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BCCA NEWSLETTER

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Subcommittee on Membership:	Emily Holden, Mimi Patrick
Committee on the Standard:	Moirra Morrison, Chp, Tom Davies, Joan Surber
Committee on Club Administration:	Tom Small, Chp, Jo Parker, Nancy Winter
Editor of the Beardie Bulletin:	Virginia Parsons

This issue of the Newsletter inaugurates an experiment in a new means of communication between the Board of Directors and BCCA members. It is an outgrowth of our practice of sending copies of minutes of Board meetings to local Beardie clubs. The Newsletter should prove more effective since it will go to all members, thus reaching people who are not members of local clubs and those who may be absent from meetings where the minutes would be discussed. Our objective is to keep the BCCA membership fully informed on Board of Directors activities and doing this in a timely fashion.

As has been explained before, the Board of Directors conducts all of its business in monthly meetings by mail. Members of the Board submit motions which the Recording Secretary distributes monthly for voting. The results of these actions will be published in this Newsletter. The proposer of each motion and the way in which each member of the Board voted will also be shown. Note that any member may postpone a vote for a month on a specific motion if he wishes to contact the other members in support of or in opposition to it. Also note that we will give only the results of the voting on motions on individuals (membership applications, committee appointments, etc.) as if the vote was by secret ballot.

We plan also to include notices of interest to Club members, reports of committees, the results of Beardie classes in point shows (copied from the AKC Gazette) and a breeders list. Each entry in the latter will consist of the name of the breeder, kennel name (if any), address, phone number and whether the breeder normally offers puppies, grown dogs and/or stud service. There will be no charge for this service; however, the breeder must be a member of the BCCA. Just send your listing to the Editor.

Note that this Newsletter will not contain articles, letters, advertising or pictures. These will continue to be the domain of the Beardie Bulletin under the very competent editorship of Virginia Parsons. As a matter of fact, she has been asked to make a study of ways to improve the quality of reproduction of that periodical to more nearly match its importance to the BCCA membership. Look for future innovations here too.

One last word, the Board of Directors voted to try this Newsletter through June as an experiment. We solicit your comments and suggestions.

Minutes of meeting of Board of Directors, January 21, 1977:

The regular monthly meeting was held by mail at the home of the Recording Secretary on January 21, 1977. The following items of business were conducted:

- 01/77-01 A. Postponement was requested on the motion that the name of the Board member submitting a motion be included in the minutes.
B. Postponement was requested on the motion that the votes of each individual Board member be recorded in the minutes except for votes involving decisions on people.
- 01/77-02 A. The appointment of a committee on Club Administration was approved by a vote of 9 to 1.
B. Tom Small was named chairperson of the Committee on Club Administration.
C. Jo Parker was named to the Committee on Club Administration.
D. Nancy Winter was named to the Committee on Club Administration.

The following applicants were approved for membership in the BCCA:

Paul & Shirley Boniface	Valerie & Michael Rawitch
Joan R. Blumire	Rebecca C. Scharff
Thomas J. & Virginia L. Brewer	Gerald & Nancy L. Schwartz
Judy Dorman	Robert W. & Connie Sedlock
Judith & Lawrence Goldworm	Willard Lee & Phyllis Lee Stark
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Grean	Mr. & Mrs. Edward Stein
Mrs. Holly A. Hartzok	Peter Totillo
Mr. & Mrs. Paul W. McKinney	Richard & Melinda Ventre
Mr. & Mrs. Norman Pelavitz	Peggy Westphal
Judy Rauscher	Shirley Winer

Report of the Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee directed the Recording Secretary to write to the chairpersons of the committees on the Constitution, Membership, Show, and Standard to request a report from each by the next meeting of the Board on February 21, 1977.

Minutes of meeting of Board of Directors, February 21, 1977:

The regular monthly meeting was held by mail at the home of the Recording Secretary on February 21, 1977. The following items of business were conducted:

- 02/77-01 The minutes of the January 21, 1977 meeting were approved. (Taylor)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Fish, Holden, Morrison, Small, Taylor.
No: None
Absent: McHugh, Patrick
- 01/77-01 A. The publication of the names of Board members submitting motions was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: Holden
Abstain: Fish
Absent: McHugh, Patrick

B. The publication of the votes of Board members on motions was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: Holden
Abstain: Fish
Absent: McHugh, Patrick

- 02/77-03 A. The publication of a monthly newsletter to the BCCA membership from the Board of Directors for the remainder of the Club year was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Fish, Holden, Morrison, Small Taylor
No: None
Absent: McHugh, Patrick
B. Including a breeders list in the newsletter as a service to BCCA breeders was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Cordes, Davies, Fish, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: Broome, Holden
Absent: McHugh, Patrick
C. Cynthia Mahigan was approved as Editor of the Newsletter.

