

# BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

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## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 02/16/17 – 04/23/17

- 02/18/17 Received a request from John Burkard, [john.burkard@flcomputerconsulting.com](mailto:john.burkard@flcomputerconsulting.com), for breeders on the East Coast. Sent.
- 02/18/17 Sent updated BCOA officer list to AKC.
- 02/18/17 Sent letters of thanks to Rita Rice and Marcella Zobel for their service on the Board.
- 02/21/17 Sent a follow-up letter to Denise Morales thanking her for her suggestion that we add a link on our web page regarding a contact for pet-safe house plants.
- 02/21/17 Contacted Nancy Hopkins regarding the pet-safe house plants link on our health website.
- 02/23/17 Received a notification from AKC regarding indemnification of their directors and officers.
- 02/25/17 Received a request from Holly Grace, [hollygrace25@gmail.com](mailto:hollygrace25@gmail.com), for breeders in Texas. Sent.
- 02/25/17 Received a request from Patricia Wiseman for a Puget Sound Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at Cascade Air Park in Snohomish, WA. Conformation Judge: Meghann Lord-Fenn. Sweepstakes Judge: Anne Quinn. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Patricia Wiseman. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.
- 02/25/17 Received an updated club officer list for the Puget Sound Borzoi Club from Patricia Wiseman.
- 02/25/17 Received a request from Patricia Wiseman for a second Puget Sound Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Sunday, August 27, 2017 at Cascade Air Park in Snohomish, WA. Conformation Judge: Laura Hyatt. Sweepstakes Judge: Janis McFerrin. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Patricia Wiseman. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.
- 02/25/17 Received a request from Lorrie Scott for a Borzoi Club of California Specialty to be held on Friday, March 17, 2017 at Bates Nut Farm in Valley Center, CA. Conformation Judge: Sheila Paske. Sweepstakes Judge: Terry Doane. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lorrie. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.
- 02/25/17 Received an updated Membership List for the Borzoi Club of California from Lorrie Scott.
- 03/03/17 Received a request from Madison Miller, [madisonkensey@gmail.com](mailto:madisonkensey@gmail.com), for breeders in Kansas and surrounding states. Sent.
- 03/06/17 Received a request from Samantha Rawles, [ssrawles0502@gmail.com](mailto:ssrawles0502@gmail.com), for breeders in Florida. Sent.
- 03/06/17 Received a PDF file from Nick Tedeschi with Prize Possessions.
- 03/07/17 Received the February Charles Schwab account statements.
- 03/07/17 Received a Press Release from AKC regarding their new Trick Dog Titling Program.
- 03/10/17 Received a Press Release from AKC announcing the relocation of the AKC Museum of the Dog to New York City.
- 03/15/17 Received a notice from Charles Schwab that a bond held by us is scheduled to mature. Notified Shen Smith and Barbara O'Neill.

03/17/17 Received a request from Hannah Pemberton, [hepemberton@gmail.com](mailto:hepemberton@gmail.com) for breeders in Georgia. Sent.

03/27/17 Received a request from Paula Steenson for a Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha specialty to be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017 with the Cornhusker Kennel Club event at the Lancaster Events Center in Lincoln, Nebraska. Conformation Judge: Karen Dumke. Sweepstakes Judge: KC Thompson-Golcher. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Paula Steenson. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

03/27/17 Received a request from Paula Steenson for a second Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha Specialty to be held on Sunday, October 8, 2017 with the Cornhusker Kennel Club at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln, NE. Conformation Judge: Kalen Dumke. Sweepstakes Judge: Pam Buffington. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Paula. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

03/27/17 Received an updated membership list for the Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha from Paula Steenson.

03/30/17 Received a request from Danielle Schulz, [dschulz814@gmail.com](mailto:dschulz814@gmail.com) for breeders in Pennsylvania. Sent.

04/02/17 Received March Charles Schwab account statements.

04/07/17 Received a phone request from Rebecca Morano for breeders in Michigan.

04/10/17 Received notice from *Sight and Scent* that they will be featuring our National Specialty in their magazine and listing advertising rates.

04/12/17 Received notice of a trade confirmation on 04/11/17 from Charles Schwab.

04/12/17 Received a phone call from Helen Mayes in Florida to inform me that one of our Lifetime Members, Judith Harris, had passed away. She had stipulated that her collection of Borzoi memorabilia be given to BCOA. The collection is too large to be shipped and Patti Neale has agreed to obtain it. Information was sent to Sandra Moore so that a memorial can be included in the National Show Catalog.

04/17/17 Received a request from Carol McCarthy, [carolinpomfret@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinpomfret@yahoo.com) for breeders in Connecticut. Sent.

