

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS – 2/7/2022

1. AKC Gazette – Kristina Terra

I am honored to be the new BCOA Breed Columnist and appreciate your trust in me. I plan to have guest columnists, provide different viewpoints, and cover a wide range of topics in my column. I am always open to suggestions and feedback! I learned of my new assignment (to be confirmed at the 02/07/22 Board meeting) on 01/22/22. Since then, I have had a lovely chat with Jon Steele, who held the position for several years. Jon contacted the AKC for the current Gazette guidelines, which they had provided to him. On 02/01/22, Jon forwarded me the Guidelines. Also, Jon informed me that the Gazette would be running one of his articles from 2017 for the current issue. I have since carefully read the Guidelines. On 02/02/22, Ron Williams wrote a letter of introduction to Mr. Bud Boccone, the head of the AKC Gazette. I have written to Mr. Boccone on 02/03/22 to introduce myself and received no reply. On 02/07/22 I sent an email to Jon Steele confirming my first deadline. Also, on 02/07/22 I sent an introductory letter to the Gazette's senior editor Arliss Paddock.

2. Annual Top 5 – Leo Abordo

2021 statistics are being compiled so rosettes can be ordered in time for distribution at the 2022 Nationals in Texas.

Note that AKC agility has now been added to the Top-5 program per the BCOA BOD. Like other companion events (OB and Rally) the rankings are "weighted" toward the more advanced classes.

3. Annual Versatility Award & Hall of Fame – Kay Novotny (see Supporting Doc. For spreadsheet)

Reporting year: 2021

I am happy to report that BCOA had 7 dogs submitted for consideration for the Annual Versatility Award.

The overall winner for 2021 was:

HnrCH-S AKC UKC INT CH Islehaven Sentinel CD BN RE FDC SWN SHDN THDN CGCA CGCU TKE SSR RATN WDS TT SPOT-ON, call name Tango. HP 51081903 Congratulations, owner Linda Beisswenger and Tango!

Tango achieved a total score of 76.3 points! Hearty congratulations to owner Linda Beisswenger, breeder Phyllis Potter!

The other applicants and their scores in order:

2. Score 60: CH Kirov Windrift Fly Above Tahoe JC SC RN RI BN CGCA CGCU FCH, HP 49909005, owned by Steven & K C Artley, bred by Barbara Ewing and Nancy Reimer.
3. Score 55.7492: DC Teine Fendi Sandals BN RA SC CGC Fch, HP 56255405, owned by Sheryl Amburgey & Harry Van Vliet, bred by Dr. Anne Midgarden. Fendi had a bit of a handicap in that Sheryl did not become a BCOA member until part way through the year, so based on the rules, she could not count all her achievements.
4. Score 51.75: CH Svora's Gentlemen Prefer Blondes GRC RN, HP 58377602, owned by Shirley McFadden and Gary Gideon and bred by Shirley McFadden and Gary Gideon.

5. Score 47.0665: DC Mielikki Get Off SC CGC RN SGRC3, HP 51699801, Renee McCartin and Kathleen Poniatowski, breeder Renee McCartin and Bonnie Dalzell.
6. Score 33.45: Avalon Wings Of The Wind Oh!Excalibur, HP 58413302, owned by Sunny Grant and Sandra Moore, bred by Sunny Grant and Sandra Moore.
7. Score 30.3333: GCH DC Hemlock Hollow Aruzia Journey to Tahoe CD JC SC RN RI RA BN CGCU FCH, HP 48679408, owned by Steven Artley and K C Artley, bred by Christine Danker and Lorrie Scott.

Congratulations to all these wonderful dogs for having a great 2021!

Also, I would like to report that 2 dogs have been submitted for a life-time achievement versatility award. Those dogs are:

1. CH Svora's Gentlemen Prefer Blondes GRC RN, HP 58377602, owned by Shirley McFadden and Gary Gideon and bred by Shirley McFadden and Gary Gideon.
2. DC Mielikki Get Off SC CGC RN SGRC3, HP 51699801, Renee McCartin and Kathleen Poniatowski, breeder Renee McCartin and Bonnie Dalzell.

