

Committee Reports Summer 2019

Annual Awards (Nancy G Katsarelas)

I do believe everyone was happy with their TOP awards this year. Only one person responded regarding their pleasure, but I guess that is better than 12 plus people being unhappy. We did have one minor glitch that I only heard about after the Specialty was over. The one make up award for Kay Cassella went off on its own, Kay did not receive it until she commented to me that she hadn't. A little steam from me and it was located by Carol, I believe, and sent to Kay. All is good and another sign of relief that the 2019 Specialty is over.

Annual Top Five

Rosettes should be awarded at annual dinner (not left on a table in the showroom). LS volunteers to mail those not collected at NM in 2020. Need to verify with Deb Vidaver-Cohen that Rally is on her list.

Archives (KC Artley)

Thanks to Lena Tamboer for her recent donation to the BCOA archives (accompanying pdf). KC will be working with Helen Lee, to copy the BCOA specialty show information and other information about borzoi, to the BCOA website for all to see. Ron Williams has collected more boxes from Lena Tamboer to deliver to KC Artley in November.

Aristocrat (Helen W. Lee, Editor)

I've received a suggestion from Leonore Abordo for a possible fundraiser for BCOA. She was wondering if doing a print run of past national supplements - in full-colour on glossy paper and 3-hole punched - would be feasible. She said she'd pay \$10-\$15 per national for them, to keep in a 3-ring binder.

I'm of two minds about this myself: while I do love my printed books I also realize that people are more and more moving to reading digitally, either online or on an e-reader of some sort. :>) Included in the Webmaster report for this meeting you can see statistics about how many online publications have been viewed. I, of course, can't tell you how many people have looked at their printed books. :>)

As for the *Aristocrat* itself, in the Spring and Summer issues, there were 2 regular ads at \$35 each, 3 New Title ads at \$25 each and 4 Memorial ads at \$20 each (a new offering for the Summer issue), so advertising has slowed down a bit. It would be helpful if the regional governors would remind their members each quarter that the *Aristocrat* ad rates are VERY reasonable. :>)

In closing, I'd like to acknowledge the three women who have been invaluable to me for proofreading: Joy Windle, Barbara O'Neill, and Leonore Abordo. It is SO hard for an editor to check their own work and these ladies have been a huge help.

BTRC (Shen Smith)

Attached are the May/2019 Schwab Account Statements for RescAcct#1 & #2 along with the most current (May 9, 2019) Bond Ladders. Schwab distribution paperwork for the previously BCOA & BTRC approved 2019 Rescue distribution and BCOA for their out of pocket expenses has been created and mailed to Ron Williams & Barbara O'Neill - checks should be issued and received by the end of June. The distribution is for \$10k NBRF & \$206.38 for BCOA.

Also, attached is a copy of the amended - January 28, 2019 BTRC Budget Meeting Minutes. Barbara pointed out that none of us caught that I had inadvertently omitted the first sentence of this paragraph regarding discussion on **Page Two, Paragraph titled Distribution For Rescue**. Checking the

meeting minute notes I find Barbara is correct about this paragraph missing the first sentence, so I have added the missing sentence as an amendment to that paragraph which clarifies what the final motion on this topic was in reference to. Barbara indicated the correction will become final with the minutes correction at the summer BTRC meeting.

Account balances as of June 13th, 2019:

RescAcct#1 - \$936,206.57 and RescAcct#2 - \$197,059.68 Total - \$1,133,266.25

In July RescAcct#2 will have \$25k ready for reinvestment, and by the end of 2019 RescAcct#1 will have \$107k ready for reinvestment. The bond market earnings has been doing exceptionally well since the beginning of 2019. Barbara is planning a BTRC meeting the end of July or the first part of August to review investment strategies for the maturing funds along with other business. Any questions, please contact Barbara.

