

Beardie Tales

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Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club
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From the Prez...

On Sunday, January 9, 2005 our annual meeting was held at the home of Marcia Donaldson in Rockford. A total of four members attended. Therefore by default your officers and board members are:

President	Karen Shaw kres@verizon.net
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Ginny Aulik	beardedcollies@insightbb.com
Arlene Fenney	beerdylvr.aol.com
Cheryl Poliak	cpoliak@hotmail.com
Mary Steckel	wagmoor@ispwest.com

I will list the committee chairs the next newsletter. Anyone who is interested can call me for more information.

Welcome new members Loretta Hamilton and Jack Cohen.

A Beardie Best to All
Karen

P.S. The four of us had a nice discussion and a delicious meal prepared by Marcia.

Future Meeting Dates

May 8, 2005 Supported entry, Badger Kennel Club, Madison, WI Meeting to follow after showing.

June 18, 2005 CBCC Regional Specialty, Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL. Picnic to follow at the Fenney's.

July 17, 2005 Supported entry, Kishwaukee Kennel Club, Belvidere, IL. Pot luck in the gazebo.

July 30, 2005 Supported entry and sweepstakes, Waukeshia Kennel Club, Waukeshia, WI

August 28, 2005 Beardie Bounce, Home of Roy and Joyce Makowski, Barrington Hills, IL. Hosted by Mary Barthold

September or October Herding instinct test to be announced

December 18, 2006 Supported entry, Skokie Valley Kennel Club, Rosemont, IL

Holiday Party ??

January 8, 2006 Annual Meeting. Place to be announced.

Member of the Year

Last month's newsletter carried a notice that Pat Neale had been selected as "Member of the Year" for her work on behalf of the club and Beardies. We said it last month, and we'll say it again. **Thank you Pat and Congratulations.**

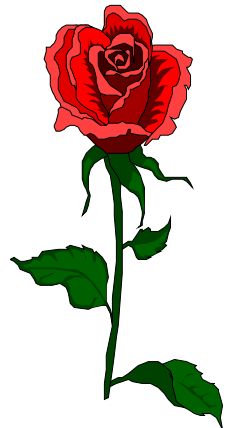
The award was a surprise to Pat. But I'll let her explain.

To All My Wonderful and Great
Beardie Friends

It wasn't quite the night before Christmas; but, "what to my wandering eyes should appear?"

The day was Saturday and evening had just fallen in. Baking cookies and breads kept me busy most of the early evening. Picture this, the front of me was artistically covered with flour and powdered sugar with generous splashes of melted butter throughout. A few chopped nuts had neatly gotten stuck to some of the butter splotches. Here I was, hair a mess, clothes a mess, with an image looking back at me in the mirror that was barely recognizable. Weariness made me tired beyond the ability to peacefully take a power nap. Sooo, my baking break took this old body over to the computer to check out the emails.

"Look," I said to Bob. "We got the CBCC Newsletter. I think I'll just take a minute to scan over it before that



darn oven buzzer goes off.” Scan, I did, and through tired eyes I caught sight of my name in print. I thought, Oh geez, did I volunteer for something and forget about it? Was this a reminder? Then I read it thoroughly and suddenly I was awake with surprise and amazement. Because - what to my wandering eyes should appear was me being named “Member of the Year.”

You guys and gals are absolutely wonderful. How you knew exactly when I needed a lift is total unconscionable. Thank you, thank you, thank you. I was elated at the surprise with a renewed energy. Thus, able to complete my baking tasks. The Beardies, Annie and Desper were jumping with glee. “We knew our Beardie friends and owners would come though in a pinch.

Hope your Christmas was Merry and hope your New Year will go on without a hitch.

With Awe and Much Thanks
Pat Neale



Rescue Tails

Rescue has been busy and continues to pick up speed. In December, I fostered and placed two dogs: Bo, a large Beardie/Otterhound mix, about 4 years old and Scooter, a 15 month old Beardie.

Bo had been taken from his owner because of abuse and

neglect, then languished 10 months in an unbelievably filthy shelter in DeKalb County. He was just the sweetest dog, in spite of his history and ended up going to a lovely lady in Michigan who lived alone on a farm. She reported that since Bo’s arrival, she has slept well for the first time in ages, knowing he is there. They have an incredible bond and I could not have asked for a better placement, which was done through Bone rescue.

