

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Awards – Nancy Katsarelas

I am contacting the trophy vendor to confirm prices for the annual awards. This is a family-owned business which has proven to be very easy to work with and I am glad to support our local enterprises.

Aristocrat – Helen Lee

With the demise of the Borzoi Connection, the future of the Aristocrat will be discussed, with a view to possibly having it become an online publication

BTRC – Barbara O'Neill

Minutes of the August 19 meeting has gone to the committee for approval. As soon as approval has been received, minutes will be posted on the BCOA website. A BTRC meeting will be called before the annual meeting to determine donation to the NBRF and the NC-BR.

Championship report – Chris Danker

133 Borzoi completed their Championships for 2010. Of these dogs, 96 were owned by a BCOA member listed as first owner. Accordingly 96 Championship medals were sent out for 2010.

Club Inventory and Medals – Barbara O'Neill

The sending of TSE medallions is up-to-date and 100 championship medals were recently sent to Chris Danker.

Disaster Report – Robin Casey and Veni Harlan

The Ready Borzoi Disaster Preparedness committee wants to remind owners to take precautions in winter. Here are a few tips...

Winter Safety for Your Borzoi

- Don't suddenly house an indoor Borzoi outdoors. Dogs require a month or more (as seasons change) to become accustomed to lower winter temperatures.
- Pay attention to snow removal. Avoid piling snow near fences and creating an escape route for curious Borzoi.
- Make sure all Borzoi have access to clean, fresh water. Invest in a water bucket heater if necessary.
- Brush coats frequently to prevent moisture from collecting.
- Keep the hair between your Borzoi's toes and pads clipped short, even with the bottom of the foot. When hair is left too long, snow sticks to it, forming ice balls that are uncomfortable and hard to remove. Long hair between the pads also reduces traction, making it easier for your dog to slip and hurt himself on the ice. Check paw pads for small cuts and cracks.
- Nails that are too long reduce traction and force the dog to walk on the backs of his feet, splaying his toes. The greater the space between his toes, the more snow will pack up between them.
- If you walk your dog on sidewalks that have been treated with de-icer, make sure to wash the dog's paws when you get home; these chemicals can irritate the skin and/or be toxic.
- Don't assume your Borzoi can endure all weather conditions because his ancestors came from Russia! Pay attention to the thermometer. If it dips below freezing, it's too cold for any dog—even those accustomed to being outside.

- If you keep your Borzoi outdoors during winter months, provide an elevated structure with a door to protect pets from wind and weather. The shelter should be large enough for your dog to be able to stand up and turn around, but small enough to retain her body heat and it should contain clean bedding materials such as straw or blankets.
- Use caution around bodies of water. Keep Borzoi away from rivers, ponds and lakes as they begin to freeze. Continue to use caution even when the water appears completely frozen.
- Cold weather may exacerbate certain conditions, such as arthritis. Sudden changes in the weather or drops in temperature may affect pets suffering from osteoarthritis. Consult your veterinarian.
- When traveling invest in wiper fluid rated to -20 degrees, windscreen de-icer aerosol (for emergency de-icing), silicone spray for door rubbers, a PTFE mini-pump for door locks. Aside from standard emergency items consider including a shovel, blanket, warm hat and boots, and drinking water for you and your Borzoi.
- Don't leave pets alone in cars during cold weather months. When the engine is off, a car can act as a refrigerator, holding in the cold.

Do you have winter tips or disaster preparedness advice to share? Please send to Robin or Veni.

Futurity – Barbara O'Neill

The 2012 Futurity opened October 5 and has 3 new bitch nominations and 1 new Litter nomination. The 2011 Futurity currently has \$3,035 in the account and 2012 has \$135.

Gazette Column – Jon Steele

In 2010 the Gazette Breed column covered a variety of topics and interests. Of note, I asked Tom Golcher to write a column of his choosing on the topic of coursing. His guest column appeared in the August issue of the Gazette and I wanted to acknowledge his input and thank him for his efforts.

Once again I have been asked for permission to reprint one of the columns and as usual I grant all requests. This time the reprint will be in a Finnish publication. It is interesting that several of the requests I have gotten have not been by Borzoi publications but other breed specific magazines.

The last issue's subject was timed with the Westminster Kennel Club show and I had an appropriate column for some training ideas relating to traveling to shows in major cities.

If the board has any ideas that they would like covered I would be glad to oblige. They have changed a few of the guidelines for the columns but in general it still is 550 word limit with hounds appearing Feb, May, August and November.