Health (Nancy Hopkins)

175 New submissions to OFA with 68 placed in the Open Database. There are a few cases where a dog had multiple studies where some were put into the Open Database, but others were put into the Semi-Open Database. OFA has two separate databases, the Semi-Open and the Open. Unless the owner specifies that the test results are to be placed into the Open Database, all data automatically reverts into the Semi-Open Database. The Semi-Open Database displays normal results but withholds abnormal results from public view. Only dogs whose results are in the public domain are eligible for a CHIC number. *I want to stress that you must initial the blank that gives OFA permission to place your dog into the Open Database if you want to assure your dog receives its CHIC number.*

If you have done all the testing required for a CHIC, but your dog has not received its CHIC number, the problem may be either that the data has not yet been uploaded into the OFA database, or you inadvertently did not initial the area giving OFA permission to enter your dog into the Open Database. To assure that your data is in the Open Database, you can send a completed "Application to change from Semi-Open to Open Database" form to OFA. This form can be accessed at the OFA website by going to the "Application Forms" page and scrolling down to the link to the "Application to change from Semi-Open to Open Database" form. The direct link is <https://www.ofa.org/pdf/databasechange.pdf>.

This quarter, two Borzoi received passing Hip and Elbow certifications. Seven new Dentition Database certifications were submitted. There are 20 new Degenerative Myelopathy certifications with 16 normal, 2 normal by parentage, and 2 carriers. Of the 57 new Eye submissions each one was normal. Nineteen new thyroid submissions - 15 normal, 4 with Compensative Autoimmune Thyroiditis (Free T4 normal, Canine Thyroid Stimulating Hormone greater than normal range, Thyroglobulin Auto-antibodies positive)

A total of 58 new cardiac evaluations are now in the OFA database with the following breakdown:

- 6 used the old Congenital Database - All normal results
- 5 auscultation only
- 1 echocardiogram
- 52 used the new Advanced Cardiac Database - 47 normal, 1 equivocal, and 4 abnormal (2 Mitral Valve Dysplasia, 1 Tricuspid Valve Dysplasia, 1 Myxomatous Mitral Valve Disease)
- 23 - auscultation only
- 12 - auscultation and echocardiogram
- 12 - auscultation, echocardiogram, and ECG

I want to emphasize the importance of doing echocardiograms on your breeding animals. I realized this is not always possible because of the relative rarity of veterinary cardiology practices and the expense of the test. However, remember that an auscultation will tell you little about the presence or absence of adult onset (and even some low grade congenital) cardiac diseases. It is appropriate to conduct auscultations on puppies as this can identify some congenital problems (those that produce an

audible murmur) before placement decisions are made. Dogs intended for breeding should undergo more revealing evaluations.

I want to personally thank the owners of the 10 dogs who have been newly added to the CHIC DNA Databank. Because Borzoi are overall very healthy and not a breed with a large population, we need LOTS of Borzoi with their DNA placed into this bank. The reality is there may not be enough borzoi alive with a specific genetic problem at one point in time for scientists to conduct a DNA study. If we hope to be able to conduct any kind of DNA research in the future we need a fairly large number of affected individuals banked from which researchers can draw samples. We also need unaffected individuals in the bank to be used for comparison purposes. This means that Borzoi must have their DNA placed in the database at a young age to assure their presence in the bank. Be sure to submit the maximum amount of blood (not cheek swabs) to assure your dog's DNA will be available for multiple studies well into the future. Also, be diligent about updating OFA should its health status change and/or at the end of your dog's life. Having your dog's DNA banked serves no purpose if there is no updated health information provided. Investigators must know what ailments your dog encountered throughout its life for their research to be valid.

The new edition of *The Blue Book (2017) - "Ocular Disorders Presumed to be Inherited in Purebred Dogs,"* produced by the Genetics Committee of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists has been released. I am attaching a copy for interested members. For those unfamiliar with this publication, it has a wealth of information that includes descriptions of ocular conditions that cause blindness with "definite evidence of heritability in one or more breeds." It also provides information on how inherited eye diseases are identified, the guidelines used for making the breeding recommendations found in the book and on your OFA Eye certifications, what can be detected during an eye exam for certification, definitions of the Breeder Option Codes, a glossary of terms, as well as recommendations on the role of breeders. There is also breed specific information with the pages for Borzoi starting on page 191.

