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Regional Directors' Reports

Region I—Maureen Bardwell

t is hard to believe that we are already in mid-July and the BCOA National Specialty and the Northeast Regional Specialty are already two months past. Thanks to all who worked to plan these wonderful events and who worked so hard during the specialty week. The events were exceptional. In particular, Region 1 offers its sincerest thanks to Andrew Knapp from the BCGNY for the monumental task of piloting our region through the activities of these shows. One week before the National Specialty started, BCDV again hosted a very successful spring specialty in conjunction with the Trenton KC show, and, following the National, the BCCNJ has hosted 2 spring matches, and the BCNE held a Supported Entry at the Farmington Valley KC shows with a nice entry of 55 dogs.

The coming months also have a number of Borzoi activities on schedule for the region. The BCGNY will again offer an independent specialty this fall. It will be Friday, October 12, at the same place as last year's show: Montgomery, NY. Judges are Jane Bishop for conformation classes, Leslie Potts for Sweeps and Joyce Leach for Obedience. Show Chair for this event is Lena Tamboer and Show Secretary is Fran Wright; McNulty will be the show superintendent. All the news of the BCGNY can now be found on its lovely new website with address: http:// www.geocities.com/borzoiclub/home. html

The BCDV is planning its 18th Triathlon for the 13th and 14th of October in Kennett Square, PA They also are discussing the feasibility of re-creating the BCDV Drill Team which was always an amazing crowd pleaser. The hopes are that the Drill Team could perform at the Borzoi Centenary in 2004. Plans for the final details of the 25th Anniversary BCDV Specialty will be announced shortly.

The BCCNJ is successfully moving forward in the process of being approved by the AKC to hold its own regional specialty shows. They continue to offer monthly meetings with fascinating topics for all members, and held their first joint LGRA meet/conformation match in the late spring. Plans for their Christmas party are already being made. It should prove to be a wonderful event as it is featuring Pianist Stephen Sharp, Harpist Rita Linck; Musician and Club President James Heard plans to lead the group gathered in singing traditional holiday songs.

Finally, the BCNE is planning a very special Specialty Weekend this fall at the Thanksgiving Cluster in West Springfield, MA Friday's show will be a BCOA TSE (pending approval) with Sweeps Judge Carol Vogel. Friday night will feature a Match with Judge Dr William Truesdale. Saturday's show will be a BCNE Supported Entry with Sweeps Judge Audrey Mulligan. This judging assignment should closely coincide with the publication of a new book by Audrey, and she will make herself available for book signings. Saturday night the Club banquet will be held; Dr Truesdale will tentatively give talk at the banquet on canine reproduction. Sunday the BCNE Specialty will take place with Sweeps Judge Ralph Jamison. A Borzoi Friends parade for Borzoi companions will take place between classes of the specialty.

This is clearly a very busy time in Region 1 with a number of activities planned for all Borzoi lovers. My congratulations to all the clubs involved in the planning of these

Region II - Kathy Wright No report

Region III—Steve Gross No report

Region IV—Chris Bradley

his issue of *BC* will undoubtedly highlight the events of the 2001 National in Ellenville, New York. Our region and the entire west coast was well represented, despite the 3000+-mile drive. The journey across the land in springtime was just spectacular! Trees and lush green fields reminded me how beautiful our country is!

On a personal note, we had just two alarming events. Before leaving, I had the motorhome thoroughly examined and the wheels aligned (or not aligned, as it turned out). Nine hundred miles from home, I looked at

the front tires and three inches of bright steel were grinning at me like a kid with a shiny orthodontic appliance! We crawled into Rock Springs, Wyoming, to a very accommodating tire truck shop and they replaced the tires. Half a day later, we were on our way. Almost to New York. In a torrential downpour, a huge wild turkey flew from the median and smashed into the windshield! When I called the insurance company, the claims clerk asked, "Who is the legal owner of the turkey?" Behind stifled laughter, we arranged for a new windshield. The trip home was uneventful and like a rental horse returning to the stable, we traveled more and more enthusiastically. Three weeks is a long time to be away from home and hearth and the dogs I left behind!

The specialty was held on the most beautiful grounds of any national I've ever attended. Acres and acres of manicured golf course, majestic mountains and even a pond with ducks and geese to pique the interest of the dogs. Many thanks to all the people who worked so hard to make the 2001 specialty a success.

Region 4 Borzoi and owners proudly garnered several special awards, including Top Obedience Dog for 2000, Versatility Hall of Fame, a Triathlon placement and Annual Versatility Dog. We also had many conformation, obedience, agility, lure coursing and LGRA wins. Congratulations to all the winners and their owners!

By the time you read this report, the Sighthound Specialty and Borzoi Club of California Specialty in Lompoc will have happened. May I predict that, as always, the BCOC will have put on a really special specialty? Thanks to all who work so hard for BCOC.

Future events: The Borzoi Club of California will hold an AKC Sanctioned Breed and Obedience Match on October 14. This match and costume class is always great fun, with a now-famous buffet luncheon!

The Borzoi Club of Northern California will hold its Fall Specialty on October 20, with Suzanne Deghi of Oronzova

Borzoi judging Sweepstakes and Jon Cole evaluating our Class dogs and Juniors.

November 3 is the date for the BCOC Fall Specialty, to be held in Irwindale. Bob Torquato, O'Bobtor Borzoi, will judge Sweeps and Gerda Kennedy is judging Classes.

As we go to print, it looks very likely that the 2003 National will be held in Reno! Reno boasts a haven for gambling, sightseeing and the hotel has a huge and beautiful ballroom to showcase our Borzoi! Sweeps Judge will be Kathy Wright, Kajai Borzoi and Regular and Non-Regular Classes Judge will be Lorraine Groshans of Loral Borzoi. BCNC will have a Specialty following the National, so there will be two opportunities for points! Stay tuned for more details.

