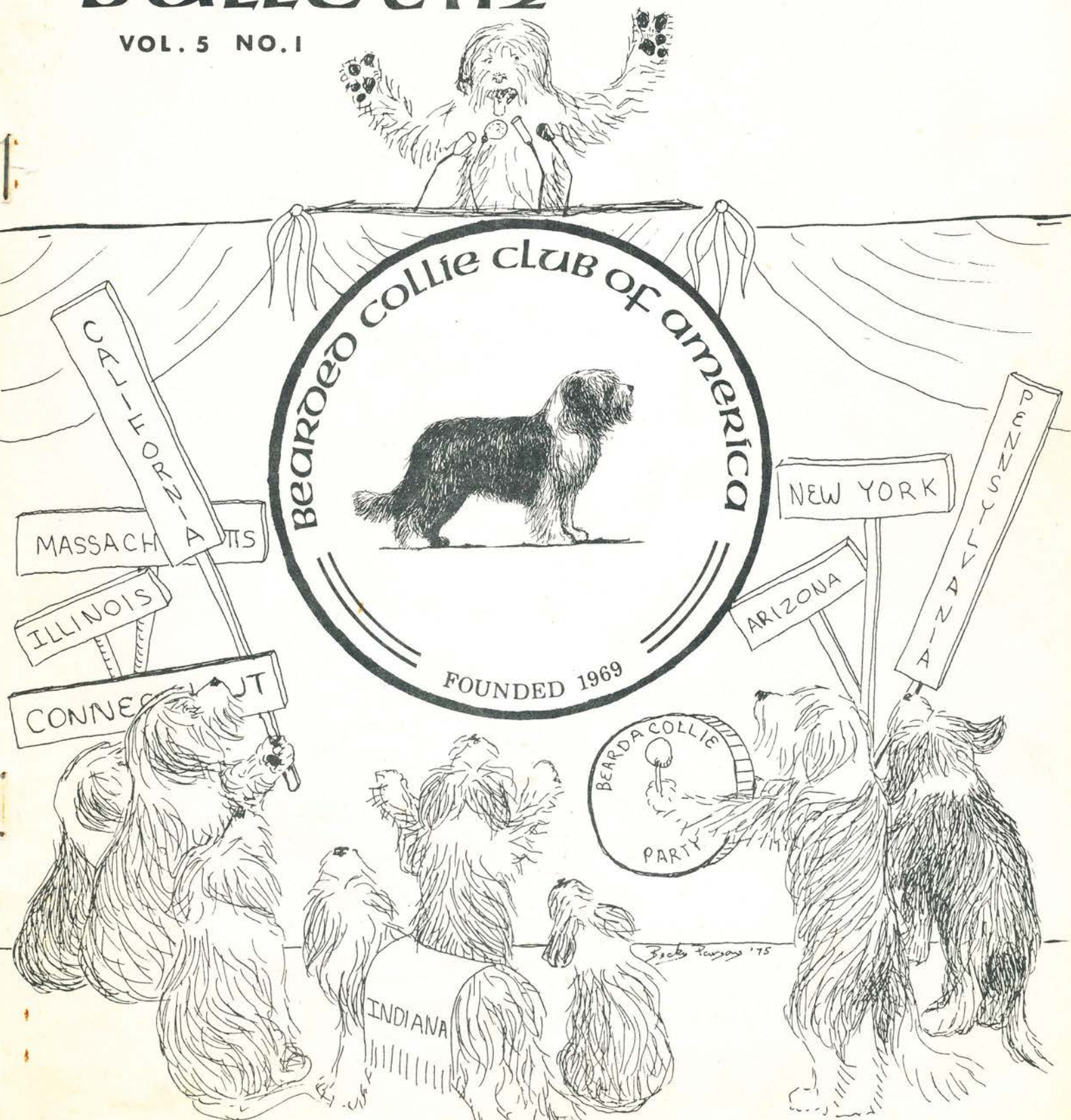


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Be sure to have your Bearded Collie registered with the Bearded Collie Club of America and don't forget to apply to the American Kennel Club for an ILP number if you intend to show. If you have not done either, the addresses are:

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We appreciate your comments regarding this bulletin. Please feel free to write -- remember, it's your paper and we need your support. Any items for the bulletin, pictures (black and white, please), or any ads should be sent to the editor:

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LOOK!
PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for the June Bulletin will be May 1st. The June issue will be sent early. Please have your ads and articles to me by then.

The following persons have applied to the BCCA for membership. Any comments you may wish to make regarding these applicants should be sent to the corresponding secretary, Emily Holden, P.O. Box 7, Limerick, PA 19468.

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MATCH REPORTS

Results of Laramie Kennel Club, Laramie, Wyo., A-AA Match.

Dogs: 1. Shiel's Mogador Silverleaf, owners: Freedo & Barbara Rieseberg
2. Parcana Silverleaf Vandyke, owners: Mrs. Richard S. Parker
3. Silverleaf English Leather, owners: Mrs. Pat Cowan & Freedo Rieseberg
4. Heathcliffe, owner: Mrs. Paul Kelly

Bitches: 1. Silverleaf Scottish Heather, owners: Freedo & Barbara Rieseberg
2. Shepherd's Help from Shiel, owners: Freedo & Barbara Rieseberg
3. Kashmir Silverleaf Llyn, owner: James Nichols

Best of Breed: Shiel's Mogador Silverleaf

Best of Opposite Sex: Silverleaf Scottish Heather

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FROM THE REGIONALS --

NOTICE: January 18th the Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club held their Annual General Meeting. It was held at Richard's Restaurant in Berwyn, Ill. There was a large attendance and it was a most enjoyable evening. Our guest was Mrs. V. Richards, an AKC judge, who gave a demonstration on how to groom a Beardie for show.

It was also our Election Meeting. Members voted to approve and elect the slate as proposed by the Nominating Committee. The slate for 1975 is as follows:

President: Anthony Kottmeier
Vice President: John Lang
Treasurer: Maria Jozwiak
Secretary: Linda Nootbaar
Board Members: Sue Stell
Don Carty
Susan Taylor

The New England Bearded Collie Club is planning their annual Spring Fun Match on April 27, 1975. It is to be in Connecticut again and plans were still being formulated as this Bulletin goes to press. Contact Maxine Levy for details at 19 Gates Lane, Simsbury, CT.

We also understand that the Bearded Collie Club of California is planning a match in June with Margaret Osborne judging but have no details. Suggest you get in touch with Bill Cordes for that one.

CONGRATULATIONS

Another Beardie has earned a Companion Dog (CD) title - completed at the age of eleven months!