From 2010 - 2016 the eye conditions with frequencies over 1% are: Other, Unspecified - 2.3%, Other, Not Inherited - 4.3%, Retinopathy - 2.3%, Cataract, Suspect Not Inherited - 3.2%, Significant Cataracts (summary) - 2.7%, Persistent Pupillary Membranes, iris to iris - 2.3%. Of the 1197 Borzoi examined during the 6 year period of this report 1033 or 86.3% had normal globes. There were 22 breeds with higher percentages of normal globes than Borzoi

Breed	Percent Normal Globe	Number Normal Globe
Hokkaido Dog	100%	(1)
Jagdterrier	100%	(2)
Volpino Italiano	100%	(1)
Norrbottenspets	95.5%	(21)
Sloughi	95.5%	(21)
Alaskan Noble Companion Dog	93.8%	(60)
American Staffordshire Terrier	92.2%	(166)
Harrier	90.2%	(37)
Kuvasz	92.1%	(35)
Miniature Schnauzer	89.3%	(6846)
Silken Windhound	89.3%	(301)
Icelandic Sheepdog	89.1%	(1076)
Norwich Terrier	89.0%	(1118)
Standard Schnauzer	88.4%	(902)
English Setter	88.1%	(170)
Whippet	87.7%	(2987)
Briard	87.3%	(448)

Akita	87.2%	(1501)
German Wire-haired Pointer	87.1%	(373)
Belgian Malinois	87.0%	(833)
Cardigan Welsh Corgi	86.9%	(739)
Havana Silk Dog	86.3%	(461)
Borzo	86.3%	(1197)

There were 56 breeds with higher numbers of dogs tested during the 2010-2016 period

<i>Breed</i>	<i>Number Examined 2010-2016</i>
Labrador Retriever	55345
Golden Retriever	52268
Australian Shepherd	29626
Cavalier Kind Charles Spaniel	20439
English Springer Spaniel	12277
Poodle	12166
Collie	11061
Portuguese Water Dog	10634
Havanese	9909
Cocker Spaniel	9245
Siberian Husky	8496
Shetland Sheepdog	7948
Miniature Schnauzer	7663
Samoyed	6508
Mini American Mini Australian Shepherd	6106
Border Collie	5140
Bernese Mountain Dog	5027
Labradoodle	4980
Boston Terrier	4656
Pembroke Welsh Corgi	4589
Rottweiler	4198
Whippet	3406
Great Dane	3020
Chesapeake Bay Retriever	2976
Belgian Tervuren	2940
Flat-Coated Retriever	2855
German Shorthaired Pointer	2574
Papillon	2518
Jack Russel Terrier	2474
Border Terrier	2283
French Bulldog	2211
Tibetan Terrier	2189
Bichon Frise	2079
Basenji	2061
Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	2035
Rhodesian Ridgeback	1942
Alaskan Malamute	1907
Boykin Spaniel	1786
Italian Greyhound	1760

Akita	1721
Mastiff	1657
Coton De Tulear	1572
Chinese Crested	1538
Belgian Sheepdog	1464
Dachshund	1461
Doberman Pinscher	1441
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier	1423
Vizsla	1417
Shiba Inu	1361
Old English Sheepdog	1341
Bouvier Des Flandres	1301
Cairn Terrier	1278
Norwich Terrier	1256
Dalmatian	1230
German Shepherd Dog	1211
Icelandic Sheepdog	1207
Borzoi	1197

Health Research (Ginger Jones)

Drs. Meurs and Gelzer have reviewed the initial survey response numbers we provided from our survey. The survey was offered in three different methods: It could be submitted by returning the paper form through the US postal mail, emailed to me or participants could utilize the on-line survey set up at the Survey Monkey sight. I first provided them with the total numbers of respondents and the breakdown of YES and NO responses to the sudden death question to see if we had enough participants for them to analyze further. The numbers provided were as follows:

SURVEY STATISTICS FOR SUDDEN DEATH SURVEY 9/1/2018 TO 12/31/2018			
Surveys returned by postal mail = 41			
Surveys returned by on line survey = 81			
Surveys returned by email = 6			
Total number of respondents = 128			
1	Have you ever had a borzoi who experienced sudden death in the past 10 years. If so, how many of your dogs experienced this		
	YES	NO	# OF DOGS
	63	65	103

Both were impressed by the number of respondents and agreed it would provide a viable data set to start the initial investigation.

Their next request was for me to compile the balance of the information from the survey questions into spreadsheet format for their analysis. This took quite a bit of time to transpose and I learned through this process how to better refine and define survey questions to make data compilation much easier for any future research surveys!

The information below was then submitted to both Drs. Gelzer and Merus and after their initial analysis we reconvened to discuss next steps.

