

Standing Committees

Autumn 2019

Archivist (KC Artley) Another 5/6 boxes of material from Lena Tamboer, which KC will pick up at face-to-face board meeting.

BTRC Report (Barbara O'Neill)

There are no meetings scheduled until after the first of the year.

BCOA-BTRC (Shen Smith)

AUTUMN 2019

Attached are Schwab account statements for ending months of August & September for your records and review. Also attached are the current bond ladders for both Schwab accounts. Since the last quarterly report there has been activity with corporations buying back (calling) their bond debt for with the economy doing so well this far into 2019, it is smart business for them to lower their debt levels by buying back their outstanding loans and bonds.

If the current trend continue through the end of this year, BCOA-BTRC RescAcct #1 may likely finish the year with earnings in the \$35k+ range. RescAcct #2 is currently holding with earnings in the \$20k+ range as of this date. But, the BTRC doesn't wish to be too optimistic at this time as the 4th Quarter of 2018 ended being a disaster for the markets and EOY earnings.

In light of the 2018 4th quarter markets, the current BTRC investment approach for the 4th Quarter of 2019 is to not reinvest the Fall called/matured funds immediately into the bond market, but to take a more conservative approach by sitting tight with short term investments until the end of the final two months of 2019. Likely btw now and the end of the year a portion of these funds will be placed into short term certificates of deposit.

Oct 16th Balances:

RescAcct#1– LT investments \$865,734.72, COH \$92,645.89 Total \$958,380.61

RescAcct#2– LT investments \$133,356.67, COH \$57,234.67 Total \$190,592.16:

Total Assets Schwab accounts - \$1,148,94.18

Chairman O'Neill is planning a BTRC meeting either January or February in order to determine the market directions and investment plans for the matured/called funds and to determine the Budget for the coming year. If you have any questions regarding this quarterly report, or general questions please contact BTRC Chair Barbara O'Neill.

Club Medallions (Barbara O'Neill)

All Double Eagle medallions and regional specialty medallions are in stock.

Health (Nancy Hopkins)

Preparations are well underway for the 2020 BCOA National Health Clinics. Nancy Hopkins will not be able to attend the National, but Leo Abordo has things well in hand and will oversee the 2020 clinic.

Both a color Doppler echocardiogram clinic and a thyroid clinic will be offered. Auscultations alone will not be available, but as always, the OFA echo exam includes auscultation. Both the cardiac echo clinic and thyroid clinic will apply toward CHIC requirements.

Unfortunately, there are no cardiologists in New Mexico, but Dr. Christopher Paige of Valley Veterinary Cardiology in Scottsdale, AZ has agreed to evaluate our borzoi. To help prevent the inconvenience of too many dogs for the time allotted, Dr Paige has agreed to be available both Wednesday all day, and Thursday morning for exams. We will also post the numerical limit of exams in the premium list notification. I recommend participants register for the echoes through One-Stop-

Shopping to have the best chance of being able to have your dog(s) screened for heart disease. Day of clinic walk-ins will only be accommodated as space allows.

Tina Wismer DVM, DABVT, DABT, has graciously agreed to be our Health Seminar speaker on Wednesday night. Dr. Wismer is a Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology and the American Board of Veterinary Toxicology. She has worked in both small animal and emergency veterinary practice. She currently is Senior Director of the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, teaches as an adjunct instructor at the University of Illinois, is a visiting professor at St. Matthews University (Grand Cayman), and a Consultant in Toxicology at the Veterinary Information Network. Dr. Wismer's talk is titled, "Is that really toxic? And what can I do to prepare?" Save time on Wednesday night to take advantage of Dr. Wismer's valuable knowledge!

Regional Specialty Medallions (Barbara O'Neill)

13 Clubs:

February - Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club – 2020 [ordered](#)
May - Borzoi Club of Delaware Valley – 2019 [sent](#)
May - Borzoi Club of Greater New York – 2019 [sent](#)
May - Midwest Borzoi Club – 2019 – missed deadline
March – Borzoi Club of California – 2020 (Juliet Rigtrup) [ordered](#)
July - Borzoi Club of New England – 2019 (K. Miller) [sent](#)
August - Greater Twin Cities Borzoi Club x2 – 2019 (M. Polfuss) [sent](#)
August - Puget Sound Borzoi Club x 2 – 2019 (P. Wiseman) [sent](#)
September - Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey – 2019 (L. Connally) [sent](#)
September - Lone Star Borzoi Club – 2019 (M. Lucia) [sent](#)
September - Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club – 2019 (R. Fundom) [sent](#)
October - Potomac Valley Borzoi Club – 2019 (R. McCartin) [sent](#)
October - Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha x 2 – 2019 (C. Dumaine) [sent](#)
October - Borzoi Club of Northern California x 2 – 2019 (M. Stachon) [sent](#)
November - Midwest Borzoi Club – 2019 (A. Sikula) [sent](#)

Futurity Report

The 2020 Futurity has closed October 7, 2019. The 2020 Futurity account currently has \$1,300 and there are 23 bitch nominations with 18 Litter nominations. The judge selection for 2020 has started. The 2021 has opened and has 3 Bitch nominations

KIT (Edna Ogata)

Activities:

August 3, 2019 Get well card – P. Hall
August 4, 2019 Birthday card – D. Kostishack
August 5, 2019 Sympathy card – L.Henderson
August 12, 2019 Sympathy card – J. Zucker
August 28, 2019 Birthday card – W. Reddick
September 15, 2019 Get well card – Paul Post

Legislative Liaison (Lyn Snyder Hoflin)

updates and alerts sent:

- August 30, 2019 - Hattiesburg, Miss - alert that City Council voting to ban home based breeding, inspection of all animal owners and limiting pets.
- September 4, 2019 - Swain County, North Carolina - proposed ordinance would establish a county Animal Services Center and Director, and also outline regulations regarding rabies vaccinations, nuisance, dangerous dogs, licensing, and basic care of animals.

