

BCOA STANDING RULES

Revised February 2024

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ACCOUNTING

| ACC 1 | Accounting | 8/1/2015 | Treasurer required to keep a list of all payments to club members, with designee, amount & purpose to be included with the Treasurer's Report at board meetings. |
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| ACC 2 | Checks | 10/16/1993 | Checks Received: All checks made payable to the BCOA must be turned over to BCOA for deposit. It is a serious impropriety to countersign a check made payable to the BCOA and deposit it in a personal account. |
| ACC 3 | Checks-Applications | 5/2/1993 | Allow membership application checks to be deposited immediately upon receipt. |
| ACC 4 | Checks NSF | 2/28/2008 | NSF fee: \$35. |
| ACC 5 | Checks NSF | 8/1986 | An NSF check places an individual's membership in jeopardy. Anyone offering an NSF check will be requested to replace the check, plus all costs incurred in collecting said check (fees, certified letters, etc.). |
| ACC6 | Committee Accounting | 2/17/2011 5/11/22 | Approved a maximum of \$1000 per meeting to the AKC Delegate to offset hotel & airfare, for travel expenses to attend the AKC Parent Club Conference. Confirmed the distribution of \$400 per year for the Judges Education Committee and \$300 per year to the Health Committee to attend the AKC Health Conference. |
| ACC 7 | Committee Accounting | 11/16/2016 | Committee Budget: Allocate \$400 a year to the Judges Education Committee chair to distribute at her discretion, to help offset expenses related to these presentations |
| ACC 8 | Fees, Late Dues | 2/27/2003 | \$10.00 administrative fee for dues paid after 12/31 and prior to 3/1. Members can avoid the fee by paying on time. Dues received after 12/31 will not be considered to be paid if the fee is not included. The Treasurer will add this to the dues notice. |
| ACC 9 | Fees to Individuals | 11/14/2004 | Per tax attorney, anyone that we pay (not reimburse) an amount over \$600.00 must be issued a 1099. Clarification: fees are separate from judges' expenses. |
| ACC 10 | Insurance Bonding | 12/11/1983 | All bonding to be done under the regular insurance, if possible. |
| ACC 11 | Insurance Bonding | 12/11/1983 | For bonding purposes, BCOA Specialty Committee & officials must be BCOA members. |
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| | The charge for mailed minutes will reflect increases in postage & printing as appropriate. |
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| 8/1986 | BCOA will pay \$100 toward registration fees only for the ASFA Convention and does not cover transportation, food or lodging. |
| 3/4/2013 | Members shipping BCOA property must be sure to have a tracking number and adequate insurance; the cost to be reimbursed by BCOA. |
| 11/6/2010 | Advance of \$3000 for each upcoming Specialty |
| 4/1/2005 | Changing from a status of 501C7 to 501C4, The change in status enables BCOA to receive more than 15% of our income from non-members. |
| 11/14/2004 | Per tax attorney, BCOA Treasurer should not reside in the states of CA, CT, MN or IN because state income taxes must be paid if BCOA checking account is located in a bank in those states. |
| 8/11/2015 | Treasurer may use a debit card or the BCOA PayPal account to pay club expenses. Amounts greater than \$300 need the President's approval. |
| | Continue the bonding policy at a rate of \$538.00 for an additional 3-year period. |
| 8/2/21 Teleconf. | revised to: The crime (dishonesty) bond is through Hanover Insurance Company and is a three year policy which starts May 1. The limits are \$100,000. It provides coverage to the club, should club funds be stolen by the BCOA Board and/or BCOA members. |
| 74/7/2008 Teleconf. | An asset insurance amount of \$4000 is included with the policy we have decided to just insure the \$4000. |
| 8/2/21 re Teleconf. | evised to: The Hanover Insurance Company also provides the general liability and portable property insurance on an annual basis effective April 7. The BCOA's portable property consists of our listed trophy sculptures (8), ring, gate, fencing, and holter equipment (monitors, vests, cable, cards and flash card reader). Our portable property is currently insured for \$8,285.50. The value of these items needs appraised periodically. |
| 2/27/2003 Teleconf. | Budget \$2500 per year for the conference line. Board approval will be needed for conference calls. Approval by email is acceptable. |
| 8/2/2021 Teleconf. | BCOA Board approved to have the president schedule an annual review of the financial books by an independent third party. |
| | 8/20/2012 8/1986 3/4/2013 11/6/2010 4/1/2005 11/14/2004 8/11/2015 2/25/1998 Teleconf. 8/2/21 Teleconf. 8/2/21 re Teleconf. 2/27/2003 Teleconf. 8/2/2021 |

ARISTOCRAT

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AWARDS

| AWD 1 | AKC Sportsmanship | 11/3/2012 1/25/21 | The AKC Sportsmanship Medallion will be awarded to a member at the National Specialty. This medallion should only be awarded for exceptional service to the breed and to this club over a long period of time. It is not required that this award be made each year. |
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| AWD 2 | AKC Lifetime Achievement | 11/14/2009 1/25/21 | Each Regional Governor will contact their area members asking for suggestions and a letter of recommendation detailing why that person should be considered for this honor. The Governors will forward these recommendations to the Recording Secretary in time for the first Board meeting of each year. These areas of nomination will cover Conformation, Obedience (Companion) and Performance (field). It was noted that the BCOA nominees are from the ranks of BCOA members only. The Board will decide on no more than one nominee for each area, and does not have to make any recommendation. The corresponding secretary will forward the names to the AKC. |
| AWD 3 | All awards | 5/1986 | For all BCOA awards, AKC and BCOA will recognize the first owner as the principal owner of the Borzoi. The first owner listed must be a BCOA member, regardless of where the dog lives. Only AKC-Eligible first owners can earn NOHS awards for their dogs. |
| AWD 4 | All Awards | 11/2/2013 | A printed screenshot of the Points and Awards page from the AKC website for an individual dog is acceptable documentation. |
| AWD 5 | Annual Awards | 11/2/2013 1/25/21 | Only BCOA members names will be engraved on the annual awards plaques, and that the only titles that will be engraved are those recognized by AKC, ASFA, LGRA, NOTRA, NACA & NOFCA. |
| AWD 6 | Annual Awards | 10/16/1993 1/25/21 | The first-listed owner and/or breeder (if a BCOA member) receives the annual photo award plaque with additional plaques being available for order at the owner's expense. |
| AWD 7 | Annual Awards | 3/12/1992 | The first name on a Borzoi registration certificate, if a BCOA member, shall entitle that dog to compete for the BCOA Annual Award. The second name, if a non-member, shall not be listed. |
| AWD 8 | Annual Awards | 8/1988 | In the interest of consistency, BCOA will standardize the Annual Award Plaques. |
| AWD 9 | Annual Awards, Conformation | 11/2/2013 | The Top Breeder-Owner-Handler be awarded annually, using the BCOA Breed Point System January 1, 2014. |
| AWD 1 | 0 Annual Awards Conformation | 4/7/2004 | Ending in 2004, BCOA will only award the Breed System (#1 Top Conformation Borzoi, Breeder of Top Conformation Borzoi and BOS) and will no longer use the All Breed System. |
| AWD 1 | 1 Annual Awards, Conformation | 5/1987 | An Annual Award for Breeder of Top Conformation Borzoi will go to the breeder if different from the owner; of the Top Conformation Borzoi. Breeder must be a BCOA member. |
| AWD 12 | Annual Awards, Lure Coursing | 12/3/1994 | ASFA and AKC scores to be kept separately. |