The current May column is in the works and will be submitted in the next few days.

Health – Ginger Jones

Borzoi Health Survey

The total number of participants in our OFA Borzoi health survey is now 859 participants. I'm exceptionally pleased with the level of participation that continues with this breed survey.

DM Stats:

Below is the current statistics for borzoi for DM tests in the OFA database as of this date:

BORZOI		
CLEAR	185	68%
CARRIER	77	28%
AT RISK	9	3%
New Kit	1	0%
TOTAL TESTED	272	

Canine Health Foundation Research

I received the status reports from CHF for two of the research grants we are supporting. They are attached with this report.

I met with Dr. Stanley from MSU regarding the Laryngeal Paralysis research study and inquired as to any borzoi samples she might like included in his study. She's very enthusiastic about including borzoi in the study and has already been collecting information/data on 11 borzoi to date. She will be contacting Erika Werne about borzoi inclusion in the study and also plans to petition the CHF for a follow up grant for DNA marker test development for the disease. She's very optimistic that using the borzoi breed for this DNA research would result in a quicker location of the gene marker due to the smaller population of the borzoi breed compared to Labradors. If at all possible, I would like to request the board to approve funds in the amount of \$1000 for the current CHF research project -**01467: *Characterization of Geriatric Onset Laryngeal Paralysis Polyneuropathy in Labrador Retrievers.***

2011 NATIONALS HEALTH EVENTS:

All arrangements for the national's clinics and seminar are finalized with the exception of ordering the micro chip scanner from AKC. I'll handle that within the next week or so.

BORZOI HEALTH AND WELFARE FOUNDATION:

Nothing additional to provide regarding this proposal from Prudence Hlatky.

CANINE HEALTH FOUNDATION CHIC BORZOI TEST REQUIREMENTS:

I've sent a request to CHF/CHIC to update our test requirements by including DM testing as an optional test. At this time it's premature to know the prevalence of the disease in our breed in terms of carrier population versus at risk population. I'd like to wait until we have approximately 300 borzoi in the OFA test database to assess whether we should change the test to "required" instead of "optional". Copy of the request sent to Karen Mays for her corresponding records.

AKC BREEDER OF MERIT AWARD:

I've received several inquiries from our members regarding the clubs recommended health testing portion of the award. I sent a request to AKC that for borzoi, we would expect that any breeder of merit had CHIC numbers for their dogs. While this is a good idea for dogs produced from the time CHIC was instituted forward, for all of the dogs that existed prior to this inception, the breeder should only be required to provide vet reports of examinations on animals for recommended health testing. However, what health testing did BCOA actually recommend prior to this? I think that AKC had probably not thought the analysis part of this award out particularly well when they sent out the information and stipulated the health testing portion of it. They certainly did not contact any of the Health Liaisons for input, so that's really all I can speak to at this time.

JUDGES EDUCATION – ADVANCED HOUND INSTITUTE – Patti Neale

From: Patti Neale [mailto:zoirus@windstream.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2011 1:25 PM
To: Kathleen Caruana
Cc: BCOA President Lydia Pruett; Karen Mays
Subject: **Advanced Hound Dog Institute**

Dear Ms. Caruana

I received your letter requesting the Borzoi Club of America's participation in an Advanced Hound Dog (!) Institute in Pennsylvania, August 11 through 14.

This event has been scheduled against the ADSJ's annual Institute in Indiana, Pennsylvania, just a couple of hours drive away. Borzoi will be presented at the ADSJ Institute that week, as they, and the other sighthounds have been, on odd-numbered years for a long time. I am already committed to the presentation on behalf of the Borzoi Club of America that week at ADSJ. We do not have the presenters, fanciers or

dogs to cover two institutes.

I would guess that the other sighthound JECs would have the same dilemma.

The AKC has been very supportive of ADSJ over the years, and the Institute's calendar week is the same every year. I find it amazing that a conflicting event would be planned by the Judges Department for the same time period, and in the same neighborhood, much less one that includes 10 of the same breeds. Such scheduling would be damaging to attendance for both events. The sighthound class at ADSJ is already one that doesn't fully subscribe every time.

The last Sighthound Institute held by AKC was set for late September 2001. It was cancelled in the aftermath of 9/11, and rescheduled for January 2002, well attended at that time. Since the letter from Kathy indicated that the Institute was in the planning stages, I hope a change can be made that will result in greater student and parent club participation as well as financial success in this tight-belt time.