Region V—Kathleen Kapaun

he Northwest's summer show season is in full swing. PSBC held a fun match in June with Yvonne McGehee judging regular classes and Katie McCormick judging sweeps. The PSBC August Specialty will be judged by Jay Cunningham and Joel Chaney will do sweepstakes. On the following day PSBC will have a supported entry with Dr. James Sillers doing regular and Mrs. Edie Coleman judging the sweepstakes.

In September we will have a BCOA supported entry in conjunction with Inland Empire Kennel Club. Mike Savage is the chairman. Mr. William Flynn judges the regular classes and Mrs. Virginia Graff, Bucksilver, will judge the sweepstakes. We invite you to join us at a beautiful show location on the river and for a lunch served for exhibitors and friends.

Region VI—Prudence Hlatky

ember News: Congratulations to all Region VI members who won at this year's National. Complete results are printed in the Borzoi Connection and online at the BCOA web site.

BOS - DC Téine Windmaster of Foxwood SC, Chris Moyer, Kelly Brunarski and Anna Midgarden

Awards of Merit: Ch. J.A.Y. Seabury JP Japaneski

Bokhara – Shen Smith and Carol Spritzer Ch. Nonsuch Prince Charming - Karen and Kalen Dumke

Ch. Entwood Ivan Grozny - Gale Snoddy, Tom and Leslie Carroll

Best Stud Dog - Ch. Nonsuch Prince Charming - Karen and Kalen Dumke Best In Puppy Sweeps - Melockoff's Louie Louie - Gail Snoddy Best In Veteran Sweeps – Ch. Majenkir White Diamonds - Gary Nash and Michelene Logan High In Obedience Trail - Nickolai Chara Zedoary – Sandra Hilbert Best In Triathlon and Best In Field – FC Riju Hrts Desire of Woronzova CD, SC, CGC - Rich and June Mintchell

Many other Region VI members won or placed in their classes - congratulations to

2004 BCOA National - Centennial Show: In normal rotation, Region VI would be the host region for the 2004 National. But, with 2004 being BCOA's Centennial Show, the Board of Directors has elected to open the bidding to all regional Borzoi clubs. To keep the Centennial show within our region we need to make a proposal to the BCOA Board of Directors. If you have a suitable site and enough members (workers) to host the event please let me know and I'll assist you with the guidelines and proposal. This event does not need to be supported by a host regional club, just a strong group of Borzoi lovers who can work together to put on a spectacular specialty.

Upcoming Events and Regional

Meetings: To keep in touch and to receive input on issues concerning the members in Region VI, I will be holding a series of Governor meetings around the region. (I'll bring the goodies) Ideally I would like to have a Governor's meeting in every State within Region VI with members. By the time you read this the BCOA will already hosted events in Ohio and Illinois. If a member/group wishes to host a BCOA trophy supported show, AKC trail, or obedience event etc., please let me know and I'll be happy to hold a Governor's meeting in conduction with your event.

Ginger Jones, Chairperson of **BCOA** Health Committee would also like to hold health clinics in conjunction with BCOA / Regional club events. Please also contact Ginger if your site / event could host a health screening / test.

Trophy supported classes, sweepstakes and Governor's meetings are scheduled for: Indiana in November at the Fort Wayne Shows. (Pending AKC approval); BCOA Supported (BCOA Region VI Governor's

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meeting); Classes – Anne Rogers Clark; Sweeps - Karen Mays; MBC Supported, iudges TBD

MBC Fall Specialty, December, Skokie Valley KC (BCOA Region VI Governor's meeting) (Pending AKC approval); Classes - Shen Smith; Sweeps – Suzan Breaz

MBC Spring Specialty, March, Detroit KC (Pending AKC approval); Saturday MBC Classes - Graham Hill, Sweeps - Melanie Richards: Sunday BCOA Supported (BCOA Region VI Governor's meeting), Classes – Barbara O'Neill, Sweeps - Chris Swilley

The BCOA and Region VI have many events going on and can always use another energetic worker. Don't be shy; step forward and volunteer for committees or duties. Please consider hosting an event in your area. There are many experienced members who are willing to guide new members.

Welcome to New Members: Please ioin me in welcoming the following new Region VI members (I'm sure they'd love to join a committee) Jane Andry – Birdseye, IN Kristi Arnquist – Middletown, WI Barbara Danieli - Troy, MI Peggy Marshall - South Charleston, OH

Rescue: Good news - no rescues in our Region since my last report. Although we have been fortunate with no Borzoi needing rescue, other areas have been faced with rescuing our beloved breed. Please support BCOA Borzoi Rescue, NBRF and regional rescue groups.

