

REGIONAL GOVERNOR'S REPORT for 11/15/2021

REGION 1 – Kari McCloskey

1. Sent correspondence to keep in contact with members. Responding to questions from the membership
2. Sent out the email survey asking the membership their thoughts on New Membership requirements. Below is the response from Region 1:

Number of members in Region 1 : 82

Number of responses : 17

A : 5

B : 2

C : 6

D : 3

E : 1 (response from this member: Would it be realistic for the breeder to have an opinion for acceptance since they are the ones that sold the dog to the applicant? I assume they know what or where their dog went. If an onsite visit can't be done for the application, the breeder could yea or nay.

3. I heard that BCCNJ held a match and gathering at BCOA member, Howard and Karen Spey's home. 30 attendees with 10 borzoi entries in the match. Jennifer Zucker judged the match which included puppy classes, adult classes and junior showmanship. A wonderful time was had by all that attended. I hope that more clubs will do such gatherings as it is good to bring together all borzoi enthusiasts, whether they exhibit their dogs or not.

REGION 2 – Betsy Tolley

1. Emails to Region 2 Members 09/26/2021: Reminders and notifications regarding the following
 - a. 2023 BCOA National Specialty
 - b. Topics for Member Education at 2023 BCOA National Specialty
 - c. BCOA MembersOnly username and password
 - d. Minutes of the spring Board meeting
 - e. Keeping-In-Touch with Edna Ogata
 - f. Recruiting New Mentors
 - g. October Regional Specialties—Conformation
 - h. AKC Meet The Breeds—cancellation

- i. SURVEY: Should BCOA continue requiring home visits for prospective members?
 - j. AKC Bi-annual Statistics for Borzoi
- 2. Email to Region 2 Members 09/28/2021: Verification of Volunteers for 2023 Committees
- 3. Email to Members of the King Charles Cavalier Club of America notifying them that BCOA with an inquiry to coordinate its teardown with their setup at the Founders Inn in April 2023
- 4. Email 10/06/2021 containing draft of the Region 2 proposal for the 2023 National Specialty
- 5. Emails 10/08/2021: Various notifications and communications
 - a. Question regarding receipt of the Nominations Committee slate of candidates for officers for 2022
 - b. Working with Victoria Cassano, chair of the Performance Events Committee and co-facilities coordinator, to schedule up a Zoom meeting with the officers of SHOT regarding performance (coursing) events for the 2023 National Specialty
 - c. Later participated in the Zoom meeting with the officers of SHOT
- 6. During the previous quarter, responded to various emails from BCA Region 2 members, forwarded change of email addresses to the BCOA Recording Secretary, and sent inquiries to appropriate Standing Committee Chairs or other officers
- 7. Email 11/14/2021 regarding the AKC program for juniors
- 8. Results of the Home Visit Survey
 - o A: 2
 - o B: 3
 - o C: 0
 - o D: 5
 - o Comments without specific choice: Home visit but video in emergency situations; Home visit required except if new owner can be vouched for by BCOA member in good standing.

REGION 3 – Shirley McFadden

The Region 3 Members have been very busy behind the scenes working on plans for the 2022 BCOA National Specialty which will be held in Mesquite, Texas April 23-30, 2022.

- 1. Link to Current Minutes shared
- 2. Notice of Fall Meeting
- 3. Acknowledgement of Mrs. Barbara O'Neill's invaluable contributions to all of these jobs for the past several decades

4. Current Chairs Coordinator positions include:
 - a. Show Superintendent- BaRay
 - b. Show Chair: Kim Horn Janek
 - c. Facility Coordinator: Kay Casella
 - d. Show Co-Chair: Barb Danieli
 - e. Field Event Trial Secretary: Amy Sikula
 - f. Performance Chair: Leslie Walenta
 - g. Futurity Chair: Rebecca Neal
 - h. On Site Futurity Coordinator: Cindy Gredys
 - i. RV Parking: Gary Gideon
 - j. Hospitality: Krista Hunt
 - k. Auction: Caryl Dumaine and Kerry Frary
 - l. Rally/Obedience: Margaret Lucia
 - m. Grounds Chair: Hanna Hix
 - n. Photographer: Hillary Tregillus
 - o. Borzoi Baron's Ball: Shirley McFadden
 - p. Trophy Chair: Shirley McFadden (assistants will be needed each day of the show!)
 - q. Perpetual Trophy Chair: Ron Williams
 - r. Vendor Chair: Laurie Courtney
 - s. Grooming Chair: Sherri Nichols & Ashley Nichols
 - t. Specialty Sales: Kari McCloskey
5. Link to Full committee shared
6. National Specialty Event list update: LGRA, AKC Lure Coursing, ASFA Lure Coursing, Obedience, Rally, Futurity, Sweepstakes, Dual Champion, Juniors, PeeWee, and Regular Classes as well as silent auction, Annual Membership meeting, Health Committee Presentation, Judges Education, and Members Education presentations, Power Paws Award
7. Borzoi Baron's Ball flyer shared and request for donations
8. Notice of BCOA Region Life Member and Past BCOA President Joe Rogers and past borzoi breeder Debbie Goddard had passed away.
9. Notice of upcoming election and my running for BCOA Vice President.

