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The Aristocrat

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Message From The President

How exciting it is to be a part of the entire Borzoi world with this new publication. This publication will bring

all Borzoi people closer together with the sharing of news, ideas and the doings of Borzoi from across North America as well as from around the world. I expect this first issue will have a few bugs to be worked out but it is a starting point of a unique idea to benefit all of us. The publication still needs volunteers for different jobs—contact any of the Board of Editors and see where your help can be used.

I give my personal welcome to all the clubs that have chosen to participate in this charter issue and especially our sister club, Borzoi Canada. Thank you!

The BCOA Board and Committees have spent this year working toward closure of projects that were started in the past. We have dedicated an enormous amount of time with bringing the Standing Rules up to date, updating the National Specialty Guidelines, revising the Constitution, revising the Code of Ethics, standardizing all the National Specialty trophies, and special attention to the completion of the revision of the Interpretation of the Standard. We have established new

committees for Archives, Publicity, and Pamphlets on Coursing and Obedience/Agility. We have expanded the Health Committee, awarded the first Annual Versatility Borzoi Award, established a Versatility Hall of Fame, and seen a completion of the cookbook before the end of the year. So far it has been a very busy year.

The 1998 National Specialty in Racine, Wisconsin

Paul and Ardietta Thompson, Chairmen, and Pam Leichtnam, Coordinator. The Committees are working very hard to make this another special event for the BCOA and all those attending. Don't forget to support the trophies with your donation, no matter how large or small. If you can only send five dollars, that's fine. We need help from all members to make it a success. The Borzoi coverlet will be available at the National and the Board has approved a project to have banners made with the logo of each AKC-licensed Borzoi club. These banners will be displayed around the ring, a tribute to our regional Borzoi clubs.

The 1999 National Specialty

in Denver, Colorado

Carol Enz, Chairman. The Colorado people are already looking toward the future and thinking up great ideas for their Specialty. It promises to be a National not to be missed.

Don't forget that we are here for you.

Best Regards to All,

Barbara O'Neill, President

Please Note—Error in Membership List

The e-mail address for Lois Cooper is incorrect—it should read chulista@techline.com, not as published.

From the editor

Sharon Robinson

I am your editor by default, literally. When your president, on behalf of the board, asked me to do this, I was pleased that they had confidence in me and pleased because writing and editing is something I enjoy doing. But I had also promised myself that this was "The Year of the Daughter," our high school senior, who, if present plans prevail, will be abandoning the Minnesota Prairie for places far removed next year.

Barbara directed me to Shen for what the job would entail. Shen directed me back to Barbara. At this point I realized we were blazing new trails here, and trailblazing wasn't what I had in mind for his year; next year as an empty nester, maybe. So I declined the job by e-mail while at work. Unbeknownst to me, since I was still receiving messages from the outside, my messages were not being forwarded. I have never fully trusted the gadgets of the electronic age. And I also cannot bear to come home from work and download 30 messages every night, so I let my e-mail at home accumulate,

until one Saturday at the end of the month I downloaded for SEVEN hours. It was at this time I realized they were counting on me to be the editor of the Aristocrat portion of the *Borzoi Connection*.

Swedish Lutheran guilt would not let me shirk my responsibility when others were depending on me, so let the trailblazing begin. Together we can make this publication into something we will all be happy with. In addition to the usual statistical and specialty reports I would like to see health issues continue to be addressed in each issue, and also one historical article, a book review, and an original article on some aspect of Borzoi—conformation, obedience, coursing, etc., as regular parts of the *Borzoi Connection*. What do you think? This is your publication. We're open to all ideas. It's a work in progress. This is the time to get in on the building process.§

DEAR EDITOR:

Thank you for the fantastic coverage of our largest National Specialty held in Atlanta this past spring. I was thrilled to be a part of the great judging team there and marvelled at all the wonderful photos! The candid shots were especially terrific but I did not notice a credit. Kudos to the great photographer of them! Who was it? Pat Murphy's critique was very enlightening and interesting, however, I was most disappointed to see that she did not mention her Best of Breed and her Best of Opposite Sex. I was not able to be there for that judging and would be interested in hearing her well-thought comments on them. I am sure others feel as I do.