| | Annual Awards, Lure Coursing | Rev 1/25/21 | Records will be kept of Top Lure Coursers owned by BCOA members. Approved an Annual Award plaque will be given for the Top Lure Coursing Borzoi of the year in each AKC and ASFA. |
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| | 4 Annual Awards Open Field Coursing | May 1996 | BCOA will present an Annual Award for Open Field Coursing |
| | Annual Awards Open Field Coursing | Rev 1/25/21 | The #1 Open Field Courser will be determined by the number of hounds defeated during the calendar year. The borzoi earns one point for each hound defeated by competing in NOFCA (National Open Field Coursing Association) and NACA (North American Coursing Association) hunts. |
| _ | Annual Awards Open Field Coursing | 11/2/2013 1/25/21 | BCOA recognizes: National Open Field Coursing Association (NOFCA): CC (Coursing Champion) & CM (Courser of Merit) North American Coursing Association (NACA): NACC & NACM |
| AWD 17 | Title Medals | 11/2/2013 1/25/21 | A "Performance Titles Medallions" committee chairperson will mail the title medallions for the first title earned in AKC obedience, rally, agility, tracking, coursing (AKC-FC or ASFA-FCH, not both), racing (LGRA-GRC & NOTRA-ORC) and open field coursing. Only the first open field title earned by the dog from the NOFCA, and NACA organization will receive a medal. The AKC titles will be forwarded to the chairperson from the New Titles electronic file received from the AKC. Members are required to send documentation of their non-AKC titles to the chairperson. Retro-active to 1 January 2013. |
| | Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Awar | | Add all AKC agility titles. Those requiring 3 legs worth 15 points. Those requiring 10 legs worth 30 points. Remaining titles worth 40 points each. |
| AWD 19 | 9 Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Aw | | Add the Obedience Beginners Novice (BN) title |
| AWD 20 | Versatility, Annual & Lifetime Achievement Awar | | Add Rally Obedience titles. |
| AWD 21 | Versatility Awards | 8/11/2004 | The name 'BCOA Versatility Hall of Fame' be changed to the 'Borzoi Versatility Lifetime Achievement Award' |
| AWD 22 | Annual Versatility Awards | 3/24/2002 | Add Specialty BOB, Specialty BOS and Specialty AOM to the Annual Versatility Award (AVA) |
| AWD 23 | Annual Versatility Awards | 11/9/1996 | Top Versatility Borzoi will receive same photo engraved plaque as other Top Borzoi for the year. |
| AWD 24 | Annual Versatility Awards | 4/3/1996 | Open Field Coursing will be included in the qualifications for Top Versatility Borzoi. |
| AWD 25 | Versatility Awards | 11/3/2012 | Add conformation Grand Champion (GCH), bronze GCH, Silver GCH, Gold GCH and Platinum GCH titles to the AVA, each GCH title =15 points. Add the obedience Graduate Novice (GN), Graduate Open (GO), and Versatility (VER) titles, each title = 15 points. Add the multiple UDX titles. (UDX2, UDX3, &al,) with each title worth 40 points. Add the Obedience Master titles (OM), with each title worth 40 points |

| AWD 26 | Versatility Lifetime Achievement Awards | 7/17/1996 | To induct all past and present Borzoi who have met the maximum requirements of championship titles in the combined areas of conformation, obedience and coursing. A certificate will be presented to each owner. |
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| AWD 27 | Versatility Lifetime Achievement Awards | 4/28/2015 1/25/21 | North American Coursing Association (NACA): AC Accomplished Courser |
| | #1-ranked Borzoi within te, Agility or Rally | 1/25/21 1/22/24 | Rankings Within Class: For the first two quarters of the year, eligible Borzoi competing within each class for obedience, agility, and rally will be listed by name in alphabetical order with their average scores and numbers of Qs. Beginning in the third quarter, eligible Borzoi will be listed in rank order with their average scores and number of qualifying scores (Qs), according to the revisions to the year-end rankings of the Borzoi competing within each class for the three venues, as described in detail elsewhere. For agility the top Borzoi competing within any class is determined by the highest average and requires only a single qualifying score. In order for an eligible Borzoi to be ranked #1 in any of the following obedience classes, there must be at least three qualifying scores (Qs): Beginner Novice, Preferred Novice and Novice. In order for an eligible Borzoi to be ranked first in any of the following rally classes, there must be at least three Qs: Novice and Intermediate. For all of the other higher-level obedience and rally classes, the eligible Borzoi with the highest average regardless of the number of Qs will be the #1-ranked Borzoi in that class. The #1-ranked Borzoi within a given class in each companion venue will be awarded a certificate at the next year's National Specialty or mailed to the first owner. |
| AWD 29 | Top 5 in Obedience, Agility or Rally | 1/25/21 1/22/24 | A weighted system that accounts for the higher degrees of skills and more intensive training required for qualifying in higher-level classes is used as a fair way to determine end of year rankings. Top Borzoi in each venue receive a plaque and the remainder of the Top 5 receive certificates at the next year's National Specialty or mailed to the first owner. Because there is some complexity involved in the weighted systems proposed below for the end-of-year Top-5 rankings, two members will independently compute the final rankings for each venue. The qualifying scores (Qs) from any titling class may will be used to determine the Top 5 Eligible Borzoi competing in companion events. An eligible Borzoi can be ranked in the Top 5 in Agility with only one qualifying score. To be eligible for the Top 5 in Obedience or Rally, a Borzoi must have at least 3 qualifying scores from any combination of titling classes with no distinction being made between A and B classes. The obedience, agility, and rally weighting systems are described elsewhere. |

OFFICERS & BOARD

| BOD 1 | Board Meeting | 5/25/2006 8/2/2021 | Board members' minority or abstaining votes on non-confidential motions will be listed in the meeting minutes. |
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| BOD 2 | Board Meeting, Annual | 12/6/1997 8/2/2021 | Open the Annual Board Meeting to the membership for attendance. Per Robert's Rules the meeting can be closed during any confidential matters then reopened. The annual meeting can be closed to non-members in attendance for any confidential matters |
| BOD 3 | Board Resignations | 11/12/2011 | A resignation by any board Member shall be a signed letter with an effective date, sent to either the President or to the Recording Secretary, who will then inform the rest of the board members, as soon as possible. The membership should be informed of the board member's resignation in the next mailing to the membership, or in the next email to the membership by either the President or by the Regional Governors. The resignation should also be reported in the next meeting minutes. |
| BOD 4 | Board Resignations | 12/11/1983 | All resignations must be in writing to be effective. |
| BOD 5 | Code of Conduct | 11/18/2006 4/10/14 8/2/21 | Each board member will sign a Code of Conduct by December 31st to cover the subsequent year. All nominees and petitioners must sign to be considered a board seat. |
| BOD 6 | Email Voting | 5/23/2012 | The Recording Secretary allows five days for discussion of all issues requiring an email vote by the Board before tallying said vote, except when time is of the essence. |
| BOD 7 | Regional Governors | 8/6/2009 | Each Region Governor is encouraged to verify email addresses in his/her region and pass along any corrections to the Recording Secretary. |
| BOD 8 | Regional Governors | 2/17/1993 | Regional Governors can establish own regional meeting dates without Board approval. |
| BOD 9 | Vice-President | 2/28/2008 | Ways and Means are part of the Vice-President's duties and responsibilities. |
| BOD 10 | Regional Governors | 4/16/2008 | Guidelines for Regional Governors were approved. |
| BOD 11 | Meeting Confidentiality and Consequences | 3/16/2021 Teleconf. | What happens during a BCOA Board meeting (including but not limited to motions, discussions, and votes) is not to be discussed with or disclosed to anyone outside of the Board, until either (1) the minutes of the Board meeting are approved and published or (2) the Board authorizes information to be disseminated to the membership by the Regional Governors or through the Members Only listserv group. Any violations by a board member can be subject to removal from office. (wording revised 8/2//21) |
| BOD 12 | Board Meeting Minutes | 3/16/2021 Teleconf. | The minutes of Board meetings may be approved via email so the information can be released before the next quarterly meeting. Suggested time limits for such approval might range from 4 to 6 weeks. (wording revised 8/2//21) |
| BOD 13 | Code of Conduct | 8/2/2021 Teleconf. | If Board Member's signature is not received by the Recording Secretary by Dec 31st, the Board Member will be excluded from board meetings until signed form is received and / or removed from office under Article III Sec 1 |
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| BOD 14 Board Meetings | 8/2/2021 Teleconf. | There will be at least FOUR seasonal meetings (Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall) Two of them may be a Face to Face |
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| BOD 15 Board Face to Face Meetings | 8/2/2021 Teleconf. | Unless the Board decides otherwise, there may be up to TWO Face to Face meetings. Attendance is required at at least one of the meetings. One of the meetings will be scheduled for National week. |
| BOD 16 Voting at Face to Face Meetings | 8/2/2021 Teleconf. | Voting is limited to those in physical attendance. Special consideration will be given on a case by case basis to call in and vote. |