Cauldbrae Tam O'Shanter, CD, owned by Joan and Roy Blumire

--- SPECIAL MENTION ---

The following dogs have been listed in the AKC Gazette as having been exhibited at AKC shows and have not been previously listed in the Bearded Bulletin:

Rich-lins Royal Shag
Barnleigh Dameris
Cauldbrae Tunes of Glory
Rushmoor Grey Mist
Rich-lins Blooming Daffodil
Tonsarne Oberon
Broadholme Elaina
Beagold Ben Nevis
Windcache Brillig O'Braemóor
Bengray Bonnie Jean
Karistan Topkopi Chord Ayer
Karistan's Kookie
Dunwich Melodic Amaden
Balmoral Laird Dirk O'Dunwich

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B. French
B. French
I. & J. Richland
K. Holmes & J. Scott
W. Cordes & F. Ayer
W. Cordes & F. Ayer
J. McHugh
E.W. & E.J. Holden
N. & L. Cassidy

President's Message:

I'd like to begin with a hearty welcome to all the new members of the club. It is by the great membership support of the club that we have been able to progress as we have.

In January of this year, Ian Morrison and I spoke with the Executive Secretary of the AKC, Mr. William Stifel, concerning the future of the Bearded Collie. We presented year end registration and club statistics, along with some projected statistics for the breed. A synopsis of the details appear elsewhere in this bulletin. Of particular importance in the attainment of recognition as a new breed are the registration records of that breed. The quality of records for the Bearded Collie are second to none, and, to this end, we all owe an enormous debt of gratitude to our registrar, Ian Morrison. Were it not for his efforts, we would not be nearly as close to our goal of breed recognition by the AKC as we are today.

I would like to thank the Board for their support and cooperation this year. We have been able to establish a number of significant club policies.

Finally, a word about this year's annual match. The Bearded Collie Club of Greater New York has been selected to host the match this year. They have planned a truly major event for us scheduled for the last weekend of June. It will involve two days of activities which are guaranteed to be a learning experience as well as a lot of fun. Please make every effort to attend -- you won't regret it. See you all in June.

Yours for Better Beardies
Thomas M. Davies, President

Quote from an interesting letter received by Moira Morrison regarding her choice for the emblem from Mrs. Willison:

"I have marked 'H' as it is the only drawing that can positively be identified as a Bearded Collie and it illustrates the correct tail carriage.

The head studies have too much hair on the muzzle except those that don't look like a Bearded Collie at all.

I don't know whether any of your members have a copy of the Bearded News which was sent to members (November 1974 edition) showing Bailie of Bothkennar. Although

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BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA
Board of Directors Meeting
December 14, 1974

Attending: President Thomas Davies, Corresponding Secretary Emily Holden, Recording Secretary Penny Taylor, Directors Virginia Parsons, Moira Morrison, and Anne Dolan, and Registrar Ian Morrison.

President Thomas Davies called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M. at Hynes Memorial Auditorium in Boston, Mass.

Ian Morrison made a report on the plans for the 1975 BCCA annual match which will be held in late June. A written report outlining details of the match and the proposed budget for the match will be submitted to the Board in mid-January.

Ian also announced that we now have 408 registered dogs and 96 litters.

It was moved and voted that Ian Morrison and Thomas Davies meet with William Stifel of the AKC in January to bring them up-to-date on the position of Bearded Collies.

Moira Morrison, chairman of the Education Committee presented several samples of emblems submitted by Club members and other individuals. These will be sent to the BCCA membership for a vote to select the one to be used for a Club emblem.

The idea of an evaluation match and symposium, separate from the annual match, has been dropped.

The Board unanimously approved the Code of Ethics drawn up by Emily Holden. This will be sent to BCCA members for a vote of approval.

A nominating Committee for next year's Board of Directors was selected consisting of Emily Holden (chairman), Moira Morrison, and Penny Taylor.

It was moved and voted that the advertising rates for the Bearded Bulletin shall be:

\$20 full page
10 $\frac{1}{2}$ page
5 $\frac{1}{4}$ page

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Taylor

Penny Taylor

Mrs Willison's letter continued --

he had a heavy weather resisting coat this photo plainly shows the short hair on the muzzle and the front of the lower lip. In fact, you can see his lips which is as it should be though not always found in the Beardedies of today. I always aimed for this when breeding and parted with the occasional very hairy ones as pets.

Bailie is the progenitor of all the Beardedies being bred today.

Yours sincerely,
Olive Willison

BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
February 15, 1975

Attending: President Thomas Davies, Recording Secretary Penny Taylor, Corresponding Secretary Emily Holden and Directors Anne V. Dolan, Lawrence Levy, Moira Morrison, and Virginia Parsons. Also attending was Registrar D. Ian Morrison.

Thomas Davies called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. at 47 Deerfoot Drive, East Longmeadow, Massachusetts.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as read.

Thomas Davies and Ian Morrison reported on a meeting with William Stifel of the AKC.

Ian Morrison announced that he has corresponded with Nancy Burns regarding show statistics. She will write an article for the Bearded Bulletin outlining the kind of information she will need from local clubs.

The new membership application was accepted.

Ken Goldfarb, will provide legal services for incorporation with no charge to the Club.

It was moved and voted to give Thomas Davies the authority to sign for Club insurance.

Ian Morrison presented a tentative schedule for the two-day BCCA match weekend. There will be a symposium, tracking and obedience demonstrations, judging workshop and banquet on Saturday, June 28. The match, including junior showmanship and puppy sweepstakes, and the BCCA annual meeting will be on Sunday, June 29. The Board voted to approve up to \$250 for initial match expenses.

It is requested by the Board that local clubs not hold matches within a month of the BCCA annual match.

Moira Morrison reported on the education committee. The pamphlet is nearing completion, although she is still waiting for photographs from England.

Virginia Parsons read a letter she had received from Kay Holmes suggesting that BCCA give certificates to Beardedies attaining obedience degrees, including those already earned. Ms. Holmes has offered to design these and keep the records. The Board voted to accept her offer.

Ian Morrison distributed copies of the stud book register. These will be sold for \$3.50.

It was moved and voted that each new member must submit an application for membership, whether or not the spouse is already a member. All membership applications will go to the Recording Secretary.

The Board voted to approve funds for Ian Morrison for assistance with typing, etc.

As the question of acceptability of white Beardedies has come up again, the following was passed:

BOARD POLICY ON WHITE BEARDED COLLIES

Our interpretation of the standard is that it would be unethical to show or breed white Bearded Collies and to sell such dogs as show quality.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Taylor
Penny Taylor

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has turned in the following slate of officers and Board Members for the year 1975-1976:

President: Dr. Thomas M. Davies
Vice President: William Cordes
Treasurer: Richard Broome
Recording Secretary: Penny Taylor
Corresponding Secretary: Emily Holden

Board of Directors: Iris Cashdan
Anne Dolan
Lawrence Levy
Moirra Morrison
Virginia Parsons

Additional nominations may be filed with the Corresponding Secretary to be received on or before April 15, 1975.