Attached below is the survey data statistics compiled by an identifier code (Rspndt ID#), the number of dogs each respondent owned over the last 10 years that succumbed to sudden death, the age of the sudden death for each dog, if the dog had littermates that also had died of sudden death and any other known relatives with sudden death

Rspndt ID #	# of dogs w/SD	Age at SD event	Littermates	Relatives
16	1 female	8mo	none known	none known
2	1	9mo	none known	none known
10	1	14mo	NO	none known
5	1	1 1/2yrs	none known	none known
14	1	20mo	*none known	none known
7	3	2yrs, (2) @ 3yrs	1 (3 yr olds were littermates)	2yr old was son of one of the two SD littermates
8	1	2yrs 2mo	none known	none known
18	2 male brothers	2yrs, 2 1/2yrs	Yes	Yes - sire of these 2 littermates
21	2 males	2yrs, 8yrs	none known	Yes - 1 dog with maternal uncle w/arrythmia diagnosed
13	1	3yrs	none known	2 or 3 cousins w/SD
15	1	3yrs	Yes - 1	none known
17	1	3yrs	NO	none known
19	1 male	3yrs	none known	none known
11	8	3yr, 5yr, 6yr, 8yr	YES	none known
4	1	3yr 11mo	none known	grandsire
22	1 female	7 1/2yrs	NO	none known
20	1	6yrs	none known	none known
1	1	8yrs	6 of 8 w/TVD	none known (TVD littermates lived into teens w/out meds)
6	1	8yrs	none known	none known
12	1	8yrs	NO	none known
23	1	8yrs	none known	none known
9	2	9yrs, 8yrs	none known	none known
3	2	10yrs, 11yrs	none known	none known

ON LINE SURVEY MONKEY RESPONDENTS

75	3	3yrs, 5yrs, 18mo	NO	YES
35	3	9yrs, 4yrs, 20mo	NO	YES
80	1	1yr	NO	NO

63	1	1 1/2yrs	NO	NO
7	4	7yrs, 1 1/2yrs, 5yrs, 5yrs		
58	1	23mo	YES	NO
81	3	2 @ 2yrs, 1 @ 5yrs	YES	none known
61	1 male	2yrs	YES	YES
65	1	2yrs 4mo	none known	none known
71	1male	3yrs 1day	NO	YES
34	1	3yrs	none known	none known
8	1	3yrs	YES	none known
26	1	3yrs	none known	none known
29	2	3yrs, 4yrs	YES	
9	1	3yrs11mo	NO	NO
73	2 female	3yr, 9yrs	YES	YES
64	1	4yrs		
62	1	4YRS	YES	none known
41	1	4yrs	none known	none known
38	2	5yrs, 1yr	NO	NO
15	1	5yrs	none known	none known
30	2 males	5yrs, 7yrs	YES	YES
59	2 females	5yrs, 9yrs	YES	NO
27	2	5yrs, 9yrs	none known	none known
68	1	6yrs	none known	none known
39	1	6yrs	NO	NO
72	1	6 1/2yrs	NO	YES
77	1	7yrs	NO	NO
67	1	7yrs	YES	none known
48	1 female	7yrs	YES	NO
40	1	7yrs	none known	none known
69	1	8yrs	none known	none known
53	2	8yrs 11mo, 8yrs	NO	YES
52	4	8yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs, 5yrs	none known	none known
24	1	9yrs	none known	none known
16	1	7yrs	YES	
54	1	9yrs	none known	none known
66	1	9 1/2yrs	none known	none known
25	4	10yrs, 5-6yrs	YES	YES

3	3	10yrs, 9yrs, 11yrs		
82	1	10yrs1mo	none known	none known
13	1	10yrs9mo	none known	none known

Based on the data above, Dr. Meurs stated that the next step is to begin to analyze the pedigrees of dogs listed in the survey. She wanted to see if there was any relationship to any of the dogs she was already looking at who had participated in the holter project that reflected abnormal results or had died of sudden death since their submitted results. Surveys that were returned by US Postal service included return addresses of the respondents, however, this was not the case with the on line survey data. It will be difficult to provide info for these. A request to the membership will be necessary to see if any are willing to send their pedigree info and match it to the Survey Monkey Respondent identification.

A conference call was then scheduled with Andrea Fiumefreddo, AKC CHF Director of Programs and Operations, to discuss the next steps to continue with the research. Below is her written response and the information we discussed on the call.