BOARD ELECTION

| BDE 1 | Officers/Board Members, Nominations by Petition | 2/1987 | When the list of nominations is published, quote the pertinent section of the Constitution. A petition must be received in one envelope containing the five signatures, which can be on separate sheets of paper along with the nominee's acceptance. |
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| BDE 2 | Officers/Board Members, Voting | 8/1986 | Only contested positions will be voted on and all other offices are to be listed, but marked as uncontested. Profiles of all candidates to be printed and accompany the ballot. |
| BDE 3 | Voting By Region | 2/1994 | It is not in the best interest of the Club to vote by region. |

BREED STANDARD

| BZS 1 | Breed Purpose | 6/23/2004 | Membership reaffirms "that the original purpose of Borzoi was to hunt wolves, fox, and hare." |
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| BZS 2 | Colors | 4/10/2003 | Approved the Color Committee's Recommendations. |
| BZS 3 | Spelling | 6/17/1992 | Plural of Borzoi is Borzoi. |

ELECTION: NATIONAL SPECIALTY JUDGES

| ELJ 1 | Ballots | 4/4/2011 6/1/2022 | Allow BCOA to utilize Members Only IO Group, blast emails and send USPS First Class to only members who don't have email access. |
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| ELJ 2 | Ballots | 11/28/1981 | Ballots: Destroy all election ballots after one year. |
| ELJ 3 | Judges | 11/2/2013 | The rules in this section referring to "sweepstakes" apply only to Puppy & Veteran sweepstakes |
| ELJ 4 | Judge, Election | 11/2/2013 | Specialty Judges will be elected annually. |
| ELJ 5 | Judge, Nominations | 6/2/2011, 8/10/2011 11/2/2013, 2/24/2015 | Nominate 1 judge for Breed and 1 judge for Sweeps. Each member may nominate 1 judge eligible to judge the Breed classes and 1 judge for the Sweepstakes. Nominees for Sweepstakes Judge must own or have owned Borzoi and not be licensed by the AKC to judge Borzoi at the time of the nomination. If the Sweepstakes judge is not a BCOA member, the address of the nominee must be included. If not a BCOA member, foreign judge nominations must include a valid address. The five year judging moratorium will remain valid for all Specialty judging assignments. The five-year moratorium prohibits individuals from judging across categories within the 5-year period. For example, an individual may not judge the Breed classes in 2022 and Futurity in 2023 |
| ELJ 6 | Judges, Nominations | | To restrict AKC approved or permit Borzoi judges from judging sweepstakes at the National |
| ELJ 7 | Judges, Lure Coursing reimbursement | 8/18/2014 | Reimbursement for a lure coursing judge is limited to \$200 and one night's lodging. |
| ELJ 8 | Judges, reimbursement & critiques | | Breed judges who are BCOA members receive only expenses, including lodging at the host hotel, transportation, meals, and the annual awards banquet. Breed judges who are not BCOA members, receive expenses + \$2 per dog entered. Breed judge's airfare expenses are limited to \$500.00. Additional expenses must be approved by the Board. Sweepstakes judges will get 2 nights' lodging and the Annual Awards banquet. All judges will be asked to give a verbal critique at the annual awards banquet and to provide a written critique for publication in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . |
| ELJ 9 | Judge, Breed, restrictions | | Those elected to judge the Breed classes will not judge a Borzoi Specialty in the USA for 1 year prior to the National Specialty. Also, the Breed judge cannot judge Borzoi at an all-breed show in the region where that Specialty show will be held, for 6 months prior to that Specialty. The Breed judge cannot exhibit a hound during the four months prior to the National Specialty in which they are judging. Exhibiting a hound includes hounds not only owned or co-owned by the judge but also surrogates (Handlers or other individuals) for the judge. This restriction will impact and Breed judge selected for the 2024 national specialty and subsequent years, |
| ELJ 10 | Judge, sweepstakes, restriction | 4/4/2011 12/14/2021 | The Sweepstakes judge shall be restricted from judging any Borzoi for 6 months prior to the National. Including any show or match, Specialties and TSEs. |

| ELJ 11 | Judges, Voting, | 4/4/2011 6/1/2022 | The compiled complete list of membership nominations will be distributed to the membership for a break-down ballot vote. The breakdown ballot should state for both Specialty Judge and for Sweepstakes judge: "You may vote for up to three judges from each category in order of your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice preference. You must indicate your preferences with a written "1", "2" or "3" in order of your choices, as this breakdown ballot is a "weighted ballot" with a 1st choice receiving 3 points, a 2nd choice receiving 2 points and a 3rd choice receiving 1 point. Each choice must be for a unique individual. |
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| ELJ 12 | Judges, Voting, Break-down Ballot from tabulator | 4/4/2011 6/1/2022 12/14/2023 | On the report to the President and Recording Secretary which will be provided within one week of the voting deadline, the Tabulator shall list Specialty Judges in order of total number of points received, with the Judge receiving the highest number of points listed first. In the event of ties, more than 5 names will appear on the final ballot. |
| ELJ 13 | Judges, Voting, final ballot | 4/4/2011, 8/10-2011, 11/2/2013 | Each nominee, both conformation and sweepstakes, will be asked to provide a 100 word biography for the final ballot. If the biography is not received by the deadline, that name will be removed from the final ballot. |
| ELJ 14 | Judges, Voting, Timetable | 4/4/2011 12/14/23 | 14.1 NOMINATION PROCESS & TIMING: The Judges Nomination Form will be sent to the membership along with their dues notice. Completed Nomination Forms are to be sent to the Recording Secretary from the members, either by email or US Postal First-Class mail, and must be received by March15 th . The President will notify, by email, the current list of members in good standing of the mailing. 14.2 BREAKDOWN BALLOT PROCESS & TIMING: The Recording Secretary shall have two (2) weeks to compile the Breakdown Ballot and confirm if each nominee is willing to accept the assignment. The Recording Secretary will post the Breakdown Ballot, containing the final list of nominees, to the BCOA Members section of the website, the Members Only 10 group site, and mail by |

The Recording Secretary shall have two (2) weeks to compile the Breakdown Ballot and confirm if each nominee is willing to accept the assignment. The Recording Secretary will post the Breakdown Ballot, containing the final list of nominees, to the BCOA Members section of the website, the Members Only IO group site, and mail by US Postal service First Class to those members without email. The Recording Secretary will notify the President when the ballots are mailed. The President will notify the entire membership of the mailing by email. Five (5) weeks shall be allocated for members to mark their ballots and to be received by the Tabulator from the members. The Breakdown ballot will contain voting instructions, the Tabulator's return address, email address, and required deadline date and time to be received from the membership. The Tabulator will be required to give the results to the Recording Secretary and to the President, within one (1) week of the deadline.