Emily Holden
P.O. Box 7
Limerick, PA 19468

These additional nominations must be signed by five members in good standing and be accompanied by the written acceptance of the nominee.

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BARKS FROM THE EDITOR

Spring and the show season are just around the corner and we are looking forward to great things from the Beardie fancy. Our upcoming national match sounds like such a super effort by those involved and we hope that everyone everywhere will make an effort to attend. Being the year of the Bicentennial, it would be a good opportunity for you all to come. So plan your vacation and enjoy the Beardie affair and take in a little history at the same time!

Also want to give three cheers to Ian Morrison in behalf of the BCCA membership for the excellent job he did with his presentation to Mr. Stifel of the AKC. We are so fortunate to have such an enthusiastic and talented man in our midst!

Virginia

BCCA Membership:

The Education Committee would like to produce a 1976 Beardie calendar for sale by the BCCA. We are looking for pictures and poses which are cute or comical, pert or pretty, serious or silly, lusty or lovable, characteristic or charismatic - in short, Beardies doing what comes naturally!!

This is not a contest; the only prizes will be credit given to those submitting the selected pictures. These will be chosen by a panel of impartial judges. Pictures will be returned only if the names and addresses are written on the back of the pictures.

So search through your photo albums or get out your candid camera. Get those entries in to the chairman of the Education Committee -

Moirra Morrison
Box 541
Beacon, NY 12508

The Deadline will be June 1, 1975

STATISTICS OF BEARDED COLLIES IN THE U.S.

On January 16, Tom Davies and I presented a wide spectrum of statistics on BCCA and Bearded activities to Mr. William Stifel, AKC Executive Secretary. The following table is a summary of the data on Bearded registrations:

	Dec. 1970	Dec. 1971	Dec. 1972	Dec. 1973	Dec. 1974
Registered Beardies:					
U.S. Born	32	64	102	194	333
Imported	18	39	63	84	109
Total Registered	<u>50</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>442</u>
Un-registered Puppies	17	50	96	140	235
Total Known Beardies	<u>67</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>677</u>
% Known are U.S. born	88%	75%	76%	80%	84%
% Registered are U.S. born	64%	62%	62%	70%	75%
Total puppies	59	114	198	334	568
% Puppies Registered:					
Total by year end	54%	56%	52%	58%	58%
By year litter registered	61%	87%	70%	63%	45%
Breeders	5	8	16	28	47
Litters	11	19	32	55	99
Stud book register	12	22	41	64	103
States with Beardies	7	17	21	25	31
States with breeders	5	7	10	13	16

A fact which should be particularly noted is the dramatic increase in every statistic in 1974. The single exception is the rather steady 21-25 imported dogs per year. This means that the proportion of U.S. bred Beardies is growing steadily, but we are still doing some importing to improve the bloodlines.

The set of figures on % of puppies registered are also interesting. The "Total by year end" is the portion of all puppies registered-to-date out of all puppies whelped-to-date. This seems despairingly constant. However, the next line explains the anomaly. This is the portion of puppies registered-to-date by the year their litter was registered. That is, of the puppies in litters registered in 1971, 87% have been individually registered by year end 1974. Obviously the puppies in litters registered in 1974 are still in the process of being individually registered.

Of special import is the rather surprising increase in numbers of breeders and stud book register entries. When one considers that most of the breeders and Beardies who contributed to the growth in numbers in the early years are still active, the dramatic increase in both of these categories portends even more dramatic growth in the future.

As a matter of fact, I did project the past growth rate through the next two years. If we continue this growth rate, there will be 700 registered Beardies by the end of 1975 and 1050 by the end of 1976. The total number of known Beardies (imported plus U.S. born) will be 1050 by the end of 1975 and an astounding 1600 by year end 1976.

One word of caution - My job is to record, analyze and present numbers which will help convince the AKC that they should admit Beardies to their Stud Book. It is your job to maintain and improve on the quality of Beardies being bred. We don't need puppy mills, even if it speeds our acceptance by the AKC; we do need a Club of active, energetic breeders and owners working to improve the breed during this growth.

Ian Morrison, Registrar

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CLUB EMBLEM and CODE OF ETHICS

The results of the voting by the membership of the BCCA on a club emblem are as follows:

A -	7	H -	52
C -	8	I -	7
E -	21	J -	2
F -	1	None	3
G -	8	Invalid	1

The results of the voting on the proposed Code of Ethics are:

Yes -	108	No -	2
Total votes - 110			

Therefore, proposed emblem H (depicted on the front cover) and the Code of Ethics are adopted.

The drawing of the Beardedie in the selected emblem was the work of Becky Parsons, Boxborough, Massachusetts. The border was prepared by Cynthia Mahigian, Bloomington, Indiana. The Club owes a special vote of thanks to all who submitted drawings - any of them could very well have been used. As can be seen from the tally above, several received a significant number of votes.

Although the Code of Ethics was over-whelmingly approved, several Club members included comments. The Education Committee will welcome additional suggestions for making the Code more meaningful. At an appropriate time, we shall consider submitting revisions for membership vote.

Moirra Morrison, Chm.
Education Committee

(We were interested in the typeface used on the border of the emblem and did a little research - it is called UN'CI.AL and Webster's defines it thus:

An uncial letter, or uncial writing. Uncials are somewhat rounded, and certain letters have cursive forms. They were used as early as the 3rd century B.C., seldom after the 10th century A.D. Being superceded by the minuscule. Ed.)

BCCA
NOTICE
JUNE
28 & 9

SAVE THE DATES!

6th
Annual Match

THE BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF GREATER NEW YORK will host the SIXTH ANNUAL MATCH sponsored by the BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA. Tentatively scheduled for this two-day event are a symposium, demonstrations, workshops, Jr. handling, Puppy Sweepstakes, Conformation, The Annual BCCA meeting and a Show Banquet.

To make a success of this match will require the support of our entire membership: a large entry, advertising in the program and underwriting of our trophy subscriptions.

Considering our increased membership, the increased number of Beardies and the proximity to acceptance by the American Kennel Club, let's make this the biggest and best match we have ever had.



Dear Editor:

In my letter published in the June 1974 Beardie Bulletin I stated that there were three (3) people who voted against the BCCGNY sending the letter which was published in the September 1973 Beardie Bulletin. It has been brought to my attention that the BCCGNY's minutes show that there were no dissenting votes on this issue. Therefore I am submitting this letter hoping to correct this earlier statement.

