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2004 CENTENNIAL

CELEBRATION!

The BCOA Centennial Show - April 17-24, 2004 Kings Island Resort & Conference Center Kings Island, Ohio

Join us for a week of fun, festivities, and the finest Borzoi in North America!

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday - April 17 - LGRA Race Meet - Off Site
Sunday - April 18 - ASFA Lure Trial & Two J.C. Tests - Off Site
Judges: Denise Scanlan & Janet Lotz
Monday - April 19 - Obedience Trial - Mr. Frank Nemeth
Futurity - Judge Pending
Tuesday - April 20 - Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes - Mr. Ron Williams
Wednesday - April 21 - Dog Classes: Mr. Kent Delaney
Thursday - April 22 - Bitch Classes: Mr. James Heard
Friday - April 23 - Non-Regular Classes: Dr. Gerda Maria Kennedy
Saturday - April 24 - Intersex & Best of Breed: Dr. Gerda Maria Kennedy
Saturday - April 24 - Junior Showmanship: Mrs. Carol Spritzer

HEADQUARTERS & SHOW SITE

Kings Island Resort & Conference Center
www.kingsislandresort.com
Toll Free Reservations - 800-727-3050
Rates: \$59 for all rooms (until April 1, 2004)
Please say that you are with the Borzoi Club of America

SHUTTLE SERVICE from and to the Cincinnati & Dayton Airports will be arranged through the hotel sales office. The cost is \$35 round trip.

RV PARKING: Limited RV Parking at the Show Site.
Contact: Dr. Greg Hlatky - 513-899-4361 - soyara@aol.com
RV Parking/Campground directly across the street from the Show Site.
Paramount's Kings Island Amusement Park Campground - 800-832-1133

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BCOA

2003 Conformation Statistics By Patti Widick Neale

BCOA member-owned Borzoi statistics - All-Breed points as of June 30, 2003

BIS Gp 1	Gp 2	Gp 3	Gp 4	Points		
1. Ch. Soyara's Chantilly Lace JC, P Hlatky/G Hlatky	0	3	6	3	8	2325
2. Ch. Staraja Russa Bianca Korsakov, Jane Bishop	1	2	1	1	1	1327
3. Ch. Kenai's Heart and Soul, J & J Browning	0	1	4	5	3	1289
4. Ch. Kenai's Silver Glacier, J&L Anderson, M Luckey-Rowton	0	0	1	1	2	792
3. Ch. Chataquas Valimir Of Kyrov JC, Terry/Heise/Sorbie/Whittington	0	2	1	2	1	686
6. Ch. Rising Star Wing of the Storm, Laurie Courtney	0	0	0	2	1	674
7. Ch. Chihawk Tahoe Tomb Raider, T & P Marshall	0	1	4	1	2	560
8. Ch. Oaklara Shadow Dancer, C Schwartz	0	1	2	0	2	519
9. DC Majenkir Raynbo's Dazzle SC, R & J Zucker	0	0	0	0	1	402
10. Ch. Téine Child Prodigy JC, C Moyer/K Brunarski	0	0	2	0	1	346

BCOA member-owned Borzoi statistics - Borzoi defeated through March 30, 2003

1. Ch. Soyara's Chantilly Lace JC, P Hlatky/G Hlatky	332
1. Ch. Kenai's Heart and Soul, J & J Browning	332
3. DC Majenkir Raynbo's Dazzle SC, R & J Zucker	319
4. Ch. Chataquas Valimir Of Kyrov JC, R Terry/M Heise/A Sorbie/S Whittington	224
5. Ch. Rising Star Wing of the Storm, Laurie Courtney	215
6. Ch. Phaedra Kovu, D Chiaramonti	197
7. Ch. Morozova's Rockwell JC, Janet Adams	190
8. Ch. Kenai's Silver Glacier, J&L Anderson, M Luckey-Rowton	183
9. Ch. Téine Child Prodigy JC, C Moyer/K Brunarski	163
10. Ch. Staraja Russa Bianca Korsakov, Jane Bishop	162

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 Rescue Committee Report

Submitted by Maureen Bardwell

he BCOA Rescue Committee is already making plans for its participation in the 2004 BCOA Centennial National Specialty.