Administrative:

I also send out to Region VI members a more detailed Governor's report, which includes items from BCOA Board meetings and committee reports. Due to the time and cost involved I prefer whenever possible to send these out via e-mail. Please let know if your e-mail address changes, or if you don't have e-mail and need to receive a paper copy.§



2001 Conformation Statistics Compiled by Patti Widick Neale

BCOA member-owned Borzoi statistics - All-Breed points as of June 30, 2001

	BIS	Gp 1	Gp 2	Gp 3	Gp 4	Points
1. Ch. Po Dusham Prime Design, Elizabeth Green/Alice Reese	0	9	4	6	5	2873
2. Ch. Adrienne Blue And Sentimental, Jan Leikam	0	5	8	5	2	2081
3. Ch. Rising Star's Nofretary, Nadine Johnson	0	3	6	2	0	1672
4. Ch. Raynbo's Tsweet N Tsassi, Ronnie Zucker	0	1	1	5	3	1383
5. Ch. J.A.Y. Seabury JP Affectionately, J. Sillers/C. & P. Neale	0	1	1	3	1	1181
6. DC Téine Windmaster of Foxwood SC, Moyer/Brunarski/Midgarden	0	3	1	1	3	903
7. Ch. Soyara's Chantilly Lace JC, P Hlatky/G Hlatky	0	0	3	1	2	843
8. Ch. Kyrov Kinobi Dancing Star JC, R Peters-Campbell	0	1	0	0	0	766
9. Ch. Mariza Brother Karamazov, Irina and Kristina Terra	0	1	0	0	3	760
10. Ch. Shefaro Alejandro's Mariska, Dr. Greg Gomori	0	3	2	1	0	527

BCOA member-owned Borzoi statistics - Borzoi defeated through June 30, 2001

1. Ch. Kyrov Kinobi Dancing Star JC, R Peters-Campbell	500
2. Ch. Rising Star's Nofretary, Nadine Johnson	447
3. Ch. Adrienne Blue And Sentimental, Jan Leikam	400
4. Ch. Po Dusham Prime Design, Elizabeth Green/Alice Reese	398
5. Ch. Raynbo's Tsweet N Tsassi, Ronnie Zucker	323
6. Ch. J.A.Y. Seabury JP Affectionately, J. Sillers/C. & P. Neale	272
7. Ch. V'Indra's O'Keefe Of Sunburst, L Cordell-Butler/D Butler	227
8. Ch. Soyara's Chantilly Lace JC, P Hlatky/G Hlatky	219
9. Ch. Del Sol Blazer Of Wyvern, Susan Van De Water	192
10. Ch. Chataquas Valimir Of Kyrov JC, R Terry/M Heise/Sorbie/Whittington	182
11. Ch. Shefaro Alejandro's Mariska, Dr. Greg Gomori	172

If you have questions or comments regarding these statistics, please contact Patti Widick Neale, 11122 NW CR 236, Alachua, FL 32615, zoisrus@gator.net

BCOA Agility - First Report of 2001 (Jan. 1-Mar. 31) As reported in the AKC AWARDS, submitted by Gale Snoddy

NOV. STANDARD	Avg. Score	# of Scores
Ch. Greyhaven Solitude Standing, CD, JC, NA - V. Trantanella	100.0	1*
Ch. Vitrina Zibeline, CD, JC - V & J Trantanella	100.0	1
Morozova's Daydream Believer, NAJ - K & G Novotny	95.0	1
NOV. JUMPERS Morozova's Daydream Believer, NAJ - K & G Novotny	94.0	1*
OPEN STANDARD Ch. Sky Run Catera, CD, NA, NAJ - C & P Danker & B. Skinner	97.5	2
OPEN JUMPERS Ch. Sky Run Catera, CD,. NA, NAJ - C & P Danker & B. Skinner	94.0	2
EXCELLENT STANDARD Ch. Oronzova Virshina Play With Fire, CD, AX, AXJ - S. Deghi	85.0	1

At their meeting held during the National in May, the BCOA Board voted to award medallions to BCOA members who achieve Agility titles with their borzoi. This was made retroactive to Jan. 1, 2001. Competitors will now have a medallion, in addition to that piece of paper from the AKC, to commemorate their hard work!

Those folks who were able to watch the Agility competition at the National got to see some thrilling runs, as well as a few typical Borzoi antics. It was really great fun to watch and the judge seemed to be enjoying watching the Borzoi run the courses. Most exciting, to me at least, was the open jumpers class. Only about one second separated first and second place; these two girls were flying. In fact, the winner jumped the ring fence on the way out!!

Open Field Statistics / Open Field Coursing

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NOFCA Top Ten for 2001

1. Aragorn's Sandra Day O'Connor CC, CM, Sandy, S. Barron and C. Gower	103
2. Kristull Ruthenium of Ryhka, Topaz, S. Barron and D. Darling	40
3. Aragorn Claire Boothe Luce, Lucy, S. Barron and C. Gower	20
4. Psovoi Anna Pawlowa CC, CM, Anna, L. Turner and K. Henderson	18.5
5. Aragorn's Colin Powell CC, CM, Colin Powel, C. Gower	13.5

With regard to the top ten for open field coursing, these ratings only reflect those BCOA members participating in NOFCA hunts and are not reflective of all Borzoi involved in open field coursing throughout the United States. Results are based on NOFCA News covering hunts held from January 1, 2000, through February 4, 2001, inclusive. Submit any corrections to Karen M. Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, Wyoming 82730.

Submitted by Karen Ackerman

New Title Holders:

Coursing Champion:

Aragom's Sandra Day O'Connor CC, CM, Sandy, Barron and Gower, TD:

Aragorn's Colin Powell, Colin Powell, CC, CM, Gower, TD: 1-5-01

Courser of Merit:

Aragorn's Sandra Day O'Connor CC, CM, Sandy, Barron and Gower, TD: 1-4-01 Aragorn's Colin Powell, Colin Powell, CC, CM, Gower, TD: 1-5-01

NACA

Since the beginning of 2001, 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.

Valeska Rendezvous Revealed, Revel, R. and Y. McGehee

CH. Valeska Sailor Ripley, Sailor, R. and Y. McGehee Renaissance Juno Beach, Juno, R. and Y. McGehee Snowgriffn Zima Vissalace, F.Ch., Zoya, M. Rice and R. Casey

2001 TOP TEN RACING BORZOI – BCOA MEMBER-OWNED

Based on year-to-date National Points earned. For all meets run in 2001 through June 27, 2001.