Sincerely,

Henrietta S. Lachman

Dear Editor:

In the December issue of the Beardie Bulletin Tom Davies said in his President's message, "There has been a lot of activity in the East and a nice showing in the Rocky Mt. areas. Let's hear a little more often from the Midwest and West Coast areas!" In defense of Midwest exhibitors who have been truly active in showing and promoting the breed, I am submitting the following for publication in the Bulletin! I know you don't publish full show results, so I'll sum it up -

Midwest exhibitors entered their Beardies in 7 AKC Shows with a total of 23 entries. At these shows they have done our breed proud by defeating 4 Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and 1 Staffordshire Bull Terrier.

They also entered 4 Fun Matches - 2 of these AKC Sanctioned - with a total of 27 entries!

Also, they attended the Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club Specialty with 20 entries, and supported the BCCA Specialty with 22 entries! All of this since June of 1974. That's hardly inactive!

We work hard and long in promoting this lovely breed, please give credit where credit is due!

Sincerely,

Mrs. R. Nootbaar

Dear Editor:

Following is a letter in response to Ms. Burns' letter which was published in the last issue of the Bulletin:

Dear Ms. Burns:

I am writing in regards to your letter in the BCCA Bulletin. The 'stickers' you referred to were advertised in the Bulletin, (Vol.4, No.1), but are a product of the Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club. We also have jacket patches. We would be happy to send order blanks if you wish.

As to the article in 'Dog World' magazine, it was written by Helen Nowicki, editor of Dog World, who judged the event. The Match was the 2nd Annual Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club Specialty. If you have any questions on the results of that Match just drop me a line and I'd be happy to send a copy of the results.

Sincerely,

Mrs. R. Nootbaar

THE SUB-CULTURE
by Louise Shattuck

With dogs, one manages to rise above most any eventuality if one is in any kind of balance. One's balance often teeters, however. Such a situation cropped up recently. I have fairly successfully weeded out all non-doggy-oriented friends and it hasn't been too hard. (They tend to depart....) However, an old friend of many years recently turned up and renewed old times in my fur lined living room. He and his wife had attended a championship celebration party I'd given previously and I realized then how one really MUST NOT include non-doggy people at doggy events. The whole thing is such a foreign element to them, as they sit sipping their Scotch, edging away from pink tongues and furry faces bent on snatching an hor d'oervre. Everyone else is up to the eyeballs with the "in jargon: bitches in heat, stud dog services, worms, stools, eczema, vet bills, kennel disinfectants, retained placentas and of course, wins, judges, shows and what AKC says.....



The classic remark...and the ONLY remark as I recall, from my non-doggy friends came during a rare lull----"Why, it's a whole SUB-CULTURE!" And indeed it is as I am the first to acknowledge.

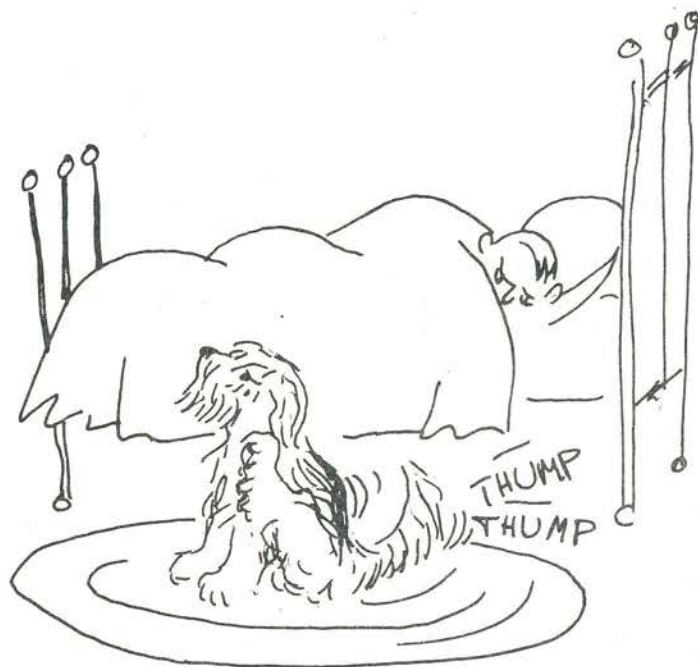
Anyway, braving the fur friends again sat my old acquaintance calling on some totally non-doggy business. It has been said that people who don't like cats were rats in their last incarnation. I wonder what non-doggers were...possibly, cats. Anyway, non-doggers are always reasonably polite, trying to ignore the multiple canine, or, at worst, coming up with a sickly smile. Rather difficult when boisterous English Cockers do their thing, which means appear as objectionable as possible, lean about, smell pants, catapult onto chairs and couches like boomerangs, bark deafening in unison, drop ancient bones on guests toes and shake hair all about while trotting endlessly hither and yon.

The best thing of course is to corral them all, protesting loudly, and shut them in the kitchen but then one pays the price by conversing above door scratching, howls, and the noise of the wastebasket being rummaged through.

So one tends to tolerate, dog persons being so thoroughly innured to all such pécadillos that generally there is little recognition of the guest state of mind. On this occasion Kelpie (UDT yet) never ill in her life, chose to take the spotlight by first planting herself in guest's lap, looking soulfully into his face and then calmly throwing up untold quantities of second hand Purina on the corduroy jacket, plaid pants and down the side of the chair arm. Hopping down, she repeated the performance in several more choice spots on the rug and finished off with a rousing crescendo of gagging and more Purina on the couch.

This is where the doggy hostess' 'cool' cracks. WHAT can be done but profuse apologies, much arm waving, banishing the culprit who by now is feeling fine and ready for more Purina, and then the grisly job with paper towels and bucket, meanwhile guest surveys wreckage of haberdasher and goes green.

This is indeed the sub-culture! One gets totally used to such cleaning tasks, but the non-doggy person displays a horror of the whole episode akin to a visit to a leper colony, which is about what they privately think of the doggy household anyway. For there were OTHER evidence along the way that had made a pretty poor impression. Such as a cat sitting on the stove dipping into a pan. A clever trick not perfected by many cats but not generally seen in the life of a non-animaler. Also how many anti-creature people would understand a dog grubbing about in the kitty litter box.....but there's one in every family. And a fine film of animal hair tending to collect in balls in well travelled areas doesn't go over too well with the neat-frank.



The non-doggy overnight guest has just about disappeared from my life, thanks be. But on such rare occasions you just know it's the guest's room where bones are brought, or the old squirrel tail, and the canine with the summer itch spends hours thumping the floor outside the insomniacs door. Late sleepers are discouraged due to the din of the crated members, singing like canine Valkyries a hymn to the dawn.

How much better the guest with various canines of their own, who arrive brisk and jolly and nerveless, laden with crates, dog food, old liver, vitamins, tack boxes, old boots and tolerance.

Well, it's all chalked up to experience and I must say, long live the sub-culture!

(Reprinted from the New England Obedience News, February, 1975. With apologies to Louise Shattuck for changing her English Cockers into Beardies!)