14.3 FINAL BALLOT PROCESS & TIMING:

The Recording Secretary shall be given one (1) week to contact the five (5) persons receiving the highest number of votes for Breed Judge and the five (5) persons receiving the highest number of votes for Sweepstakes Judge to confirm acceptance of the assignment, the judging restrictions, and Club offered provisions. They will also be required to submit a 100 maximum word biography to be returned to the Recording Secretary within two (2) weeks of their notification and acceptance. In the event of any ties, those people will also be contacted, provided the same information and requirements, and included on the Final ballot.

The Final ballot will contain the top five (5) vote receivers in each category and names of any ties from the breakdown ballot, listed in alphabetic order. Members will be allowed to vote for one (1) choice in each category. The Recording Secretary shall have one (1) week to prepare the Final Ballot once all the information is received. The Final Ballot, including biographies of each candidate, will be posted on the BCOA Members section of the website, the Members Only IO group, and mailed by US Postal service First Class to members without email. The Recording Secretary will notify the President when the ballots are sent. Five (5) weeks will be allocated for ballots to be marked and received from the members by the Tabulator by the deadline date and time reflected on the Final ballot. The Tabulator will be required to send the results to the Recording Secretary and the President, within one (1) week of the Final ballot deadline. The President will notify the membership of the mailing using the current Membership List. The results from the Tabulator of the Final Ballot will include the top five (5) vote receivers in each category in order of votes received and will be retained by the Recording Secretary for a period of one (1) year. The Recording Secretary will notify the winner of the Regular Conformation classes and the winner of the Sweepstakes class within one (1) day of receipt from the Tabulator. The President will notify the entire membership of the final results by email and the Recording Secretary will post to the BCOA website and the Members IO group list.

JUNIORS (MEMBERSHIP, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIP, STATISTICS)

| JNR 1 | Juniors, awards | 8/20/2012 | The Top Junior Award & Number One Certificate can be won only by a junior showman who is a member of the Borzoi Club of America. If any non-member should qualify to win the number two through five certificates, the appropriate certificate, along with a BCOA letter of invitation and membership application, will be sent to that junior. |
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| JNR 2 | Juniors, awards | 5/22/2009 | Award Certificates to the top five Junior Showmanship individuals each year at the Annual Awards Banquet |
| JNR 3 | Juniors (Membership, Awards, Scholarship, Statistics) | 5/9/2019 | Wins will be counted retroactively to the beginning of the year(in which the application was received), as long as the application process is completed according to the BCOA Constitution and Bylaws. The junior applicant must be a member by July 31st of that same calendar year in order to receive an award for that competition. |
| JNR 4 | Juniors, membership application | 4/25/2015 | A copy of the Junior's membership application will be given to the Junior Showmanship Chairperson, when the application is received by the Recording Secretary. |
| JNR 5 | Juniors, membership application | 4/7/2008 | Create a Junior Addendum to the application to track the junior's 18th birthday |
| JNR 6 | Juniors, membership application | 11/18/2006 | To encourage BCOA junior members, the application process will be streamlined by waiving the annual dues and sponsor forms. If needed, board members could sign the application form for the junior. Per BCOA Constitution, the application fee may not be waived. |
| JNR 7 | Juniors, scholarship | 2/12/2009 | For reimbursement to our Juniors who qualify for Westminster & Eukanuba is a 'Scholarship' distribution dependent on funds available rather than a specific amount. |
| JNR 8 | Juniors, scholarship | 4/7/2008 | An application process will be created by which a junior can request reimbursement for expenses for competing at Westminster or Eukanuba. The junior must show a Borzoi at these events which must reside in the household of a BCOA member in good standing or an approved junior only member. Amend the dues notice to provide for donations to this fund. |
| JNR 9 | Juniors, statistics | 4/27/2007 | The AKC statistics are the only junior statistics that will be counted. |
| JNR 10 | Juniors, statistics | 5/23/1993 | Calendar year for junior statistics will be January 1 through December 31. |
| JNR 11 | Juniors, membership app | 5/9/2019 | The junior membership application (which must include the junior's AKC Junior Showman Number) will be read and voted on for approval at the next Board of Directors meeting following receipt of the junior's application. Back to Top |

LURE COURSING

| LUR1 | ASFA ACoD | 8/1986 | BCOA will pay \$100 toward registration fees only for the ASFA Convention which does not cover transportation, food, or lodging. |
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| LUR 2 | ASFA ACoD | | The BCOA shall pay the registration fee for the designated delegate representing BCOA to attend the Annual ASFA Convention. |
| LUR 3 | ASFA membership | 2/27/2003 | Continue our membership in ASFA |

MEMBER DIRECTORY

| DIR 1 | Listing | 8/10/2011 | Members in the same household with different last names, are listed separately. |
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| DIR 2 | Officers & Regional Governors | 8/10/2011 | Officers and Regional Governors are listed on the first page of the Membership Directory with their name, position, & region. |
| DIR 3 | Juniors page | 5/6/2010 | Junior members are listed in a separate section of the Member Directory. |
| DIR 4 | Standing Committees | 8/2017 | A list of Standing Committee Chairs appears following that for the board |

MEMBERSHIP

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| MMB 1 Application 1 | 2/7/2022 | Replaced 'Age' with 'Birthdate' (under 18 years, Junior applicants only). Revised the paragraph about payment: "Please include a check payable to 'BCOA' for the application fee and current year's dues: \$45 (Single membership) or \$65 (Household membership) or \$55 Foreign membership (outside North America) or \$5 application fee for a Junior membership. (No dues required for members under age 18). Applicants will need two current BCOA members Sponsors who do not reside in the same household. A BCOA member must have visited the applicant's home within two years previous to the application. A video will be allowed when a home visit is impractical. Sponsors are not required for Junior or Foreign applicants. |
| MMB 2 Application | 8/13/2003 | Add agility as an activity that can be done with Borzoi. Sponsor Form: Add a question to determine that at least one sponsor (or sponsor's designated BCOA member in good standing) must have visited the applicant's home and/or kennel within the previous 2 years. |
| MMB 3 Applications, Reasons To Table | 11/17/1998 | Application for membership may be tabled because: Additional Information is Needed: a. The sponsor may be asked for additional information. b. The applicant may be asked for additional information. Protest: a. Protest must be written and submitted to the Recording Secretary. b. All protests are kept confidential. c. Letter of inquiry shall be sent to the appropriate parties (sponsors) in order to obtain or verify the information required for a final decision. All correspondence is sent to the office of the Recording Secretary. d. No unsolicited letters will be considered. e. Final vote will be by written ballot on a protested applicant(s) and only during a face-to-face meeting of the BCOA board. NSF Check - Applications may be returned due to: a. Incorrect or insufficient information on application. b. One or more Sponsor forms not received. Applications may be rejected due to: As action taken by the board in reference to a member protest letter. If approved, the Corresponding Secretary notified the applicant of their acceptance. If denied, the Recording Secretary notifies the applicant. If additional information is needed, the letters/requests are sent by the Recording Secretary. |
| MMB 4 Application, Tabled, Voting | 3/8/1990 | Approved outline for tabled applications with the addition that when voting on a protested application, it should be done by written secret ballot. |