04/18/17 Received an email from Erica Jantos asking that if someone is willing to be the CGC Tester at the National in Hunt Valley they contact Renee McCartin.

04/18/17 Received a request from Karen Miller for a Borzoi Club of New England Specialty to be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at the Big E Event with Albany KC in West Springfield, MA. Conformation and Sweepstakes Judges to be determined.

04/18/17 Received an updated Membership List for the Borzoi Club of New England from Karen Miller.

04/18/17 Contacted Barbara Ohmann, Director of Club Educational Services at AKC, regarding a request from Prudence Hlatky for information on books given out at the Houston Cluster a couple of years ago.

04/18/17 Received a request from Lorene Connolly for a Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey Specialty to be held with the Somerset Hills Kennel Club Show on Saturday, September 9, 2017 at North Branch Park in Bridgewater, NJ. Conformation Judge: Dr. Camille McArdle. Sweepstakes Judge: Denise Flaim. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lorene. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

04/18/17 Received an updated Officer and Membership List for the Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey from Lorene Connolly.

04/18/17 Received a request from Lucia deCordre for a Potomac Valley Borzoi Club Specialty to be held with the Old Dominion Kennel Club event on Monday, October 2, 2017 in Millwood VA. Conformation Judge: Col. Joe Purkheiser. Sweepstakes Judge: Leonore Abordo. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lucia. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

04/21/17 Received notification from Barbara O'Neill that our Life Member, Elizabeth Forry, of Oakshade Kennels, had passed away. A sympathy card was sent to her daughter, June Clark.

04/22/17 Received notification from Linda Deutsch that our Life Member, Tom Carroll, of Entwood Kennels, had passed away. A sympathy card was sent to his wife, Leslie.

**Treasurer (Jan Leikam):** Please contact [waynejan1@wavecable.com](mailto:waynejan1@wavecable.com)

## **AKC DELEGATE REPORT**

April 4, 2017

The following candidates were elected to the AKC Board of Director, class of 2021:

Rita J. Biddle, Ingham County Kennel Club

Dominic P. Carota, Pharaoh Hound Club of America

Harvey M. Wooding, Westminster Kennel Club.

Thomas Powers, Kennel Club of Beverly Hills

The following amendments to *Rules Applying to Dog Show* was voted on at the December meeting.

**Chapter 6, Section 9:** The amendment would extend the closing time for entries to be no later than 11:59 p.m. As there was not 2/3 in the majority, the amendment was not adopted.

The following amendments was been passed by the Delegate body:

**Chapter 2, Section 3**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, which would enable the AKC upon receipt of an appeal, to approve a club for the holding of a show at a site within the area of another club on a case-by-case basis, if it believes the permission of the host club has unreasonably been denied.

The following amendments were read at the March meeting and will be voted on at the June meeting.

Read on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 16, Section 6**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, which would include the non-regular (eligible for Best of Breed/Variety) class entrants in the calculation of Grand Championship points. Currently, dogs that win Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, and Select from a non-regular class (such as Veterans) can earn GCH points but are not included in the count for GCH.

Read on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 9, New Sections 3 and 5**, of the *Beagle Field Trial Rules*. **New Section 3** would allow Beagle Federations to hold one licensed derby stake per calendar year. **New Section 5** would allow a Beagle to earn up to one-third of the requirement for a Field Champion title from derby stakes. This amendment was brought forward by the Beagle Advisory Committee.

Read on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 9, New Sections 2 and 7**, of the *Beagle Field Trial Rules*. **New Section 2** would allow licensed clubs, associations and federations to hold FC only stakes at their regular licensed field trial or as an FC only stand-alone licensed field trial. **New Section 7** specifies the requirements for a dog to earn a Grand Field Champion title. This amendment was brought forward by the Beagle Advisory Committee.

Read on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 14, Section 4, (Second Paragraph)** of the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Retrievers*, which would give clubs the freedom to use a system of rotation if they desire. This amendment was brought forward by the Field Trial Advisory Committee.

The next Delegate Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 13, 2017. An agenda has not been determined.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara O'Neill, AKC Delegate

## **Regional Governors Spring 2017**

### **Region 1 (Ron Williams)**

I wasn't contacted with any new issues from Region 1. Lena Tamboer, however, did thank me for my part in her 60<sup>th</sup> award being delivered.

I communicated the following to my region:

- Several AKC information emails I've received.
- NYC Meet The Breeds report.
- Contacted the two members whose dues lapsed. One member sent a check in and the other had intentionally let it lapse, with no intention to maintain the membership.
- Sent an opinion poll for 2018 Veterans Sweeps.
  - Before - 6
  - After - 1
  - Didn't Care - 1
- By request, I forwarded the BCDV and BCGNY Spring Specialty notices.
- Sent the notice to lookup the 2017 Membership Directory to confirm, and if necessary adjust, their member information.

