

May 2010 Regional Governor's Reports

Regional Governors Report

Region 1 – Ron Williams

On April 2nd, I sent the attached email to the members of Region 1. You can say it was a support your spring specialty letter. I mentioned the following four Spring Supported Entries:

- Borzoi Club of Central NJ on 3/27
- Borzoi Club of Greater NY on 5/7
- Borzoi Club of Delaware Valley on 5/9
- Greenwich KC on 6/12

I also mentioned the National Specialty; along with seeing some wonderful adult and puppy Borzoi, there're other memorable activities to enjoy.

I did neglect to add the following information: The Borzoi Club of New England is holding a supported entry at the Framingham District KC show in Wrentham, MA on Sunday, June 7, 2010. Breed judge is Luc Boileau, Sweeps and Vet Sweeps judge is Phyllis Wright.

The main objective for sending out the letter was to inform the members of the 2013 National in Region 1. We need to begin preparing our proposals to present to the board at next year's National.

There was a second letter I sent to the Region 1 members on 4/16. I spoke to Lena Tamboer about holding a Region 1 meeting at the conclusion of the BCGNY Specialty on May 7. I wanted to hand out the guidelines and answer questions on the requirements needed for a proposal. The letter was to invite the members to the pending meeting.

I also spoke to Karen Miller of Borzoi Club of New England about repeating the meeting at a show in New England for those not able to make the one in NJ.

Again, my objective for sending out the email was to generate some buzz and excitement about the 2013 National. I'm beginning to see some return. I've received several positive emails from members who may or may not attend the 5/7 meeting stating their willingness to get involved.

I was proud to submit the one application I received for the Lifetime Achievement Award in the name of Ariel Duncan.

I worked with Fred & Carol Vogel in submitting for Board approval the TSE for the Eastern Dog Club, Providence, RI show on 12/12/2010.

I received one response to the BCOA Health Dinner seminar email I sent out. Carol Kubiak-Zamora was asking if there could be some discussion or mention of Micropthalmia in Borzoi. She would like to see a DNA marker to save our breed. I have not sent back a response at this time.

Region 2 – Jane Schreiber

Region 2 is looking forward to hosting the BCOA National Specialty this May in Kentucky. By now the entries are in, hotel reservations have been made and we are all planning our trip to the Drawbridge Inn for a fun filled week with our Borzoi.

Fun is the key word. There are many fun activities planned; among them are the decorative hat contest, the costume competition, the silent auction and a fabulous Art Show. So-bring your check books and shop 'til you drop for wonderful Borzoi things at the vendors and participate in those raffles.

Some really neat backpacks have been donated and we are hoping to fill them with Borzoi goodies for the Rescue and Health raffles, so donations of items for the backpacks will be greatly appreciated.

This year registration will take place in the lobby before entering the ballroom and our hospitality area will be in the ballroom. Most activities will take place in close proximity to the ballroom and should make finding them easy.

A welcoming committee is being planned to make sure new visitors and exhibitors feel very welcome at the event and to also assist with directions and information.

These are just a few of the plans that have been arranged by the committees and their leader: "Gale Snoddy". Thank you all for your hard work to ensure that we will have a fun, exciting week at the 2010 BCOA National Specialty!!

There are several TSE events planned for the Fall months-it will be hard to choose where to go. All the Clubs do a top notch job to sponsor a memorable show for the area Borzoi.

