

BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.



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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 11/05/15 – 01/13/16

- 11/15/15 Received information from the Oklahoma Biltmore Hotel regarding use of their facility for our events.
- 11/19/15 Received a donation request from the National Animal Interest Alliance (NAIA) and a thank-you for our past support.
- 11/19/15 Sent supply of old BCOA pins to Carol Enz.
- 11/21/15 Request from Ray N, hn_915@yahoo.com for breeders in Missouri and surrounding states. Sent.
- 11/22/15 Received information regarding the Forever Fresh Water Bowl.
- 11/29/15 Request from Sapphire Hudson, sapphirehudson2016@yahoo.com, for information on Borzoi. Sent.
- 12/02/15 Received a donation request from the AKC Canine Legislative Support Fund.
- 12/02/15 Received a request from Lyn Hoflin for a Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Saturday, February 13, 2016 in conjunction with the Plum Creek Kennel Club Show at the National Western Show Complex in Denver, Colorado. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lyn. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendar.
- 11/24/15 Received a Member Dues Notice from AKC.
- 12/03/15 Sent a request to Rita Rice for a check for \$25.00 to cover our AKC member dues.
- 12/08/15 Request from Andrea Kirkpatrick, andrea.kirkpatrick155@gmail.com, for other Borzoi owners in Northern Virginia, DC, and MD. Sent.
- 12/10/15 Received AKC approval for a Futurity to be held on 04/12/16. Sweepstakes Judge: Veni Harlan.
- 12/14/15 Request from Stephanie Doles for breeders within driving distance of DC. Sent.
- 12/18/15 Sent a Borzoi Club of America Health Statement (as discussed at the November Board Meeting) to Peter Piusz of the Delegate Parent Club Committee.
- 12/18/15 Sent a letter of thanks to Jon Steele for his outstanding *AKC Gazette* columns and for the innumerable contributions he has made for our club.
- 12/18/15 Sent a letter of thanks to KC Artley for all the work she did on the Standing Rules and Brochure.
- 12/18/15 Sent a letter of thanks to Helen Lee for the countless contributions she has made for Borzoi and BCOA with her work on the *Aristocrat*.
- 12/22/15 Received a second notice from AKC for our Member Club dues. Contacted Rita Rice.
- 12/22/15 Received a notice from AKC regarding recent changes approved by the Board of Directors. 1) Submission of Grooming Plans no longer required. 2) Minimum age of puppies at matches; Sanctioned A – four months, and Sanctioned B – 3 months. 3) Greater flexibility in holding concurrent specialties and 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy competition as well as advocating the use of practice rings. 4) Approval of the use of electronic documents (premium list, judging program, and catalog) for clubs.
- 12/28/15 Received a request from Linda Deutsch for a Borzoi Club of Greater New York Independent Specialty to be held on Friday, May 6, 2016 at Tinicum Park in Erwinna,

PA. Conformation Judge: Raymond Filburn. Sweepstakes Judge: John Arvin. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Linda Deutsch. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

12/30/15 Received a check from Rita Rice for our AKC Member dues. Sent on to AKC.

01/06/16 Received notice from the AKC Canine Health Foundation that the American Boxer Charitable Foundation, the Golden Retriever Foundation and the Portuguese Water Dog Foundation have taken a collaborative stand against cancer by pledging \$432,000.00 to support this research effort.

01/07/16 Received a request from Kim Plache for a Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Monday, September 5, 2016 at Thonpson Park in Longmont, Colorado. Conformation Judge: Fred Vogel. Sweepstakes Judge: Ernie Cheely. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Kim. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

01/09/16 Received a request from Mary McDonald for a Borzoi Club of Delaware Valley Specialty to be held on Sunday, May 8, 2016 with the Trenton Kennel Club Show at Mercer County Park in West Windsor, New Jersey. Conformation Judge: Dr. Robert Indeglia. Sweepstakes Judge: Michael Work. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Mary McDonald.

01/09/16 Received an updated Officer and Membership List for the Borzoi Club of Delaware Valley from Mary McDonald.

01/13/16 Received notice from the AKC Foundation Stock Service Staff requesting club feedback from the Borzoi Club of America and the American Whippet Club regarding the acceptance of the Silken Windhounds into FSS.

Treasurer (Rita Rice): Please contact Rita treas@cboa.club for a report.

AKC DELEGATE (Barbara O'Neill)

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Friday, December 11, 2015.

Candidates for the Board of Directors were introduced and spoke on their goals for the AKC.

1. The election will be at the March 8 meeting. There are three vacancies and the candidates are:
Gretchen Bernardi, Mississippi Valley Kennel Club
Linda Ayers Turner Knorr, Greenville Kennel Club
Thomas Powers, Kennel Club of Beverly Hills
Rita J. Biddle, Ingham County Kennel Club
Patricia M. Cruz, Heart of the Plains Kennel Club
William J. Feeney, Sir Frances Drake Kennel Club
Karolynne McAteer, Irish Setter Kennel Club of America.
2. The Delegate Body approved the use of electronic documents (premium list, judging program, and catalog) for clubs. Exhibitors still have the option to request printed documents if they wish.
3. The amendment to eliminate term limits for Board members was not approved.
4. The amendment to recognize multiple levels of Grand Championship titles was approved.
5. An amendment would permit Delegate judges to charge a fee of up to \$150. It is not clear to me if that is per day or per assignment. We will be asked to vote on it at the March 2016 meeting.
6. The next Delegate Meeting will be held Tuesday, March 8, 2016, Newark, New Jersey. An agenda has not been determined.