### **Region 2 (Katie Averill)**

I contacted the members in my Region 3 times. The first time I advised them to decide on whether they wanted to vote on the additional Sweeps classes at the Annual Meeting or if they wanted a vote by ballot for every member. The second time I asked them if they wanted the Veteran Sweeps before or after Puppy Sweeps. The third time was to ask them to check their membership entry in the directory.

I heard from five members against the Sweeps additional classes and one for them. I heard from 18 members about the placement of Veteran Sweeps. Three were for before puppies, three didn't care and six wanted them after puppies. I heard from seven people saying their directory entries were correct.

I also heard from new member Jill Zamowski about a trophy she wanted to donate and that was taken care of by Lorrie. I had two lapsed members. One wanted to stay a member, but didn't want to have to apply again by the form for new members. The other member had lost her last Borzoi and wasn't sure she should stay a member.

### **Region 3 (Prudence Hlatky)**

First and foremost, I hope a lot of Region III members have sent in entries for the National. It should be a very nice entry, in a nice location and again with a breeder judge. Well worth attending even if you don't have a dog to show.

#### **National Specialty:**

Of special interest, this year is the Health Seminar on Holter Testing for Borzoi and the Member Education Seminar on Borzoi Movement, presented by two of our most successful breeders, Jim Sillers DVM and Anne Midgarden DVM.

I will have sent out under a separate cover the 2017 BCOA Member Directory. Please once again check it for accuracy. If there are, any issues please let Joy Windle or me know.

#### **Upcoming events:**

Region III Performance TSE:

Region III will host the first ever BCOA Performance TSE – Congratulations Tom Golcher and the Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club.

June 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> at the Zoiboyz Ranch. Please contact Tom at [tom@zoiboyz.com](mailto:tom@zoiboyz.com) for details.

Region III Conformation TSEs:

July 15, 2017 – Greater Shelby Kennel Club, Southaven, MS – Judge Susan St. John Brown

July 21, 2017 – Houston, TX – Judge – Michael Canalizo

**Of Interest:**

As most know, I will not be running for re-election for the term starting in 2018. Barbara O'Neill is the chairperson of the nominating committee. Please contact her if you have an interest in running for the Region III Governor position.

Our April / May Board meeting is always interesting. It takes two conference calls and the By-laws mandated National Board meeting to cover all the committee reports and material. If you have any comments or issues, please let me know so they can be included in the agenda.

Again, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

**Region 4 (Lorrie Scott)**

I've sent several updates to the region with updates from our board meeting and items that are being actively worked on. I've also been doing short updates and asking for their opinions. Below is results from my 3 polls. For me and my region at this point this seems to be working.

**BCOA Votes and Opinions Region 4 Members**

Veteran sweepstakes first: IIIII IIIII IIIII

Stay same: I

National specialty in our region:

2020 for us: III (if someone is actively working on it)

Let region 3 have it: II

Don't care: IIIII

Region 3 gets to go to 2020, Region 4 (us) go to 2021 and then Region 6 2022 IIIII IIIII

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Mentoring:

Formal education/seminar

Performance titles should count

Performance judge

**Region 5 (Karen Ackerman)**

**Region 6 (Joyce Katona)**

I contacted the region and told them about the most recent Board actions and decisions.

I contacted the lapsed members in the region and sent them a link to the website page to join again.

I got a reply from one who said she had paid back in January through PayPal. I have asked Jan to research this and let me know.

I asked for feedback on the following items:

1. Timing of the Veteran Sweepstakes judging (before or after Puppy Sweeps) beginning with the 2018 National
2. Email voting
3. Interest in the Canine Ambassador Program
4. Suggestions for updating the breeder ethics guidelines

I received a handful of replies regarding the timing of Veteran Sweeps judging; after Puppy Sweeps=1, before Puppy Sweeps= 1, open to discussion=1

Since I had included the list of approved Specialties and TSE's in my regional update, I got several responses regarding Specialties in the Region. One member indicated that the Greater Twin Cities Borzoi Club is having their specialties on August 25 & 26 and a Supported Entry on 8/27 and that they had been approved. Another member said that the Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha specialties also had BCOA approval. These need to be added to the website.

A member stated that the opportunity to vote via email is the future, we need to jump on board.  
(We already are.)

A member wrote about re-donating the obedience High In Trial trophy that she had retired since there currently is no HIT challenge trophy. I have asked for this to be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Cindi Gredys sent documents regarding the proposed 'Borzoi-Finders' list that she is planning to form as an io group. I have sent them along to Rebecca and asked that this item be added to the agenda.