



**BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA  
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Annual Awards – Nancy Reimer**

No report received.

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

No report received.

**Aristocrat – Maureen Bardwell**

No report received.

**BCOA Website – Jennifer Beach-Buda**

No report received.

**Club Archives – Barbara Yoon**

Nothing to report.

**Club Education – Melanie Richards**

No report received.

**Club Historian – Laurie Kasowski**

It is with sadness that I write this letter resigning as the BCOA Historian.

It has been a privilege and an honor to serve BCOA in this position.

Almost 20 years ago, I was asked to do this job and started with nothing but the request to create photo albums of each year's National Specialty winners and the Top Borzoi. Today there are 17 albums weighing almost 200 pounds.

These albums have been treated like an honored guest in my home, taking their deserved place in a climate controlled guest room. I hope that wherever they go, someone will treat them with the respect and

love that they deserve.

My name has always been listed as the Historian, but in truth, it has always been a combined effort by Tom and I. I want to thank Tom for all of his support and understanding the importance of the photo history of our noble and beautiful breed.

Thank you for the honor of serving BCOA,

**Club Inventory and Medals – Tom Carroll**

The number of TSE medals sent so far in 2004 is four (4). Ten (10) approved applications are in hand and medals will be sent approximately one (1) month prior to the date of the TSE.

**Conformation Championship Medals– Chris Danker**

No report received.

**Constitution & By-Laws – Kathleen Kapaun**

No report received.

### **Futurity Event – Kathleen Kapaun**

No report received.

### **2005 Futurity**

The 2005 Futurity currently has 45 litters with 13 of those forwarded from 2004, 39 new bitch nominations and 32 new litter nominations. Account balance is \$1845 to date.

### **Gazette Columnist – Jennifer Beach-Buda**

No report received.

### **Health Committee – Virginia Jones**

#### 2005 NATIONALS STATUS:

- a. We would like to try out Joe Roger's suggestion for a pizza party and seminar on Wednesday evening for the 2005 Nationals if all goes well with arranging for a speaker with a reasonable fee and an interesting and new topic. Nancy Hopkins is currently following up on one possible topic: How to plan your breeding program to improve health issues.
- b. We plan to offer eye, heart, microchip and DNA clinics. We tentatively have an eye specialist, Dr. Millichamp, for a clinic possibly on Thursday, but are still negotiating fees and day/time. His minimum dog number is 70 and we are trying to coax him down to 50 and working for about 6 hours approximately 1pm to 7pm on Thursday.
- c. We have a tentative vet, Dr. Krista Hunt, who has volunteered her services for the microchip clinic but is only available on Tuesday (after obedience) Friday and Saturday. I think we can work around her time table OK if we have a room available to use on any or all of these days.
- d. We do not have a confirmed cardiologist as of yet, but Nancy has contacted Texas A&M with this request as well as some other private contacts and is waiting for a response back regarding availability and prices.
- e. DNA clinic can be performed by myself and Nancy. No special skill is required for this one and can be offered any day during the week depending on our schedules and health clinic room availability.
- f. Ideally, for the clinic room we would like two adjoining rooms or a suite room. We need one room for waiting participants to check in and fill out paper work and the other room for the vet performing the clinic. Please try to arrange to have Nancy Hopkin's and my room as close to the clinic room as is possible. In Ohio I was so far away from the clinic room that I had to take my dogs to the clinic room with me all three days as it was impossible for me to make the distance back and forth.

#### FUNDRAISERS:

Currently the Health Committee does not have any members fundraising opportunities other than our PPCP program, membership donations with dues and the few items we offer for raffle at the Nationals.

#### SEMINAR & CLINIC FEES:

Fees TBD pending negotiations with specialists and discounts available through CERF, AKC and OFA.

#### REGISTRY DATA

I just received the second quarter report in the mail from the OFA with our borzoi statistics. These reflect data recorded on all OFA/CERF health areas for the second quarter of 2004. We now have a total of 97 borzoi listed in our CHIC database which is a significant improvement over the last year.

### **Judges Education –Shen Smith, Patti Neale**

No report received.

### **Keeping In Touch – Edna Ogata**

No report received.

### **Membership Committee – Edna Ogata & Phyllis Brettell**

No report received.