REGION 4 –Kay Novotny

1. New Turquoise Trail Borzoi Club held their first specialty on October 16, 2021 as a designated specialty with the Rio Grande Kennel Club. Judges were Monica Berry and Russel L McFadden. It was well-attended and considered a success, and the club is fully licensed by AKC for conformation events. They have events in the planning stage for 2022.
2. Borzoi Club of California did not hold a specialty in 2021. They are planning for one in 2022.
3. Borzoi Club of Northern CA held an independent specialty on August 5, in conjunction with the San Joaquin Kennel Club show. Judges were Leonore Abordo and Tracy Cox. They also held an additional specialty on November 6, designating the classes at the Contra Costa Kennel Club show as their specialty. Judges were Monika Sima and Barb Ewing. The club has plans for possibly 3 specialties next year.
4. I have heard from a few region 4 folks that they do not plan to attend the BCOA National in Texas in 2022, to which I explained that attempting to move the event at this time would be very costly for the club.
5. Dog shows are picking back up in our region – and are nearly back to normal size. It remains to be seen if we will get all our venues back again. Some venues are asking for far more money than before. Luckily, we have some now, private venues stepping up to help fill the void.
6. Region 4 had a couple of representatives on both the top 10 Breed Statistics as well as on the Top 10 NOHS Statistics for 2021.

On the Breed stats: GCHS CH Justart Majenkir Status Symbol and GCH CH Morozova Rey's Summerlane Wind Rider

On the NOHS stats: GCH CH Justart Majenkir Noble Kinsman and GCHB CH Tantezampe Kilimanjaro Trek At Rey

Since the 2021 Statistics for conformation aren't closed, yet, they may change. NOHS closed in October.

REGION 5 – Karen Ackerman

- Since our last meeting in May, it has been relatively quiet. Regarding BCOA business, I have contacted Region 5 members about their input on the home visit survey. Out of the thirty plus members in Region 5, I had eight BCOA members respond. I thanked each of them individually for their input.
- In addition, due to delivery problems with the USPS, I emailed a copy of the 2022 BCOA Nominated Slate of Officers, so that the Region 5 members would have time to review the slate.
- A reminder about the upcoming deadline for the Aristocrat was sent. Included in it was information on the various ads available and the ad rates for each type.

- From the AKC, their bi-annual registration statistics were forwarded to Region Five BCOA members. These attachments included information on all breeds, hound group, borzoi breed and so forth. An email from the AKC on Junior events and activities were also posted to the region.
- Furthermore, from the AKC an email on an exercise program “AKC Turkey Trot” was mailed. This lasts until the end of November and is a good way to get Fido, yourself in shape and help others. An AKC communique removing COVID restrictions on companion events at the end of 2021 was sent to our members of Region 5.

REGION 6 –Kim Horn Janek

Since my last report dated 9/9/2021:

1. I attended the BCOA Face-to-Face meeting in Virginia Beach, VA where I presented the Nominating Committee Report to the board and brought forth for discussion two items from two of the Region’s members. We toured The Founder’s Inn and Spa and discussed the feasibility of having the 2023 National specialty there.
2. I attended the Midwest Borzoi Club Picnic/Match/Lure Coursing Practice event on Sunday, September 26th to introduce myself and encourage new Borzoi owners to join our National Club. I sent out membership applications to five prospective members.
3. I forwarded Ron’s 9/11 message to the region and had several members comment favorably on it.
4. I sent out the BCOA Survey regarding the New Member Home Visit. I received votes back from 24 members, a 25.8% response rate. The votes were A (4) 16.8% B (5) 20.8% C (5) 20.8% D (8) 33.3% E (2) 8.3%. I reported the results back to my Region.
5. I received a note from Tami Marshall stating concerns with having the 2022 National in Texas. With her permission, I shared it with the board.
6. I advised Joyce of a correction to the 9/12 minutes and sent a notice to fourteen Region 6 Breed Mentors asking them to confirm their continued participation in the program. I heard back from three individuals that wished to continue and three individuals that wanted their names removed. I had no response from the balance. I was advised by Joyce to forward the changes to Helen, which included an email address change for Barbara Tyler Lord.
7. I received an inquiry from Jamie Lynn Bobrowski regarding the Mentor Program. I directed her to the BCOA website where she could read the criteria and find the proper forms.
8. I sent out the Nominating Committee Report to Region 6 members after it was determined that some had not received it due to USPS delivery. I advised the region that the September 12, 2021 minutes had been uploaded to the BCOA website. I received correspondence from several members that they had received the proposed slate.
9. I sent several questions to Betsy re: the 2023 National and participated in the conference call where we discussed and voted on the proposal.
10. I received and responded to Joyce re: undeliverable mail. I advised her of an address change for Megan Duck.

11. One member advised that she received the Nom Com letter on October 29th and another received it on November 1st (postmarked 9/28).
12. I received information from Barbara O'Neill re: the 2021 Premium and catalog. I updated the PL with as much information as we had at the time and sent a first draft to Kay Cassella, Barbara Danieli and Ron Williams.
13. With Board approval, I accepted the role of Show Chairman for the 2022 National in Mesquite, TX. I have been in contact with Kay Cassella (Facility Chair), Barbara Danieli (Assistant Show Chair), Shirley McFadden (Trophy Chair) and Ron Williams almost daily, updating the various committees and working through the issues we are encountering.
 - a. The Show Committee discussed Regional Club sponsorship for the 2022 National. I composed a letter and presented it to the committee for approval. Some changes were made and I sent the letter to our fourteen regional clubs requesting voluntary sponsorship of events at our 2022 National.
 - b. Kay Cassella, with Lyn Hoffin's help, has located the POD. It is in Dayton, OH and Barbara D and I plan on taking a road trip to do a complete inventory. We want to make sure we have everything we need to ensure a successful National in April 2022.