As for the video, I hope the club doesn't plan to use Dulca Scenes again. It was the poorest taping I have ever seen. Some of the dogs were cut out entirely, and then others had only their feet shown. I have gone on enough! Thank you for making the Aristocrat such an excellent magazine!!!!!!

Sincerely,
Carol Kubiak-Zamora



Health Committee Report

from Lou Avant

Poisonings

There are many, many common products used in the home every single day that may be toxic when consumed by a pet. Various house plants, both human and pet medications (especially the chewables ... they taste *good*), insects, arts and crafts supplies, photographic supplies, automotive products...the list is almost endless.

The NUMBER ONE thing to do if you think your pet has even possibly come into contact with something inappropriate is to call your veterinarian ASAP. Quite often early action at home by you the pet owner may save your pet's life. The *key* thing is to get professional help at once ... and if your veterinarian's recommendations are different than what is recommended here >>> **do what your veterinarian suggests.**

Every case is different and should be managed accordingly. If the exposure is topical ... i.e. flea dip, gasoline, cleaning solutions ... **Rinse, rinse, rinse, rinse, rinse!!!** Put gloves on to protect yourself and simply use water to assist in removing the toxin from the pet's eyes and/or skin. If the exposure that has occurred is oral then the treatment will vary with the toxin

ingested. **ONLY** induce vomiting if a trained animal health care professional instructs you to do so. You should *never* attempt to induce vomiting in a pet that is extremely depressed or if the animal has ingested any type of petroleum distillate, acid, or alkalis.

If the animal is fully awake and alert, and your veterinarian requests that you induce vomiting, you can attempt to do this by administering hydrogen peroxide orally, usually several tablespoons will do the trick. Another GREAT product is syrup of ipecac; usually 1/2 to 2 teaspoonfuls (depending on the size of your pet) will do the trick. **Important: Never repeat this dose.** If given too many times, this particular drug can have an adverse affect on your pet's heart and could decrease the chance for survival.

Almost all areas of the country now have local poison control facilities. Take the time NOW to locate this telephone number and place it an obvious and easily-accessible place. Time is of the essence when *any* type of toxicity is suspected!

Injuries

With severe trauma injuries you really need to do several things at once. In my opinion, the two most important items in a trauma case are to make sure you

have an open airway and to attempt to stop any bleeding that is present; many times other problems/injuries can wait. If it appears the animal is having problems breathing, gently extend the head and neck and tongue; also wipe away any vomitus or blood from the mouth.

If severe bleeding is present—**pressure, pressure, pressure!!!** You can use a belt, panty hose (also works well for a muzzle if needed), rope, or a leash as a tourniquet if needed.

Next you should attempt to cover any open wounds with moist bandages. The best solution for this is saline (1 teaspoon salt per 1 quart of water) but just plain water will suffice. The key here is to keep the tissues moist until you can get to your veterinarian for further care. ANY open wounds into the chest or abdomen should be covered immediately.

Broken bones are not a life threatening emergency!! Stop any bleeding present and stabilize the limb. Quite often when an animal fractures a limb, it may be several days before surgery is performed to correct the problem if other life-threatening problems are present. The best thing for you to do if
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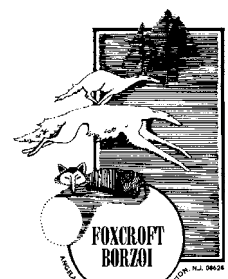
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1997 National Specialty Futurity Critique

What a breeder's dream—to judge at the BCOA National Specialty! The sheer joy and exhilaration of judging this annual pinnacle event is superseded only by the deep honour it bestowed upon me.

My sincere and grateful thank you to the BCOA, the BCOA members and all the breeders and exhibitors who made my exciting Futurity assignment so very special and memorable.

