JULY 2014 OFFICIAL NOTICES FROM THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the BCCA will be held after the Judges Education Seminar Thursday, October 2nd in Gettysburg, PA, time and place to be determined.

Annual Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the BCCA will meet on Monday, September 29th at 6:00 PM, Gettysburg, PA, place to be determined.

Notice to All Affiliate Clubs

Please have your club secretary send a listing of your current officers and directors to the Recording Secretary of the BCCA, Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, Texas 76901 or doggieangels@msn.com

2017 National Specialty Host Clubs

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2017 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact the Recording Secretary for a bid packet. Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, Texas 76901 or doggieangels@msn.com

Nominations for Regular and Sweepstakes Judges for the 2016 National Specialty

Please send your nominations for regular and sweepstakes judges for the 2016 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary, Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, Texas 76901, or doggieangels@msn.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, 2014. **Do it Now!**

A preliminary ballot with all nominations will be mailed to the membership with the November issue of the Bagpipes and must be returned to the Treasurer no later than January 15, 2015. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot with the February issue of Bagpipes, with the ballots to be returned to the treasurer no later than March 30, 2015. Nominations of judges from other countries who are eligible to judge championship shows are allowed for regular conformation classes only.

U.S. 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.