CORRESPONDENCE
Karen Mays
02/01/13 – 04/27/13

02/06/13 Notice from AKC that list of officers needs updating. Done.

02/06/13 Information received from Neil Singer at AKC re: Crufts Qualifying Certificates. Notified Barbara O’Neill.

02/08/13 Received a request from Ramsey Bennett, avidaquescence@hotmail.com, for information on breeders in Iowa and surrounding states. Sent.

02/09/13 Received forwarded request from Barbara O’Neill from Brittany Bouler, brbouler@yahoo.com, for information on breeders in Alabama and surrounding areas. Sent.

02/14/13 AKC approval of Sweepstakes event on 06/090/13.

02/17/13 Received a copy of correspondence with Dr. Ellen Davison who will be conducting OFA Echocardiogram exams at the National from Ginger Jones.

02/17/13 Received a copy of correspondence with Dr. James Buchanan who will be conducting OFA Cardiac auscultation exams at the National from Ginger Jones.

02/19/13 Received a request from Crystal Beckmann, cbeckmann@perryhomesutah.com, for information on breeders on the west coast or Pacific northwest. Sent.

02/21/13 Received a request from Patricia Wiseman for a Puget Sound Borzoi Club Specialty to be held 08/24/13 with the Sammamish Kennel Club at King County Marymoor Park in Redmond, Washington. Conformation Judge: Robin Casey. Sweepstakes Judge: Katie McCormick. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Patricia. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

02/21/13 Received a request from Patricia Wiseman for a second Puget Sound Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on 08/24/13 with the Sammamish Kennel Club at King County Marymoor Park in Redmond, Washington. Conformation Judge: Monica Canestrini. Sweepstakes Judge: Ray Brinlee. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Patricia. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

02/25/13 Received a request from Indrajit Chatterji, icatnyc@gmail.com, for information on breeders in the northeast. Sent.

03/05/13 Received a request from AKC for confirmation that R. Lynn Shell-Whitlock is the subscriber to receive the electronic AKC Stud Book on behalf of BCOA. Sent.

03/06/13 Received a copy of correspondence sent to Samantha Wright at the AKC Canine Health Foundation from Ginger Jones regarding BCOA’s release of money from our Donor Advised
Fund to support two heart research grants and the Bloat initiative.

03/14/13 Received approval from AKC for a Sweepstakes event on 07/19/13 in conjunction with the Houston Kennel Club show at Reliant Center in Houston, Texas. Sweepstakes Judge: Dawn Hall.

03/11/13 Received a copy of a correction to the release of money from our Donor Advised Funds from Ginger Jones. The money for the Bloat Initiative cannot come from the Donor Advised Funds since that Fund stipulates money can only be used for heart research. KC Artley will send a check from our Health Committee fund for this study.

03/26/13 Received request from Lorene Connolly for a Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey Specialty to be held 09/07/13 with the Somerset Hills Kennel Club show at North Branch Park in Bridgewater, New Jersey. Conformation Judge: Susan Smyth. Sweepstakes Judge: Eileen Flanagan. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Lorene. Information sent to R. Lynn-Shell for the calendars.

03/16/13 Received an updated list of officers and members for the Borzoi Club of Central New Jersey from Lorene Connolly.

03/20/13 Received a notice from K. Carol Artley indicating that the Midwest Borzoi Club is interested in holding an independent specialty show at the same location as the Borzoi Club of America’s show in 2015 on the Sunday following the BCOA event.

03/26/13 Received a request from K. Carol Artley for a Midwest Borzoi Club Specialty to be held 11/16/13 with the Lima, Ohio Kennel Club in Columbus, Ohio. Conformation Judge: Prudence Hlatky. Sweepstakes Judge: Barbara Danieli. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to K. C. Artley. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

03/26/13 Received an updated list of MBC officers from K.C. Artley.

04/01/13 Received a request from Anne Nicholls, anfathy_nicholls@gmail.com, for information on Borzoi. Sent.

04/02/13 Received a request from Karen Miller for a Borzoi Club of New England Specialty to be held on 10/19/13 at the Big E in West Springfield, Massachusetts. Conformation Judge: To be determined. Sweepstakes Judge: To be determined. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Karen Miller. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

04/02/13 Received an updated membership list for the Borzoi Club of New England from Karen Miller.

04/02/13 Received a request from R. Lynn Shell for a Lone Star Borzoi Club Specialty to be held 09/21/13 at the Triple Crown Event Center in Hutto, Texas. Conformation Judge: Pat Murphy. Sweepstakes Judge: Kay Casella. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to R. Lynn.

04/05/13 Received an enquiry from Lydia Pruett asking if I had received approval for an event with The Lake Minnetonka Kennel Club since Onofrio indicated they did not have AKC approval. I replied that I had approval for a Sweepstakes and I didn't think that would be approved if the event wasn't approved.

04/07/14 Received a request from Jackie Franza, jlfranza@yahoo.com, for someone to be interviewed for an article on the Borzoi for Dog Fancy magazine. Notified the Board and Rebecca Peters-Campbell agreed to do the interview.

04/08/13 Received a request from Sassy Shortes, shortess@bellsouth.net, regarding Borzoi breeders in Florida. Sent.

04/10/13 Received a request from Juliet Rigtrup for a Borzoi Club of California Specialty to be held on 07/26/13 at Ryon Park in Lompoc, California. Conformation Judge: Shirley McFadden. Sweepstakes Judge: K. Carol Artley. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Juliet. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendars.

04/19/13 Received a request from AKC for our nomination for the annual American Kennel Club Lifetime Achievement Awards in the areas of Conformation, Companion Events, and Performance. Deadline May 17, 2013.

04/19/13 Received a reminder from AKC of the need to submit a list of members in a specific required field and assurance that this list will not be shared with third parties.

04/19/13 Received notification the same day thanking BCOA for updating this information that was submitted by AK Artley.

04/20/13 Information received from the International Kennel Club of Chicago offering a Specialty
Package to clubs holding an event with their show.

04/25/13  Received a request from Lucia deCordre for a Potomac Valley Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on 10/26/13 with the Middleburg Kennel Club event at Oatlands Plantation in Leesburg, Virginia. Conformation Judge: To be determined. Sweepstakes Judge: Leigh Littleton.

**The Treasurer’s Report** is available to members upon request. Contact Treasurer, KC Artley [kcartley@earthlink.net](mailto:kcartley@earthlink.net) for a copy.

**AKC DELEGATE**
Barbara O’Neill

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Tuesday, March 12, Newark, New Jersey.

Proposed amendments to the *Charter & By-Laws of the American Kennel Club* were voted and the following were approved by the Delegate body:

- Add an object supporting canine health research areas.
- Expand the eligibility for AKC membership to permit licensed agility clubs that meet the criteria to become AKC member clubs.

This proposed amendment was not approved.

- Reduce the number of yearly Delegate meetings from four to three, and that two meetings be expanded from two days to three days in order to enable increased attendance at the various Delegate Committee meetings.

The following Delegates were elected to the Board of Directors, Class of 2017.

- Carl C. Ashby, III; United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club
- Alan Kalter, American Bullmastiff Association
- Harvey M. Wooding, Westminster Kennel Club
- Lee Arnold, Southern Colorado Kennel Club

I have not received the agenda for the June 11, Raleigh, NC meeting and do not plan to attend.