I was very pleased with the abundance of quality that was apparent in each class. Dogs that filled my eye were equally as pleasurable to the touch and their movement provided the soundness their outlines promised.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to enrich my life through this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Carol Kubiak-Zamora

Junior Dogs

6 & under 9 month junior dog—Auroral's Marathon: Exceptional headpiece with wonderful expression & small fine ears. Powerful neck with good length. Deep-chested with a strong back & loin, flexible topline with good muscling. Clean down & back with large black pads on his well-shaped feet. Excellent bone. When moving had great reach from the side with powerful push off from the rear. A puppy with outstanding promise, he was easily Best Jr. Puppy and Best Of Opposite Sex in Futurity.

9 & under 12 month junior dog—Bar-yoon's Passionate Interlude: Great pigment. True down and back. Very smooth moving, with a strong solid gait. Good outline, made a lovely picture.

12 & under 15 month junior dog—Stardust's Life On Mars: Elegant. Good length of bone. Free effortless, smooth movement. Lovely presence.

Senior Dogs

15 & under 18 month senior dog—Majenkir Nekhon: Well-balanced, solid dog. Clean moving with good extension from the side.

18 & under 21 month senior dog—Fusilier Concert Of Tradition: Very masculine with smooth movement. Strong ground covering stride. Deep chested with a strong loin. Very powerful.

21 & under 24 month senior dog—Ch. Raynbo's Tstorm Front: Very striking with black pigment. Very fluid and flexible movement. Lovely soft expression. This dog used himself freely and was

effortless from the side. He was Best Senior Dog.

Junior Bitches

6 & under 9 month junior bitch—Caerlin Falnangel Kalkryahwf: Wonderful expression. Excellent head, neck, shoulder. Beautiful back, loin, flexible topline. Strong rear, fluid effortless movement. An eye-filling picture.

9 & under 12 month Junior bitch—War-wind Just My Imagination: This fully-coated bitch captured my attention the minute she entered the ring. Her eye-filling type and exquisite expression was thrilling. Lovely head, large white teeth, small fine ears & powerful neck. Well angulated shoulders, strong back with correct spring of rib meeting an exceptional loin that was well filled out. Flexible topline going into a beautiful croup and tail set. Outstanding type, excellent bone combined with her strong solid movement earned her the well deserved awards of Best Jr. Bitch and Best In Futurity.

12 & under 15 month junior bitch—Stardust's Lady Grinning Soul: Graceful and feminine. Very pretty. Sound and clean moving. Very flexible with a good outline.

Senior Bitches

15 & under 18 month senior bitch—Del Sol Zigeunerin Of Kyrov, JC: Strong, sound and substantial. Well set into her body, this bitch was an overall picture of balance, beauty and field-worthiness. She was one of my favorites both standing and moving. Excelling in bend of stifle and length of second thigh with wonderful low-set broad hocks. She was Best Senior Bitch.

18 & under 21 month Senior bitch—Monarch Chrystal Chandelier: Very striking and feminine. Covered tremendous amount of ground. Deep chested with lots of angles. This bitch had a wonderful temperament and loved to show.

21 & under 24 month Senior bitch—Ch. Raynbo's Fairy Tale Princess: Beautiful head and lovely dark eyes. Full bodied,

well angled in excellent condition.

Note

Our thanks go to Tom Kasowski for the candid shots of the Nationals in the last issue of the Aristocrat... and our apologies for not making note of his contribution. Apologies also to the owners of the dogs pictured below, whose photos were inadvertently omitted from the last issue.





The Aristocrat Lure Coursing—BCOA member-owned dogs

submitted by K.C. Artley

To be included in the "Top Ten" lists for AKC trials and for ASFA trials, the first owner's name listed in the publication (*FAN* or the AKC Awards) must be a member of the Borzoi Club of America. To calculate points: the dog gets one point for itself and one point for each dog defeated in its stake. The dog who wins BOB, by winning the runoff or by forfeit, gets additional points equal to the number of dogs in the other stake. No extra points for BIE. The second set of numbers displayed is the number of Best of Breeds wins. For 1997, Best in Field wins and specialty trial Best of Breed wins made by BCOA member-owned dogs will be listed separately.