LARGE GAZEHOUND RACING ASSOCIATION (LGRA)

#	CALL NAME	REGISTERED NAME	OWNER	PTS.
1	Neechee	Silkenswift Camus Dark Realm, LCM, GRC	Moore/Dalzell	18
2	Rosie	Kirov Monoceros, SC, FCh, GRC	Ewing	13
3-4	Miss T	Nickolai Misty Clairidge, GRC	Shell	11
3-4	Anya	Meadowcreek's Breath of Life, GRC	Clifford	11
5	Ritzar	Zanoza Puttin On the Ritzar GRC	Duncan	10
6	Roma	Rome Cantar of the Wild Hunt SGRC	A. Duncan	9
7-8	Eskarina	Silkenswift Eskarina	Dalzell	6
7-8	Speedy	WindnSatin's Karelia Yal-Buz GRC	Griffith	6
9	Devon	Dar Morev's Torch the Sky, JC	Ose	5.5
10	Arthur	Gryffyn's Once n Future King SGRC	Shell	4
10	Tess	Téine Mayberry Tesseract	Midgarden	4

NATIONAL OVAL TRACK RACING ASSOCIATION (NOTRA)

#	CALL NAME	REGISTERED NAME	OWNER	PTS.
1	Midnight	Mufasa Midnight o'Silkenswift, ORC	Dalzell	7
2	Eskarina	Silkenswift Eskarina	Dalzell	4.5
3-4	Bullet	Viktor's Bullet the Blue Sky	Whitlock/Heise/	2
		·	Whittington	
3-4	Chino	Oaklara Cappuccino	James/Murphy	2
5	Sparkle	Silkenswift Sparkle of Chaos	Dalzell	1.5
6	Aatis	Silkenswift Captain Chaos, SC, LCM2, ORC	Dalzell	1
6	Topaz	Kristull Ruthenium of Ryhka	Barron/Darling	1
6	Allie	Aureus Altair	James	1
6	Stripe	Silkenswift Carbonel Redline, LCM	Sharp/Dalzell	1
6	Topaz	Kristull Ruthenium of Ryhka	Barron/Darling	1



Borzoi Club of America Lure Coursing Statistics • FINALS 2000

to be included in the "Top Ten" lists for AKC trials and for ASFA trials, the first owner's name listed in the publication (FAN or the AKC Awards) must be a member of the Borzoi Club of America as of 1 January 2000. To calculate points: the dog gets one point for itself and one point for each dog defeated in its stake. The dog who wins BOB, by winning the runoff or by forfeit, gets additional points equal to the number of dogs in the other stake. No extra points for BIF. The second set of numbers displayed is the number of Best of Breeds wins. All new AKC & ASFA titles & Best In Field wins are listed (including non-BCOA members' dogs). Send corrections to K.C. Artley, 3706 W. Jackson Rd, Springfield OH 45502-8722, artley@erinet.com.

AKC TRIALS

- 1. FC Windnsatin Amberle of Ryhka SC Diana Darling & Paul Anuta, 59, 7.
- 2. FC Mufasa's Knight In Armour MC FCH Vanessa Johnson, 54, 1.
- 3. Silkenswift Eskarina SC Bonnie Dalzell, 51, 0.
- 4. FC Silkenswift Burning Bright SC Bonnie Dalzell, 47, 4.
- 5. Silkenswift Flurry's Laneer SC Bonnie Dalzell, 45, 0.
- 6. FC Windnsatin Beretta SC LCM Liz Green & Mary Childs, 42, 1.
- 7. Kristull Rhenium of Ryhka SC Diana Darling & Paul Anuta, 41, 2.
- 8. FC Deuterium's Scandium of Ryhka SC FCH Diana Darling & Paul Anuta, 35, 1.
- 9. CH/FC Mayberry's Savannah SC LCM GRC Pamela Mayberry DVM, 34,2.
- 10. CH Gladkii Veter Lightning Bolt SC FCH Dee Burkholder, Roy Silguero & Curtis Judd, 33, 1.

ASFA trials

- 1. DC Silkenswift Blaze's Darkfire SC LCM2 Bonnie Dalzell, 244, 22.
- Silkenswift Camus Dark Realm SC FCH GRC Sandra Moore & Bonnie Dalzell, 138, 5.
- 3. FC Windnsatin Beretta SC LCM Liz Green & Mary Childs, 127, 5.
- 4. Windnsatin Ty Akila LCM Liz Green & Mary Childs, 119, 6.
- 5/6. FC Chromium's Lead Of Ryhka MC CD LCM7 ORC Leilani Hughes, 89, 6.
- 5/6. Windnsatin Kyoti Red River SC LCM Liz Green & Mary Childs, 89, 3.
- 7. Phoenixx Golden Nugget SC LCM3 Jane Schreiber & Peter Schreiber, 58, 0.
- 8. FC Téine Mayberry Light Speed SC LCM2 -Pam Mayberry DVM, 56, 4.
- 9/10. Phoenixx Lady Luck SC LCM2 Jane Schreiber & Peter Schreiber, 54, 3.
- 9/10. Windnsatin Au Brona Of Ryhka FCH Liz Green, 54, 1.

New ASFA Field Champions

Chulista Makemyn Clasic Mink FCH - Ann Stout & Lois Cooper.

Ch Dibar Mystic Czar of Brinson JC FCH - Lynn Overcash.

Digitalis' Black Silver of Ryhka SC FCH - Diana Darling & Paul Anuta.