While making your plans for the 2004 Centennial, please consider bringing along that special Borzoi which you could enter in the Borzoi Companion Parade (one of the "special events" at the showsponsored by the Rescue Committee).

This class can be entered by any Borzoi who is not entered in regular competition at the 2004 national specialty. In the past, class entrants have included 14 or 15 year

old Borzoi who still love to "strut their stuff" in the ring (but are realistically past competition in the veteran classes), rescue Borzoi who are taking their public place in the Borzoi world after enduring "the West Virginia rescue" or the "Missouri puppy mill rescue", therapy Borzoi who routinely visit children's hospitals & nursing homes, and special companion Borzoi that make our lives that much richer by waiting for us each day as we return home.

Class registration will take place at the national specialty. Each entrant will receive a silk flower wreath which has a specialty medallion attached and a special dog toy. At the specialty held in NY, over 30 Borzoi were entered in the class and we hope to top this record in Cincinnati.

We will have photos taken of the entire class (where each dog will be wearing its flower wreath), and there will be an opportunity for each dog to have its picture taken with its owner.

Most of our dogs spend a huge percentage of their time being special family companions--please join us for this celebration of the "companion activities" performed by our wonderful Borzoi!!

For further info, please contact: Maureen Bardwell & Dee Jones BCOA Rescue Committee §



Open Field Statistics / Open Field Coursing

2002 Annual Report

Submitted by Karen Ackerman

NOFCA Top Ten for 2002

1Valeska Unbridled Sea, CC, CM, Brighty, L. Turner and Y. McGehee	154
2. Mayberry's RAF Spitfire, JC, FCh, Spitfire, P. Mayberry	75
3. Kristull Ruthenium of Ryhka, Topaz, S. Barron and D. Darling	36
4. Silkenswift Camus Dark Realm, SC, LCM, SGRC, Neechee, S Moore and B Dalzell	24
5. Ch Del Sol Belle Starr JC, FCh, Belle Starr, S. Van De Water	21.67
6. DC Mayberry's Savannah, SC. LCM. GRC. Savannah, P. Mayberry	20
7. Attaway Kinobi Fargo Spring, Dakota, C. Enz	18.50
8. Barron's Princess Leigha JC, Leigha, S. Barron	14.00
9. Ch. Valeska Wilder Shores of Love, Falco, L. Turner and Y. McGehee	10.50
10. Valeska After Glow, Sorcha, C. Enz and Y. McGehee	10
10. Lothlorien Bette Zephyr's Reach LCM6, Bette, E. Conev	10

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's website covering hunts held from January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002, inclusive. Submit any corrections to Karen M. Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, Wyoming 82730.

NACA

Since the beginning of 2002, 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 We All Shine On, Vikhra, R. and Y. McGehee

Valeska Visions Revealed, Ripley, R. and Y. McGehee

Valeska Indelible, Zoltan, R. and Y. McGehee

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

Valeska Sailaway, Lancer, J. Freshwater and Y. McGehee

AGC Paha Sapa Glider, Pavel, W. and K. Ackerman

AGC Inyan Kara Glider, NACC, NACM, Pushkin, W. and K. Ackerman

Varykino Glider's Legacy, Kara, W. and K. Ackerman

Varykino Glider's Image, Lena, W. and K. Ackerman

Varykino Glider's Heritage, NACC, NACM, Vanya,, W. and Karen Ackerman

Majenkir Imprabella, NACC, NACM, Mira, W. and K. Ackerman

Valeska Unbridled Sea, CC, CM, Brighty, L. Turner and Y. McGehee

Ch. Valeska Unbridled Sea, Falco, L. Turner and R. McGehee

Valeska After Glow, Sorcha, C. Enz and Y. McGehee

Adrienne Against the Wind, Seger, E. Moon

Ch. Renaissance General Patton, DC, JC, CGC, Patton, P. and C. Gredys

Jubilee's Heavenly Creation, Tamar, JC. GRC, FCH, C. Gredys and B. Myers

Ksar Majenkir Gifted Dignity, Alexi, W. and K. Ackerman

Phoenixx Glorious Celebration, Glory P. and J. Schreiber

These points were earned at hunts held between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2002. 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.