AKC TRIALS Results from January - June 1997 trials, as published in the AKC Awards August 1997

	PTS	BOB
1. FC Winter's Francium of Ryhka SC, LCM - Darling/Anuta	45	1
Wwinter's Mercury of Ryhka SC, LCM - Darling/Anuta	45	1
3. New Moon Swing N Kiss Mufasa SC - Johnson/Lastaukas	24	1
Silkenswift Esme O'Shadows SC, FCh - Dalzell	24	0
5. FC Tamarzi Tahoe Fallon SC - Artley	22	0
FC Windrift Tahoe Solo Flight SC - Reimer/Artley	22	2
7. DC Gavril Blonde Ambition SC, LCM - Rehberg/Gongre	21	3
Nitshade's Palladium of Ryhka SC - Darling/Anuta	21	1
9. CH Viktor's Chataqua Traveler SC FCh - Whitlock/Whittington	18	3
10. Nitshade's Phenanthrene of Ryhka SC - Darling/Anuta	17	1

AKC Best In Field - 3/2/97 - Romanoc Colorful Swing New Moon SC - Kris Woodail & Cynthia Lastaukas

AKC Best In Field - 3/9/97 - Nitshade's Phenanthrene of Ryhka SC - Diana Darling & Paul Anuta

AKC Best In Field - 5/26/97 - Nitshade's Palladium of Ryhka SC - Diana Darling & Paul Anuta

Best of Breed AKC Borzoi Specialty 4/1/97 - DC Gavril Blonde Ambition SC LCM2 - Michael & Shirley Rehberg & Rachel Rehberg Gongre

ASFA TRIALS Results from January - May 1997 trials, as published in Field Advisory News July/August 1997

1. FC Ksar PoDusham French Kiss SC LCM3 - Pennington	56	6
2. FC New Moon Swinging On A Star LCM3 SC Hughes	54	4
3. FC Chromium's Lead of Ryhka LCM4 SC ORC CD - Hughes	50	1
4. Ksar Fleur Delis SC LCM - Pennington	46	2
5. FC Silkenswift Pakhet At Téine SC - Midgarden/Dalzell	42	1
6. Windsatin Abbey Road Rokaro LCM3 - Childs/Rucker/Green	38	3
7. Lothlorien Bette Zephyr's Reach LCM - Coney/Kaltenborn	36	3
8. Ksar April In Paris FCh - Pennington	27	0
9. Del Sol Algol FCh - Van de Water	24	3
10. Nitshade's Phenanthrene of Ryhka - Darling/Anuta	23	2

ASFA Best In Field 4/13/97 - Lothlorien Bette Zephyr's Reach LCM - Beth Coney & K. Kaltenborn

ASFA Best In Field 5/3/97 - Nitshade's Phenanthrene of Ryhka - Diana Darling & Paul Anuta

Best of Breed ASFA Borzoi Specialty 4/1/97 - FC Silkenswift Pakhet At Téine SC - Anne Midgarden & Bonnie Dalzell

ASFA Field Champions

CH Wind'N Satin Master of the Hunt JC CGC FCh - Lois

Cooper

CH Klasyx Chulista Ivan Yakenof FCh Ann Stout Bowers

CH Camelot Remington Steele FCh SC - Rehberg/Butterfield

Svershin's Sergei FCh - Brenda Wendt/Terry Beamer/Pat Hardy

Klasyx Chulista Wild Irish Rose FCh - Stout Bowers/Cooper/Dennis

Klasyx Chulista Irish Whiskey FCh - Savage/Stout Bowers

Silkenswift Moscow's Mithril FCh - Poniatowski /Dalzell

Firebird Mirthful Flight FCh - C Miller & B. Bouray

New Moon Swingin Guitarzan SC FCh - Deirdre & Fionnuala Fox

Lure Courser of Merit

Willowwind's Lucky Zoe LCM - Deena Barnes

Lure Courser of Merit 2

DC Gavril Blonde Ambition LCM2 SC - Rehberg/Rehberg Gongre

Open Field Coursing

Report from Karen M. Ackerman

Since the beginning of 1997, the North American Coursing Association (NACA) had the following BCOA members and their hounds compete in open field coursing. All of the Borzoi listed below have accumulated points toward their open field titles.

