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<u>Annual Awards – Nancy Reimer</u> ** No report received

Annual Versatility Awards & Versatility Hall of Fame- Karen Ackerman **

For 2006, the Annual Versatility Award Winner is FC Windor Liquid Diamonds V Eidolon CD, FCh, LCM, LCX2, owned by Dora McDonald, Gene McDonald, and Mary Childs.

Aristocrat -**

No report received

BCOA Website - R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock **

No report received

Club Archives & Historian Dick Blodgett, Jr **

No report received

Club Inventory and Medals –

No report received.

<u>Conformation Championship Medals– Chris Danker</u> No report received.

Constitution & By-Laws – Kathleen Kapaun

Nothing to report at this time.

Futurity Event - Kathleen Kapaun **

An order was placed with Chris Baldwin for five more bronze puppies for Best in Futurity. Due to the rise in the cost of metal the price has gone up to eighty five dollars each.

2007 Futurity – Barbara O'Neill

The 2007 Futurity is winding up and currently has a balance of \$2,635.00. The 2008 Futurity is on it's way with 6 new Bitch nomination and 4 new Litter nomination. There currently is \$140 in the 2008 Futurity.

Gazette Columnist - Jon Steele **

No report received

Health - Ginger Jones

2007 Rhode Island status:

CLINICS & SEMINAR:

Eye CERF – I received a signed contract from Dr. Greentree. He's agreed to the same mileage rate as last years contract even though gas prices have increased substantially since then.

OFA Heart – I learned that Dr. Stamoulis will NOT be the heart specialist as he could only accommodate a set appointment schedule for us that he would squeeze in between his regular calls. I didn't know how we could possibly manage this. At this time I have not been able to contact him personally to make sure that

he understood we would guarantee to pay him his fee for 40 dogs minimum, travel expenses and meal for providing us with his time. I'm still hoping to be able to reach him and convince him to accept. I've contacted Tufts University and was given two additional contacts to investigate as a back up in case Stamoulis is positively backing out of the heart clinic. If I'm unable to secure a cardiologist from either of these two contacts, then we will have to cancel the heart clinic as the cardiologist must be certified to practice in the state of Rhode Island and this is their total list of certified cardiologists. I should have confirmation by the first of March.

DNA Repository – I've confirmed with OFA and they will provide us with the kits when they send us the appropriate forms for our heart clinic. They are just waiting for me to confirm that we actually have a heart clinic and who the cardiologist is so that they can preprint the OFA forms for our clinic.

MICROCHIP – I sent an email to Lori Scott to notify her that this would be the last year that the health committee would be sponsoring a microchip clinic and that I would like to transfer the balance of our chips to BCOA rescue for their use after the Rhode Island Nationals are over. Bill Norelli has agreed to provide his expertise for our chip clinics in RI at a time period that does not conflict with his show schedule. Once the schedule is published, I'll be able to coordinate the available times with Bill and will forward to RLynn to post on the web site and sent to the news list. This clinic will be for borzoi breed only. *SEMINAR* – I received the information back from the AKC/CHF that my request for a \$500 educational grant for this seminar was rejected. All contracts are signed and complete for this. I sent a follow up note to Dr. Bell to confirm that he had all the pedigree information and health information that he required in order to prepare for the seminar. I've not yet heard back from him so I'll follow up again the first week in March.

BCOA ANNUAL HEALTH AWARD:

FOLLOW UP REQUIRED:

From November board meeting:

Ginger to provide Barbara O'Neill with a complete updated list of CHIC dogs listed in our CHIC database by April 15th - please confirm that this date is acceptable or advise if you need it earlier.

File sent to Barbara O' on 2/16/2007.

OFA CHAMPIONS FOR HEALTH AWARD

I need to provide the above file to Karen Ackerman and have her assess if there is any dog eligible to submit for this award. Based on the past winners overwhelming credentials, it's probably not likely that we will have a borzoi candidate that would be recognized, but I'll still send them the best that we have.

Canine Health Foundation

I received notification from the CHF that Howard Spey has now joined the board of directors of the Canine Health Foundation, so we have another borzoi representative on this distinguished organization's board.

RESEARCH:

No updates since the board meeting in November.

CORROSPONDENCE :

Received the 4th quarter CHIC report from Eddie Dzuik/OFA

Judges Education -Shen Smith, Patti Neale

Upcoming in 2007

The next Borzoi seminar on the calendar will be held in Greenville, South Carolina on February 17th under the auspices of Carolinas' Dog Judges Study Group. This is open to anyone who pays the \$20.00 fee for any or all seminars.