Hi Ginger,

We are excited to help you make steps towards sudden death research for your breed. As I mentioned on the phone, the best-suited path forward is for us to consider a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the AKC Canine Health Foundation and your organization. This allows the research focus to be stated by both parties within the agreement. Here are the next steps:

I will reach out to the Drs. Meurs and Gelzer and ask for a Letter of Intent (LOI) to be reviewed by CHF with recommendations and review with your club. This LOI will also include a budget which you will be able to discuss with your club. Throughout the study CHF will provide administrative and scientific oversight. Based on the LOI, parties would then decide whether to enter into the MOU. Once the MOU is signed, CHF will invite Drs. Meurs and Gelzer to submit a full proposal to enter the grant review process for approval and if approved, administer the grant and communicate its updates consistently to you and the Borzoi Club of America.

As a reminder, the 6/30/19 Donor Advised Fund balance for the Borzoi Club of America is \$50,144.71. Please let me know if you need anything else. I'll be in touch once we receive a letter of intent.

Chat soon,

Andrea

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Once we have completed all the steps for LOI and MOU, we can begin compiling pedigrees for them to move forward and utilize funding from our Donor Advised fund to support research and cover

costs of continue holter monitoring and the data analysis of it. I feel confident that we should proceed with the steps outlined by Andrea.

Junior Showmen (Barbara Tyler Lord)

Junior Statistics (*Canine Chronicle*)

January 1, 2019 up to and including May 31, 2018

Raina McCloskey - 53 points

Molly Forsyth – 47 points

Elise Patti – 32 points

Logan Yankowski - 17points

Kendall Parker - 7 points

Logan Parker - 4 points

Addison Patti – 3 points

Issac Chandler - 2 points

Annika Sovold - 2 points

Kirbie Allen - 2 points

***Note to ALL BCOA Club Members:** Please reach out to me privately with any contact information you may have for any of the above listed Junior handlers currently not listed as BCOA club members. I will use this information to reach out to non-club member juniors handling Borzoi in AKC junior showmanship competition, and invite them as well their families to join the Borzoi Club of America.

* Note to ALL Junior BCOA Club Members: Please feel free to contact me with any corrections or comments to the current statistics.

Keeping in Touch (Edna Ogata)

Activities:

April 14, 2019 Birthday card –K. Kostishack

April 16, 2019 Birthday card –L. Cooper

April 25, 2019 Birthday card –G. Hinkle

April 25, 2019 Sympathy card – W. Ford

May 19, 2019 Birthday card – R. Barger

May 23, 2019 Sympathy card – L. Tamboer

May 23, 2019 Sympathy card – J. Hamersma

June 1, 2019 Birthday card – J. Clark

Legislative Liaison (Lyn Hoflin)

Legislative updates sent:

1. June 10, 2019 - A bill designed to restrict when dogs may be outdoors is moving through the New York State Legislature. It has passed the Senate and is in committee in the Assembly, but has been recalled to the Senate for amendments. The bill is directed at restricting dogs being outside at certain temperatures.
2. July 12, 2019 - A bill pertaining to seizure and care of animals has been passed by the Rhode Island House and Senate. The bill is worded in such a way that animals may be seized on suspicion of neglect. Also, the bill does not recognize the rights of possible co-owners.
3. July 19, 2019 - Rhode Island governor Raimondo signed into law the bills which expand authorities' ability to seize animals suspected of neglect or abuse.

Meet the Breed/NYC (Ron Williams)

This year's New York City Meet & Compete was held February 9, 2019 at Piers 92 & 94 in NYC. Held in conjunction with the Masters Agility Championship and The International Cat Association. On a side note we did have a borzoi owned by Dr. Lou Avant entered in the agility championships. I was very proud to see her dog, I believe, Whimsy, compete. Congratulations to this team.

This year I gratefully had six participants and four dogs:

Dr. Gretchen Thiele with Puffin and Patka

Malory Ferguson with Porter

Lorene Connolly

Melissa Kucmierczyk (Borzoi Photographer)

Elisabeth Szymanski

Ron Williams with Sunni

This was the first year not having Guy Tarsitano, a long time participant with us. He was sorely missed. As usual, our borzoi honorably represented the breed with flying colors. A wonderful, busy and long day started the night before with Melissa and me erecting the photo backdrop and configuring the booth. On Saturday, our borzoi greeted thousands of visitors with glee. Visitors young and old hugged, kissed, asked questions, laid on the floor and took photos with the dogs from 10AM to 5PM. We distributed 45 Coloring Books, 29 Crayon packets, a small number of "Borzoi Rule" Buttons and BCOA magnets and the Introduction to Borzoi AKC handout.