Kachina's Anasazi Chaco—Enz

Kachina's Anasazi Maggie Mae—Enz

Sonste of Enisei's Sasha—Enz

Rum River's High Hopes—Skeldon

Valeska Black Granite—McGehee

Ch. Majenkir Tsuper Glider, NACC, NACM—Ackerman

Majenkir Ruby Cygnet—Ackerman

Varykino's Glider's Heritage—Ackerman

AGC Paha Sapa Glider—Ackerman

AGC Inyan Kara Glider—Ackerman

Varykino's Glider's Legacy—Ackerman

tween January 1, 1996 and April 20, 1997 and were submitted to me by Tim Sanders, NACA Recorder. Please submit any corrections to Karen M. Ackerman, PO Box 507, Upton, Wyoming 82730. These points were earned at hunts held be-

Per my phone conversations with Kathy Kelly, NOFCA Recorder, on July 21 and July 28, there will be no report on BCOA member-owned Borzoi who compete under the auspices of NOFCA at this time.



Borzoï Fall Classic

October 12-13, 1996

by Wyoma Whitetail

For the Borzoï Fall Classic we had in attendance Roger Skeldon from Minnesota, Carol Enz from New Mexico and newcomers Steve and Jennifer Miller from Laramie, WY. We had a great Borzoï entry of twelve, which has been rare lately. Also we had an open mixed hunt with four Whippets and a young Saluki. The Borzoï ran first.

The first course consisted of Nadia, Chaco and Teak. Nadia headed toward the rabbit first; she was passed by Chaco, who was hot on its tail. Nadia and Teak were running second and third. Chaco put several wrenches on the rabbit. The rabbit was heading toward the road as the dogs slowed down and gave up. Chaco advanced to the final.

The second trio to go were Maggie Mae, Ilya, and Raven. Ilya led from the slip and moved up on the rabbit. He put several wrenches on this hare. Raven and Maggie followed but did not give Ilya any assistance. Ilya won the course.

Third on line the participants were Vasilya and Honey. Sasha's owner pulled her. Vasilya took the lead from the slip and maintained it throughout the course. Vasilya put several wrenches and turns on this hare to win the course.

Next was a group of inexperienced young Borzoï: India, Pushkin, and Pavel. These dogs showed their lack of experience by all running with their heads up and trying to figure out what they were supposed to do. Pavel did the best job in this tail chase and won the course.



The Borzoï final was Vasilya, Chaco, Pavel and Ilya. This rabbit was heading toward the heavy brush. Vasilya led at first and put a few wrenches on this hare. Ilya passed him and applied great pressure to this jack with wrenches and turns before the dogs lost it in the brush.

Sunday we only ran the Borzoï breed hunt. This was their second day of competition for the Fall Classic. The first course was Ilya, Maggie Mae and Teak. Ilya led from the slip and put wrenches and turns on this rabbit. Maggie Mae got in the course and did some work, too. Ilya and Maggie Mae would advance.

Second to run were Chaco, Nadia and Pavel. Pavel got out there first and put several wrenches on the rabbit to win the course.



The final participants were Ilya, Maggie Mae and Pavel. It took about four rabbits before these dogs actually got sighted on jack and were able to chase him. Pavel led at the slip and Ilya went by him to get the lead as the rabbit and the dogs went into heavy brush where we could not see what was happening.

This was a wonderful weekend of coursing. Not only had we seen plenty of rabbits, which lifted our spirits, but also the coursing had been good. The weather was a little warm for this time of year; almost too warm for the Borzoï, though the gallery enjoyed it immensely. There was no wind—we are not kidding! All the

young dogs on Saturday were able to free course on the way back to the cars, chase a few more rabbits and gain some experience.