FOR BETTER BEARDIES — TRAINING NEWS AND TIPS
by Kay Holmes

In this issue we will begin a series on the obedience titles.

C.D., C.D.X., U.D., T.D.

As time goes by you will be seeing Beardies owners proudly pointing to these capital letters immediately following their dog's name. How you get an obedience title and what you do to earn it is the subject of this series.



The American Kennel Club has designed various levels of exercises to show the usefulness of the purebred dog as a companion. To earn a title a dog must qualify three times at an obedience trial under three different judges. A tracking title can be earned at a Tracking test and they are held as separate events.

The titles must be earned consecutively, except for tracking. In order to qualify a dog must score at least 50% of the points allotted each exercise and accumulate at least 170 of the possible 200 points. The scoring is negative, you start with all the possible points for the exercise and then you may lose from $\frac{1}{2}$ point to all the points in the exercise if the dog fails to do what is required.

A 200 score is a rarity. However, a judge should have it in his mind's eye at all times. A dog and handler must perform accurately, but most importantly the dog must show willingness and enjoyment of its work.

Companion Dog - C.D.

The Companion Dog title is earned in the Novice class. The exercises are Heel on Leash, Stand for Examination, Heel Free, Recall ("Come"), Long Sit and Long Down ("Stay").

Heel on Leash - A dog is in heel position when his head-to-shoulder area is in line with the handler's left leg. The dog is parallel with the handler and maintains this position whether sitting, standing or moving at heel. The heeling pattern must consist of a normal, fast and slow pace, a left, right and about-turn at least once. And, one or more halts with an automatic sit by the dog. The dog and handler must, also, heel around two people ("posts") in a Figure 8 pattern. This is all done on a slack leash.

The leash is now given to a steward and the rest of the Novice exercises are done off leash.

Stand for Examination - A stand-stay exercise, the handler places the dog in a stand, tells him to stay and walks out about 6 feet in front of the dog. The judge walks up to the dog and touches its head, body and hindquarters. The handler returns to heel position, and may release his dog when he hears "exercise finished".

Heel Free - Same as heel on leash, except the leash is gone and there is no Figure 8.

Recall - The "come" exercise, the handler leaves his dog on a sit-stay at one end of the ring, walks to the other end of the ring, about 35 feet, turns and faces his dog. The judge directs the handler to call his dog. When called, the dog should go briskly and directly to his handler and sit straight, centered in front of his handler. When the judge directs it, the handler tells the dog

FOR BETTER BEARDIES (cont.)

to return to heel position. This ends the individual performance.

Long Sit and Down - The group exercises, the dogs enter the ring in a group of 6-15 dogs. They line up on one side of the ring about 3 feet apart, their leashes are removed and placed behind them. When everyone is ready the dogs are left on a sit-stay and their handlers walk across the ring and turn and face their dogs. One minute later the judge tells them to return and then release their dogs. Thow down-stay is for three minutes.

When a handler and his dog qualify 3 times, the A.K.C. will send them a certificate declaring they have earned the title, Companion Dog. Once you have received notification of the C.D. title, your dog can no longer compete in the Novice class. (In the next issue we will cover the C.D.X. title.)

News Flash from the A.K.C.

Obedience buffs received good news recently. Beginning in January 1976 our obedience dogs will be able to work towards OBEDIENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS. This is a goal many have been hoping for for some time. None of the details have been worked out as yet. We will report them in this column as they become available. Big question?? If the Beardies are still in Miscellaneous, will they be able to earn obedience championships? Probably not, but it is another reason why we should support our breed at shows now so we can get full recognition.

Training Tip for Spring

Most training collars are the slip type ("choke"). It is important that they fit properly, Whether you use a nylon or chain collar, it is fitted the same way. You want a collar that just comfortably slips over your dog's head. When it is around the neck it will have the proper slack. Plan on getting more than one if you start with a puppy.

Some Bearded owners prefer a nylon collar, but I found a nylon collar did not work well on my Bearded. It got hung up in her coat. Switching to a small lightweight chain worked well and there has been no problem with coat loss. Please remember, a slip collar is for training only. It should come off when the training session is over. There are already too many sad stories of dogs being hung from their own collars, don't take the chance.

Spring is a marvelous time to get out with your dog. Why not enroll your Bearded now in a local training class and take advantage of the best in training weather.

Until next time...



The following article is reprinted from the Dayton (Ohio) Daily News, Jan. 26, 1975

EXTINCTION AVOIDED

BEARDIES MAKE GAINS IN U.S.

by Louise Pugh, Dayton News Special Writer

The bearded collie was almost extinct before anyone realized that it was in danger of being lost forever.

An ancient British breed, it was kept as a working dog by shepherds and herdsmen who did not register it with the Kennel Club or with the International Sheepdog Society. Because it was extremely rare and not registered, the small group of fanciers attempting to preserve it had difficulty finding enough breeding stock to save it.

To end the suspense, it is now a recognized breed in England and Canada and is coming on strong in this country. Beardies, as they are affectionately called by their owners, were recently admitted to the American Kennel Club to the miscellaneous class, and several of them have already earned obedience degrees.

The Bearded Collie Club of America which is pushing for full recognition by the AKC is a gung-ho group with over 200 members. Their most recent count shows 397 beardies in the U.S. scattered through 32 states.

The Bearded Collie is not another variety of the collie, which already has the rough and smooth varieties, identical in form aside from the coat. It is a different breed, several inches shorter in height, and considerably closer to the ancestors which all collies share — the herding dogs of Scotland. The bearded collie coat is more like that of the old English sheepdog, though not so profuse and not obscuring the eyes.

There are beardies in Beavercreek. Col. and Mrs. Robert Ripple were stationed in England when they became interested in the breed. From the Kennel Club in London they got the names of bearded collie breeders whom they visited. They ordered a puppy and after waiting nine months, for beardies were still scarce, they got Beagold Dougall, ten weeks old and slate grey with paler markings.

"He was such a great pet that we decided to get another one," said Joan Ripple. So they bought Dougall a wife, Quinbury Midnight Belle. Last June, after the family moved back to the States, Dougall and Belle had a litter of seven, now placed in homes all over the midwest.

When the puppies were three months old the Ripples took five of them and their sire, Dougall to the Bearded Collie Club of America National Specialty in Chicago where they won the stud dog class. It was just the beginning — expect more bearded collie activity in this area — and all over the country.

And to show how far we've come — here's an oldie from the New York Times, Jan. 23, 1970.

BEARDED COLLIES GROW IN FAVOR HERE

by John Rendel

Progress report: Two years ago The Times carried a story about how Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence M. Levy of Mansfield Center, Conn., purchased a bearded collie in England under the impression that they were getting an Old English Sheepdog. Instead of being annoyed about the mistake, they were delighted with the dog they got and decided they wanted to organize a club for the old Scottish breed in this country. They became breeders in a small way.