- September 5, 2019 - Hamilton County, Indiana - e Hamilton County Commission scheduled a public hearing for Monday, September 9, to obtain input on numerous proposed changes to the animal control code, including further regulations of hobby breeders and troublesome new definitions of “backyard breeder” and “puppy mill.”
- September 9, 2019 - Bakersfield, California -The Bakersfield City Council announced they would address both new animal ordinances and amendments to existing ordinances on Wednesday, September 11. Among these was requirement that any animal picked up twice as a stray to be spayed or neutered, regardless of the time between the impounds. The proposals will also designate three or more dogs as a kennel and subject them to fees and inspections. In addition, the proposals require licensing of any dog three months or older, which requires proof of vaccination.
- September 19, 2019 - Massachusetts Judiciary Committee considering legislation which prohibit the outside and unattended confinement of dogs from 10pm to 6am. The proposed definitions would also result in a ban on outdoor kennels if they do not provide an enclosed shelter with 100 square feet of space per dog. Additional hearings regarding safe dog ownership by holding owners of dogs responsible for damage to property or any injury, illness, or transmission of disease to a person or another animal; permitting sporting dog training areas in the state; and protecting animals from convicted animal abusers by prohibiting ownership.
- September 25, 2019 - Prince George County, Maryland holding policy hearings involving significant changes to animal laws.
- September 26, 2019 - New Hampshire - Governor adds new pet vendor definition to state budget. September 27, 2019 - Prince George County vote delayed. Continue contacting officials. October 3, 2019 - Robeson County, North Carolina - Board of Commissioners requesting feedback on numerous proposed changes to the county’s animal control laws, which were originally written in 1990.

Registry of Merit (KC Artley)

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Top Five (Deb Vidaver-Cohen)

2019 Top Five Awards

A record number of Awards were picked up at this year's National. Congratulations to all recipients! Jane Berardi-Mally sent the remainder to those who were unable to attend.

Distribution of Top Five Awards at National Specialty

I was recently informed that the Board decided at the August meeting that Top Five awards will no longer be available for pickup at a ringside table during National but will instead be distributed at the Annual Awards Dinner. As I was not informed about this decision until after the fact and given no further information I assume those who made the change have figured out how these awards will be given out at the banquet? Eg: Who will distribute them and how? Will all the names be read? Will they be physically handed to attendees? What is the board's plan for this? In earlier discussions of the topic during which I was included it had been decided that handing out an additional 55 awards at the banquet would be too logistically complicated and time consuming so I look forward to hearing how you all have resolved this issue as well as the logistical details of how you expect it to be handled.

Mailing of awards not retrieved at National

The minutes also noted that someone with initials LS would see that awards not picked up at National would be mailed to recipients. First, Who is LS? Second, Jane Berardi-Malloj is the person

who originally offered to mail them out and as noted above, did so immediately after the last national. Carol Enz did for 2018 and Rebecca Peters-Campbell had offered to do it for 2017 and 2016. I have made these arrangements in the past so if there is someone else volunteering to be in charge of that task, as committee chair I would appreciate being brought up to speed on this decision as well.

Top Five Awards: Going Forward

As I do not plan to attend 2020 National in New Mexico I will need to find someone to be in charge of distributing the awards so I can send them a) Certificate folders and b) File to print certificates or actual Certificates themselves. I would also like to remind the board and the membership of my committee report submitted to Joy on 1/30/2019. Because the link on the Club page is bad for the February 15 meeting documents I wasn't able to check if the report was included or not, but under the circumstances I'd like it included again here.

"2) Now that I'm back to showing Borzoi I'm glad to continue chairing the Top Five Committee. However, I'd like to share the job with a Western Regions co-chair who'd be able to manage Award distribution at Nationals out West that I'm not likely to attend. Carol Enz did the job last year but on top of all her other duties, I'm sure she doesn't need to take this on full time. So, I propose making the Top Five Awards a co-chaired committee with rotating responsibilities for all Top 5 Award tasks, depending on the locations of our Nationals. At one point, I recall Leo Abordo expressing an interest so hopefully she'd still like to take this on."

Finally, a reminder to the board: As committee chair and designer of the BCOA Top Five Achievement Awards program, I would appreciate being included in future board decision-making about the program as opposed to being notified after the fact -- particularly when changes such as those noted above are being proposed. Also if any complaints about the program are submitted to the board, I would hope these are shared with me so I can address any problems that may arise in a timely fashion. Thus far, the only feedback I've received after the first year's problems were ironed out is that the program continues to be enjoyable and motivating for our members.