



**Borzoi Club of America, Inc.  
Autumn Board Meeting  
9 AM Saturday, 5 November 2016  
San Antonio, Texas  
Minutes**

**The meeting was called to order at 9:20 AM**

**Roll Call & Quorum**

Karen Ackerman, Carol Enz, Prudence Hlatky, Joyce Katona, Karen Mays, Barbara O'Neill, Rebecca Peters-Campbell, Ron Williams, Joy Windle, Marcella Zobel

**Absent:** Katie Averill & Rita Rice

On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Karen Ackerman the **Minutes of Summer Board Meeting** were approved.

President Peters-Campbell commented on a very productive 2016, with the focus on the good of the breed & BCOA. She thanked the Board for its hard work.

**Officers Reports**

Recording Secretary On a motion by Ron Williams, seconded by Barbara O'Neill, the report was approved.

Membership Applications

Second Reading: On a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Carol Enz, the following applicants were approved for membership

Michael & Diane Bilak 9404 72<sup>nd</sup> Street Kenosha, WI 53142  
262-697-7834 [mcbilak@wi.rr.com](mailto:mcbilak@wi.rr.com) [dbilak@wi.rr.com](mailto:dbilak@wi.rr.com)  
Sponsors: Pamela Leichtman & Jan Leikam

Sierra Marvin 1805 N. Magnolia Lane Muncie, IN 47304  
765-759-6708 [chelemarvin@yahoo.com](mailto:chelemarvin@yahoo.com)  
Junior: d.o.b.8/10/03

Kari McCloskey 152 Neill Run Road DeHa, PA 17314  
443-243-5241 [KALABRIA152@yahoo.com](mailto:KALABRIA152@yahoo.com)  
Sponsors: Renee McCartin & Karla Smith

First Reading

On a motion by Joyce Katona, seconded by Ron Williams, the following applicants were approved for membership, pending a home visit. The Board requests that anyone in the area please reach out to the Zamowskis to arrange a visit.

Joe & Jill Zamowski 12150 Olde South Lane McCalla, AL 35111-2332  
205 477-1264 [Adrielz@aol.com](mailto:Adrielz@aol.com)  
Sponsors: Katie Averill & Cricket Murray

## Mentor Applications

Meghann Lord-Fenn 2928 E. 145<sup>th</sup> Avenue Thornton, CO 80602  
757 270-5419 mlordfenn@gmail.com

The application was tabled until the Winter 2017 meeting.

Please update your Member Directories:

Gene Hill [hill.gene109@gmail.com](mailto:hill.gene109@gmail.com)

Irina Terra [zabavaborzoi@gmail.com](mailto:zabavaborzoi@gmail.com)

Amy Sorbie [Amy.sorbie@vca.com](mailto:Amy.sorbie@vca.com) 720 245-5781

Jon Steele 989 860 9677

Jenni Steele 989 860 7132

Irina Terra 425-387-1417

## Email vote:

1. Treasurer Rita Rice's request for approval to purchase medallions: 1000 BCOA medallions \$3,412.95/  
303 BCOA Logo TSE \$1,080.46 / 300 Futurity Dogs \$1,313.24 = \$5,806.65

The request was approved.

2. AKC Delegate Barbara O'Neill requested a vote on the AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards. We agreed on **Conformation**: Pat Laurans/ Companion -- Tibby Chase / **Performance** -- Teri Dickinson

## Election of Officers

As of 31 October 2016 there have been no candidates nominated by petition.

President Peters-Campbell instructed Recording Secretary to cast one ballot to elect the slate.

Term expiring 31 December 2018

Terms expiring 31 December 2017

Recording Secretary: Joy Windle

President: Rebecca Peters-Campbell

Treasurer: Jan Leikam

Corresponding Secretary: Karen Mays

AKC Delegate: Barbara O'Neill

Governor, Region 1: Ron Williams

Governor Region 2: Katrina Averill

Governor, Region 3: Prudence Hlatky

Governor Region 4: Lorrie Scott

Governor, Region 5: Karen Ackerman

Governor Region 6: Joyce Katona

**Corresponding Secretary (Karen Mays)** On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Karen Ackerman, the report was accepted.