| MMB 5 | Application Voting | 4/10/2003 | Sponsors: When an applicant is sponsored by a board member, the sponsoring board member shall recuse themself from the vote for approval. Approval will be 2/3s of the eligible board members |
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| MMB 6 | Foreign Membership | 8/13/2003 5/17/2023 | Dues for foreign members must be paid in US funds. |
| MMB 7 | Foreign Membership | 5/29/1998 5/17/2023 | In keeping with our By-Laws, Foreign memberships hold no voting rights. |
| MMB 8 | Life Members | 11/12/2011 | Around the first of February, the Treasurer will provide to each Regional Governor a list of Life Members, by region, who did not return the "Member Contact Form/Dues Renewal Form" or a check, Each Regional Governor will try to contact these Life Members in their region, asking them if they wish to remain active in BCOA, or if they wish to resign. By March 1, each Regional Governor will report to the board (1) Life Members who want to remain active (2) Life Members who have resigned and (3) Life Members who could not be contacted. Life Members who resigned will be reported in the minutes of the first board meeting held after 1 March, and will be removed from the Membership List. The names of the Life Members who could not be contacted, will be reported in the minutes of the first board meeting held after 1 March, asking members if anybody has contact information for these people. Life Members who cannot be contacted will be moved to a separate list with their last known address, and removed from the Membership List that is used for mailings. |
| MMB 9 | Life Members | 11/12/2011 | The Treasurer will provide the names of the new life members to the Corresponding Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary will provide certificates to be read and awarded at the next Annual membership meeting. |

MISCELLANEOUS

| MSC 1 | Kennel names | 11/7/1998 | The following famous kennel names have been officially retired from any future use by the BCOA: Trezor, Romanoff, Malora, and O'Valley Farm 2017: Rising Star was retired. 2018: Sunbarr was retired. Other names considered but no action taken at this time are: Baronoff and Alpine. |
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| MSC 2 | Logo | 11/7/1998 | It must clearly be stated that the BCOA logo is a copyright graphic belonging to the BCOA, and under no circumstances is it authorized to be used on any website other than the official BCOA website. Legal actions would be undertaken to protect the logo. |
| MSC 3 | Pictures | 11/2/2013 | Member Education program must have the owner's permission before using photographs of any dogs. Back to Top |

NATIONAL SPECIALTY

| NAT 1 | Auction | 11/18/2006 | All art auction items must be complete and present at the time of the auction. |
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| NAT 2 | Auction | 8/29/1990 | Items donated to the National Specialty auction are sold 'as is.' |
| NAT 3 | Awards, CHIC | 5/6/2010 12/14/2023 | Cash award, amount to be determined by the Board and Health Chair based on available Health Committee funds for the winners of Best of Breed and Triathlon if the winners have a CHIC number currently on OFA record as of the opening date of the BCOA Specialty. Additionally, a cash award for the Best in Futurity will be offered if both the sire and dam of the winner have a CHIC number currently on OFA record as of the opening date of the BCOA Specialty. Cash award amounts will be listed in the Specialty catalog. |
| NAT 4 | Awards of Merit, | 12/6/1997 | Judge's Award of Merit certificates and rosettes for Obedience & Rally |
| | Obedience & Rally | 11/22/2021 | Trials. The Obedience / Rally Judge, may, at his/her discretion, present |
| | | | Award of Merit rosettes to no more than three (3) dogs who have competed |
| | | | in any Obedience Class at the National Specialty. Highest Scoring Dog in |
| | | | Regular Classes is not included in the three Awards. Same Process applies to |
| | | | Rally. |
| NAT 5 | Awards of Merit | 6/17/1992 | No more than 10 Award of Merits may be given at the National Specialty. |
| NAT 6 | Award of Merit | 8/1988 | Approved an Award of Merit to up to Ten Borzoi who have competed in the |
| | | 11/22/21 | Best of Breed judging at the BCOA National Specialty, at the discretion of |
| | | | the Regular class judge. BOB and BOS are not included in the ten awards. |
| | | | Select Dog and Select Bitch should be added to the list of those dogs not |
| | | | given Award of Merit. |

| NAT 7 | Banners | 2/25/1998 | Banners will be retained each year with the challenge trophies and be |
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| | | | transported to the next specialty with the trophies. |
| NAT 8 | Catalog | 2/24/1999 | Provide a page each year in the National specialty catalog in memory of deceased BCOA members and other Borzoi fanciers from specialty to specialty |
| NAT 9 | Chairperson, showing | 11/3/2010 | Dogs owned, co-owned or residing with the show chairperson, or co- |
| | | | show chairperson, and/or members of their immediate family may not be |
| | | | exhibited in the conformation classes (futurity, sweepstakes and regular |
| | | | classes). Show chairperson, co-show chairperson, and any person residing |
| | | | in the same household as the show chairperson or co-show chairperson, |
| | | | shall not exhibit or act as agent or hander, in the conformation classes at the |
| | | | Specialty. |
| NAT 10 | Class, Altered | 5/6/2019 | Altered Class is open to all Borzoi (not restricted to Triathlon competitors). |
| | | 5/17/2023 | This class is intersex competition and is judged as any other class with |
| | | | placements 1-4 being awarded on the merit of the individual dog. |
| | | | There will be no further competition for the winner of this |
| | | | class. Rosette and a cloisonné medallion for placements. |
| NAT 11 | Classes, Conformation, | 5/21/2010 | Award 1st- 4th in Veteran classes instead of first place only. |
| | Veteran | | |