Patti Neale,
Borzoi Club of America Judges Education Coordinator
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From: "Kathleen Caruana" <KAC1@akc.org>

Date: January 26, 2011 4:31:15 PM EST

To: "Patti Neale" <zoisrus@windstream.net>

Subject: RE: Advanced Hound Dog Institute

Hi Ms. Neale,

Yes, it is unfortunate that both Institutes will be held at the same time. Truth is we have been looking for a good location for another Hound Institute and as you indicated, it has been quite some time since we had one. We were delighted when the opportunity came up for us to hold a Hound Institute in conjunction with the Keystone Cluster. Since we make no profit from our Institutes we try to go where, not only there is a good facility, but also where the price is right. With that being said, neither the date nor the location will be changed.

We have set our schedule to include each of the Hound breeds and it is certainly our hope that each of the Parent Clubs will be able to participate. I have the Borzoi seminar tentatively scheduled for Saturday August 13th at 8:00am. I Hope that will work out to be a good time for your club. If there is a particular day that would be better or if you are unable to find a presenter, will you please let me know so I can proceed in another direction?

Have a great day!

Kathy Caruana
Judges Education Coordinator
American Kennel Club
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National Specialty – Barbara O'Neill

National Show Committee and Guidelines

The National Specialty Policies and Guidelines are up-to-date.

2011 National Specialty – Lawrence, KS – April 3-9, 2011

The 2011 specialty show is only two months away and everyone on the show committee is working hard to make it enjoyable for everyone. Most members should have received the premium list packet and entries have started to come in.

2012 National Specialty – Richland, WA – May 20-26, 2012

Robin Riel, Facility/Specialty Coordinator, has been busy with plans for 2012. The specialty logo design has been chosen and reflects the theme - "Wine Country". Robin is prepared to make a presentation for the specialty in Lawrence. Please contact Robin, chborzoi@wabroadband.com, if you would like to participate in any facet of the specialty.

2013 National Specialty – Lancaster, PA – May 12-18, 2013

Due to the winter weather, a site visit has not been possible before this Board meeting. I have been in contact with the hotel and they are aware of our intentions, that the Board has approved Lancaster Host Resort and Conference Center, Lancaster, PA, for May 12-18, 2013.

BCOA Logo Patch

The BCOA embroidered logo patches are will be offered for sale at the April National Specialty in Kansas.

Rescue – Dee Jones

Borzoi Rescue – N CA, Nancy Joeckel Reporting

Two dogs in Rescue:

- Kodiak. This dog is still in foster, waiting for a home that can offer the stability and training this young dogs needs.
- Grants Pass Boy. Surrendered by owner due to family financial and marriage crisis. Placed in October.

We ran LGRA race weekends in early October and November. Due to the economy and increased competition from other events, we have made very little profit from these events over the past two years. Since the events take a great deal of Board time, we have decided to discontinue our race weekends and will set up other 2011 fundraisers that will hopefully earn better money.

NBRF – Carol Backers Reporting

Vermont - In October 2010, NBRF got 3 borzoi from a no-kill shelter in Vermont that were owner turn ins. We anticipate getting more borzoi from this shelter.

North Carolina - In November 2010, NBRF also took in two borzoi that were owner turn-ins from North Carolina. The owner contacted us again in December and turned over her last two borzoi on January 1st, 2011.

ROM – Barbara Ewing

One application was received for the ROM who qualifies with the designation shown:

Sylvan Amunet SC FCh ROMC

Statistics – Dr. Greg Hlatky

All-Breed Results for 2010

	Name	Sex	Owner(s)	BI	BIS	G	G	G	G	BO	Pts
				S	S	1	2	3	4	B	
1	GCH Greyhaven Wizard's Crystal	D	F Vogel - M Polsfuss - C Vogel	3	0	1 1	1 1	9	5	63	33 38
2	GCH Aashtoria Wildhunt Hidden Agenda	D	R Riel - C Riel	0	3	3	2	6	5	55	30 62
3	GCH Majenkir A King's	D	K Horn-Janek - R Janek	0	1	3	2	2	4	65	11