Congratulations to these dogs and their owners for their lifetime achievements in many disciplines!

4. Aristocrat – Helen Lee

2021 was a good year for ads, with 26 New Title Holder ads and 6 “regular” full page ads. In 2020 there were only 15 New Title ads and 1 “regular” ad, so either people are taking advantage of the reasonable rates or more people have something to advertise this year than they did last year.

As always I’d like to thank KC Artley and Nancy Hopkins for their regular contributions of articles on Borzoi history and health

5. ASFA Delegate – Sandra Moore

Nothing to Report

6. BCOA Archivist – KC Artley

I have copied information from the BCOA secretary letters and minutes, and from the Gazettes I have from 1940 – 1954. Most of these old papers are in bad shape. I do not have enough material from those years to publish as an article in the Aristocrat. But at least that information has been saved now.

Even without the show catalogs, I have found enough information to provide the BCOA Specialty results for 1940, 1955, 1956, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1969. These National Specialty results plus pictures will be uploaded soon, on the BCOA website under “History-National Results”.

The next issue of The Aristocrat will include my article "Showing Borzoi In 1961". While researching Martha Taylor's Zcerlov dogs for the article, I discovered that Zcerlov's Zoltka was the dam of six champions. The book "Borzoi Champions 1952-1981" links her to only four champions. So Zcerlov's Zoltka should be included as a ROM-C, in the BCOA Register of Merit Admission by Historical Records listing. (This is in my ROM report).

7. Bev Taylor Trust – Karen Ackerman (see Supporting Documents for 1/10/22 Minutes)

- a. Approve Standing Rule #2022-1 "Investment Policies" as amended.
- b. Approve 2022 Rescue Fund Distribution figure of \$15,000 to the benefit of the National Borzoi Rescue Foundation
- c. Approve Reimbursing BCOA \$415.53 for their out of pocket expenses.

8. BCOA Shop – Kari McCloskey

❖Shipping cost outside US (JE DVDs)

- Since our last meeting, an order has been submitted to Fully Promoted, which includes 986 pieces of items. This order includes items with the Texas national logo, the BCOA club logo and the Double Eagle logo. Total cost is \$20,006.88. I have worked on pricing with Kim and Barb. If everything were to sell, BCOA could net profit \$12,600.
- 512 items with the Texas National logo
- 332 items with the BCOA logo
- 142 items with the BCOA Double Headed Eagle logo
- This year we will have crew neck T-shirts, V-neck T-shirts, sweatshirts, denim shirts, fleece jackets, ball caps, tote bags and umbrellas.
- These items are on order, half of the invoice paid by Lyn Hoflin, with the reminder due when the order is ready to ship. All of the shipments will be going to Laurie Courtney's residence, to then be brought to the host hotel.
- Inventory list has been created to keep track of exactly what we have. Barbara Danieli and Kim Janek took inventory of the past national items that are currently in the pod. Any suggestions on how to move these items are welcome

9. BCOA Web Site – Helen Lee

- Received revisions for Standing Rules from Ron.
- Over the past year there have been 160,759 "visits" to the BCOA website, which averages out to 13,396 visits per month. If anyone has any particular area of the website for which they'd like more detailed statistics, please don't hesitate to ask. The statistics section on the server only shows a yearly total for the "visits" so it would be tedious to list the hits on every single page (not to mention totally boring to the reader) but I will happily provide specific details to anyone who asks.
- I would like to ask once again, though, that the Regional Governors ask their members to take a look at the results from previous years and send me any photos which are

missing. It would be great if the site could picture every single entry which placed. I've tried asking in the Aristocrat itself, in the notices I send out when each issue is finished, and even on Facebook but haven't received one single photo. :>(I have managed, though, to fill in a few spots with pictures from the old Borzoi Connections and Aristocrats if I have a shot from the same year as the national.