| NAT 12 Classes, Stud Dog & Br | ood Bitch | Award 1-4 in the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes. |
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| NAT 13 Classes, Stud Dog & Br | ood Bitch | At least two, but no more than four, get or produce may be exhibited with a Stud or Brood entry. |
| NAT 14 Entries | | All national specialties should hold events for everyone: conformation, obedience, rally and lure coursing |
| NAT 15 Exhibitors, Dogs, Clean | -up 5/28/1999 | BCOA has "no tolerance" for violators of non-clean up after their dogs and that violators be fined \$50.00 for violation of non-clean-up. |
| NAT 16 Futurity | 10/16/1993 | The breeder, <i>but not the owner</i> , of a puppy entered in the Futurity must be a BCOA member. |
| NAT 17 Health Clinic | 11/3/2012 11/22/21 12/14/2023 | The Show Secretary will periodically keep Health Clinic Chair updated with of how many borzoi are signed up for each health clinic as soon as possible after entries close. The final count will be provided within one (1) week of the entry closing date. If it is likely that the number of dogs will not meet the minimum requirements as specified in the clinic contract, the Health Clinic Chair may open the clinic(s) to all breeds of dogs by notifying local all-breed clubs and requesting the OFA to add to their clinic calendar or any other means of communication necessary to satisfy the contract minimum requirements. The reduced rate for the Health Clinic, paid for by the BCOA Health Fund, is only available to BCOA member owned borzoi registered before entries close. |
| NAT 18 Hospitality | 5/1986 | BCOA is responsible for hospitality at the National Specialty. |
| NAT 19 Judges, Approval of | 12/4/1999 11/22/21 | All specialty judges (other than breed & sweepstakes judge) must be reviewed by the Board prior to their being invited to judge non regular, conformation, companion & performance events. Committee Chairs will submit to the Board a minimum of 3 and maximum of 5 judges and in order of preference for each event. |
| NAT 20 Judges, Approval of | 8/6/2009 11/14/2009 | The proposal that the membership vote on judge for lure coursing & obedience was rejected. Each National Specialty Show committee has the ability to make recommendation to the Board for judges for their events. |
| NAT 21 Lure Coursing Trial | 5/18/2013 | Each year, that specialty's committee may decide whether to hold either or both an AKC and an ASFA trial. |
| NAT 22 Lure Coursing, Junior Courser tests | 8/6/2009 time req | Leave the option of Junior Courser testing to the show committee as the uired to hold all the events may preclude this activity. |
| NAT 23 Owner-Handled Award | 12/9/1995 | BCOA participates in AKC Owner-Handler Series at its National Specialty Show. |
| NAT 24 Photos | 8/14/2002 | The Bronze trophies are included in the win photos at the National. A platform should not be used for these photos as many dogs are not accustomed to it and the dogs then do not look their best. |
| NAT 25 Photos | | First through fourth place in Sweepstakes as well as first through fourth in regular classes will be taken for publication in the <i>Aristocrat</i> and for BCOA's archival records. |

| NAT 26 | Photos & Results | 11/6/2011 | In the past, official photos and critiques were not released to any publication until after the publication in the <i>Aristocrat</i> results, photos and critiques on the BCOA website as they become available thus allowing the other magazines access to the material in a more timely manner. These items will also appear in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . |
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| NAT 27 | 7 Ring size | 5/3/1998 | The ballroom for the specialty show to be a minimum of 7,000 sq. ft. with a minimum width of 60 feet. |
| NAT 28 | Ring Stewards | 2/19/1997 | Ring stewards may not exhibit at any BCOA conformation event, nor may dogs owned or co-owned by them be entered in that show under any of the Borzoi judges. |
| NAT 29 | Schedule | 4/27/ 2007 11/22/21 | Stud dog & brood bitch are judged after BOB. Scheduling of the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes will be determined each year by the show committee. |
| NAT 30 | Schedule | 5/2000 11/22/21 | Futurity will be judged on the day before Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes. Time to be determined by show committee. All performance, obedience and rally events are prior to the Futurity |
| NAT 31 | Schedule | 5/26/1993 & 2007 | National Specialty rotation from region to region in a pattern as follows: Region 1, Region 4, Region 2, Region 6, Region 3, Region 5. (Modified by switching region 2 in 2010 and region 6 in 2009) |
| NAT 32 | Sweepstakes, Puppy | 6/1989 | BCOA allows Sweepstakes classes to be greater than 18 months at those Specialties where, due to the shifting of Specialty dates, puppies are unable to compete in two sweepstakes in a row. (Some puppies may be too young for one year's sweepstakes and too old for the following year's sweepstakes.) |
| NAT 33 | Triathlon Rules | 513/2013 | Added 17.5 points for Select Dog and for Select Bitch. (Complete Rules at end of this) |
| NAT 34 | Title Rosette | 8/11/2015 | BCOA awards a "New Title" rosette for any title finished at the National Specialty. |
| NAT 35 | Triathlon Rules | 11/1/2014 | Rally scores and Beginner Novice Obedience scores added to the Obedience portion of the Triathlon. Base Score is 80% of the points earned in Rally-Novice, 100% of the points earned in Rally-Advanced and in Rally-Excellent. Bonus points for the four class placements in Rally will be the same as for Obedience. (Note that the rally judge scores only a dog who qualifies.) The Base Score is 90% of the points earned in the Beginner-Novice obedience classes, divided by 2. |
| NAT 36 | Triathlon Rules | 11-1-2014 | Placements in LGRA added to the Coursing portion of the Triathlon: Base Score is 50 for a dog who completes three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified). Bonus points are one point for each dog defeated, capped at 25. The only dogs that count as dogs defeated, are those dogs who complete three races in good standing (no fouls, no off course, not dismissed, not disqualified). |
| NAT 37 | Trophies, challenge | 9/22/2007 | Challenge trophies are BCOA property once they have been donated and approved by AKC. |

| NAT 38 | Trophies, cloisonné medallions | 8/10/2011 | The traditional cloisonné medallions are an expected part of the National Specialty and should be continued in 2012. We will review the costs each year. |
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| NAT 39 | Trophy Pledge Book | 2/21/2012 | Allow trophy pledge book to be available at the national specialty once judging begins. Additionally, the pertinent sections will be available at the performance & obedience events. |
| NAT 40 | Trophy, specialty | 8/22/1995 | Only one trophy per award is permitted, even if a second party (co-owner) offers to pay for the second trophy. |
| NAT 41 | Trophy storage | 4/4/2011 | BCOA shall 'Hold Harmless' members storing/transporting the Challenge Trophies. |
| NAT 42 | Trophy storage | 4/7/2004 | All perpetual & challenge trophies are stored in one location; they must remain in BCOA's possession until retired. |
| NAT 43 | Trophies, Veteran Sweepstakes | 8/11/2004 | Award the heads to the first placements in each class. The Runners-up will receive a pewter double eagle medallion. |
| NAT 44 | Classes, conformation | 11/4/2009 11/22/21 | The splitting of the 12-18 class into 12-15 & 15-18 which is now approved by AKC |
| NAT 45 | Classes, conformation, Veteran | | Approve an additional non-regular class, Best In Veteran Class in Specialty Show with a rosette provided by the BCOA. |
| NAT 46 | Classes, conformation, Veteran | 11/22/2021 | Approved age split for Veteran Classes - 7-9 years and 9 years and over. A short break be allowed after the judging of 10 years and over in the Veteran bitch classes prior to having to go back in for Best Veteran. Considerals also changing the order of judging to 10 and over followed by 7-10 years. |
| NAT 47 | Classes, obedience | 11/6/2010 11/22/2021 | Add the Beginners Novice class to the National |
| NAT 48 | Classes, sweepstakes Puppy | | The addition of an 18-21 and a 21-24 month class to sweepstakes. These classes may be offered on a year-by-year basis for extenuating circumstances. |
| NAT 49 | Futurity | 8/14/2002 | A short break be allowed after the judging of Senior Puppy in the Futurity prior to having to go back in for Best in Futurity. |
| NAT 50 | Futurity | 5/25/1995 | Futurity Committee may retain seed money from the previous year and request additional monies to purchase trophies |
| NAT 51 | Lure Coursing, certification tests | 11/14/2009 | The Field Committee for each National will make this determination as the time required to complete the Field Events will take precedence. |
| NAT 52 | Trophies, Challenge | 8/22/1995 | All future challenge trophies be stored in a proper container to facilitate ease of shipping from specialty to specialty. |
| NAT 53 | Trophy, specialty | 8/13/1997 | Approved the standardized trophy list Back to Top |