Final Placements: Borzoï Breed Fall Classic October 12, 1996

1. Ch. Majenkir Tsuper Glider, Ilya—Ackerman
2. Ah-Gwah-Ching Tsupra Glide, Vasilya—Ackerman
3. Kachina's Anasazi Chaco—Enz
3. AGC Paha Sapa Glider, Pavel—Ackerman
5. Kachina's Anasazi Maggie Mae—Enz
5. Rum River's Honeycomb—Skeldon
5. Blue Raven's Ghost—Miller



Borzoï Breed Fall Classic, October 13, 1996

1. Ch. Majenkir Tsuper Glider, Ilya—Ackerman
2. AGC Paha Sapa Glider, Pavel—Ackerman
3. Kachina's Anasazi Maggie Mae—Enz
4. Kachina's Anasazi Chaco—Enz
5. Majenkir Ruby Cygnet, Nadia—Ackerman
5. Greyhaven Teak Blossom—Skeldon

Borzoï Breed Fall Classic Overall Top Five

1. Ch. Majenkir Tsuper Glider, Ilya—Ackerman
2. AGC Paha Sapa Glider, Pavel—Ackerman
3. Kachina's Anasazi Maggie Mae—Enz
3. Kachina's Anasazi Chaco—Enz
5. Majenkir Ruby Cygnet, Nadia—Ackerman
5. Greyhaven's Teak Blossom—Skeldon



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1997 Obedience Report

Results are based on the AKC Gazette Show and Trial Results covering events to August 31, 1997 (inclusive)

NOVICE

	AVERAGE	NO. TRIALS
1. Nonsuch Legendary Lawrence—D. Sharp	195.0	1
2. Konstantin's Gallant Kinney, CD—K. Haberkorn, P. Pempek	192.0	3*
3. Svershin's Sergei—B. Wendt, P. Hardy, T. Beamer	191.0	1
4. Delilah of Wildwood—K. Henderson/W. Delfino	190.5	1
5. Kostenov's Arianna of Wildwood—W. Merendini, K. Henderson	187.5	1
6. Mufasa's High Crime—V. Johnson	187.0	1
7. Warwind's Invitation to Dance, CD—J. & J. Stroschio	185.0	1
8. Adair 'N'Hug Chanel, CD—K. Murray, R. Smith	184.5	3*
9. Melockoff's Tiny Dancer—G. Snoddy	183.0	3*
10. FC Chromium's Lead of Ryhka, CD—L. Hughes	182.0	1

OPEN

1. Ch. Rancho Gabriel Magic Vixen, CDX—C. Cordtz	191.0	2
2. Sweetbriars Sterling Gazelle, UD—C. Cordtz	190.9	7*
3. Pollion Hemlock Hollow Anya, CDX—P. & C. Danker	176.5	1

UTILITY

1. Sweetbriars Sterling Gazelle, UD—C. Cordtz	182.7	5*
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*Eligible to compete for BCOA Annual Obedience Award. Eligibility to compete is by receiving qualifying scores in three or more trials during the year and by being a member, officially, before the qualifying scores are received. The average score will be determined by totalling the points earned in the shows, as specified, and dividing the total by the number of classes specified.

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THE NATIONAL BORZOI RESCUE FOUNDATION

if not you, then whom...

if not now, then when...

By: Carol Backers, Director: NBRF.

" JUST IN CASE "

Recently, the Foundation was called upon to assist a breeder that needed help. Her circumstances in life had changed and she could no longer care for the Borzoi she had left in her kennel. Some of the dogs were co-bred and co-owned by other breeders. One of the other breeders was not able to take her dogs back, the other did. Also this year, another elderly breeder needed assistance because of a major health problem and the Foundation, with the help of another Rescue contact, was able to do what was necessary for her dogs. All the dogs in both cases are fine. Some are in new homes and some are with the co-breeders. Were it not for the Foundation, things could have had a much different ending for the dogs. These situations have prompted me to wonder and worry about what the future may bring our way.