- At present I'm sorting through all the thousands of photos I have scattered over a bunch of external hard drives with the aim of finding photos which I can use going forward. KC Artley has sent me a lot of older specialty results which I will start working on once I've finished cataloguing all the photos.
- The biggest project currently has been getting all the information for the 2022 national onto the website. It's been a learning curve for all of us since it's the first year without Barbara O'Neill at the helm.

10. Borzoi Welfare – Danielle Steenkamp

Nothing to Report

11. Championship Medals

- **Performance & Companion** – Amy Balthrop

I have the same thing to report as I did in November. I reached out to Leo, at her prompting, last summer. She told me then she would send me the performance/companion title medallions and anything related to them (spreadsheet, inserts, etc).

I still have received nothing so I cannot actually DO what I volunteered to do. I did reach back out to her via email several times last fall but heard nothing back.

UPDATE: I sent email to Leo on 1/25 and 2/5

- **Conformation** – Chris Danker

As of the end of November, 117 Borzoi completed their championships. Of these, 95 were owned by a first listed BCOA member. December report should be here by the end of the month, at which time I will update.

- **Open Field** – Karen Ackerman

NOFCA's website is still down, so I can't access it, for information

12. Club Inventory & Medals – Barbara O'Neill

Regional Club Medallions are up to date.

13. Futurity Event – Cindi Gredys

Sketches are completed and work has begun on the 9 trophies.

14. Futurity – Rebecca Neal

1. Results of the futurity judge elections were received on 4 February 2022. The results were forwarded to the Futurity Chair so she can contact the winner to verify the winner will accept the position.
2. Currently, I am contacting all persons required to make puppy payments between now and the Futurity to request payments be made no later than 6 March 2022 (closing date for BaRay).
3. In addition, I am contacting all individuals with information missing from forms (registration numbers, microchip numbers, etc.) to obtain complete data for catalog.
4. Final tabulation of all payments made will be compiled as soon as the final puppy payments are received. In addition, the secretary will begin compiling the catalog information as soon as the entries close.

15. Health – Nancy Hopkins (see Supporting Documents)

16. Health Foundations – Virginia Jones

I'm hoping to have a follow up meeting with Andrea Fiumefreddo from the CHF research sometime this month. If her schedule is able to accommodate this and she was able to meet with Drs. Anna Gelzer and Karen Meurs before the end of last year regarding proprietary ownership of certain data for the research proposal Dr. Wesselowski has put forward, then I will have a report for February board meeting with the outcome of these meetings and next steps. Will keep you posted on whether I have anything ready to submit before the February 4th cutoff date.

17. Junior Showmanship – Barbara Tyler Lord (see Supporting Documents)

18. Keeping In Touch – Edna Ogata

November 13, 2021 Birthday card – B. Todd

19. Legislative Issues – Lyn Snyder Hoflin

20. Meet the Breeds (NYC) – Ron Williams

I was able to register BCOA on the MTB site. I will start plugging in the liaisons for the specific sites.

- Philadelphia, PA. – POSTPONED Corissa Fanning
- Nashville, TN - POSTPONED
- Pomona, CA 3/5-6/22 – POSTPONED
- Tampa, FL 4/23-24/22 – Region not able to commit with volunteers
- Dallas, TX 6/25-26/22 – Gary Gideon
- San Diego, CA 9/10-11/22 - Tomomi Mikawa
- Columbus, OH 10/15-16/22 - ?
- NYC 11/12-13/22

21. National Specialty – Kim Horn Janek

- 2022 – Mesquite, TX April 23 – 30. 2022

National Specialty Report for the BCOA Board Meeting on February 7, 2022

Since accepting the position of Show Chairman for the 2022 National Specialty Barbara Danieli (Assistant Show Chair) and I have been in daily communication discussing all the various details that go into planning a successful National.

We have been working with Facility Coordinator, Kay Cassella, and the rest of the committee via email as well as two conference calls. I have submitted the updated forms requested by Helen Lee for placement on the BCOA website and am currently working with Jill at BaRay to complete the Conformation/Obedience/Rally Premium. A delay was caused when our original contact at BaRay passed off the premium development to Jill and neglected to send her my most recent draft. I hope to have the finished product by the time of this meeting.