CH Gladkii Veter Lightning Bolt SC FCH - Dee Burkholder, Bob Burkholder, Roy Silguero & Curtis

Nylucha Barishnya FCH - Lisa Miceli & Joseph R Miceli.

CH Oronzova Virshina Play With Fire AXJ CD CGC JC FCH - Suzanne Deghi & Ron Deghi. Am/Int CH Virshina Sweet Pea CGC JC FCH - Chris Bradley & Sherry Neigum.

Warwind London Calling FCH - Mike Bacsi, Pattie Seger, Barbara Lord & Dr Frederick Lord. Windnsatin Ty Kaa FCH - Mary Childs.

Windnsatin Ty Akila FCH - Liz Green & Mary Childs.

FC Windnsatin Ty Raksha SC FCH - Mary Childs.

Windnsatin Karelia Yal-Buz FCH - Lee Griffith.

New Lure Courser of Merit

FC Cordova Mishkova Toski SC LCM - Daniel & Janet Averill.

FC Silkenswift St Helens SC LCM - Bonnie Dalzell & Rebecca Campbell.

FC Windnsatin Beretta SC LCM - Liz Green.

Windnsatin Ty Akila LCM - Liz Green & M.Childs.

Wind N Satin Kyoti Red River LCM - Liz Green & Mary Childs.

New Lure Courser of Merit II

CH/FC Silkenswift Blaze's Darkfire SC LCM2 - Bonnie Dalzell

New Lure Courser of Merit III

FC Niteshades Phenanthrene Of Ryhka SC LCM3 GRC - Diana Darling & Paul Anuta. Phoenixx Golden Nugget SC LCM3 - Jane & Peter Schreiber.

New Lure Courser of Merit VII

FC Chromium's Lead Of Ryhka CD MC LCM7 ORC - Leilani E Hughes.

New AKC Field Champion

FC Deuterium's Scandium of Ryhka SC FCH by FC Niteshade's Praseodymium of Ryhka MC x FC Bella's Deuterium of Ryhka SC breeder/owner: Diana Darling & Paul Anuta.

FC/CH Golightly BSA Victor SC (D) by CH V'Indra's Irek JC x Petrushka's Anya, breeder/owner:

- FC New Moon Sultan of Swing SC by CH New Moon Why Ask Why SC x Silkenswift Swingout Sister SC LCM, breeder Cynthia Lastauckas & Bonnie Dalzell, owner Cynthia Lastauckas.
- FC/CH Raynbo's Black Eyed Tsusi SC (B) by CH Majenkir Tsuperlative x CH Birchwoods Sweet Child Of Mine JC, breeder/owners: Roni Zucker & Jennifer Zucker.
- FC Windnsatin Amberle of Ryhka SC (B) by FC Niteshade's Praseodymium of Ryhka MC FCH x FC Mayberry's Aurium of Ryhka, breeders: Diana Darling & Mary Childs, owners: Diana Darling & Paul Anuta.
- FC Windnsatin Beretta SC LCM (B) by CH Windnsatin Evian Rokaro x Kristull Xxotic Sserafina, breeders: Ronn Rucker & Francie Stull & Mary Childs, owners: Liz Green & Mary Childs.
- FC Klasyx Chulista Wildirishrose SC FCH (B) by CH Windnsatin Master of the Hunt CD JC x CH Chulista American Beauty, breeder/owners: Ann Stout & Lois Cooper.

New AKC Master Courser

- FC Mufasa's Knight In Armour MC FCH, (D) by CH/FC Kalakirya Howff Phoenix SC FCH x FC Silkenswift Ebony Rose CD FCH, breeder/owner: Vanessa Johnson.
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Gastric Dilatation-volvulus (Canine Bloat)

By Samuel Hodesson DVM, MPH (originally published in *Dog News*.



Introduction by Gary E. Nash, DVM -Health Committee Membership Liaison: The following article is a very good, no-nonsense look at canine gastric dilatation-volvulus (GDV) Since our breed is so very susceptible to this problem, I thought that this article was something of interest for all. Whether you agree with the article or not, I am sure everyone will garner something from it.

If anyone has any comment regarding this article, or suggestions for any other article, please feel free to contact me at garmic@webtv.net

n November 3, 1995, Dog *News* published an article entitled "Canine Bloat" (S. Hodesson). Causes of the disease are still unknown. Today's manuscript will concentrate on new information about risk factors and the role of nutrition associated with the disease. It will start with a brief review of the subject.

Bloat affects many animals, including humans. At most, it causes temporary discomfort. Cattle may need veterinary care to relieve the gas pressure. It is life threatening only for canines. Exit of gas from the stomach is prevented if the stomach twists on its axis (volvulus). Then the condition becomes critical.

Rotation of the stomach (volvulus) also twists blood vessels. This prevents circulation of blood to and from the organ. Death of cells in the stomach and spleen results. Circulation to the rest of the body is also compromised and heartbeat becomes irregular. Pain causes shock and toxins from dead tissues make it worse. Coma and death follow in as little as two to three hours.

Dog owners should recognize early signs of bloat because immediate veterinary care is a matter of life and death. Your dog will first seem restless and uncomfortable. It may then salivate and attempt to vomit without success. The belly begins to swell and the lightest touch causes pain.

At the earliest signs of GDV, take your dog to your veterinarian or an emergency clinic. From here on, the veterinarians and staff take charge.

Surgical procedures are outside the scope of this article, but a report in the American Journal Of Veterinary Research (Jan. 17, 2001) concerning gastric dilatation-volvulus shock will interest veterinary surgeons and their clients. The researchers found that small volumes of intravenous saline/ dextran produced better results than large volumes of normal saline solutions.