Well, the club now exists as the Bearded Collie Club of America. Levy is president and Mrs. Levy the secretary-treasurer. It was organized last August. There are 57 members, recruited partly through The Times article, partly through word of mouth, comments in dog publications and partly through enlisting anybody

who showed any interest in bearded collies. There is even a member in Finland, Jouko Mostonen of Helsinki. He began corresponding with the Levys and first thing he knew he belonged.

The charter members were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Davis of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Levy, Mrs. Davis is the vice president. The club will have a bit of a milestone soon. On May 31, it will conduct its first match show on the grounds of Mrs. R. E. Stone, Caithness Kennels, Cross River, N. Y.

The bearded collie looks a bit like the Old English sheepdog, but not at all like the collie everybody knows. The hair is long, shaggy and profuse, the height just over 20 inches, the weight about 60 pounds.

The population in this country is about 100, to which 25 dogs have been contributed through the Levys' breeding program. Mrs. Levy knew of only two other couples seriously devoted to breeding the dogs -- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mitchell of Westbury, L. I. and Mr. and Mrs. Ian Morrison of Beacon, N. Y.

The club has begun keeping breed records and hopes to continue promoting beardies with the eventual objective of gaining American Kennel Club acceptance. There's a club now in Canada, Mrs. Levy said, formed only recently.



Braemoor

The month of February has been a memorable one for the creatures great and small here at Braemoor--

Dannamoore Honey Rose, C.D., T.D. (Ch. Rowdina Rustler ex Wishanger Comb Honey) presented us with a beautiful litter of seven puppies, 4 males, 3 females, on Washington's (real) birthday, the 22nd, sired by our

Baffler O'Braemoor (Justice of Tambora ex Jedriana Nantua)

Becky's Belgian Tervuren, Blazon of Paragon, won a 3 point major and Best of Opposite Sex at Providence (R.I.) KC. show also on the 22nd

And as to the small - not to be outdone - our Antwerp Bearded Belgian Bantam cockeral was Reserve Champion at the Poultry show!

Nan (Baffler's mom) is busily packing her bag for a visit to Brambledale Benedict at Cauldabrae in the near future. She's accepting reservations for her expected family.

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Colours... (part 3)

by Carol Gold

MARKINGS

Having asked for information about the occurrence of white Beardies in the last issue, I received some questions as to what exactly was a "white Bearded" and how to tell correct markings.

As a rough rule of thumb, a "white Bearded" would have more than two-thirds of his body coloured white, so that instead of being "slate grey or reddish fawn, black, all shades of grey brown and sandy, with or without white Collie markings" as the Standard requires, he would be incorrectly a white dog with coloured markings.

A mis-marked Bearded would have the main section of his body coloured, but the white would have spread too far into the colour, so that he would be white over more than a third of his body. Alternatively, he could have white splotches where they don't belong, in the middle of his body or back.

A correctly marked Bearded can have white on the following parts of his body, but doesn't have to have white at all: muzzle, blaze between the eyes, chest, front feet and legs, collar, hind feet up to the hocks, tail tip.

Both eyes and both ears must be coloured. The white collar, if he has one, must not extend back past the start of the shoulders. It is most typical for the coloured markings to extend partway down one or both front legs so that the white collar doesn't run into the chest markings when viewed from the side. Perhaps the sketches at the end of this article may help describe typical and other markings. Remember, "Old English" markings are wrong in a Bearded!

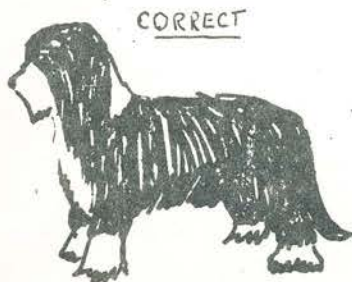
RIDGE OF NOSE

"What colour should the ridge of a Bearded's nose be?" is another question that has popped up. The hair that grows along the ridge of a Bearded's nose is very fine and very sparse--there should be hardly any of it there. But the few hairs that grow there will determine by their colour, the colour of the nose ridge. On a Bearded, white hair grows from pink skin; black or blue hair from greyish or blackish skin; and brown or fawn hair from brown or fawn skin. So if a Bearded is brown and white and the brown extends partway along the muzzle, then the nose ridge will be brown where brown hair would have grown and pink where the white muzzle hair would have grown. Same for black, etc.

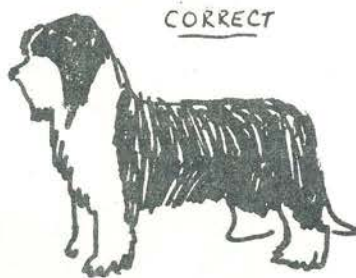
NOSE

The nose itself--that rubbery, cold, wet, sniffing appendage at the very front of a Bearded--should be entirely self-coloured to match the coat colour. The coat colour at birth, that is. So a black nose belongs to a black born dog, but a blue dog will have a nose with a steel blue cast to it. And there is a definite difference between the brown nose of a brown and the brown/fawn nose of a fawn, though sometimes--like blue and black noses--you have to look at them together to tell the difference.

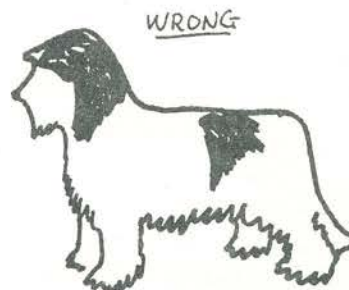
Whatever the colour, there should be no pink patches on the nose itself by the time the dog is mature! Sometimes, a puppy's nose is patchy and this is acceptable as long as the colour fills in by the time he is two years old at the very latest! After a Bearded is two, a patchy nose is a serious fault because it indicates a loss of pigment.



These are the most typical Bearded markings.



These markings are also correct, but have about the limit of desirable white.



This is a white Bearded. Some whites have slightly more or even less coloured markings.

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WHY TATTOO YOUR DOG?

by Jim and Sydne McCoskey in the Colorado Dog News

The first question many people ask in regard to tattooing is "What is tattooing of a dog? The answer is placing (tattooing) an identifying number - preferably the owner's social security number - on the inside of the right rear leg of the dog. Although some people still tattoo in the ear, this is definitely NOT advised because unscrupulous dog-nappers are not at all opposed to removing the tattoo via removal of the ear.

Does the AKC regard this tattoo as an artificial alteration of the dog's appearance? No. The American Kennel Club is fully behind tattooing and has ruled that the tattoo is not to be considered as alteration of the dog's appearance.