Amy Sikula (Field Events Secretary) has provided Helen Lee with all three Field event Premiums and Kari McCloskey has sent all of the Specialty Sales Merchandise information to her as well. Leslie Walenta (Field Events Chair), Amy Sikula and myself worked with Helen Lee to ensure that the Field Event entries could be made online.

Contracts were sent to the photographer, DC Stakes and Stud Dog/Brood Bitch judges. All have been received back except for the Photographer's. I have contacted her two times and Kay Cassella has reached out to her as well. As of last week, she was going to send the contract but we are not in receipt of it as of yet.

I have ordered the Logo medallions and they have been sent to Lorrie Scott who has graciously agreed to put the ribbons on them for use as awards. Additionally, logo magnets, logo notepads, pens, organza bags (for medallions), boxes (for the bronze heads) and the logo mugs have been ordered and received by Laurie Courtney and Shirley McFadden who have offered to be our "storage facilities". This has enabled the club to save money by not having to use the hotel for storage.

Barbara Danieli has reached out to Rebecca Neal inquiring who the Futurity judge is so that a contract can be sent. As of today she has not had a response. Barbara has also reached out to Cindi Gredys for details regarding the Futurity Reception. I believe she has submitted a Futurity Report with those details.

Barbara Danielli and Kay Cassella have been working on a list of the hotel room confirmations to ensure people that are on the waiting list will be able to get rooms at the host hotel. Hospitality letters have been sent out to the judges with their room reservation confirmation numbers and a request for a brief bio and photo for the catalog. I have heard back from one of the field judges that

would like and a hotel closer to the coursing field. I have contacted Kay Cassella, Leslie Walenta and Amy Sikula to see if all the judges would like to be put up at a different hotel.

Handcrafted Texas awards have been ordered for Best Puppy, Best Bred-By, Best Junior, Best Reserve, Best Owner Handled and DC Stakes and Shirley McFadden has ordered all of the necessary standardized trophies.

Most details have been worked out with a few exceptions. We are still working on exercise pens, hiring a videographer and a ringside photographer. We did receive a proposal from a videographer based in Illinois. His fee is \$400 per day, plus travel, hotel and meals. He does not provide live streaming, only after market DVD or thumb drives for \$7 each. A quick calculation, he would cost \$1600 (\$2000 if we include Futurity) plus 5-6 hotel nights, meals and travel from and back to Southern Illinois. The committee does not think it is fiscally responsible to engage his services but welcome any input from the board.

- 2023 – Virginia Beach April 22- 29, 2023

❖BCOA 2023 National Specialty Performance Events. Betsy T

(see Supporting Documents)

- 2024 – Region 5
- **Health Clinics for Nationals Leo Abordo** :2022 / Texas: We are pleased to again offer two days of echocardiograms at our health clinics. The keynote speaker will provide updates on cardiac research projects currently underway at Texas A&M. 2023 / TBA: Preparations are underway and will be finalized when possible. Details will be shared when they are available. Due to the increasing challenges in securing board-certified specialists at discounted rates, we are discussing long-term options. Concerns include travel expenses and state licensing requirements.

22. Registry of Merit – KC Artley

Sires:

GCH Windrift Wild Accusations JC ROM-C

CH Zharkov Teine Briar JC SC ROM

Dams:

GCHS Raynbo Dancella Primrose ROM-C

Zcerlov's Zoltka ROM-C, registration H667272, stud book 3-1959*

* produced 6 champions, but is only linked to 4 champions in the book "Borzoi Champions 1952-1981", which was the source for the BCOA Register of Merit Admission by Historical Records listing. (See my Archives report).

23. Standing Rules –Ron Williams

- SR Awards updated January 2021. Website update 1/20/22
- SR Elections updated 12/14/21. One SR – Judges Voting Timetable still needs an adjustment before website update.
- SR Accounting updated 8/2/21. Website updated
- SR National updated 11/22/21. Website updated
- Set up meeting for review Notices & Reports