Dextran is a slightly different form of glucose. It is used as an emergency replacement for whole blood. Feeding methods (described later) would not begin until the patient has recovered from shock.

Dr. Deborah J. Davenport, Kansas State College of Veterinary Medicine, is an internist who specializes in gastroenterology (study of the stomach and intestines). At a conference last year, she discussed new information about the role of nutrition in management of gastric dilatation-volvulus. Other terms used by some writers include "twisted stomach" and gastric torsion. This manuscript will also use the acronym GDV.

Considering over sixty thousand dogs contract GDV each year, and as many as one third of them die, the problem merits attention. I hope you find this report interesting and worthy of the time spent reading it

Dr. Davenport worked as a resident at Ohio State University, where she worked with many cases of GDV. She talked about risk factors and prevention. The numbers of large breed dogs registered in the United States is growing and the frequency of GDV is also increasing. Most of what follows comes from Dr. Davenport's lecture.

We will first learn the difference between gastric dilatation with and without volvulus. Bloat without dilatation frequently occurs in breeds not usually subject to gastric torsion. It is quite common in young puppies that eat rapidly and are very active at feeding time. Frequently, in this form of bloat, the stomach is distended with air that is expelled with belching and isn't usually life threatening.

Breeders are aware that larger dogs are at greater risk of GDV. The dog that is oversized for its breed is even at greater risk. Breeders know that the greater the depth of chest in relation to width, the greater the frequency of GDV. Recent studies have shown that dogs with deep abdominal measurements in relation to width are also at

higher risk. This explains the high incidence in Basset Hounds.

Males and older dogs are at greater risk than the young are. Temperament is also a factor; happy dogs are less susceptible. Aggressive and nervous dogs and those with a high degree of anxiety are also at greater risk.

Our armed forces and some police departments import dogs from Europe that are nervous, anxious, aggressive, and full of energy. This, and stressful work, help account for a high risk factor. (Has anyone considered funding a study of dogs that spend most of their lives traveling and competing at dog shows? Do we know how stressful their work is?)

Many reports in the U.S. and Europe indicate that dietary factors may be associated with gastro dilatation-volvulus. However, all attempts to reproduce the disease with many different diets have failed.

Type and form of feed, as well as feeding methods, affect the risk factor. Thin dogs are at greater risk than those of ideal weight or even some that are overweight.

Epidemiologists in Europe and the United States have looked at the number of meals dogs eat, a single large meal, or a number of small meals in a day. Feeding all the caloric requirements in a single large meal a day, was associated with an increase in GDV. Feeding a single food type, all dry or all canned, is also associated with an increased risk.

Studies of gastric motility in dogs indicate that it is not a problem; neither is fermentation of soybean and other grains. Some veterinarians believed this produced gas that led to gastric dilatation-volvulus. Others suspected dry food. This is not the case. Dr. Davenport says that swallowed air, not gas, causes the problem. Vigorous exercise at mealtime and excessive water intake cause dogs to gulp air.

Recent studies found that trapped air from the atmosphere caused bloat. The reason for this phenomenon remains a mystery. Researchers have investigated many possibilities. Studies indicate that gulping air may result from anxiety or stress but probably doesn't cause GDV.



BCOA Health Committee

Ginger Jones, BCOA Executive Health Chairman

s the new Executive Chairman for the Health Committee, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for the dedication and hard work Alice Reese has contributed to the club membership during her term as Health Committee Chairman. This year's National health seminar and health screening clinics arranged by Alice were very well attended by the membership. With such a very busy venue during the National's week-long events, it's certainly reassuring to see so many of our members made it a priority to attend the health committee events. Your dedication and concern for borzoi health is commendable! Lou Avant reports that the flood of information following the Nationals Health Screening Clinics has been overwhelming and that she is uploading the data to our Health Registry Web Site as fast as she possibly can. Please take a moment to review the information loaded at: http://borzoiclubofamerica.com/healthreg/ For any corrections to your data, contact Dr. Lou Avant directly at: Tacobe@aol.com and keep that information coming!!

Barbara Yoon, our Ways and Means chairman, provides the following list of *****FIVE STAR BORZOI HEALTH DONORS*****

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In addition, checks were received from the Borzoi Club of Greater New York and Borzoi Canada.

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the health and longevity of our beautiful Borzoi breed!

Here's a few of the other projects your Health Committee has been diligently working on:

Hopefully, by the time you receive this publication, our Health Library Web Site will be uploaded and available for our membership's use. This site will include many web hot links to a variety of health related information you should find very useful and informative. The site will also include articles published by Veterinarian Authorities in their field of specialty study as well as lists of Veterinarian specialists by geographical location. Special thanks to Nancy Hopkins for her dedicated work on researching web sites! We have so much information to share! Please be patient while we fill this wonderful library. The web site URL is: borzoihealth.org

Dr. Gary Nash has managed to obtain a universal microchip scanner for the clubs use at our Nationals Health Clinics. Now all dogs attending the clinics can be scanned and the numbers recorded at the time of examination! Kudo's to Gary for undertaking this worthwhile project!!

Shortly, Bill Norelli will be providing the list of clinics to be offered at our Atlanta Nationals and also the seminar topic and lecturer.

In brainstorming for Health Committee fund raising projects, we tried to think of sale items that would benefit the membership as well as provide a source of funds to support seminars and clinics. Some of the things we are currently considering are: Record Keeping book that includes forms for record of a litter, show records, vaccination schedule and health records, pedigree forms and a section for photos. First Aid kits. Dog show collapsible chairs. Soft sided grooming bags.