NOTICES & REPORTS

| NOT 3 Dues Not 4 Minuted NOT 5 Minuted NOT 6 Nominuted Not 5 Nominuted Not 6 N | nating Committee | 5/1986 8/10/2011 11/12/2011 | BCOA Dues notice for members to receive puppy referrals. (Corresponding secretary) – responds to inquiries for puppy referrals that the names are referrals, not recommendations. The inquirer needs to do his or her own reference checks. – 2006 Membership dues notices are USPS First Class. Membership dues final notification will be sent out on January 15 of each year. Recording Secretary will provide a draft of the minutes to the President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary & Treasurer within two weeks of a board meeting. Changes & additions must be returned to the Recording Secretary within 7 days. In case of a disagreement, the President has the final say. Minutes will be published online, without a password. They will not be mailed, except to those who pay to receive a hard copy. An email will be sent to the membership to announce when the minutes have been posted. The Treasurer's report will not be posted. |
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| NOT 4 Minut NOT 5 Minut NOT 6 Nomir | nating Committee | 8/10/2011 11/12/2011 | notification will be sent out on January 15 of each year. Recording Secretary will provide a draft of the minutes to the President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary & Treasurer within two weeks of a board meeting. Changes & additions must be returned to the Recording Secretary within 7 days. In case of a disagreement, the President has the final say. Minutes will be published online, without a password. They will not be mailed, except to those who pay to receive a hard copy. An email will be sent to the membership to announce when the minutes have been posted. |
| NOT 6 Nomin | nating Committee | 11/12/2011 | President, Corresponding Secretary & Treasurer within two weeks of a board meeting. Changes & additions must be returned to the Recording Secretary within 7 days. In case of a disagreement, the President has the final say. Minutes will be published online, without a password. They will not be mailed, except to those who pay to receive a hard copy. An email will be sent to the membership to announce when the minutes have been posted. |
| NOT 6 Nomir | nating Committee | 4/29/2005 | mailed, except to those who pay to receive a hard copy. An email will be sent to the membership to announce when the minutes have been posted. |
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| | t to the Membership | 11/12/2011 | The Nominating Committee will provide the following information in its report to the Membership: (1) Date of report (2) The names of the nominating committee members (3) The Positions to be filled and the names of those nominated (4) The statement from the Constitution of 'Additional nominations of eligible members may be made by written petition, sent by registered mail, certified mail with return receipt requested, by Federal Express, or any other private courier service that will certify delivery. All petitions must be received by the Recording Secretary on or before midnight on the thirty-first (31st) day of October. The petition must be signed by five members in good standing, all of whom have been members for at least five years, and must be received in one envelope, accompanied by the written acceptance of the petitioner signifying his willingness to be a candidate. No person who has declined a nomination by the Nominating Committee may be nominated by petition for the position he/she has declined, and no person may be a candidate for more than one position on the ballot.' (5) The name and address of the Recording Secretary (6) The list of board members with unexpired terms and their positions (7) Any vacancies on the board that will be filled at the next board meeting. |
| NOT 7 Region Repor | nal Governors rts | 11/2/2013 | The board and members within a region, do not need the same report. The board only needs to know of the events and issues concerning BCOA. Regional Governors are reminded to send news to the <i>Aristocrat</i> . |
| NOT 8 Treasu | urer's Reports | 2/12/2009 | Make the Financial Statements available to members in good standing upon request sent to the Treasurer. |

REGIONAL SPECIALTIES

| RGS 1 | Application, Regional Specialty | 11/2/2013 | Application must be sent to the Regional Governor for the region where that specialty will be held, at the same time as sending to the Corresponding Secretary. |
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| RGS 2 | Approval of Multiple Regional Specialties & Trophy-Supported Entries | 11/1/2017 | No independent regional specialties or TSEs will be approved to be held on the same date in different location in the same region or within 750 miles on the same weekend. |

STANDING COMMITTEES

| STC 1 | AKC New Titles | 4/10/2014 | Receive the electronic file from the AKC listing Borzoi with new AKC titles. Provide list to the <i>Aristocrat</i> , to the archives, to the conformation & performance medallions chairpersons. |
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| STC 2 | AKC Stud Book | 4/10/2014 | Receive the electronic file from the AKC listing Borzoi entered in the AKC Stud book, and provide the data for the BCOA archives |
| STC 3 | Annual Awards Chairperson | correct | Gets names of #1 winners from Statistics Coordinator. Contacts the winners to verify spelling of names and titles. Follows standing rules for titles allowed. Gets pictures of winners to forward to the <i>Aristocrat</i> . Arranges plaque engraving & shipping so that the plaques can be awarded at the Awards Dinner. |
| STC 4 | Archives | 4/10/2014 | An Archives committee was established. |
| STC 5 | BTRC | 4/10/2007 | The first tasks of the BCOA Beverly C. Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue Committee are to appoint a chair and determine the criteria for dispersal of the rescue funds. |
| STC 6 | BTRC | 11/18/2006 | The board clarified that none of the members of the BCOA Beverly C. Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue Committee can be officers, directors, owners, family or household members of any organization that may be, or potentially may be, a recipient of any rescue funds. |
| STC 7 | Gazette columnist | 6/3/1994 | The AKC Gazette columnist term is for two years. |
| STC 8 | Committees, Reports to the Board | 11/9/2002 | Clarification regarding which committee chairs needed to be contacted to submit reports for the board meetings. It was clarified that we do not need the different statistics as they are included in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . |
| STC 9 | Judges Education | 4/10/2007 | Potential Judges Education presenters should be approved by the board. |
| STC 10 | Judge Education, Costs | 11/18/2006 | Allocate \$400 a year to the Judges Education Committee chair to distribute at her discretion, to help offset expenses related to these presentations. To ensure the uniformity of judges' education presentations, the presenters must use the BCOA approved material and script. |
| STC 11 | Keeping In Touch | 12/9/1995 | Sunshine committee changed to "Keeping In Touch". The purpose of the committee is to keep in touch with older life members, sending greeting cards, letters of inquiry, etc. |
| STC 12 | Legislative | 4/10/2007 | Reports should include the name of the bill, a synopsis and recommendation. |
| STC 13 | Legislative Liaison | 5/2/1994 | AKC Liaison for Club Legislation formed. |
| STC 14 | Meet The Breeds | 11/2/2013 | Have a Meet The Breeds standing committee with co-chairs the chairs to support the AKC Meet the Breed in Florida and in New York. |
| STC 15 | Nominating Committee | 8/31/1994 | Will be appointed yearly with the first meeting of the board in order that notification to the membership of the names and addresses can be within the time-frame stipulated in the Constitution and By-Laws. |