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

The National Specialty Policies and Guidelines are up to date. Date restrictions have been left in place with the addition of the following: *Exceptions to this policy will be considered on an individual basis.*

### **2004 National Specialty - Barbara O'Neill**

I think everyone will agree that the Centennial Specialty was a great success. The detailed income/expense report is pending receipt of remaining expenses and checks clearing the bank. There was a profit and individual income/expense questions will be available at the Board meeting.

### **2005 National Specialty - Barbara O'Neill**

The 2005 Specialty information page is in the Summer issue of the BC and the website is up and running. The AKC application has been sent and hotel reports that reservations have started to come in. The Hospitality committee is working on some interesting plans to make this a memorable Specialty.

The International Borzoi Council Conference will follow immediately after the Specialty. Shen Smith is coordinating the conference.

### **2006 National Specialty – Barbara O'Neill**

The Double Tree Hotel, Seattle - that was in the original proposal that was submitted to and approved by the Board for the 2006 National Specialty has not worked out. When the final contract was sent for signing it was not acceptable. A number of items had been changed. A big one was that the minimum room nights were increased and we were obligated to pay for any rooms that were not occupied in addition to paying a penalty for use of the ballroom. They would not negotiate. Jan Leikam quickly found another dog-friendly hotel in the Red Lion Hotel, Olympia, WA, however the last week in April was not available. The Shar-Pei National will be there. The only date that was available that did not conflict with a regional specialty was the week of May 22, 2006. The Board reviewed the date policy and found that it was not the date that the airlines restrict but the ground temperature. The Board has approved a change of hotel and date as it is only one week past our guideline date restriction and the Pacific Northwest is known to be well below the airline temperature restriction in mid-May.

### **Rescue Committee – Dr Maureen Bardwell**

Dee Jones, Billie Thibeaux, and Carol Backers (NBRF) very capably took charge of Rescue Committee activities at the Centennial Show in my absence. Although the BCOA Rescue Committee only raised a small amount of money in its fundraising endeavors, we still maintain over \$5000 in the BCOA Rescue Fund. Happily, there were over 20 participants in the Companion Parade at the Centennial Show which was organized by the members of the BCOA Rescue Committee. Although not a "regular class" at the show, this class does allow the participation of a number of very special dogs and owners of our breed.

Plans are just beginning for Rescue Committee participation at the 2005 Specialty.

I wish to thank Dee, and Billie, and Carol for their continued assistance over the last several months. Membership on this committee has given me the opportunity to work with wonderful and dedicated volunteers such as these 3 ladies.

### **Standardized Trophies - Barbara O'Neill**

Criteria for challenge trophy donations is on the agenda for this meeting. Need to discuss the National trophy expenses.

### **Ways & Means – Barbara Yoon**

No report received

### **2005 Yearbook**

The 2005 Yearbook flyer is in the Summer issue of the BC. Information and advertising form is on the BCOA website. Rates will be \$80 each page, first two pages and \$70 for each additional page. Color is \$225 first two and \$200 each additional page, same owner/kennel. Deadline is January 15, 2005.

## **Statistical Committees**

### **Agility – Gale Snoddy**

During 2003, 15 Borzoi owned by BCOA members earned qualifying scores in Agility, with 11 titles earned by them. Another 10 Borzoi owned by non-BCOA members also earned qualifying scores, and these dogs earned a total of 7 titles. All in all, a pretty good year for our breed in this exciting sport.

### **Conformation – Christopher Neale**

No report received.

### **Junior Showmanship – Barbara Lord**

No report received.

### **LGRA – Carol Enz**

No report received.

### **Lure Coursing – R.Lynn Shell**

The AKC Coursing Advisory Committee has started brainstorming on several rule change proposals recommended by the AKC. There is an announcement regarding the CAC's purpose and members. If you have any suggestions you would like to see put forth, feel free to contact either myself (email: [gryffyn@borzoi.cc](mailto:gryffyn@borzoi.cc); phone: 972-883-6747) or any of the CAC representative listed on the AKC website.

### **NOTRA – Victor Whitlock**

No report received.

### **Obedience – Bonnie Nichols**

No report received.

### **Open Field – Karen Ackerman**

No report received.

### **Register of Merit – Barbara Ewing**

Applications have been received for the following dogs. They qualify for the ROM with the designations given:

Sires:

Ch. Kumasans Fiddler of Astafiev, TD, ROM-C

Ch. Crescents Grock, ROM

Dams:

Ch. Stillwater Coolwater, ROM-C

Ch. Kumasans Carom, ROMX-C

Silkenswift Howff Ishtar, ROMX-P