- 02/77-04 A. A policy of the BCCA's selectively supporting the Bearded Collie entry at AKC sanctioned or licensed shows was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Fish, Holden, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: None
Absent: McHugh, Patrick
B. The BCCA Treasurer was authorized to pay for a Best of Breed rosette for such supported shows if the show giving club does not provide one. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Fish, Holden, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: None
Absent: McHugh, Patrick
C. The BCCA support of the Beardie classes at the Springfield Kennel Club on May 14, 1977 was approved. (Morrison)
Yes: Broome, Cordes, Davies, Fish, Holden, Morrison, Small, Taylor
No: None
Absent: McHugh, Patrick

Report of the Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee dissolved the Show Committee due to the resignation of its chairperson and in order to expedite the assignment of forth-coming BCCA match shows. We thank the Chairperson, Bob Lachman, for any work he may have done and the two other members, Woody Ayers and John Lang, for their offer to handle the details of B matches in their respective areas. Since a report with recommendations has not been received by the Board of Directors from the committee chairman, and since time is getting short, the Executive Committee made the following assignments:

1. The Tri-State Bearded Collie Club to form a show committee for the second BCCA qualifying AKC sanctioned B match to be held in that area in April or May, 1977.
2. The Queen City Bearded Collie Club to form a show committee for the third BCCA qualifying AKC sanctioned B match to be held in that area in late summer, 1977.
3. The New England Bearded Collie Club to host the 1977 annual BCCA meeting and the Eighth Annual BCCA Specialty with help as required from members of the Bearded Collie Club of Greater New York.

The Executive Committee disbanded the Membership Committee since its chairperson is no longer a BCCA member. It has assigned the other two members, Mimi Patrick and Emily Holden, to a Membership Subcommittee of the Constitution Committee to recommend to that Committee changes in requirements for membership in the BCCA By-Laws. They should study what other national breed clubs require of their applicants and should solicit suggestions from the BCCA membership.

Report of the Constitution Committee - Tom Small, Chm, Tom Davies, Ian Morrison

The Consitution Committee has assigned parts of the BCCA Constitution and By-Laws to each of its members for the purpose of analyzing each sections for desirable changes. It has tentatively decided to recommend the following changes and solicits comments from the BCCA members:

1. Change the term of office for Officers and Directors to two years with the President, Recording Secretary and three Directors elected one year and the Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and two directors elected the next.
2. Provide for opening the ballots in the annual election two weeks before the annual meeting so that nominees can better decide whether or not to travel to the meeting.
3. Provide for holding the annual meeting and specialty during the period from mid-June through mid-July instead of requiring them to be in June as at present.

The Committee will also solicit suggestions for other changes to the Constitution and By-Laws from the BCCA membership.

Report of the Committee on the Standard - Moira Morrison, Chp, Tom Davies and Joan Surber.

The Committee on the Standard sponsored a workshop for judges of working breeds on Sunday, February 13, 1977. Feedback from the judges and from the AKC has indicated that the exercise was most successful. After a showing of some slides and movies on Beardies the workshop examined the current Standard paragraph by paragraph. The judges in the audience led by Haworth Hoch and Lynette Saltzman asked questions of a panel of breeders consisting of Tom Davies, Ann Dolan and Moira Morrison. The objective was to clarify terms and phrases which the judges found ambiguous. The point was made several times that the breeders' comments in no way replaced the Standard which has been approved by both the BCCA membership and the AKC Board of Directors. A second purpose for this exercise was to obtain input from the judges for the work of the Committee in preparing a draft of a revised standard. The Committee was encouraged by both the judges and AKC officials to repeat the workshop, perhaps in other parts of the country.

The Committee has received many comments and suggestions from several local breed clubs and from numerous individuals. It has also obtained a copy of the proposed new Standard in Britain. It plans to solicit comments for another month or so and then to start drafting a new proposed Standard which in turn will be submitted to the BCCA membership for comments.

Report of the Nominating Committee: Tom Davies (Chm), Pauline Broome, and Jo Parker.

The Nominating Committee submits the following nominations for the elections at the annual meeting:

For President:	Ian Morrison, Millbrook, NY
For Vice-President:	Linda Fish, Glens Falls, NY
For Recording Secretary:	Julie McHugh, Littleton, CO
For Corresponding Secretary:	Emily Holden, Limerick, PA
For Treasurer:	Dick Broome, Darien, CT
For Directors:	Tom Davies, East Longmeadow, MA
	John Lang, Albert Lea, Minn
	Joe Shimek, Fairfax, VA
	Joan Surber, Woodside, CA
	Penny Taylor, Portland, CT

BCCA By-Laws - ARTICLE IV. The Club Year, Voting, Nominations, Elections.

Section 4. Nominations and Ballots.

b.) Additional nominations of eligible members may be made by written petition addressed to the Recording Secretary and received at his regular address on or before April 15, signed by five members accompanied by the written acceptance of each such additional nominee signifying his willingness to be a candidate. No person shall be a candidate for more than one position ...