	Ransom											63
4	GCH Blackmoor Samwise At Konza	D	K Cassella - P Cassella	0	2	1	1	2	0	15	82	4
5	GCH Raynbos Run For The Roses	D	J Zucker - R Zucker	0	0	1	1	2	2	36	80	0
6	GCH Avalyn's Magnum Force	D	L Bennett - M Bennett	0	1	1	3	1	1	20	77	7
7	GCH Majenkir Ringmaster At Raynbo	D	R Zucker - J Zucker - K Staudt-Cartabona	0	1	0	1	3	3	37	76	7
8	GCH Kansai's All That Attitude	B	J McMinn - J Patten	0	0	0	1	2	0	10	52	7
9	GCH Borchis Amras Numenesse SC	D	E Tolley - D Nutting - T Steele	0	0	0	4	1	1	35	49	0
10	GCH Aruzia Priority One JC	D	L Scott - J Scott	0	0	0	0	3	1	17	47	4
11	CH Reflections I'm The Lucky One	B	R Glenn - F Murphy	0	1	0	0	1	0	6	38	9
12	GCH Jubilee-Katushka Ebel	B	C Gredys	0	0	0	1	0	3	22	38	6
13	CH Auroral's Ajax	D	J Steele	0	0	0	1	0	3	12	35	6
14	GCH Phaedra Dmetrii Ex Libris JC	D	G Thiele - C Greene	0	0	1	1	1	0	30	35	3
15	GCH Aria's Ain't No Angel	D	R Terry	0	0	0	0	0	2	12	34	7
16	GCH Mechta Grandiloquent Regulus	D	S McGraw - M McGraw - B McGraw	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	31	1
17	CH Dana Dan Silversmoke	D	A Thompson - D Thompson	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	24	5
18	GCH Vento Danza Independence Day	B	C Cedeno - D Burkholder	0	0	1	0	0	0	25	24	0
19	GCH Majenkir Bookstor Glamour Girl	B	K Staudt-Cartabona - K Spey	0	1	0	0	1	0	7	23	0
20	CH Sylvan Vitrina Finian's Rainbow JC	B	P Neale - C Neale	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	22	8

Breed Results for 2010

	Name	Sex	Owner(s)	BOB	Pts.
1	GCH Aashtoria Wildhunt Hidden Agenda	D	R Riel - C Riel	55	633
2	GCH Majenkir A King's Ransom	D	K Horn-Janek - R Janek	65	380
3	CH Reflections I'm The Lucky One	B	R Glenn - F Murphy	6	317
4	GCH Mechta Grandiloquent Regulus	D	S McGraw - M McGraw - B McGraw	13	311
5	GCH Blackmoor Samwise At Konza	D	K Cassella - P Cassella	15	308
6	GCH Avalyn's Magnum Force	D	L Bennett - M Bennett	20	254

7	GCH Majenkir Ringmaster At Raynbo	D	R Zucker - J Zucker - K Staudt-Cartabona	37	240
8	GCH Raynbos Run For The Roses	D	J Zucker - R Zucker	36	228
9	GCH Greyhaven Wizard's Crystal	D	F Vogel - M Polsfuss - C Vogel	63	193
10	GCH Jubilee-Katushka Ebel	B	C Gredys	22	185
11	GCH Aria's Ain't No Angel	D	R Terry	12	177
12	GCH Vento Danza Independence Day	B	C Cedeno - D Burkholder	25	149
13	GCH Borchis Amras Numenesse SC	D	E Tolley - D Nutting - T Steele	35	146
14	GCH Phaedra Dmetrii Ex Libris JC	D	G Thiele - C Greene	30	131
15	GCH Aruzia Priority One JC	D	L Scott - J Scott	17	120
16	GCH Majenkir Bookstor Glamour Girl	B	K Staudt-Cartabona - K Spey	7	116
17	GCH Aria's The Quiet Man	D	R Rice - B Rice	22	113
18	GCH Kansai's All That Attitude	B	J McMinn - J Patten	10	108
19	Mechta Opulent Altair	B	S McGraw - M McGraw - B McGraw	3	92
20	GCH Virshina Cliffs Of Dover	B	G Little	5	88