Karen noted that AKC wants new slogan; members are invited to participate.

**Treasurer (Rita Rice)** The report was tabled, pending clarification of expenses.

It was requested that insurance payments are itemized in future.

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Karen Ackerman, the Board requests an audit since there will be a change of Treasurer.

For a complete report, please contact Rita Rice <treas@bcoa.club>

**AKC Delegate (Barbara O'Neill)** On a motion by Karen Ackerman, seconded by Joyce Katona, the report was accepted.

The Board was asked to vote for Chapter 6, Section 9: The amendment would extend the closing time for entries to be no later than 11:59 p.m. Y3 N3 Motion did not carry.

**Regional Governors** On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Barbara O'Neill, the reports were accepted. A discussion regarding a standardization of report format. The Recording Secretary will create a template for governors' use.

**Standing Committee Reports** On a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Prudence Hlatky, the reports were accepted.

**Annual Versatility Award and Versatility Hall of Fame (Kay Novotny)**

On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Barbara O'Neill, the nominee was accepted for the Versatility Hall of Fame, pending clarification of AKC & ASFA titles.

BISS BIF GCH DC Oxota Avalon Switchblade, CGC, TT, FCh, SC, RTD, RN

**Aristocrat (Helen Lee):** Please encourage members to advertise. The ads do not disappear. Lots of impact for \$25 (new titles)/ \$35 (general ad).

**BCOA Beverly C. Taylor Trust for Borzoi Rescue (Barbara O'Neill)**

On a motion by Karen Ackerman, seconded by Ron Williams, the report was accepted.

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Prudence Hlatky, the request that in cases of catastrophic need, BTRC may disperse funds on case by case basis from the Reserve Rescue account.

A hold harmless agreement will add an extra level of protection to members working on behalf of BTRC. These go to Corresponding Secretary.

**Conformation Championship Medals (Chris Danker)**

President Peters-Campbell will ask Chris to add obedience, rally, & agility title medallions to conformation medals. She will ask Leo Abordo to distribute medals for new performance titles.

**Health (Nancy Hopkins)**

The Board is very happy to see both echo-cardiograms & thyroid testing offered at 2017 National in Maryland.

It was noted that the Cancer vaccine, funded in part by BCOA funds, is making progress.

See Unfinished Business for recent news on the Holter Proposal.

**Juniors (Barbara Tyler Lord):**

Please encourage junior showman showing Borzoi to join BCOA.

**"Keeping in Touch" (Edna Ogata)**

Please let Edna know when there is a member who would appreciate being remembered. Edna is always happy to have any of your extra Borzoi-themed notecards

**Legislative Liaison (Rita Rice)**

A very good summary of the current state of legislation (state & federal) affecting dogs, which will be published in the *Aristocrat*, on Facebook, and on Members Only.

**Meet the Breeds (Ron Williams/ Chris Neale)**

On a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Carol Enz, the Board approved \$150 to include BCOA in MTB program in Manhattan the weekend before Westminster. Chris Neale is planning an all-new booth for Orlando in December.

**National Specialty (Barbara O'Neill / Carol Enz)**

2017: A few items from silent auction will be held back for live auction.

On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Joyce Katona, the Board agreed to make a \$500 donation to local emergency responders for their K-9 Unit as BCOA's community service.

On a motion by Karen Ackerman, seconded by Prudence Hlatky, it was agreed to send a \$3000 deposit for first place bronze heads. It was deemed prudent to do so owing to the age and declining health of the vendor; BCOA owns the molds.

Winners of multiple medallions are encouraged to re-donate them in exchange for tickets in special raffle for gas cards.

A trial run of additional sweeps classes (18-21 months & 21-24 month) in 2017, to be re-evaluated before continuing to 2018.

Tickets will be required for opening reception/futurity and Friday evening events. Refreshments will be limited to light finger food and the cash bar; there will be no carving station.

