



**BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA
AKC Delegate Report**

October 26, 2011

The AKC Delegate Meeting was held September 13, 2011, Newark, New Jersey

The AKC Lifetime achievement awards will be presented in Orlando in December to Jean Fournier (Conformation), Pat Scully (Companion) and Robert Fleury (Performance).

Reserve Best in Show has been established at all-breed dog shows, effective July 3, 2012.

The Group realignment is proceeding and it was reported that it has been expanded to 11 Groups. Although the Board will determine the assignment of breeds and has not completed that task, it sounds like the Italian Greyhound will be placed in the Sighthound Group at the request of the Italian Greyhound Club of America.

In a continuing effort to meet the economic challenges facing the AKC, the AKC Board has voted at its October 2011 meeting to restructure the individual dog registration and co-ownership fees. As of January 1, 2012, the first-time individual dog registration fee and each basic transfer of ownership fee will increase to \$30 per dog. With the first-time individual dog registration as well as any subsequent transfer of dog ownership, one (1) primary owner will be listed with the \$30 registration or transfer fee. In addition, a \$10 fee will be added for each additional owner listed on the registration certificate. The primary owner will receive the official AKC Registration Certificate and each additional owner will receive an e-mail only copy of the registration certificate. The e-mail copy will be clearly marked COPY, will not display the certificate issue date, and will not have the transfer form on the back. This is the first registration fee increase since 2007.

Also at the October Board meeting, the Board modified the definition of "good standing" to read "a person who does not have any AKC privileges suspended at this time."

At the November Board meeting, the Board will once again address a proposal to create a new three-point major for Reserve Winners Dog and Bitch at one National Specialty each year. The three points may only be awarded to the RWD or RWB, if the class competition in that sex is double the number required for a five point major.

At the December Delegate Meeting, the Delegates will be voting on a proposal to allow a person connected with dog food, dog remedy or kennel supply companies in the capacity of solicitor or salesman from becoming an AKC judge. Does the Board have an opinion on how to vote?

Respectfully Submitted,
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