WANTED - VOLUNTEERS

One of the aims of the Club administration this year has been to get more Club members involved in Club activities and to publicize their work. The Board of Directors has formed a Committee on Club Administration under Tom Small, Vice-President. Nancy Winter, Rt. 1, Box 208, Waconia, Minnesota 55387, has agreed to keep a list of BCCA members who are willing to serve the national club as committee members. If you feel moved to get involved, contact Nancy and let her know what kind of work you are willing to do or just that you are willing to help. The Board will ask her for recommendations whenever it forms another committee.

We intend to publicize the work of such committees by requiring and publishing periodic reports. Jo Parker, Overland, Route, Ward, Colorado 80481, has agreed to collect these reports and to get them ready for publication. She has also promised to give delinquent committee chairmen a hard time.

The Board is looking for ideas for additional committee functions. At the present we are considering the appointment of

- a committee on Club history to start collecting memorabilia on past Club activities,
- a person to maintain statistics on Beardie wins,
- a committee to work on a BCCA yearbook for 1977.

If you can think of any other activities in which the Club should be engaged, tell or send your ideas to any member of the Board. We want to get many Club members busy and to report on their effectiveness. A sign of a maturing Club is that its Officers and Directors have earned a reputation serving the Club. We are not there yet, but this should be a good start in that direction.

NOTICES

- * There are three committees actively seeking comments and suggestions from BCCA members:
Changes to the BCCA Constitution and By-Laws to Tom Small, 58 Orchard Lane,
Hillsdale, New Jersey 07642
Changes to the Standard for Bearded Collies to Moira Morrison, Oak Summit Road,
RD #2, Box 299C, Millbrook, New York 12545
Changes to requirements for Club membership to either Emily Holden, P.O. Box 7,
Limerick, Pennsylvania 19468 or Mimi Patrick, 35953 Lakeshore Boulevard,
Eastlake, Ohio 44094
Comments should be submitted by the end of April, so that these committees can get on with
their work.

- * The Newsletter will start publishing a Breeders List in the April issue. The Editor must have
received a listing by April 4 for inclusion in the next month's issue. A listing
need be submitted only once as it will automatically be repeated monthly until June, unless
cancelled. There will be no charge for this, but breeders must be BCCA members. The list
will appear as follows:

BREEDERS LIST

(P - puppies usually available, D - grown dogs usually available,
S - stud service usually available)

John & Mary Beardielover, Super Kennels, 999 Canine Avenue, Dogville, USA
99999. Phone (999) 555-1212. PDS

- * Tentative plans are to hold the 1977 annual BCCA meeting and Eighth Annual Specialty
on Sunday, July 3 in Danbury, Connecticut. The plans include a symposium and a
banquet the day before. More details as well as announcements about trophy donations
and catalog advertisements will be included in the next issue of the Newsletter.

FIRST QUALIFYING AKC SANCTIONED "B" MATCH

Ramada Inn, East Hartford, Connecticut
Saturday, February 19, 1977

Show Chairpersons: June & Charlie Aitken, Burlington, Connecticut
Show Secretary: Dick Broome, Darien, Connecticut
Show Committee: Tom Davies, East Longmeadow, Massachusetts
Penny Taylor, Portland, Connecticut
Ian Morrison, Millbrook, New York
Judge: Sally Futh, Washington Depot, Connecticut
Steward: Alma Hayes, Springfield, Massachusetts
Show Photographer: Bob Parsons, Boxborough, Massachusetts

Number of Entries: 17

Puppy Dogs, 9-12 months:

1. CAULDBRAE'S MO CARAID, Judith & Lawrence Goldworm
2. CAULDBRAE OLIVER DIGGERS, Roberta Grean

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 months:

1. WILLOWMEAD PERFECT PROMISE, Moira Morrison
2. BENCROFT BRITT OF CAULDBRAE, Helen S. Taylor

Puppy Bitches, 9-12 months:

1. CAULDBRAE MARCRESTA O' BRIA, James Huenolt
2. BEAGOLD CAPRICE, Wendy & Ferd Reinlieb
3. CAULDBRAE'S SCHATZIE, Pat & Bill Schneider

BEST PUPPY: WILLOWMEAD PERFECT PROMISE

Open Dogs:

1. DAVEALEX RHINESTONE COWBOY, Moira Morrison
2. BAFFLER O' BRAEMOOR, Virginia Parsons
3. SIRHAN EMBER GLOW, Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Benbow
4. HOPELYNN HERITAGE, Brownlee McKee

Open Bitches:

1. CANNAMOOR HONEY ROSE, CD, TD, Virginia Parsons
2. CAULDBRAE'S LASS OF MARLIE, Margaret Truax
3. CAULDBRAE'S BUTTERSCOTCH, Tom Davies & Moira Morrison

BEST ADULT: DAVEALEX RHINESTONE COWBOY

BEST IN MATCH: WILLOWMEAD PERFECT PROMISE

NOTE: The most important result of this match is that the report on it was found "acceptable" by the AKC and thus the BCCA has passed its first step in the long road to becoming a member of the AKC. We all owe a vote of thanks and an expression of congratulations to those who worked to make this a flawless event.