

BCOA Region One Governor's Report, February 2008

It has been a cold, snowy winter in Region One. Despite the weather, the hardy folks at **Borzoi Club of the Delaware Valley** have hosted two events. In January the club participated in a Blood Drive for the Penn Animal Blood Bank, with eleven borzoi giving blood. In February BCDV held their annual Winter Match, which also featured a handling class and a Rally-O workshop, as well as special "tricks" performed by three talented borzoi-and-owner teams. Also, BCDV plans to hold an ASFA field trial later this year.

Here in the Northeast, spring sunshine reminds us that borzoi specialty shows are near at hand. **Borzoi Club of Greater New York** will hold their Spring Specialty Show on Friday, May 2nd. Ms. Helen Lee will judge the Regular Classes, Mrs. Kathryn Wright will judge Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes, and Mrs. Patricia Hess will judge Obedience. For the convenience of exhibitors, BCGNY has relocated at Mercer Park, NJ (show site where the Trenton KC show has traditionally been held).

Borzoi Club of the Delaware Valley will hold their annual Specialty Show on Sunday, May 4th, in conjunction with the Trenton Kennel Club All-breed Show, at Mercer Park, West Windsor, NJ. Ms. Amy Sorbie will judge the Regular Classes, and Ms. Lorrie Scott will judge Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes. This show offers the best of both worlds, with a set-apart tent and ring-side parking for exhibitors, plus a chance for the Best of Breed winner to participate in the Hound Group.

Typically both the BCGNY and BCDV Spring Specialties draw large entries (100+ last year). Both clubs are well known for lovely trophies and lavish hospitality. Jim Rau is the superintendent for both shows, and Miss Lena Tamboer is the local contact person. [Lena33tia@verizon.net] Entries close on April 16, 2008.

The Region One borzoi family cordially invites all BCOA members and friends to join us at these beautiful, tradition-rich shows, as well as at any other conformation or performance events in our region.

Respectfully submitted,
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Region 3 Governor's Report – R Lynn Shell-Whitlock

The Lone Star Borzoi club received correspondence from AKC granting the club recognized Status, adding a second Specialty Club to BCOA's Region 3. Members are now in the planning stages for hosting their first Specialty show. LSBC's Website has also received a "facelift" – you can view it at <http://lonestar.borzoi.net/>

The Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club specialty in Denver was well attended with an entry of 22 in Puppy Sweepstakes and 5 in Veteran Sweepstakes (judged by Kevin ShimeI, DVM) and 61 in the regular classes presided over by Dana Cline. RMBC's supported entry the day before also drew a nice entry. RMBC has been regularly hosting fun runs and practices for running events and will host an AKC lure trial and tests in May. Their website at <http://rmbc.borzoi.net/> has a schedule and more information posted. I look forward to seeing the good folks in Colorado again soon!

Region 5 Governor's Report – Jim Anderson

The Judges for the Puget Sound Borzoi Club's Specialty being held Friday August 22, 2008 and Saturday August 23, 2008 have been announced.

Friday, August 22, 2008

Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes: Lyndell Ackerman
Regular and Non Regular Classes: Prudence Hlatky

Saturday, August 23, 2008

Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes: Ron Williams
Regular and Non Regular Classes: Diane McCormack

The All Hound Club of Bellingham is on track to being eligible to apply for their show dates. If all goes as planned their first regular AKC show will be in 2009. This may be an opportunity for PSBC to explore a possible supported entry at the AHCB event.

Region 6 Report: 2/20/08

There is always a lot going on in region 6 because of the dedicated clubs and members.
Here is a recap since the last board meeting.

The Midwest Borzoi Club held trophy Supported Entries in Columbus, Ohio November 15, 16, & 18. Their fall specialty was on the 17th judged by Jan Leikam and Sweeps by Bonnie Nichols.

Nancy Riemer reports: MBC held two ASFA field trials on October 27 & 28, 2007. The weather was magnificent: 70 degrees, sunny, a gentle wind. We had almost 80 dogs for the ASFA trials, 20 JC's each day, and then ran pre-certs and practice. As usual the number of whippets far exceeded any other breed, and provided one of the most exciting runs. The Sunday BOB run for whippets was so great that two of the dogs tied and had to run a second time. The eventual winner was the open dog, Phoebe, who finished her field championship. Congratulations to all the winners!!

It's an honor to serve in an area that has members who value all area's that Borzoi are able to compete and excel in including the obedience and agility arena.

Looking forward to 2008 this is what is on the agenda in our region:

Midwest Borzoi Club has an independent specialty show and obedience Trial on February 29. Sharon Redmer will judge sweeps and Regular classes are under Judge Kalen Dumke. With an entry of 50+ dogs it looks like it will be a nice show.

The second specialty shows will be held August 8th in Cudahy, Wisconsin. This is a beautiful show site next to the Lake – make sure to put this one on your schedule! Regular class judge is Amy Sorbie and Joel Chaney is judging sweeps. There is always a wonderful luncheon available at this specialty and the hospitality and prizes are the best.

The lure coursing trials are planned on October 25 & 26 and November 8 & 9 in Crown Point, Indiana. The first date is an ASFA trial; the second is an AKC Trial.

For more information and premiums/entry forms for these events go to the MBC website:

<http://www.midwestborzoiclub.org/>

Greater Twin Cities Borzoi Club will have their independent specialty at the same location as last year in Jordan, Minnesota (just west of Minneapolis). The Lake Minnetonka KC holds their all breed show at the same site on the following two days.

GTCBC Specialty judge: Marilyn Mincey; Sweeps: Cheryl Shallock Saturday Judge: Mrs. Terry Carter
Sunday (GTCBC TSE) Mr. Raymond Filburn, Jr; Sweeps: Linda Zaworski

The Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha is working toward their AKC/BCOA approval and will be submitting club records etc. at the February BCOA board meeting.

Purina has picked up the Nebraska Kennel Club show as a sponsor they will be holding their TSE's at. The venue is second to none, offering 3 days of agility and obedience, judging seminars, specialties, All-breed sweepstakes with cash prizes, and much more. NKC's website has details at: <http://www.nebraskakennelclub.com/pg04a1.html>

Show dates are July 19th and 20th with regular borzoi judges Dr. Dan Dowling and Anthony DiNardo. Lynne Bennett and Terry Doane will judge puppy and veteran borzoi sweepstakes. There will be a borzoi judge's seminar on Saturday also. BCGO will be having block reserved grooming near ringside each day. Contact Dawn Hall with your reservations. A silent auction will be held in the grooming area during the show. The club also offers a dinner held at Vivace's, a wonderful Italian restaurant in the Old Market near the show site, reservations required.

BCOA National 2010

Lynne Bennett and the MBC are diligently heading up and putting together committee's and plans for the National Specialty in Region 6 in 2010. The show site in Frankenmuth, MI is a beautiful vacation get away and will be a lovely site for our handsome hounds. Please make sure to plan to attend this national more information will be forth coming! If you are able to help with this national please contact Lynne: lynne@avalynborzoi.com

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Region 6 Governor