Grand Champion Results for 2010

Rank	Name	Sex	GCH Points
1	GCH Majenkir A King's Ransom	D	151
2	GCH Aashtoria Wildhunt Hidden Agenda	D	138
3	GCH Raynbos Run For The Roses	D	112
4	GCH Avalyn's Magnum Force	D	93
5	GCH Greyhaven Wizard's Crystal	D	92
6	GCH Majenkir Ringmaster At Raynbo	D	91
7	GCH Phaedra Dmetrii Ex Libris JC	D	72
8	GCH Borchis Amras Numenesse SC	D	67
9	GCH Virshina Cliffs Of Dover	B	59
10	GCH Aria's Ain'T No Angel	D	58
11	GCH Auroral Rising Star Iroquois	B	53
12	GCH Raynbos Butterscotch Perfection	B	50
13	GCH Wildwood Fiery Run Out Of My Dreams	B	46
14	GCH Borzowski's C'Est La Vie	B	43
15	GCH Blackmoor Samwise At Konza	D	42
16	GCH Majenkir Bookstor Glamour Girl	B	41
17	GCH Kansai's All That Attitude	B	40
	GCH Mechta Grandiloquent Regulus	D	40
	GCH Vento Danza Independence Day	B	40
20	GCH Nonsuch Some Enchanted Evening	B	35

- 329 Borzoi won Best of Breed in 2010 (177 dogs, 152 bitches)
- Borzoi were entered in 1245 all-breed and Hound group shows and independent specialties in 2010 (vs. 1225 in 2009)
- Borzoi entries in 2010 were 9592 (vs. 9997 in 2009)

LGRA – Carol Enz

LRN	NAME	REGISTERED NAME	OWNER	GRC	NGRC	YTD			
1	B-1177 Bartleby	Silkenswift Black Lightning	SGRC3	Bobrowski	12.00	93.50	53.00		
2	B-0929 Gossip	Mielikki Windhaven's Petty Gossip	JC RN SGRC5						
				McCartin/Rodriguez	12.00	153.50	51.25		
3	B-1227 Socks	FC WindnSatin Phast On The Take	SC FCh GRC						
				Van de Water/Childs	12.00	22.83	15.33		
4	B-1270 Mrs Peel	Ashtoria Wild Hunt Mystery Unveiled	SC GRC	Duncan	12.00	27.25	15.25		
5	B-1191 Spectre	Jedawn The Spectre Of Kyrov	SGRC	Hall/Myers	12.00	48.58	13.08		
5	B-1273 Sterling-B	Kansai'z The Good Life	GRC	Bucholz	12.00	13.08	13.08		
7	B-1220 JT	Gryffyn's Aeyrie Bringin' Sexy Back	GRC	Shell-Whitlock	12.00	14.00	12.00		
7	B-1245 Valkyrie	Silkenswift Ride The Wild Wind	GRC	Rodriguez/Dalzell	12.00	18.50	12.00		
9	B-1199 Focus	Silkenswift Bright Focus	GRC	Dalzell	12.00	18.75	11.50		
10	B-1215 Sera-D	Kazar Serafima	GRC	Dumaine	12.00	20.58	10.83		
11	B-1313 Ziva	Mielikki Liaison Officer Ziva David	GRC	McCartin	12.00	9.50	9.50		
12	B-1250 Rogue-D	Ravenna Fourth Dimension	GRC	Dumaine		12.00	21.00		
						8.50			
13	B-1195 Freckles	Freckles	GRC	Sommers	12.00	13.75	7.75		
14	B-1229 Ryder	Daragoi Steelblitz V Windrider	GRC	Schemel	12.00	18.00	7.00		
15	B-0982 Padua	Wildhunt Roman Candle	GRC	Duncan	12.00	8.75	5.75		
16	B-1200 First	Celeritas Bellatrix at Silkenswift	GRC	Dalzell	12.00	8.08	5.58		
17	B-1269 Danica	Teine Zharkov Bramble Road To Faerie	JC GRC	Ferris	12.00	8.75	5.25		
18	B-1264 Gwiazda	C'Lestial Star of Bombay at Starswift	GRC	Bobrowski	12.00	5.50	5.00		
19	B-1290 Dillon	Zoiboyz Dillon Ex Libris	JC GRC	Greene	12.00	4.75	4.75		
19	B-1234 Lotus	Valinor's Circuit de Monaco at Riverrun	GRC	Smith/Butler	12.00	6.75	4.75		
19	B-1129 Wizard	Silkenswift Bright Wizard	GRC	Lheureux	12.00	7.42	4.75		
22	B-1192 Flame-B	Rio Brava of Star Canyon		Barron/Cordtz	10.75	9.50	4.50		
23	B-1251 Radican	Radican Dark Mask of Mystery	GRC	Port	12.00	10.50	4.00		
23	B-1031 Tally	Astara's Natalya of Novgorod		Hoflin	6.50	5.00	4.00		
23	B-1138 Tequila	C'Lestrial Tequila Sunrise		Grieb	5.00	5.00	4.00		