

Report from the Triathlon Committee.

Committee members are: Toby Brandtman, Dora McDonald, Valori Trantanella, Cindi Gredys, Ariel Duncan, June Mintchell and KC Artley (chairperson).

1. Add the formula for how to compute the Triathlon Lure Coursing Base Score from the AKC lure coursing total score. New Wording is:

“The Lure Coursing Base Score (100 points maximum) will be the ASFA total score divided by 4 when there are two judges, or the ASFA total score divided by 2 when there is one judge, or the AKC total score divided by 2 when there are two judges, or the AKC total score when there is one judge. “

2. Allow spayed bitches & neutered males, who are not veterans, to enter the Triathlon. These dogs are required to enter the Altered Conformation Class. To increase entries in this class, the Altered Conformation Class will be open to any spayed/neutered dog, not just the Triathlon dogs. The Altered Class will be judged in a similar manner to other conformation classes. First through fourth placements will be awarded. Conformation bonus points to be given to the Triathlon dog who gets a placement in this class, just like the other conformation classes. For consistency, this committee recommends that the judge for the Triathlon class, also judge the Altered Class. Recommend the following wording: *“All Borzoi, including spayed bitches and neutered males, entered in the Triathlon, must enter the Triathlon class. The Triathlon dog must also enter a regular conformation class, a veteran conformation class, or the altered conformation class.”*

3. Recommend that the Triathlon Chairperson be responsible for notifying the Triathlon winners in time for them to get their pictures taken with their dogs, when the photographer is taking the Best of Breed pictures. The Triathlon Chairperson is also responsible for having the trophies and ribbons available for these pictures.

4. Recommend a procedural change in the judging of the Triathlon class. The judge will judge the entire class, like a regular conformation class, and arrange the dogs in order, placing the Best dog first. Then, starting with the Best dog, the judge will give a numeric score to each dog, based on the Conformation Score Sheet of 100 points maximum. The majority of the Triathlon committee felt that this procedure would result in a more accurate range of scores, rather than the current procedure of each dog coming into the ring by himself, judged, and given a numeric score.