For 2002 the Top Open Field Coursing Borzoi Valeska Unbridled Sea, CC, CM, Brighty, owned by Linda Turner and Yvonne McGehee. She defeated 92 hounds during the calendar year.

The top open field coursing borzoi will be designated each year on the following criteria: (1) The dog will be BCOA member owned. (2) The points will be based on the number of hounds defeated during the calendar year starting January 1st and ending December 31st. The dog gets one point for itself and one point for each dog defeated in its stake. Should a second borzoi stake be run, the hound winning BOB, either by run off or by forfeit, gets extra points equal to the number of dogs defeated in the first stake. Send corrections to Karen Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, WY 82730. Or e-mail at *adii@trib.com*. §

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BCOA Agility Stats

January 1 - March 31, 2003 as recorded in the AKC AWARDS Submitted by Gale D. Snoddy



Nov. Standard - Preferred CH PoDusham Song Of The South, CD - L. Avant & A. Reese	Avg. Score 98.3	# of Scores
Nov. JWW Fantasias Heart and Soul - T. & S. Moore \$ J.Dennis	95.0	1

2003 Top Ten Racing Borzoi – BCOA member-owned

Based on year-to-date National Points earned Submitted by Barbara Ewing

Large Gazehound Racing Association (LGRA) (through 6/22)

#	CALL NAME	REGISTERED NAME	Owner	Pts.
1	Flareon	Chataqua Flareon of Gryf-n-Viktor, SGRC	Shell/Whitlock	17
2	Leigha	Barron's Princess Leigha	Barron	6
3	Wesley	Meadowcreek Count the Stars, GRC	Hermann	5.73
4	Miss T	Nickolai Misty Clairidge, SGRC	Shell	4
5	Damien	Lothlorien Damien Zarkov, FCh	Kaltenborn/Peak	3.5
6	Topaz	Kristull Ruthenium of Ryhka, GRC	Barron/Darling	3
7	Belle-V	Del Sol Belle Star, FCh, GRC	Van de Water	2.75
8/9	Abra	Ch Téine Abracadabra, GRC	Midgarden	2
8/9	Races	Mielikki A Day At The Races	McCartin	2
10	Reese	Meadowcreek's Reach the Skies, JC, GRC	Clifford	1.5

NATIONAL OVAL TRACK RACING ASSOCIATION (NOTRA) (THROUGH 7/8)

#	CALL NAME	REGISTERED NAME	Owner	PTS.	
1	Monkee	Borscana Cloudy Day, SC, GRC	Shell	4	
2/3	Flareon	Chataqua Flareon of Gryf-n-Viktor, SGRC	Shell/Whitlock	2	
2/3	Scandium	Deuterium's Scandium of Ryhka, SC, FCh	Darling/Anuta	2	
4	Leigha	Barron's Princess Leigha	Barron	1.5	
5/6	Bridget	Int Ch Tominot Zanado SC, CGC, FCh	Powers	1	
5/6	Silver	FC Digitalis Black Silver of Ryhka, FCh	Darling	1	



BCOA 2002 Obedience Statistics

January to June, 2003 AKC Awards, as submitted by Bonnie Nichols

It is required that a dog have at least 3 scores for the year and be member-owned. If the dog is co-owned, the first-named person (as listed in the *AWARDS*) must be a member. Scores are averaged for the final stats. If dogs are tied, the dog with the most number of scores will get the higher placement.