2018 Richland, WA Details are being worked out.

2019 Lancaster, PA In the planning stage.

**Registry of Merit (Barbara Ewing)** On a motion by Karen Ackerman, seconded by Barbara O'Neill the following were accepted into ROM:

Dams:

Valinor's Circuit de Monaco at RivrRun ROMX

GCH Kirov Embrujada, FCh, CC, CM ROM

Sires:

GChS Aruzia Priority One, JC ROMX-C

GCH/DC K-C WIndSheer Stayin' Alive CD RN SC FCh ROM-C

After some discussion of the ROM committee's recommendation that no additional points should be awarded for ROM offspring, on a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Prudence Hlatky, it was agreed to recognize additional GCh levels with 1 point/level.

With the thought that successive generations of ROM's should be rewarded, on a motion by Karen Ackerman, seconded by Joy Windle, it was agreed to recognize ROM offspring as follows: ROM = 3 points ROM-X = 5 points.

### **Welfare/Rescue (Dee Jones)**

\$1000 from the Breed Welfare fund was contributed toward an AKC Reunite Trailer for Louisiana.

## **Unfinished Business**

**Revised Membership Application (Committee: Joy Windle, Prudence Hlatky, & Joyce Katona)** On a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Prudence Hlatky, The Board accepted the revised the Application for Membership, as well as the new Application for Junior Membership. Introductory documents for applying for BCOA membership and fillable pdf forms will also be created.

**Holter Proposal (Nancy Hopkins)** On a motion by Barbara O'Neill, seconded by Joyce Katona, the Board accepted the revised BCOA Holter Rules & Rental Agreement with the addition of a waiver in case of catastrophe.

### **Teleconference Provider Options**

Although it was decided to table setting up Uber as a replacement for ChorusCall, the Board agreed to set up BCOA emails for all officers and governors and migrate all files currently saved on the [Board1@Yahoogroups.com](mailto:Board1@Yahoogroups.com). In this way all Board business will be conducted through the board emails, creating a record of emails, which is not possible when people use private email addresses.

**Standing Rule Revision:** Suggested revisions for the Accounting were received. Work is ongoing.

### **Triathlon Review (Update Committee: Rebecca Peters-Campbell, KC Artley, & Sandra Moore)**

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Karen Ackerman, the Board agreed that when entering multiple events, the highest scores in each element count; handlers will no longer be required to designate events

first. The motion carried with Ron Williams abstaining. The Board asked the committee to consider whether there should be a 'degree of difficulty' coefficient to the more challenging classes.

## **New Business**

### **2017 Meeting Dates / Location**

6 February teleconference 7:30 EST  
24 April teleconference 7:30 EST  
15 May after field trial Maryland  
14 August teleconference 7:30 EST  
4 November Savannah, GA

**Hold Harmless Agreements** On a motion by Carol Enz, seconded by Joy Windle, the Board agreed to make the same Hold Harmless Agreement as offered to BTRC should be made available to BCOA board members & such committee chairs as desire. Either the Recording Secretary or the Corresponding Secretary may sign the agreement on behalf of BCOA. Forms will be made available when the new board and committee chairs take office 1 January 2017.

### **2017 Dual Champion Stakes and 2017 Generations Judges**

Once candidates were suggested as judges for both competitions, secret ballots were given to Barbara O'Neill, the results to be revealed in Maryland.

### **BCOA.com**

The domain owner of BCOA.com has offered to sell BCOA the domain. Because we are an *organization*, not a *commercial group*, the Board declined the offer.

## **New Business from the Floor**

**Borzoi Sound Bite** Because borzoi people have expressed dissatisfaction with the description of borzoi used during televised group judging, the Board solicited a revised version that did not refer to 'Russian wolfhounds.' On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, seconded by Joyce Katona, the Board accepted a revised version to send to AKC for use by the group commentator at televised dog shows.

*Borzoi are wonderful companions and make great therapy dogs. An original AKC breed, this large sighthound was recognized in 1891. In earliest depictions from the 12th century, the graceful Borzoi pursued a variety of game in his native Russia. Today, Borzoi participate in conformation, coursing, agility, obedience, as well as other canine competitions. A calm demeanor and sensitive nature belie the powerful and courageous hunter dressed in a beautiful coat which may be any color or combination of colors.*

**Ozeki Donation:** The Ozeki family has donated 60 silver borzoi pins to BCOA for its use. It was decided to award the pins to BCOA nominees for AKC Lifetime Achievement for performance, conformation, and companion.