Why should a dog be tattooed? Nothing is more heartbreaking than having a beloved pet - be it a top show dog or a mixed breed pup - lost, stolen or strayed. With a tattoo, a dog stands only a minor chance of being stolen since it is a Federal offense to steal a branded animal. With a tattoo, a dog will not be stolen for later sale to a laboratory for laboratories will not accept tattooed dogs. With a tattoo, a dog that is lost and later found, can be returned to his owner - even if he is not wearing an identifying collar - for the tattoo provides positive identification of the owners of the dog.

Why use the social security number for the tattoo? The social security number is the one identifying number that a person carries throughout his life. Although some people prefer to tattoo their dog with its AKC number, this is not an entirely satisfactory solution. The AKC is NOT a lost and found agency and is not staffed to handle all the problems associated with finding lost owners of dogs. In addition, each dog registered carries its own AKC number. When a dog owner registers his social security number with the National Dog Registry in Carmel, N.Y., he has - in one simple step - registered all of the dogs he will ever own. All National Dog need do is keep the Social Security number on file.

How is tattooing done and does it hurt a dog? Tattooing is accomplished by (1) shaving the area inside the right rear flank; (2) washing the area with a germ killing soap; (3) covering the area with petroleum jelly, to keep the ink from running during the tattooing; (4) tattooing the owner's social security number in the area with a vibrating needle and a vegetable ink and (5) cleaning the area with alcohol to remove the excess ink and petroleum jelly.

Most dogs have a certain amount of fear about laying on their back and letting a stranger prick them with a vibrating needle but with the owner standing by to calm and help hold the dog most have no problem in getting the job done. As far as hurting the dog, the tattoo can be compared to a pin prick. A very minor hurt that lasts only as long as the dog is on the table. Most dogs can go directly from the tattoo table to the show ring and no one would know the difference.

How is my dog returned home if he is lost? Most humane societies and animal shelters, veterinarians and police departments are being made aware of the tattooing process and do look for tattoos when they find a lost dog. Because of publicity from National Dog Registry many of these organizations immediately call NRD - report the number on the dog and Dagmar Swanson, guiding light of NDR, calls the dog's owner and reports the location of their pet. What is the cost? Tattooing generally costs from \$2.00 to \$5.00 and registration with National Dog costs \$15.00. Remember, that this \$15.00 fee covers the registration of your social security number - NO MATTER HOW MANY DOGS ARE TATTOOED.

What if I sell my dog after having my social security number tattooed on him? If you sell a dog after tattooing, simply tattoo the new owner's initials before the social security number and have the new owner re-register with National Dog Registry.

What is the National Dog Registry and why is it recommended. The National Dog Registry is a non-profit organization set up to provide a dog location service on an international scale. It is the only such service that operates 24-hours a day on such a broad scale. There are some reputable local services but these cannot be of assistance if a dog is stolen and deposited out-of-town or out-of-state.

National Dog is the only registry endorsed and used by the Humane Society of the United States, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, many kennel clubs, animal welfare organizations, state conservation departments and thousands of individual owners.

For more information you may write the National Dog Registry at 227 Stebbins Road, Carmel, N.Y. 10512. Phone 914-277-4485

WHEN YOUR DOG OR CAT IS LOST**

The following information should be given authorities when your animal is lost or stolen. It is also information you should have about your own animal in case it is lost.

Description of Animal

Name
Breed
Age
Size
Color
Sex
Distinguishing marks (scars, special markings). Photo if possible.
Tattoo number
Collar
License number

Circumstances of Loss

Date
Removed from yard or car
Strange truck or car in the area?
License Number
Description of strange person in area.
Your name
Address—home
City
Telephone
Office Telephone

If you suspect your dog or cat was stolen reach your USDA state agent immediately. See phone numbers below.

1. Have the above information about your animal.
2. Inquire of neighborhood, especially children. Ask the mail man and regular delivery men.
3. OFFER A REWARD
4. Put a notice on the bulletin boards at local stores and at hunting or fishing clubs if it is a hunting dog.
5. Call police. If it is a hunting dog notify the game warden.
6. Call pounds and shelters. Give them above information.
7. Put an advertisement in newspapers.
8. Call the radio station. Perhaps the loss could be announced in school assembly.
9. Be sure someone is at home to receive calls.
10. If the pound or shelter truck was in your neighborhood but the animal is not there, let the authorities know.
11. Call the health or sanitation department to find if your animal was killed. In rural areas the veterinarian should have this information.

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Telephone Numbers of Animal Health Division

State	Area Code	Phone Number	State	Area Code	Phone Number
ALABAMA, Montgomery	205	263-7521	MISSISSIPPI, Jackson	601	948-7821
ALASKA, Anchorage	907	279-3568			x511
ARIZONA, Phoenix	602	261-3626/7	MISSOURI, Jefferson City	314	636-3179
ARKANSAS, Little Rock	501	372-4361	MONTANA, Helena	406	442-9040
		x5377			x322
CALIFORNIA, Sacramento	916	449-3216	NEBRASKA, Lincoln	402	475-3544
COLORADO, Denver	303	297-3481	NEVADA, Reno	702	784-5446
CONNECTICUT, Hartford	203	244-2133	NEW JERSEY, Trenton	609	292-6376
DELAWARE, Dover	302	697-6662	NEW MEXICO, Albuquerque	505	843-2573
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	same as		NEW YORK, Albany	518	472-4477
	Maryland		NORTH CAROLINA, Raleigh	919	829-3544
FLORIDA, Jacksonville	904	791-2658			828-9031
HAWAII, Honolulu	808	228-9460	NORTH DAKOTA, Bismark	701	255-4011
GEORGIA, Atlanta	404	526-4397			x211
IDAHO, Boise	208	342-2322	OKLAHOMA, Oklahoma City	405	236-2296
ILLINOIS, Springfield	217	525-4104	OREGON, Salem	503	585-1238
INDIANA, Indianapolis	317	633-8491	PENNSYLVANIA, Harrisburg	717	782-3442
IOWA, Ames	515	232-0011	SOUTH CAROLINA,		
IOWA, Des Moines	515	284-4140	Columbia	803	787-6820
KANSAS, Topeka	913	234-8661	SOUTH DAKOTA, Pierre	605	224-5859
		x211	TENNESSEE, Nashville	615	242-8321
KENTUCKY, Frankfort	502	582-5011			x5594
		(227-9651)	TEXAS, Austin	512	475-5551
LOUISIANA, Baton Rouge	504	348-0181	UTAH, Salt Lake City	801	524-5010
		x256	VERMONT, Montpelier	802	223-8426
MAINE, Augusta	207	622-6248	VIRGINIA, Richmond	703	648-8876
MARYLAND, College Park	301	388-8707/8	WASHINGTON, Olympia	206	943-7461
MASSACHUSETTS, Boston	617	223-6568	WEST VIRGINIA, Charleston	304	343-6181
MICHIGAN, Lansing	517	372-1910			x302
		(373-1080)	WISCONSIN, Madison	608	266-3481
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GROOMING FOR THE SHOW RING

Beardies are shown with their coat in its natural state—that is, not trimmed, shaped, teased, fluffed or parted. They should, of course, be clean and their coats should be shiny (with health and condition, not lacquer) and free from all mats and tangles.

