray Summit, MO. FMI: [www.bcca2020.com](http://www.bcca2020.com)

### OCTOBER

### NOVEMBER

- 30 BCCA – Deadline for distribution of preliminary ballots to members for 2022 Specialty conformation and sweepstakes judges

### DECEMBER

**A SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL!**