It will be followed by one in Louisville on March 15th, as part of Senior Conformation Judges Association Hound Institute. This event is restricted to judges and one must enroll in the whole 4 day institute to attend. Due to the new format dictated by AKC for seminars/workshops/institutes, etc., which require a 90 minute seminar, there will be no "workshop-hands on" segment to this event as there has been in the past, since the time slot is so restricted.

The Judge' Study Group at the National will be held on Friday evening, April 27th, followed by Ringside mentoring on Saturday during Best of Breed and any other judging. As usual, if we are able to entice any potential judges to come earlier in the week, we will accommodate them with mentors and more

educational experience. The fact that we have no regular classes on Friday is always an impediment to drawing people to see the class dogs.

Once again it is Sighthound year at American Dog Show Judges Association Institute, so Borzoi will be represented in that five-day event in Indiana, Pennsylvania. In August

Patti Widick Neale, Judges' Education Coordinator

Keeping In Touch - Edna Ogata & Phyllis Brettell **

No report received.

Membership Committee - Edna Ogata **

No report received.

National Show Committee and Guidelines - Barbara O'Neill **

The National Specialty Policies and Guidelines are up to date.

2007 National Specialty – Barbara O'Neill

Warwick, RI - April 19-28, 2007

Rebecca and Colleen, Facility Coordinators, have been very busy organizing the many details of the specialty. Barbara Yoon reports that trophy donations have been coming in at a steady pace and we are blessed with the generosity of the membership. The 2007 calendar project that Fred Vogel organized was a great success and Fred has volunteered to organize the 2008 calendar as a fundraiser for the Sacramento Specialty.

2008 National Specialty – Barbara O'Neill

Sacramento, CA - April 13-19, 2008

Lorrie Scott and Michael McLain have been busy making plans for Sacramento. The theme is "California Dreaming" and artists will be submitting art for logo choice. The nearby Gibson Ranch will be secured for the field events. Michael and Lorrie will be sharing the Specialty plans with the membership in Rhode Island.

Rescue Committee – Lorrie Scott

NBRF had a very busy year last year with a constant flow of dogs. Several remain available in various areas of the country. Rescue will have a booth in Rhode Island with a raffle. Donations gladly accepted.

A companion parade for 2008 National Specialty in California is in the planning stages and the designing of the wreaths in underway. Also a rescue raffle is being planned.

I've read over Article X the Administration of the Beverly Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue and it seems fair and should not be difficult to implement and abide by. I would hope for the sake of our borzoi that the membership will read the articles and cast their votes in favor. We as a breed are truly blessed in that the trust will ensure no borzoi will not be rescued due to lack of funds related to care, shelter, health, and such. It will also allow us to educate the public and adoptive parents about our breed and what rescue does and is all about. I believe it will help all borzoi rescue groups to continue to work with one another for the good of our breed.

Standardized Trophies - Barbara O'Neill **

Shen will report at this meeting on insurance coverage.

Trophy Supported Entries – Jim Gibson

No report received.

BCOA Sales – Carol Enz ** No report received

Statistical Committees

Statistics are published in the Aristocrat.

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Agility – Gale Snoddy ** No report received.

BVLAA 2006 - Karen Ackerman **

In 2006 the Borzoi Versatility Lifetime Achievement Award (BVLAA) had nine recipients. They are as follows: BISS Ch. Oronzova Virshina Play With Fire, JC, MX, AXJ, CD, CGC, FCh., NAC, OJC Suzanne & Ron Deghi DC Odyssey www. Of the Wild Hunt CD, SC, LCM, ORC, GRC, NA, NAJ G. Ariel Duncan & Robert DiSanto Ch. Jubilee Breath of Life CD, FCh Cindi Gredys & Chris Swilley Ch. Svora's Stonehenge SC, RN, FCh Shirlev McFadden DC Avalon Jungle Fever SC, CD, LCM, RN, TT Sandra & Paula Moore Ch. Nickolai Bolshoi Windsong CD. FCh. JC. CGC Bonnie E. Nichols and Suzanne Grant DC Wind N Satin Legendmaster CD, SC Lvnn Wall Ch. Rabrega Lady Peach JC, CD, LCM, CGC Susan Van De Water DC Svershin Sergei CD, JC Brenda Wendt, Terry Beamer, & Pat Hardy

Conformation – Christopher Neale **

No report received.

Junior Showmanship – Barbara Lord **

No report received.

LGRA - Carol Enz **

No report received.

Lure Coursing – R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock **

New ASFA Regional Director: As BCOA is currently considered a club within ASFA's Region IV, our new Regional Director (elected after a run-off) is none other than our own Victor Whitlock!