It is not my intention to tell anyone what plans to make or what to do about, for or with their dogs should something happen but only to ask all of you as Borzoi breeders and owners to think about "what if." All too often in life, the unexpected happens and the

unexpected can have devastating effects on our dogs. Are you prepared? Have you written down what you want for your dogs just in case? Are you or is your partner prepared to go it alone if necessary? Will there be enough money for the care of your dogs, just in case?

Some Borzoi owners have set up trust funds or taken out insurance policies just for the care of their dogs should anything happen. Others have made arrangements with friends or family to care for their dogs, just in case. Others have no plans and have never thought of "just in case."

Just in case does not always mean death, it can mean the loss of a job, a health problem, a divorce, etc.. Please take the time soon, if you have not already, to think about what could happen and what you would want for your dogs. Then, do whatever is necessary, make your plans and be prepared for "just in case."

The Borzoi Club of America has done a wonderful job of "just in case" thinking by getting the Foundation started and continuing with their financial, as well as moral support. Although NBRF is separate from BCOA, the Foundation depends on their contribu-



STYLE A—Indigo blue shirt with white pups, green grass, yellow and orange flowers and butterfly.



STYLE B—Charcoal shirt with black and white dog and shadow lettering.



STYLE D—Sage green shirt with white pups, green trees and rust banner.

Shirt colors and designs available as shown—not interchangeable

Tee shirts: sizes medium, large, extra-large—\$12; 2X—\$14

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To ensure your choice of shirt style and size, paid pre-orders (for pick-up at the specialty) will be accepted until April 10, 1998. To ship following the specialty, a paid pre-order must be sent with an additional check for \$3 postage made to the order of Dana Thompson. Shirt checks must be made to BCOA.

Send orders to: Dana Thompson, W4666 Co. Rd. F, Fond du Lac, WI 549356-9237

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BCOA Regional Reports

Region 1

Angela San Paolo, July 28, 1997

After a successful BCOA national specialty in Atlanta, Georgia, our members had some time to relax and prepare for the annual spring specialties. We would like to thank the Atlanta Specialty Committee for all their efforts in producing an outstanding national specialty.

BCDV and BCGNY spring specialties were very successful and as usual each was presented in their own unique style. Both clubs are putting all their efforts and energy into plans for the 1998 Independent Combination Specialty Weekend to celebrate BCGNY's 25th Anniversary, pending AKC and BCOA's approval.

BCDV's Triathlon was held the weekend of September 20/21, 1997; BCNE's specialty was in November; and BCCNJ held a picnic and match on August 3 and held coursing practices in the fall.

Congratulations to Region 1 BCOA members Richard Blodgett, Jr. and Roni & Jennifer Zucker on their recent Best in Show wins with Ch. Majenkir Timotheus Seven and Ch. Raynbo's Tstorm Front respectively.

Sunshine

Get well cards were really appreciated by members Ann Filetti, who had major surgery, and Leslie Carroll, who fell and broke her foot.

Best regards to all and enjoy the remainder of the summer.

Region 2

Alice M. Reese

We have a new club forming in our region...the Greater Atlanta Borzoi Club. President is Micky Koss—you may remember him from the National... that tireless worker who was there at all hours. This is the third time the Atlanta area has tried to get a club going; hopefully the third time will be a charm. They are working toward a supported show in the spring; will report more when judges and dates are confirmed.

The Potomac Valley Borzoi Club held a match in September on the Richmond/Old Dominion weekend, on September 27. The judge was Elly Creech (a Greyhound breeder). Their fall specialty was held in conjunction with the Middleburg KC show, October 25, in Leesburg, VA. Sweeps judge: Pam Leightnam; regular classes: Joan Mabey, Olias Kennels, England.

Heart of Florida Borzoi Club held their fall supported show the third weekend in November, in Ocala, FL in conjunction with the Gainesville, KC. Sweeps judge: Amy Sorbie; regular classes: Joan Goldstein.

There was a rescue effort in the Miami area of Florida in July. All worked out well and only one dog had to be euthanized.