**Annual award plaques:** To regularize the annual awards it was suggested that rally be added to the existing high-scoring plaques, and the top producing stud dog and brood bitch also be recognized. After some discussion:

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Barbara O'Neill, the Board agreed to add plaques for the Top Producing Sire and Dam. The motion carried with Ron Williams and Prudence Hlatky dissenting.

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Ron Williams, the Board agreed to add a plaque for the High-Scoring Rally Borzoi to the annual awards.

On a motion by Joy Windle, seconded by Karen Ackerman, the Board agreed to add Rally to the Top 5 Rosettes. The motion carried, Barbara O'Neill abstaining.

**5:36 PM On a motion by Prudence Hlatky, the meeting was Adjourned.**

**Tabled:**

1. Canine Ambassador Program – Clarification
2. Status Update on Judges Education
3. Mentor Qualification
4. Member Roster Management & Member Director

# BORZOI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

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November 1, 2016

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT 08/08/16 – 11/01/16

08/19/16	Sent letter to KC Artley granting a one-time waiver for the MBC Specialty date.
08/20/16	Sent forms and payment for the Parent Club Medallions to be awarded at the AKC National Championship in Orlando to be held December 17 & 18, 2016.
08/22/16	Received the minutes for the Monday, August 2, 2016 Beverly C. Taylor Trust Board Meeting from Shen Smith.
08/31/16	Received August statement for the Beverly Taylor Account from Charles Schwab.
09/15/16	Received a request from Richard Mason Terry for a Lone Star Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Friday, March 24, 2017 with the Fort Worth Kennel Club in Fort Worth, TX. Conformation Judge: Gloria Geringer. Sweepstakes Judge: Lynda Hicks. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Richard. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendar.
09/15/16	Received a current Officer and Member list for the Lone Star Borzoi Club from Richard Mason Terry.
09/28/16	Received the September Statement for the Beverly Taylor Account from Charles Schwab.
09/30/16	Received information from AKC regarding the AKC National Championship Show in Orlando, sponsored this year by Royal Canin.
09/30/16	Received a request from Pam Wicker, <a href="mailto:pamhillwicker@gmail.com">pamhillwicker@gmail.com</a> for information on Borzoi and breeders in the northeast. Sent.
10/03/16	Received announcement of the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award Finalists from AKC.
10/04/16	Received notice from AKC that our Wednesday, April 19, 2017 event cannot be approved because it is in conflict with the Mattaponi KC show which is 67 miles away.
10/11/16	Received a request from AKC for our club's input on a slogan that embodies a powerful and relevant AKC message; one that conveys the AKC's 133-year commitment to supporting breeders and safeguarding the health and well-being of all dogs.
10/18/16	Polled the BCOA Board Members regarding their choice for the Lifetime Achievement Awards.
10/19/16	Received a request from Amy Sikula for a Midwest Borzoi Club Specialty to be held on Saturday, May 27, 2017 with the Grand Rapids Kennel Club event at the Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds in Kalamazoo, MI. Conformation Judge: William Shelton. Sweepstakes Judge: Tami Marshall. Approval sent to AKC with a copy to Amy. Information sent to R. Lynn Shell for the calendar.
10/19/16	Received an updated Officer List for the Midwest Borzoi Club from Amy Sikula.
10/19/16	Sent a letter of explanation to Tabitha Sheppard at AKC regarding the Blanket Approval Form.
10/21/16	Submitted the Board vote for our selection for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards: Conformation: Pat Laurans, Companion: Elizabeth (Tibby) Chase, and Performance: Teri Dickinson.
10/22/16	Received the <i>AKC Canine Health Foundation Annual Report</i> .
10/26/16	Received a request from Monty Mahoney, <a href="mailto:montemailbus@comcast.net">montemailbus@comcast.net</a> , for breeders in Pennsylvania. Sent.

**Treasurer (Rita Rice)** Please contact the Treasurer for a complete report [treas@bcoa.club](mailto:treas@bcoa.club)

### **AKC Delegate (Barbara O'Neill)**

The AKC Delegate meeting was held Monday, September 12, 2016 in Newark, New Jersey.