When grooming for the show ring, start by brushing the coat backwards against the grain to get out all tangles, etc. Once you've done this, then brush it back down the way it should fall, doing this section by section, again to get out all mats and keep it straight. The coat should lie flat against the body, and should not obscure the outline of the dog.

With a Bearded Collie who has correct coat, it will automatically fall flat to the body, even if you leave it brushed backwards—one shake and the coat will fall into place. But with a dog with too much coat or a curly or fluffy coat, you'll have to really brush it down straight. Some lones have coats that are straight and fall fairly flat right from puppyhood. Others are fluffy or fuzzy as puppies and with all the brushing in the world you aren't going to get these coats to lie nicely straight until the dog gets his mature coat when he's about 3 years old. Of course, sometimes these heavy or fuzzy or curly coats don't straighten out at maturity and will always be wrong, and this is a point to be wary of in breeding if you're using dogs who haven't got their mature coat yet.

As the Bearded Collie is a working breed—and a working breed that still works!—artificiality should be avoided in grooming the dog for show. The feet must not be trimmed or shaped but are left naturally shaggy. The hair along the spine will separate naturally, falling as it will to one side or the other—it must not be artificially parted!! Just brush it straight back along the spine and let it fall to either side as the dog shakes.

Now the head. The hair from the eyes back is brushed back, flat against the skull. With correct coat, this hair will stay back out of the eyes. It may fall slightly forward after brushing, but if it does it will fall to either side, framing the eyes, not forward obscuring them. With puppies, the coat is often too soft to arch up away from the eyes, but this body will come with the mature coat. The hair on the sides of the head is brushed down, with the ear fringes combed to blend in with the head hair. The whiskers are combed to either side of the ridge of the nose, which should have very little hair on it, and should be the color of the hair that grows from it. (So, if your Bearded Collie has a full white face, the ridge of his nose will be pink; if he has a half-black face, there will be grey skin under the black hair and pink under the white hair; if he has brown on his face, there will be brown skin visible). The Beard is combed down and forward.

Head Hair

Whiskers
combed
down

Beard down
& forward



Ear
fringes
combed down
& blended



Brush hair
straight back
along topline
from shoulders to
croup.



Coat lying flat to body,
showing outline of dog.



BEARDIGRAPHS



Remember Anne Dolan's Jock? Here he is with her brother, Andy



Bailie Of Bothkennar (See Mrs. Willison's letter)



Cauldbrae's Brigadoon - "Miscellaneous! Well! Let me say this about that!"



Cauldbrae's Lorna Doon - "You tell 'em Dad!"

MATCH AND SHOW CALENDAR

- March 23 CA AKC Show: Oakland KC, Oakland
 28-30 CA AKC Show/Trial: (Raisin Circuit) Sequoia KC, Tulare; Sun Maid KC, Fresno; Kern County KC, Bakersfield
- April 6 CA Match: Donner Trail KC, Roseville Fairgrounds
 6 NHH Match, Breed/Ob: Cheshire KC, Monadnock Regional HS
 6 VT Match, Breed/Ob: Bennington KC, Mt. Anthony Union HS
 12 MA AKC Show: South Shore KC, Raceway, Foxboro
 13 RI AKC Show/Trial: Cranston Rhode Island KC, Rhodes-on-Pawtuxet
 13 CA AKC Show/Trial: Sacramento KC, Sacramento
 27 MA Match, Breed/Ob: Ocean State DTC, 408 Washington St., So. Attleboro
 27 CT Match, Breed: NEW ENGLAND BEARDED COLLIE CLUB
- May 3 CA AKC Show/Trial: Mensona KC, Santa Rosa
 4 CA AKC Show/Trial: Redwood Empire KC, Petaluma
 4 MA Match, Breed/Ob: Great Barrington KC, Great Barrington
 10 MA AKC Show/Trial: SPRINGFIELD KC, WEST SPRINGFIELD (supported show)
 11 CT AKC Show/Trial: Windham Co., KC, Recreation Park, Willimantic
 17 NY AKC Show/Trial: Ladies Knl Assn of America, Hempstead
 18 MA Match, Breed/Ob: Pioneer Valley KC, Vets Field, Greenfield
 25 CA AKC Show/Trial: Del Monte KC, Pebble Beach
 25 NH AKC Show/Trial: Rochingham County KC, Seabrook
- June 1 MA AKC Show/Trial: Framingham District KC, Northboro
 1 CA AKC Show: San Joaquin KC, Stockton
 7 NY AKC Show/Trial: Kanadasaga KC, Roseland Park, Canaditqua
 7 CT AKC Show/Trial: Greenwich KC, Stamford
 8 CA AKC Show/Trial: Contra Costa KC, Pleasant Hills
 8 CT AKC Show/Trial: Longshore-Southport KC, Fairfield
 15 MA Match, Breed/Ob: East Longmeadow DOTC, Southwick Powder Mill School
 22 NY AKC Show/Trial: Staten Island KC, Staten Island
 27 NY AKC Show/Trial: DelOtse Nango KC, Oneonta
 28 NY AKC Show/Trial: Susque Nango KC, Whitney Point
 28 & 29 NY Match, Breed/Ob: BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA, MT. KISCO
 30 NY AKC Show/Trial: Elmira KC, Horseheads

BCCA STUD BOOK REGISTER

The BCCA is offering its Stud Book Register for sale. This is a virtual fountain of genealogical information for all Beardie owners; it's indispensable to the breeder. Every dog who has sired and every bitch who has whelped a litter in this country is listed by the year in which their first litters were registered. For each such Beardie, there is given his BCCA registration number, date he was whelped, color, his sire and dam (cross-referenced to their entries in the Register if they are U.S. producers), owner and breeder. Now you will be able to trace your Beardie's family tree back to Britain by using the numbers on his Registration Certificate. As a matter of fact, you will be able to trace the U.S. genealogy of every Beardie registered in this country. We plan later this year to add a section to continue the genealogy through the British forebears.

Note that this information will not be in the AKC Stud Book Register after they take over registration of Beardies. The AKC will only include in their Register the sires and dams of litters registered with them starting sometime in the future. So this booklet will be an essential link between the AKC and The Kennel Club (British) Stud Book Registers.

The cost of this loose-leaf, indexed booklet is \$3.50. Send your order with your name and address and check made out to the BCCA to:

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