Region 3

Rhanda Glenn

Region 3 will be hosting the nationals in 1999 in Denver, Colorado at the end of May. Carol Enz has volunteered as chairman—please contact her if you would like to serve

on a committee or help in any way! Carol's number is 303-681-3309. Judges will be Dr. Fred Edlin for the regular classes and Barbara Skinner for sweeps.

\$25 Reward for your photos. AKC is accepting photos of Borzoi to be used in the Gazette. If your photo is selected, the Gazette will pay you \$25 per photo. Contact the Gazette for details.

A fun match was held the end of August with the Heart of America KC shows.

The baskets which were to raise money for Borzoi Rescue will be dropped this year due to lack of participation. I would like to thank Prudence Hlatky, TX and Sandra Martin, MO for their donations for 1997.

Region 4

Laurie Kasowski, Aug. 13, 1997

Since my last report on March 31 there have been two regional specialties. The Borzoi Club of Northern California held their spring specialty in Elk Grove, CA and the Borzoi Club of California held their summer specialty in Lompoc, CA Both specialties were successful—dogs and people had a great time.

I would like to thank all the members from my region for supporting the regional basket at this year's national. Linda Spivak-Turner did a spectacular job of coordinating this effort and bringing all the items to Atlanta. A big thank you to Linda.

The Borzoi Club of California held their annual Halloween match on October 26, with obedience, Lushenka class,

BCOA 1998 National Specialty

- 1. Framed Borzoi Print / Artist Jody McCullough
- 2. Etched Vase / Joel Chaney

- 3. Original Sculpture / Artist Lucie Langlois
- 4. Something old (mystery item) / Camelle

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YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

(Please feel free to photocopy the tickets printed below for more entries)

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Please check ONE item:

- print bronze vase something old

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The Aristocrat

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costume class, obstacle course and regular conformation judging.

BCOC is planning for their winter specialty on December 13, 1997. It will be held in Pasadena with the Los Encinos Kennel Club. Lynn Schanzle will judge the regular classes and K.C. Artley will judge sweepstakes.

The Borzoi Club of Northern California changed the venue for their fall specialty. It was an Independent Specialty on October 18, the day before the Del Valle Kennel Club show. Robert Stein judged regular classes and Valerie Sutton puppy sweeps.

I have not heard about any recent Borzoi events happening in any of the other states I represent — Nevada, Arizona, New

Mexico, Utah and Hawaii.

Judy Lofgren, So. Calif. Borzoi Rescue, reports that there are two Borzoi that need homes at the present time, a 3-year-old male and a 2-year-old female.

Region 5

Kathleen Kapaun

I have nothing to report at this time. There will be a regional meeting in October at the shows in Boise, Idaho, weather permitting.

Region 6

Kalen Dumke, July 30, 1997

Members in region 6 are continuing to prepare for the 1998 National Specialty. More

details will appear in the Show Chairman's report. The site: The Chairman/Co-Chairwoman (Paul and Ardietta Thompson) and Coordinator (Pam Leichtnam) have had several more meetings with the hotel and their contract has been updated. The hotel is currently accepting reservations for May.

The specialty flyers will be coming out in the Aristocrat and the MBC bulletin.

The denim shirt designs have been submitted and the results are waiting for review. The Specialty Coordinator is planning another weekend of agility trials, which has proven to be very profitable.

The silent auction will be handled by Jon and Jennifer Steel

BORZOI ROUNDUP



Borzoi Club of America



Midwest Borzoi Club

Schedule of Events

Saturday, May 23 BCOA Sweepstakes

Judge: Peter San Paolo (Foxcroft)

BCOA Match

Judge: Mary Childs (Wind 'n Satin)

BCOA Obedience Match

Judge: TBA

Picnic on Grounds

Sunday, May 24 MBC Sweepstakes

Judge: Shen Smith (Bokhara)

MBC Supported Show

in conjunction with

Cincinnati KC Show

Judge: Mr. Al Weinraub (California)

Monday, May 25 BCOA Supported Show

in conjunction with

When: May 23-25, 1998
Where: Butler County Fairgrounds

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