Rank Name of Dog, owner	Score	Number of scores
UTILITY		
1st-Nickolai Chara Zedoary UDX, JC - S Hilbert	185	(2)
2nd- Ch Shefaro Borllies Allegra CDX, JC - H Bourne	180.5	(1)
OPEN		
1st-Ch Virshina Rose Of Paradise CD, SC - T Brandtman	194	(2)
2nd-Nickolai Chara Zedoary UDX, JC - S Hilbert	191.5	(1)
3rd-Caerlin Eclair Kalaki Ryahowf, CD, JC, NA, OAJ - L Harbertson	191.3	(2)
4th-FC Riju Hrts Desire Of Woronzova, CD, SC, NA - R&J Mintchell	190	(2)
5th-Ch Woodacres Rozana Of Kansai CDX - R Smith	187.5	(2)
6th-Nickolai Yenoty Schlaeger CDX, ASFA FC - B Nichols	185	
NOVICE		
1 - Ch Renaissance General Patton CD - C&P Gredys	194.5	(1)
2 - Ch Belarus The Rapture CD, SC - C Cordtz	191	(2)
3 - Morozova's Moonstruck CD - K&G Novotny	190	(1)
4 - Royale Shalimar Of Kyrov CD, JC - T&T Brandtman	189.1	(4)
5 - Ch Nonsuch Mirage In The Mist CD - K&J Katona	188	(2)
6 - Téine Intrinsic JC, NA - R&J Mintchell	187	(1)
Meadowcreek Wind Over Earth - C&A Ness	187	(1)
Vera's Magichappensatsterling - J&L Bourne, G Schmid, L Cole	187	(1)
9 - Ch Vitrina Zoetrope - V Trantanella	185.5	(1)
10 - FC Meadowcreek Light In The Sky SC - D Davis	184.5	(1)

ATTENTION ALL BCOA MEMBERS

Annual Versatility Award Deadline Change

Please note, the following change to the AVA Award

The deadline date for submitting the AVA application plus all the required documentation will be *January* 15th of the year following the award year. For those applying for the AVA 2003, the application plus all the verification, needs to be to the AVA Record Keeper by *January* 15, 2004.

To clarify, this annual award is *only* available to BCOA members. To be a member of the BCOA, one must apply for membership to the BCOA Board. Then the membership application must be approved by the BCOA Board. Just applying does not mean your membership is automatically guaranteed. It must be approved by the BCOA Board at its second reading before an individual becomes a member.

Purpose:

...during the award year. (insert-All points accumulated toward the AVA must be acquired after an individual achieves membership status.) Entry level...

Health Committee Report

Submitted by Virginia Jones



Members' contributions to the Health Committee fund so far this year have been most generous in spite of a year of troubled financial times. I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the following members for their support.

Marcella Zobel Marylee Jenko Kay Collins William Hemby Karen Ackerman Joan, Cole Suzanne Hively Susan Lundebjerg Nancy Duffy-Snook Nancy Nichols Phyllis Potter Virginia Scarbrough Cyndi & Stephen Schroeder Anna Stewart Toni Paskey Angela San Paolo Jane Andry Jackie Browning Geraldine White Kris Woddail

Your contributions help to support significant discounts for health clinics and educational seminars for our membership as well as provide funding to support health research relevant to our breed's critical health concerns. Members who donate \$50 or more to the Borzoi Health Fund receive a lovely borzoi head lapel pin as a token of our appreciation for your substantial support. If you would prefer to receive the Rousseau head study print in lieu of the head pin, please specify this request when submitting your donation. Contributions to "Borzoi Health" can be made at any time throughout the year. They can be made in memory of a special borzoi or person and we will acknowledge them here in the BC. Please send all contributions and information to the BCOA treasurer at: Borzoi Health, c/o Shen Smith, PO Box 175, Elk Rapids, MI 49629-0175

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Some of you by now have received a "CHIC" certificate in the mail from the OFA and are probably wondering just what this certificate is. CHIC is a relatively new health registry data base compiled and maintained by OFA and supported by the AKC Canine Health Foundation efforts. Each parent club that chooses to participate in the program sets up the criteria for their subset database. Our BCOA database was just recently established and set up with the following criteria:

Required criteria:

- Heart certifications performed by a certified cardiologist
- Thyroid certifications performed by OFA acknowledged laboratories
- CERF certificates performed by a certified ophthalmologist

Optional criteria:

- Hip certificate through PENN HIP, OFA, OVC or GDC
- Elbow certificate through OFA

We can choose to change criteria over time based on increase or decrease in any specific health concern for our breed. It is intended to be a tool to help keep us appraised of the health status of our breed over time and also as a means to focus on improving the health in the areas of most concern to our breed. You can access our borzoi database registry at: www.caninehealthinfo.org/borzoi.html

The health committee is looking at ways to utilize the CHIC database registry program in establishing a reward and recognition program for those breeders who actively test and submit data for certification. The registry will accept information for both normal and abnormal results allowing us to accumulate information that will provide a good profile of our breed's health in these areas of concern. Membership input on opportunities for how our club might additionally utilizing this CHIC registry is welcomed! Please feel free to contact me at the

following e-mail addresses: vjones1@ford.com or veniceshores@peoplepc.com or by phone at 586-463-3345 or snail mail at: Virginia Jones, 41648 Bayhaven, Harrison Twp., MI 48045

A proposal was made to the board to incorporate heart certification requirements for our Futurity program for both stud dogs and brood bitches at the time the bitch is nominated. Since the Futurity is our National Club's showcase of the very best our breeders have to offer our future generations, it only makes sound sense that we begin implementing health requirements for our club's recognition of breeders. This small step is the right direction we need to go in order to substantiate the sincerity of our interest for Heart Research with the CHF. We must be willing to implement steps currently available to us before breeding, in order to make full use of results provided by a Research Grant Study. If we are not willing to test our breeding stock, then what data will a research specialist utilize? If we aren't willing to use the tools available to us now, then what benefits will we reap from the results of this research study? This proposal to amend the Futurity requirements will be offered up to the club general membership for their vote. I encourage all of you to vote in favor of this proposal and take the first active step towards implementing a program that values the health of our breeding stock every bit as much as it values the conformation.

Time to plan ahead for the upcoming Centennial show in Cincinnati and make sure to set aside some time for health clinics. We plan to offer a full array of clinics including micro chip, heart, eye and thyroid, however, with a schedule as crammed full of activities as this, most likely we will only be able to offer clinics on one or two days. This year forms will be provided on our health information web site so you can print them and fill them out in advance which should help speed up the entire process and limit the waiting time. We will also

include the required forms in the Premium list.

The Canine Health Foundation will be holding their Parent Club Conference the weekend of September 19th in St. Louis to share what's new in health research and disease treatment and prevention with associated breed parent club health representatives. The CHF has also agreed to provide us with a seminar for our Centennial show to cover a great deal of this information as well as their CHIC program and other OFA/AKC CHF activities. I'm looking forward to the conference and the wealth of information to be provided.

Next steps: Over the course of this year, the committee will be working in conjunction with our recommended Heart Research specialist (TBD) to enhance our last breed survey form with more specific questions regarding heart health and incidences of heart disease. Special thanks go to Judy Carleton for providing me with the prior breed survey form from which to start. We want to be sure we compile enough specific detail regarding heart health within the breed over the course of the last 10 years so that we can narrow our heart research to one or two applicable specific areas. Your participation in the survey will be critical to the future success of our Heart research project. We will utilize an on line web based survey as well as hard copy forms. You should anticipate the survey to begin no later than the first of the year with a data accumulation period of 6 months to 1 year. At the end of this period, the data will be statistically accumulated by an independent tabulator and submitted with our application for research grant proposal. We would like to continue to provide the on line survey submission form as a running accumulation of date for a period of time after our survey results submission. The length of this time period is yet to be determined.

Good health and long life to you and your borzoi!