Due to a recent cruise ship accident with the Pier, next year's two-day event will be held 25 & 26 January, back at the Jacob Javits Center downtown. I'm also speaking with Elisabeth Szymanski regarding becoming the MTB-NYC committee chair.

Registry of Merit (KC Artley) On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Jan Leikam, the following were accepted.

Dams:

ROM for GCH DC Oxota Avalon Switchblade, RN, FCH, CGC, TKN, SC.

ROM-P for DC Avalon Ww Darkskaya Dare, SC, FCH, CGC.

ROM-C for CH Roscommon Mustang Sally.

Sires:

ROM for FC SilkenSwift Black Lightning CGC MC LCM SGRCIV SORC

Webmaster (Helen Lee)

- A Members Only password-protected section was created.
- The ReadyBorzoi section was updated, thanks to Veni Harlan.
- The Barbara O'Neill Tribute slideshow was added to the History section.
- Some old minutes which were missing were unearthed and added to the Inside BCOA section.
- An automated setup for sending New Title ad photos was set up, making it more efficient for people to send in their ads.
- Shopping Cart forms for the 2020 pedigree book were built - using a new shopping cart, to keep the funds separate from the national funds which will be coming in around the same time.
- I had hoped to add the 2020 national slideshow to the Events section but have not yet received the file.

The 2020 trophy donation pages were updated so that now whenever a person pays for a particular trophy, that trophy will be automatically deleted from the page. This will be MUCH more efficient than the system used last year, where I had to manually update the pages. It should also eliminate the issue we had where 3 people paid for the same trophy within a few hours of each other and while I was still in bed. :>)

I'm still waiting for a test order, to make sure the system is working properly. I've tested and tested and tested but since I know the system so well I'd like to have someone else try it before announcing the changes publicly. One of the regional governors has offered but she's having trouble with her internet these days. Once the test has been done, though, it would be helpful if the regional governors could remind their members that there are a lot of trophies yet to be paid for. :>)

My next project is to **set up an online entry system** so that people can enter their dogs online as well as pay for their entries through the shopping cart. This will make life much easier for our poor beleaguered show secretary, Barbara O'Neill, as she'll no longer have to try to figure out people's terrible handwriting. :>) I'm partway through that task, having built an entry form, but I'm hoping to be able to have people pull up their past entries and then just pay for the current year. I've loaded all the dogs from the 2019 national into the database; now I just have to figure out how to display them online. Added 8/5/19: What type of online entries does everyone want?

There are two ways entries can be done. One is just a simple shopping cart form which collects all the pertinent information, saves it all in the online database and then takes the person to the payment page. Basically just like the New Title ads and pedigree book forms work. Repeat again next year, when anyone entering a dog this year will have to enter all the details onto the form again.

The second way is the way the pros do it: the dogs are stored in the database AND can be called up out of that database and displayed on a web page, so that the owner can check to make sure everything is still correct and then just goes to the shopping cart to "order" their entry.

Both ways will generate a file for use for the catalogue and the (hopefully very few) snail-mailed or faxed entries can be entered manually.

The first option I can do with my eyes shut. :>) The second one is a lot more complicated, but I've actually already made a start on it, just for the practice. I figured I'd better make sure I can actually deliver before I ask you whether you'd all like the second option. I've managed to get the page to display a particular dog when someone enters that dog's registration number. Had to ask my gurus a couple of questions but not as many as I thought I might have to.

One thing, though: if the Board decides they'd like the second option, they probably won't get it until the 2021 national. I *might* be able to figure it all out before the premium list is sent out at the beginning of 2020, but I don't want to guarantee it, just in case. It's a pretty complicated setup - and should probably be behind a password-protected wall, the same as Members Only but of course NOT the same one because not all people who enter the national are members. I *think* we'd be allowed a second secure area with no extra charges.

I do have a question, though: The Members Only section at present only contains the membership booklet and the two 2019 BTRC financial statements. Should the treasurer's reports, both current and past, be included there as well? Also, there are a LOT of past BTRC statements which could also be included.

See accompanying pdf for website traffic February-July 2019.