| STC 16 Performance Titles Medallion | 11/2/2013 | A "Performance Titles Medallions" committee chairperson will mail the title medallions for the first title earned in AKC obedience, AKC rally, AKC agility, AKC tracking, coursing (AKC-FC or ASFA-FCH, not both), racing (LGRA-GRC & NOTRA-ORC) and open field coursing. Only the first open field title earned by the dog from the NOFCA, NAC or TCC organization will get a medal. The AKC titles will be given to the chairperson from the New Titles electronic file received from the AKC. Members will have to send documentation of their non-AKC titles to the chairperson. This is retroactive to 1 January 2013. |
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| STC 17 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 2/21/2013 | The following changes/additions were approved. Grand Champion - 2 point bonus. AKC FC and ASFA FCh titles (earned by the same dog) - 1 point bonus. AKC LCX and ASFA LCM titles (earned by the same dog) - 2 point bonus Open Field CC & CM or equivalent (earned by the same dog) - 2 point bonus. GRC and ORC titles - 5 points each (currently are worth 4 points each). SGRC and SORC titles - 10 points each (currently worth 9 points each) |
| STC 18 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 2/12/2009 | Add Agility Novice Fast to the ROM Titles |
| STC 19 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 5/2007 | Rally points will be half the points earned in regular obedience. Both rally and regular obedience points will be counted. |
| STC 20 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 4/24/2005 | Add to the ROM application: "I certify that the information submitted with this application represents, to the best of my knowledge, all ROM recognized titles earned by this dog's offspring. I further agree that in the future, should enough additional titles be earned to change the ROM title of this dog, I will submit, in a timely manner, a supplemental application in order to have the dog classified correctly." |
| STC 21 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 8/11/2004 | Motion that the ROM application be amended to indicate that a non-member will need to include a non refundable \$10 fee for record-keeping, processing and for the certificate. |
| STC 22 Registry Of Merit (ROM) | 11/15/2003 | The offspring and their titles, as well as the sire/dam, need to be maintained in the database. Only the names of the dogs achieving the titles will be published in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . Approved the use of the Borzoi Champion books to verify titles. If the dogs and their titles are not verified by these books, documentation of the titles must be submitted by the applicant. |
| STC 23 Rescue | 11/2/2013 | The BCOA Rescue committee is renamed the BCOA Borzoi Breed Welfare/Rescue Committee |
| STC 24 Rescue | 4/10/2007 | All correspondence or requests should be made to BCOA's Breed Welfare chair. |

| STC 25 | Sales | 11/12/2011 | The Vice-president is the chairperson. Purpose is fund raising. This committee promotes all BCOA items for sale, including yearbooks, the <i>Visualization of the Standard</i> , the BCOA logo patch, the "Growing Borzoi" mug, and items from past National Specialties. The committee shall (1) Keep a current, detailed list of items for sale, including colors and sizes, prices, shipping costs, and where inventory is stored. (2) Have a system to communicate with the treasurer, the BCOA Shop website administrator, and those members who are storing & shipping the sales items. (3) Provide updated information and pictures for the BCOA Shop website. (4) A report to the board for each board meeting is not required. |
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| STC 26 | Standing Rules | 4/4/2011 | A standing rules committee was approved to update the standing rules files (current and history) |
| STC 27 | Statistics Coordinator | No date (but documents current procedure) | Send the list of all #1 dogs/persons to the Annual Awards chairperson in time for him/her to order and ship the engraved plaques for presentation at the National Specialty Awards Dinner. These awards include Conformation (breed points), Breeder of the Top Conformation Borzoi, Conformation Best of Opposite Sex, Conformation Breeder-Owner-Handler, AKC Lure Courser, ASFA Lure Courser, LGRA, NOTRA, Open Field |
| STC 28 | Tabulator Fees | 2/28/2008 | To ensure an unbiased count, no tabulator will be allowed to donate his/her fee. |
| STC 29 | Tabulator & Alternate Tabulator | 4/4/2011 | The Tabulator and Alternate Tabulator will be listed in the Committee appointments made by the President each year. It was clarified that the President will contact tabulators of her choice each year to determine their willingness to serve on this Standing Committee. The President will then inform the Recording Secretary of these choices so that the Recording Secretary can determine the availability of tabulators as needed throughout the year. |
| STC 30 | AKC Canine Ambassador | 1/21/2016 | Create AKC Canine Ambassador as part of BCOA public education. |

TROPHY SUPPORTED ENTRIES

| TSE 1 | Calendar, dates | 11/3/2012 | BCOA will not approve a TSE in conjunction with a Borzoi specialty weekend |
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| TSE 2 | Calendar, dates | 5/6/2010 | BCOA disallows two TSEs in same region on the same day. |
| TSE 3 | Calendar, dates | 8/13/2008 | All events will be listed on the calendar on the BCOA website. The Corresponding Secretary will forward event approvals to the webmaster to be added to the calendar. |
| TSE 4 | Calendar, dates | 5/10/2006 | Limit TSEs to a maximum 2 days per cluster. |
| TSE 5 | Calendar, dates | 5/3/1998 | No BCOA TSE events will be approved on the weekend immediately prior to the BCOA national specialty date unless it is part of the specialty week events. |
| TSE 6 | Calendar, dates | 2/23/1994 | All BCOA events must receive board approval prior to filing any application with the AKC. Event applications and guidelines are available from either BCOA Secretary. |
| TSE 7 | Medallions, TSE | 11/12/2011 | Updated TSE Guidelines approved, with TSE medallions offered for BOB, BOS, WD, WB, as well as Best Puppy in Sweepstakes, Best Veteran in Sweepstakes and High Scoring Borzoi in Obedience, if those classes are offered. |
| TSE 8 | Performance Events | 8/11/2015 | BCOA will offer Performance Trophy-Supported Entries and provide a medallion for BOB. A performance TSE application must be submitted and approved by the board. A major entry is not required. |
| TSE 9 | Purpose of TSE | 11//3/2012 | The purpose of the TSE is to encourage a major entry of Borzoi in areas where no specialty clubs exist. Therefore, regional clubs cannot request a BCOA TSE. |
| TSE 10 | Sweepstakes Judges for TSE | 4/23/2004 | A list be created of people willing to travel at their own expense to judge sweeps at TSE events. BCOA Recording Secretary will maintain the list. |
| TSE 11 | Sweepstakes, TSE | 11/12/2011 | It is optional to hold a puppy sweepstakes and/or a veteransweepstakes with a BCOA TSE |

WEBSITE

| WEB 1 | Annual Versatility Award | 2/1/2006 | The names and scores will be published on the BCOA website. |
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| WEB 2 | Calendar | 8/13/2008 | All events will be listed on the calendar on the BCOA website. The Corresponding Secretary will forward event approvals to the webmaster for addition to the calendar. |
| WEB 3 | Constitution & By-Laws | 8/13/2003 | Add a reference to the website for the Constitution and Bylaws and the AKC rules and regulations. |
| WEB 4 | Judges Mentors | 11/18/2006 | Add list of approved mentors to BCOA website. |
| WEB 5 | Links | 8/10/2011 | Board-approved Commercial Sponsor links will be allowed on the website for each National Specialty as an incentive for sponsorship of that National with a minimum donation of \$1000.00. These links will be removed three months following that National Specialty. |
| WEB 6 | Policy | 12/4/1999 | Reserve the BCOA website strictly for BCOA information. |
| WEB 7 | Specialty Results | 11/6/2010 | Put the results, photos and critiques on the BCOA website as they become available, thus allowing the other magazines access to the material in a more timely manner. These items will also appear in the <i>Aristocrat</i> . |
| WEB 8 | Trophies | 11/14/2009 | Add photos and descriptions of standardized trophies to the website. |

YEARBOOK

| YRB 1 | Advertising | 8/1986 | Yearbook advertising is not limited to BCOA members so long as the individual is in good standing with the AKC and has not been denied membership in BCOA. |
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| YRB 2 | Payment | 4/5/1991 | Yearbooks will not be mailed until the checks have cleared the bank. |
| YRB 3 | Prices of old yearbooks | 8/1986 | Yearbooks of previous years may be sold at a set price as appropriate to collector's items. |
| YRB 4 | Timeframe | 5/1986 | A special yearbook is published every five (5) years. |