The ASFA Convention of Delegates is coming up on April 14-15. It will be held in Phoenix, AZ. If anyone has any concerns or views they would like presented/addressed, they can contact either me or Victor. Items up for consideration are posted online at http://asfa.org/acod/agenda.htm

NOTRA - Victor Whitlock **

No report received.

Obedience – Bonnie Nichols **

No report received.

Open Field – Karen Ackerman **

NOFCA Top Ten For 2006

165.25

- 1. Tiene Uncontrolled Desire, JC, Phi, L. Turner
- 2. Ranchito's Sid of Star Canyon SC, FCH Sidney, S. Barron/S. Weinstern 106.66 103.5
- 3. Barron's Stonewall Jackson, SC, GRC, FCH, Spot, M. Zobel/S. Barron

4. Aragorn's Sally Ride, Sally Ride, C. Gower	102
5. Phoenixx Necklace of Gold, JC, Lacey, L. Turner/S. Barron	56.5
6. Golightly RH Double Delight, JC, DeeDee, M. Zobel	50
7. Kachina-Valeska Rainbow Dancer, Lady Hawke, C. Enz	42
8. Valeska Unbridled Sea, CC, CM, Brighty, L. Turner/Y. McGehee	40
9. Ch. Astara Zlatko of Follyqtrs' Zlatko, aka Bob, M. Rice	38
10. Kachina-Valeska Dream Dancer, Cheyenne, C. Enz	30

With regard to the top ten for open field coursing, these ratings only reflect those BCOA members participating in NOFCA hunts. Results are based on NOFCA website covering hunts held from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 inclusive. Submit any corrections to Karen M. Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, Wyoming 82730.

OPEN FIELD COURSING - NACA

Since the beginning of 2006, the North American Coursing Association had the following BCOA members and their hounds compete in open field coursing. All of the Borzoi listed below have accumulated points toward their open field titles.

Ch. Ksar Majenkir Gifted Dignity, Alexi, W. and K. Ackerman Bookstor My Majenkir Vignette, NACC, NACM, Irina, W. and K. Ackerman Polongain Igryska, Nona, W. and K. Ackerman Rainmaker's Henry Hornet, Trooper, W. and K. Ackerman Borscana Wind of Change, Vilda, W. and K. Ackerman Kachina-Valeska Dream Dancer, Cheyenne, C. Enz Kachina-Valeska Rainbow Dancer, Lady Hawke, C. Enz Kachina-Valeska Wind Dancer, Mariah, C. Enz Chabibi's Kiev, F. Ch, Kiev, T. Golcher/K.C. Thompson FC Kirov Desperado at Aria, Jessie, R. Linch Carska Cyrlica Polot, Cyrlista, R. and Y. McGehee Valeska Ring of Fire, Tildie, R. and Y. McGehee Teine Unstable Force, SC, Matrix, A. Midgarden DC Avalon Victoria Cross, SC, Tory, S. Moore Follygtrs' Svetlana Zoyanova, Svetlana, M. Rice Follyatrs' Svistok Mydrey, Svistok, M. Rice Folly Quarters' Dobro Romul, Romulus, M. Rice Ch. Astara Zlatko of Follyqtrs' Zlatko, aka Bob, M. Rice Ch. Phoenix Earth Angel, Angel, P. and J. Schrieber Phoenixx Golden Trail Blazer, Blazer, P. and J. Schrieber Phoenixx Tuxxedo of Gold, Tuxx, P. and J. Schreiber Phoenixx Necklace of Gold, JC, Lacey, L. Turner/S. Barron

These points were earned at hunts held between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006. These results were submitted to me by Tim Sanders, NACA Recorder. Please submit any corrections to Karen M. Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, Wyoming 82730.

The Top Open Filed Coursing Borzoi for 2006 is Kachina-Valeska Rainbow Dancer, Lady Hawke, owned and bred by Carol Enz. During her first season of competition, she defeated 78 Borzoi. The winner of the Borzoi Fall Classic for 2006 was Tiene Unstable Force, SC, Matrix, owned and bred by Anna Midgarden. Approximately 70 Borzoi competed in open field coursing this year with the majority of them being owned by BCOA members. Please note, these statistics and standing are not indicative of all Borzoi who open field course throughout the U.S.

Register of Merit – Barbara Ewing **

I received two ROM applications. The following bitches qualify with the designations shown:

DC Windrift Tahoe Old To Joy MC FCh	ROM
CH Kirov Pyxis of Bartok GRC	ROM-C