October 23

BCOA TSE

- Atlanta Kennel Club
- Atlanta, GA
 - Regular Classes: TBD
- Sweepstakes: Steve Sims
- Super: Onofrio
- Chairman: Susan Pennington, ksarborzoi@yahoo.com

October 30

Potomac Valley Borzoi Club

- Middleburg Kennel Club
- Oatlands Plantation, Leesburg, VA
- Show Super: MB-F
- Regular Classes: Arlene Harris
- Sweepstakes: Robin Casey
- Show Chair: Lucia deCordre, beacon291@att.net

BCOA TSE

- Kennesaw Kennel Club
- Jim R. Miller Park, Marietta, GA
- Show Super: Onofrio Regular Classes: Michelle Billings
- Sweepstakes: Kristina Terra
- Show Chair: Joyce R. Gibson

October 31

BCOA TSE

- Middleburg Kennel Club
- Oatlands Plantation, Leesburg, VA
- Show Super: MB-F
 - Regular Classes: Dr. Stephen Harper
- Sweepstakes: Irina Terra
- Show Chair: Robin Casey, sgborzoi@aol.com

See you all at the National Specialty.

Region 3 – R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock No report.

Region 4 – Lorrie Scott

The beginning of spring has come to the region quietly. BCNC just had their spring specialty. I understand from several members who attended, it was a lovely show and the weather was perfect. Congratulations to all the winners. The entry was down a bit but most of the shows in this region are experiencing a decrease in the number of entries.

BCOC is preparing for its summer specialty held in conjunction with Western Sighthound Combined Specialties in Lompoc on July 30th. The show will be dedicated in memory of former BCOC/BCOA member Tom Kasowski.

Several members from this region will soon be making their way across country to attend the National being held in Kentucky. Good luck to all competing and have safe trips filled with fun and good times. I will be attending the events including the board meeting at the beginning of the week but will have to cut my trip short to be home to attend my son's graduation from college.

Region 5 – Robin Riel

We are finally starting to see Spring and what a welcome sight it is. The show season in our area is kicking into high gear and we are beginning to see the new youngsters of some or our members from their fall litters and/or purchases. It is great to see everyone again. Looks like we have a nice crop of up and comings. We have a few members from our area who are making the journey to KY for the Nationals so it will be nice to see old friends and meet some new ones too. I am planning on having 2 meetings with the Region 5 members in the next couple of months to introduce myself in person and to hear any thoughts and/or concerns of those members.

PSBC is working on getting their Back to Back Specialties in place and hope to have new people join us in August. It is a blast and we have a great Barbecue Salmon dinner.

I am currently looking for any members who are interested in doing a BCOA Trophy Supported entry in the Region 5 area. Please let me know if you would like to Chair that and I will be glad to help with anything you need.

Region 6 – Joyce Katona

Spring has sprung and so has the 'dog show season'! To help you plan your spring and summer weekends I have listed the BCOA specialties and supported shows in the surrounding area and our region.

Please try to get to at least one specialty this year. It is a great way to see many different borzoi, meet breeders and make or renew friendships.

Don't forget, entries for the National close next week, April 21. All necessary forms are available on the BCOA website.

If I missed any events or if you know some of the TBD judges, please let me know and I will add it to my next update.

Also a quick reminder about the borzoi calendar fundraiser:

The Borzoi Club of America is creating an eighteen-month calendar filled with wonderful photos and art of Borzoi from Borzoi fanciers. Dates for planned borzoi specialties and other club activities will be included.

\$10 will let you commemorate a special date on the calendar for your favorite Borzoi. Information will include the dogs name and note of what the special day is remembering.

\$20 will hold a business card size advertisement, available on a first come basis (36 spaces). Deadline is May 2, 2010

Please send your remembrance information and/or business card advertisement with <u>Check made out to BCOA</u> to: Cindi Gredys BCOA Calendar 10912 156th St. Louisville, NE 68037

Help us estimate the number of calendars to print by reserving your copy(s) now!

Email <u>bcoacalendar@gmail.com</u> with your contact information and number of calendars you would like. 18 month calendars (June 2010 - December 2011) will be sold for \$25 each plus shipping & handling: US \$30 total & overseas \$40 total; for multiple calendars, contact for S&H fees. Calendars will be available May 22, 2010 and will be shipped after that date, as soon as payment is received.

Questions? bcoacalendar@gmail.com

The calendars will be available for purchase and/or pickup beginning with the lunch break during Saturday's BOB judging at the National for anyone who would like to save on postage.