

**Nov 12, 2011 Board Meeting  
Governors Reports**

**Region 1 – Ron Williams**

**Region 2 – Jane Schreiber**

A BCOA Region 2 meeting is planned for October 29<sup>th</sup> after the PVBC Specialty. The club always hosts a luncheon after showing for all exhibitors, whether they are members or not. I will hold the meeting following the PVBC luncheon, raffle and silent auction.

The BCOA members in the Region have been contacted again about volunteering some time at the “Meet the Breed” booth at the Eukanuba show in December. The plans for the exhibit are moving along well and we hope to keep it that way! But now we need people and Borzois to participate.

The AKC notices and information about canine diseases ,cures and studies have been passed along to the Regions members and I have received several positive comments of appreciation about having them circulated.

**Region 3 – R.Lynn Shell**

Region 3's busy time has come and gone with the successful completion of two specialty events.

Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club hosted their annual Labor Day event in the beautiful Thompson Park in Longmont, CO with Veni Harlan judging the Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes and Helen Lee judging the breed classes. There were 39 dogs entered (total entries 48) in the show with 6 puppies and 3 veterans in sweepstakes. They had wonderful and practical prizes to present including silhouette leash holders, comfy throws and dog beds, and cases of canned food.

The Lone Star Borzoi Club's specialty event took place on September 17th in Hutto, TX. There were 39 entered with total entries of 56. Garnett Thompson presided over Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes, Mike Loller judged Jr Showmanship and Amy Sorbie was the judge for Breed. Trophies were once again exquisite art creations by Elissa Mitchell.

Entries have fallen over the years, not only at specialties but at the all-breed shows as well (generally speaking). Hopefully there will be an upturn in the near future. I missed getting to see some of the folks I regularly see at both events.

**Region 4 – Lorie Scott**

I just returned from attending BCNC Winter Specialty in Pleasanton, CA. The members did a great job putting on the show and this year the weather was lovely and sunny. Breed judge was Jay Cunningham who thoroughly enjoyed his day along with Doreen Carlstad who judged sweepstakes. Congratulations to all the winners. I was able to address the BCOA members at the club meeting and answer many questions regarding the current situation we are facing with the upcoming ballot for board elections. The members were informed that Rebecca Peters-Campbell will be running for President on petition and Carol Enz from our own region will be running on petition for Vice-President. It was very interactive and I appreciate the great interest shown.

I will be attending the BCOC meeting in November and will be able to address and answer questions that the members may have.

Our region will be hosting the BCOA National Specialty in 2014. Several members have put forth potential sites that need to be investigated so hopefully I will hear from them and maybe we have some choices. Potential cities are Sacramento, CA. Tucson, AZ. and Albuquerque, NM.

I have sent out report packets to my members who do not have computer access. Included was the correspondence from acting President Kelly Brunarski regarding Lydia Pruett's resignation

along with a copy of my correspondence to the regional members. I let them know when and where I would be having meetings and would be available to answer questions as well as an invitation to call me if they preferred.

### **Region 5 – Robin Riel**

#### **Region 6 – Joyce Katona**

Hello everyone, by now you should have received the email from acting president Kelly Brunarski regarding our current state of affairs. I would like to thank Lydia Pruett for her many years of service to the Borzoi Club of America and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

This presents each of us with an opportunity that I don't believe has ever occurred in BCOA history. I may be wrong, but I don't think there has ever been a time when the club has gone into an election without a nomination for President! Now is the chance for any of you who have felt the officers and Board don't address your needs or concerns to step up to the plate, run for office! I personally feel it would be WONDERFUL if we were to have an actual election, where multiple people were running for office and our votes actually matter instead of having every office go uncontested.

Nomination of eligible members may be made by written petition. Petitions must be signed by five (5) BCOA members in good standing all of which must have been members for at least five (5) years. Petitions must be sent in one envelope accompanied by the written acceptance of the petitioner signifying his/her willingness to be a candidate. No person who has declined a nomination from the Nominating Committee may be nominated by petition for the same office. No person may be a candidate for more than one position on the ballot. Petitions must be sent by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested or by any other courier service that will certify delivery to: Janis A. Leikam, BCOA Recording Secretary, 12910 238th Street SE, Snohomish, WA 98296-7872. All petitions must be received on or before midnight October 31<sup>st</sup>. Requirements and duties of offices may be found in the BCOA Constitution (Articles III and IV). <http://www.borzoiclubofamerica.org/pdf/BCOAConstitution.pdf>

If no eligible petitions for nomination for the office of President are received by October 31st, the newly-elected Vice President will assume the office of BCOA President for 2012 and 2013, and the board will appoint a new Vice President. If more than one eligible individual submits a petition for nomination for the office of BCOA President, the new President will be the winner of that election. If there is only one eligible petition for nomination for the office of President, that person will become President for 2012 and 2013.

Don't forget about the upcoming National which will be held in Richland, WA, May 20-26. There is a maximum of four dogs per room. There will be a \$50 non-refundable cleaning fee added to the total charges per room. When making your reservations, if you want to save the \$50 cleaning fee, you can sign up for their Red Lion R&R Club and the fee will be waived! Make sure to ask about that when making your reservations! Here is more information from the BCOA website.

**The 2012 host hotel is the Red Lion Hotel - Richland Hanford House in Richland, WA.**

**STANDARD ROOM TYPE: \$92.95 single/double occupancy ~ \$97.95 triple occupancy ~ \$102.95 quad occupancy - two dog limit**

**PREMIUM ROOM TYPE: \$102.95 single/double occupancy ~ \$107.95 triple occupancy ~ \$112.95 quad occupancy - four dog limit**

**SUITES: \$149.95 single through quad occupancy Complimentary Breakfast included in rate.**

***Deadline*** for reservations at the above rate is April 27, 2012.

**IMPORTANT:** Guest room reservations **MUST** be made through email to Keith Weller at [Keith.Weller@RedLion.com](mailto:Keith.Weller@RedLion.com). Please include:

**First & Last Name:**

**Arrival Date:**

**Departure Date:**

**Phone Number:**

I hope everyone has an enjoyable fall season, get out with your dogs, enjoy the cooler weather and the beautiful fall foliage.