Have some ideas of things you might like? Send them our way! Your input is always appreciated!§

RESCUE UPDATE CONTINUED

we picked up a new adopted Borzoi. She is around 3 years old but did not have a good owner in the beginning, as Zoi did. She is all white except for one ear, very thin and, after two weeks of adjusting, she now has us trained; a real kissy face. She was renamed Anya (means Anna) in honor of Zoi's original breeder who gave him so much love to share with us. To Anna, we remain very grateful."

Louretta and Terry have also recently adopted a second Borzoi rescue named Simon, Lorrie Scott, mentioned earlier in this article, was Simon's "rescue angel". For pictures of Zoi, Anya and Simon, please see the BCOA Rescue website at http://www.borzoirescue.org. §

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Rescue Committee Update

Maureen Bardwell, Rescue Coordinator



would like to thank all the contributors to the BCOA Rescue Fund who have helped raise the fund's total to its current \$4,200+ dollars in less than one year's time. A list of these contributors will soon be available on the BCOA Rescue website at: http://www.borzoirescue.org The long-term monetary goal of the BCOA Rescue Committee is to have \$5000 in the fund "tucked away" for a large rescue emergency; once this goal is met, the overage will be periodically offered as grants to regional and national Borzoi rescue groups for their proposed needs. Since we have not quite reached our goal of \$5000, we are not formally calling for grant proposals from Borzoi rescue groups as yet. However those organizations involved in rescuing our beloved Borzoi should know that this fund can be used in an emergency for rescue-related activities which are not covered by other funds currently available. Please contact any member of the BCOA Rescue Committee for further details on the start-up and growth of our Borzoi Rescue Grant Program.

Along with thanking our contributors, we certainly do want to acknowledge the work of those people involved in the dayto-day business of Borzoi rescue. This includes, of course, the NBRF volunteers and the many volunteers for the various regional Borzoi rescue groups. This year, the NBRF honored volunteers by awarding them a lovely lapel pin with the NBRF logo on it (after this year, 5 pins will be awarded per year). These special people who devote so much of their own time to the breed of Borzoi include: Dr. Lou Avant, Dr. Maureen Bardwell, Leslie Carroll, Dr. Beth Coney, Rita Linck, Cricket Murray, Dr. Gary Nash, Lynn Overcash, Lorrie Scott, Roy Silguero, Norma Spivey, Billie Thibeaux and Dr. Gretchen Thiele. I could easily write a paragraph on each volunteer but, for this column, I wish to add a special thank you to Lorrie Scott from the BCOA Rescue Committee, the Borzoi Club of California and the Borzoi Community at large. Lorrie is a tireless rescue worker and, in the year 2000, placed over 30 rescue Borzoi in loving homes. This is an amazing record and I know we all applaud Lorrie's efforts.

We are continuing to update and refine the list of volunteers who have offered their services to do home visits for the

purpose of safe placements of Borzoi babies or adults who may be traveling a bit from their current home. We have dedicated this "Home Visit Network" as a memorial to a Borzoi named Zoi who went through the terrible trauma of finding himself in a puppy mill following a long-distance placement. The puppy mill owner was very clever at "telling stories" and the breeder did not feel she had options for initially checking the placement. However, the breeder did ultimately become aware of her pup's situation and she did work tirelessly to get her boy removed from the puppy mill. She has been a strong proponent of home visits since her heartbreaking experience. Her boy Zoi was rescued and did experience the happiness of a loving home for a little over 2 years; sadly, he died of bone cancer this past spring. Here is Zoi's story following his rescue, from his loving owners Louretta and Terry Gaston of Ohio:

"On December 5, 1998 we adopted our first Borzoi and named him Zoi. Bov, he was a giant but terribly thin!! He had lots of healing scabs, was slow in walking and had a terribly broken spirit. At 32 inches high and weighing only 74 pounds at rescue, Zoi was in much need of a loving home. We were told that his breeder had him 2 years and then sold him into a home to be a house dog. Unfortunately, it turned out to be a puppy mill. When the original owner discovered this, great efforts were made to rescue Zoi, his four puppies and their mother.

It took 9 months before Zoi truly felt he was safe and very loved. In the beginning, I brought him to work every day (benefits of owning your own business) so that he could get used to people again. Daily visits by the delivery drivers and business customers started him on trusting people again. He must have been beaten on a regular basis because he was afraid to go in and out to leave the house. Zoi must have been hit very hard on his eye because a constant red blood spot on the eye slowly got worse until I told my vet I wanted to take him to a specialist. Surgery was done and his eye healed beautifully.

We have always had dogs and got them as puppies. Zoi was our first adult dog, a little over 5 years of age. He was all white with two apricot spots on the side. Oh my, what a beautiful gentle giant! He stole our hearts quickly! At first he stayed on

the living room couch every evening. We would go in and pet him; ear rubs were his favorite. Eventually he started coming into the family room for short visits. When he finally felt comfortable, what a pest! He now owned all the couches and we sat where we could find a place. Every evening he would lay on the floor and bark once, kicking all four legs, wanting my husband to get on the floor to give him a good body rub. Zoi wouldn't stop this routine until he got his way. With me, he wanted to sometimes sing together, get his hugs, kisses and ear rubs, plus he followed me everywhere. He stole our hearts forever and gave us Borzoi love that could not have been imagined. This love he had inside of him originated from his original owner; this we knew. Zoi had a wonderful beginning and was loved and cared for but the puppy mill he ended up in must have been so devastating. We are very thankful his beginning was so good and we are thoroughly disgusted with the puppy mill and all puppy mills everywhere that inflict starvation, pain, sickness and horrible living for the animals.