Dennis Sprung, AKC President, gave a heartfelt remembrance of the 9/11 World Trade Center attack and the AKC's role in its recovery.

The following amendments to Rules Applying to Dog Show was voted on at the September meeting:

1. Chapter 3, Section 5: In a single show with multiple days of judging, the first day of a show is considered to be the first day on which there is regular conformation judging in accordance with Section 3 of this chapter. (Sweepstakes and Futurities are not considered regular conformation classes.) **Passed**
2. Chapter 3, Section 4, 7, 17, & 19: Remove italics. **Passed**
3. Chapter 6, Section 9: Whenever the closing day noted above falls on a postal holiday, entries received in any form up to 24 hours from the published closing date and time day may be accepted. **Passed**

The following amendments to Rules Applying to Dog Show will be voted on at the December meeting:

Chapter 6, Section 9: The amendment would extend the closing time for entries to be no later than 11:59 p.m.

The next Delegate Meeting will be held Friday, December 16, 2016, Orlando, Florida. An agenda has not been determined.

### **Regional Governors**

#### **Region 1 (Ron Williams)**

I continue to send out:

- AKC related emails. I also made an email distribution only for the region members who would like to continue receiving these mailings. I removed those who responded, they already receive the AKC mailings.
- Email reminding the region of the upcoming annual mailing from our secretary and where to send their dues and ballots responses.
- Received regional club requests to forward upcoming Specialty and Match shows to the region.

The region will soon host the 2019 National Specialty. We have the Facility Coordinator assigned and putting together the committee list. The location will be The Lancaster Host resort & Conference Center in Lancaster, Pa. This will be reported on separately.

#### **Region 2 (Katie Averill)**

Everything has been quiet except for the hurricane. No club members were badly affected, but the PVBC Specialty was one four shows cancelled because of Hurricane Matthew. They are looking forward to their next one.

#### **Region 3 (Prudence Hlatky)**

##### **From the message to Region 3 Members:**

With my final 2016 Governor's report and as the year draws to a close, I wish all BCOA a joyous holiday season and a successful 2017.

##### **Reminders:**

2017 Nominating Committee Slate of Officers – additional nominations due by Oct 31, 2016

2017 Member Dues – dues need to be postmarked by Dec 31, 2016

2019 National Judges Nomination form – due Dec 31, 2016

The 2017 National in Hunt Valley, MD, May 13-20 will be here before we know it. Although it's a long trip, please plan on attending as nothing equals the National. If you haven't already done so, please make your hotel reservations so that you don't miss the BCOA room block.



**Upcoming events:**

**Baton Rouge Kennel Club - Chair: Veni Harlan**

January 28, 2017: Amy Sorbie/ Pam Buffington

January 29, 2017: Ron Spritzer/ Joyce Law

**Rocky Mountain Borzoi Club Specialty**

February 17, 2017 – Judge Linda More

**Of Interest:**

***Region III proposed items still on the BOD agenda***

- Simplifying the BCOA Membership application to make it more Rescue and single dog owner friendly, revised Jr Member application
- Revising the ROM requirements to recognize higher-level achievements in all events
- The request for a Borzoi appropriate TV sound bite, from the last report and the BCOA minutes, resulted in one response

All BCOA minutes and reports are available on the BCOA Members Yahoo site. If you are unable to access the site or if you don't use Yahoo please let me know so that I can assist you with getting the reports.

Again, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

**Region 4 (Marcella Zobel)**

Members, please share thoughts and information on our Reg. 4 Facebook group page.

Borzoi Club of Northern California had a well-attended Specialty in October, Pleasanton CA.

Along w two supported entries, we had approximately an entry of 75 Borzoi, one of the largest breed entries at this three day circuit.

I am behind on making sure BCOA membership pins went to new members in my region, and plan on taking care of this in November. I will also see if regional members recall receiving a pin when they joined.

I will remind members on our Reg. 4 Facebook page to plan for the upcoming National, to watch for the recent letter that went out reminding us of our annual dues, the slate of officers for next year, and Judge nominations.

