AKC Delegate’s Report – Jon Steele
Delegates Report for BCOA
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There are several issues currently being discussed and presented to the delegate body that will have an influence on the Borzoi Club of American. I have inserted several of those in this report that were discussed at the September meeting and those on the docket for the December meeting.

The results of the Group Realignment Committee’s suggestions to the board affecting the Hound Group are outlined below. While the committee has made their proposal to the Board, the final changes will have to be approved by the Delegate body. It will be some time before any changes will be made.

Group 3: Scent Hounds (14) (17)
Basset Hound
Beagle (13”)
Beagle (15”)
Black and Tan Coonhound
Bloodhound
*Bluetick Coonhound - Miscellaneous 7/1/08*
Dachshund (Longhaired)
Dachshund (Smooth)
Dachshund (Wirehaired)
English Foxhound
Foxhound (American)
Harrier
Otterhound
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen
Plott
*Redbone Coonhound – Miscellaneous 9/1/2001*
*Treeing Walker – Miscellaneous 1/1/2009*

Group 4: Sight Hounds (11)
Afghan Hound
Basenji
Borzoi
Greyhound
Ibizan Hound
Irish Wolfhound
Italian Greyhound
Pharaoh Hound
Rhodesian Ridgeback
Saluki
Scottish Deerhound
Whippet

The input on the mixed breed survey received by AKC has been reviewed with the following results published.
The results are as follows:

**Question 1** – Should AKC appear in the name of the affiliate organization that administers the mixed dog listing service?
- Yes – 34
- No – 24
- Tie – 2

**Question 2** – Should group exercises in Obedience, specifically long sits and downs, be combined to save time?
- Yes – 26
- No – 25
- Tie – 5
- No opinion – 4

**Question 3** – Do club bylaws prevent mixed breed classes?
- Yes – 14
- No – 40
- No opinion – 5
- Tie - 1

**Question 4** – Do you agree with a $35 listing fee?
- Yes – 34
- No – 16
- No opinion – 9
- Tie – 1

The format for the AKC/Eukanuba National for 2009 has been announced.
NEW YORK, NY (February 29, 2008) – The American Kennel Club® is pleased to announce that the 2009 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be the platform for AKC’s 125th anniversary celebration. In recognition of this milestone, the AKC will waive the invitational format. As was the case for AKC’s centennial show in 1984, classes will be offered at the breed level and championship points will be awarded.

The event will take place in Long Beach, CA on Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13, 2009 and will continue to showcase the top American dogs as well as offer the popular Bred-by-Exhibitor competition and Eukanuba World Challenge. AKC anticipates a very significant entry and therefore an entry limit may be necessary. The panel for this show will consist of almost 90 judges.

To further commemorate the anniversary, AKC Parent Clubs are invited to hold a specialty or supported entry in conjunction with this show. If a Parent Club
chooses not to participate, then local specialty clubs will be given the opportunity to join us. The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will return to an invitation-only format in 2010. All dogs who would have qualified for the 2009 show will be invited to attend the 2010 show, along with the 2010 qualifiers.

The AKC National Obedience Invitational and AKC Agility Invitational will be held in conjunction with the 2009 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship. The Los Encinos Kennel Club, Kennel Club of Beverly Hills and Long Beach Kennel Club shows will precede the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship at the same site on Dec. 9-11, 2009.

There is a slide show of the Chairman’s Speech at the following address. Outlined in the presentation are comments on the AKC Brand, Registrations and the Future of AKC


Jim Anderson moved to approve the Delegate’s Report, Kelly Brunarski seconded, motion approved.