In January 2001, I felt a hard lump on Zoi's hind leg and in my heart I knew then he probably had cancer. The next day he was at the vet, who said bring him back in another day for an x-ray. He stated Zoi probably had osteosarcoma, bone cancer. I e-mailed Mary Childs, from whom we adopted Zoi through the NBRF. We wanted her to know that Zoi was dying of cancer and how thankful we were to have adopted him. Within a day several people e-mailed us with support and help. We will never forget any of those who gave of their time to help us in our time of crisis and heartbreak. I went back to our vet to get Zoi to an Oncologist. The Oncologist thought she could remove the tumor and his lungs were clear and blood tests good. While Zoi was on the operating table I received a call that the tumor was not removable, so the biopsies were done and they closed him up. The next three weeks were pure hell for all of us. Zoi's leg was not healing and was re-stitched once; we finally made the very hard decision to let him go.

We have no regrets in adopting him. We learned that we made a difference in a dog's life and our own. On March 30th

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he Obedience Trial of the National report needs to start with acknowledgment of the judging skills of Ms. Patricia Scully. It was obvious that she had respect for both the dogs and their handlers.

My stewards are the unsung heroes of the event. Toby Brandtman, Marion Heise, Trisha Kelley, Anne Midgarden and Audrey Wright were simply great. They were there when the judge, Ms. Scully needed them. They were there when the handlers needed them. They were there when I needed them.

The number of obedience competitors was large with 48 entered. All those who competed in this trial should be commended for the hard work that went into getting into that ring for those few short minutes. The High in Trial was also the Highest Scoring Dog in Open & Utility Combined. The dog and handler were: Nickolai Chara Zedoary, JC, UDX, CGC, owner Sandra C. Hilbert.

Barbara O'Neill as the show secretary did a great job supplying all of the equipment needed to run a quality event. The ring was beautifully set up by Andy Knapp.

A special thanks goes to Dale Birkheimer of Rau Dog Shows, Ltd. for their unexpected remission of charge for the mats.

I was gratified to see the large number of congratulatory posts about obedience on all three Borzoi lists to which we subscribe as well as the general recognition of obedience as a major facet of the National Specialty.

Another special thanks goes to my husband Tom Carroll for schlepping mats all over the eastern seaboard for me.

Sincerely, Leslie W. Carroll

Junior Showman Chairman, Barbara Tyler Lord, PO Box 90 Forest Junction, WI 54123, Warwind@itol.com GASTRIC DILATATION-VOLVULUS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 13

Other investigators believe that a defect in the valve between the esophagus and stom-

ach, or a flaw in the belching mechanism, are responsible for gastric dilatation-volvulus. Nobody has proved or disproved any of these theories.

Dr. Davenport talked about two dietary problems: how to prevent gastric dilatation-volvulus, and how to feed dogs that already had surgery for the disease. She discussed feeding methods, rather then feed content. Percentage of carbohydrate, and protein in the diet apparently do not affect the incidence of GDV.

Controlling excess activity at feeding time is one thing owners can do. For example, if your dogs bang feed dishes around, provide them with stationary feeders. Dogs will eat more slowly and swallow less air in a non-competitive environment.

Feed two or preferably three smaller meals a day, instead of one large meal. It is advisable to feed a mixture of dry and canned foods. Feeding treats may also reduce the risk.

You can slow the feeding rate down in other ways than reducing competition among your dogs. For example, feed your dog out of muffin tins, or put large rocks or tennis balls in the bowl.

The diet content is important when feeding a dog recovering from surgery. The patient must receive enough water to prevent dehydration. It is important to provide an

easily digested, appetizing diet. It should have an adequate level of quality protein and a low or moderate level of fat. Fat slows the process of digestion and this increases the risk of GDV.

The recommended diet is little different from one fed to a dog with gastrointestinal disease. Start with about one fourth of the normal amount of food on the first postoperative day. The first feeding should be half food and half water. Gradually increase to the full amount, not diluted, on the third day.

Dr. Davenport says that some prefer a liquid diet because it empties out faster but recommends a normal, palatable food. Pet stores sell a nutrient in paste form, called NUTRI-CAL. The only liquid diet listed in Hills Prescription Diet catalogue is the human product ENSURE>

It is advisable to promote normal gastric function rather than increase motility with the use of drugs. If your dog starts to vomit, consult your veterinarian. He or she may prescribe drugs to control it.

The following is a brief summary of what you have just read:

Gastric dilatation-volvulus is still not completely understood, in spite of countless hours spent studying it.

Feed several small meals a day. Don't overfeed, but maintain a good level of nutrition with moderate fat content.

Control excessive activity at mealtime.

Encourage slow, relaxed eating. Feed individually, when indicated. Put tennis balls or large rocks in the feed bowl, if necessary.

Mix canned with dry feed. Feed table scraps, but only nutritious, low fat, palatable foods. NO Bones!

Be aware of the first signs of gastric torsion-volvulus and arrange for veterinary

2000 OBEDIENCE CORRECTIONS

Missing from the FINAL OBEDIENCE REPORT FOR 2000 are two important Borzoi: VERA'S LIL BIT O'FAITH qualified in Novice B, July 23, 2000, with a score of 174.0. "Belle" is owned by Lisa Brauner, age 15. Jean Brauner, Lisa's mother, has a lot to brag about. At this July 23rd show, all 3 littermates, plus her nine-year old Papillon, qualified in obedience. PHOENIXX MAXXIM DOUBLE SIXES, SC, qualified in Novice B on October 21 with a score of 170.0 and on October 22 with a score of 192.5. Average score 181.25. Very impressive score for Maxx in his second trial.

My apologies to both Lisa Brauner and Jill and S. Woith for omitting their Borzoi from the final report. Edna Ogata §