I appreciate everyone's support during my term as Reg 4 Governor, and will be willing to serve again at some point in the future. I have come to admire each Board member immensely for the time and commitment each puts into assisting the promotion and protection of borzoi, through service in the Borzoi Club of America.

**Region 5 (Karen Ackerman)**

I want to thank the members of Region 5 who have notified Joy Windle or myself, of updates to their pertinent information. Whether mailing information, email address changes, or phone numbers revisions, it is so important that we have this data in order that the BCOA Board can communicate with you. Please see the following updated information. Monica Barry- new email [laureatezoi@hotmail.com](mailto:laureatezoi@hotmail.com) Gene Hill new email [hill.gene109@gmail.com](mailto:hill.gene109@gmail.com) and Irina Terra new email Irina [zabavaborzoi@gmail.com](mailto:zabavaborzoi@gmail.com) Also new phone number for Irina is 425-387-1417. Again, thank you!

On the topic of Borzoi Welfare and Rescue, the BCOA Board approved a donation of \$2,000.00 from the Rescue Welfare Fund specifically for disaster relief in the State of Louisiana. This is designated only for the purpose of purchasing a welfare/rescue trailer. Currently, there is a drive underway to purchase a welfare/rescue trailer. According to AKC Reunite, the cost of the specific trailer is \$22,000.00. Matching funds are available for donations of \$10,000.00 or more. Should anyone want to donate or knows of someone who would like to donate, please contact Dee Jones privately at [borzoi@bellsouth.net](mailto:borzoi@bellsouth.net)

Previously, the BCOA contributed \$1,200.00 towards a disaster trailer in California which is featured in the Fall 2016 issue of The Aristocrat, on page 5. This trailer was used in the San Diego County fire.

A must read for breeders or anyone entertaining the idea of breeding is in the same issue of the *Aristocrat*. It features borzoi genetics and degenerative myelopathy or DM. Part One starts on page 27, and is authored by Nancy Hopkins, our BCOA Heath Chairperson. A timely subject as it appears some Borzoi are carriers of this dreaded condition.

Hot topics for the November Board meeting include the following items plus several more:

1. ROM Point Revisions higher level titles to make conformation commensurate with performance titles.
2. Holter Health Monitor Proposal Update
3. 2019 National ( Region 1) Specialty Proposal
4. Two Year Triathlon Review
5. Judges Education

New features to be added to the 2017 National Specialty are listed below:

1. Peewee class added
2. Puppy sweepstakes to align with those of futurity

Another issue to be addressed during the November meeting is the USDA/APHI guidelines which may impact breeders in the selling and placement of their Borzoi. The USDA website listed below provides extra information: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animalwelfare/2013/retailpetschecklist.pdf>

Please let me or one of the BCOA Board members know of your concerns, questions, or issues. We are here to serve you. However, we need your input to do that.

### **Region 6 (Joyce Katona)**

- I sent a Regional update to the members of Region 6, in it I commented on the most recent Specialty of Borzoi Club of Greater Omaha earlier this month and mentioned the upcoming MBC Specialty on November 19 in Columbus, OH.
- I listed the Region 6 individuals who had the first reading of their membership applications.
- I spoke of the revised Holter proposal and mentioned that Nancy Hopkins will form a committee.
- I told them about our \$2,000 donation to AKC Reunite and stated that Dee would be working to raise funds for the Louisiana trailer.
- I gave a brief overview of the 2017--2019 National Specialties with attractions offered, dates and locations.
- I mentioned highlights from the AKC Delegate meeting regarding disqualified dogs and the reinstatement procedure.
- I included Rita's legislative updates including links to the USDA pages. I indicated we would be getting the bullet point summary of the USDA/APHIS Guidelines from Rita at the November meeting and stated I would send it along when it became available.
- I included Joy's explanation of the recent mailing for dues, slate of officers, & judge nomination form-- what to do and where to send.
- I reminded the members:
  - of the value of ads in the Aristocrat.
  - to notify me of any changes in address, phone or email
  - to start thinking of venues for the 2021 National Specialty
  - that the minutes are available on the website
  - that BCOA has a Facebook page.
- I listed the unfinished business and asked for input from the region prior to the November 6 meeting.