The Beardie, named Scooter, was an owner surrender and also a neglect case. He had been purchased from a pet store Christmas Eve (don’t all groan at once!) and from then on the family ignored him. He had no training of any kind and was kept confined to a laundry room all day while the family was not a home. I think he spent the rest of his time outside. When he arrived, he was sporting a puppy cut and the owner explained that he had been shaved down for summer. He was solidly mated, even with the puppy cut and so dirty you could not tell what color he was (blue) with mud caked on his legs and underside. He was wearing a harness that was too small,. It was nearly embedded in his skin. Scooter,

now known as Bailie, went to a lovely couple in East Moline; a couple highly recommended by Marilyn Snook and Chris Walkowicz. Although Bailie had been very dog friendly while I fostered him, he proved to be very dog-reactive and the Lyons are going above and beyond working with this boy. And, with Marilyn’s help, they are achieving great success in turning him into the kind of Beardie we all know and love. This boy went through BCCA rescue.

Currently, I am fostering 2 dogs: a beautiful, almost 12 year old purebred Beardie female bred by Jackie Schnute, and an adorable Beardie/Terrier mix from Indiana. Sammie, the Beardie, is a lovely dog, very quiet. But she does love her space and does not get along very well with small dogs, young dogs, and probably cats. She’s on a raw diet and needs a home—hopefully one that will continue to give her the raw diet. Indy, the mix, is about 3 years old, cute as can be, and quiet well-behaved. He is very dog friendly, playful, and affectionate. He’s had some training. He is housebroken and he will sit and give paw. He’s about the size of a female Beardie. He is neutered, UTD on up-to-date on shots, and heartworm negative. The only thing he lacks is a loving home, which I’m working on.

If any of you are interested in either dog, please let me know! Of course, Indy is a Bone dog. The fee to adopt Indy is \$100. More is cheerfully accepted. It is tax deductible! Given Sammie’s age, I just need enough of a donation to validate the adoption contract.

Mary Barthold, BCCA and Bone Rescue

Your Help Is Needed!!!

Rescue in the Chicago area has continued to escalate and I have been fostering dogs nonstop since September, often two at a time. I’m asking those members in the ‘burbs to please consider fostering a rescue on occasion and helping me out. The fosters are both Beardies and Neardies, as I help rescue for both BCCA and for Bone. Fostering is easy, though sometimes it requires some patience. The fosters are very easy to love and most of them need love badly. My hope is that this would not be a frequent “gig.,” but I could sure use some help for when dogs come in two at a time. I would take care of all vet work and would also take care of placing the dogs, so all that’s required is a loving home, food and water. Easy! If you are willing to help now and then, please contact me by email or phone. Thank you.

Mary Barthold

mbquilts@aol.com or 846-537-7684 (Buffalo Grove)

Flagyl Warning

The following may be old hat to some of you, but it completely blindsided me and I thought I would share. On a Monday just before Christmas, my old man (Barnum, age 15) came down with diarrhea. I gave him a Lomotil and started him on rice and chicken. By the end of the week, a couple more Lomotil and a lot of rice and chicken later, he still had problems. So off to the vet we went. The blood work came out normal, but he was full of gas. The vet prescribed Flagyl to calm his stomach down. I had used the stuff before so I didn't question the medication.

I started the medication on a Saturday. By Sunday, Barnum was walking a little funny. More like staggering, like a drunken sailor. If anything, things were worse on Monday when I went off to work. He was almost walking on his elbows and had a strange crook in his back. I was concerned and planned to call the vet first thing. What could be wrong this time?

When I got to work there was a note in my email from a member of the herding club warning about a rare side effect of Flagyl—staggering and head tilt to one side, etc. She was describing Barnum to a tee. It's amazing how fast I dialed the vet. To make a long story short, we took Barnum off Flagyl and let the medication work its way out of his system. It took six days before he was back to normal.

Moral of the story. Remember Flagyl, and any medication for that matter, can have side effects. Question your vet so you know what any side effects may be and you are ready to deal with them should they occur. Don't be blindsided and worry yourself sick about "what have I done."

By Loralie Van Sluys

When I Am Old

I shall wear Turquoise and soft gray sweatshirts...
and a bandanna over my silver hair...
and I shall spend my Social Security checks on Sweet Wine and My dogs...
and sit in my house on my well-worn chair and listen to my dog's breathing.
I will sneak out in the middle of a warm Summer night
and take my dogs for a run, if my old bones will allow...

and when people come to call,
I will smile and nod as I show them my dogs...
and talk of them and about them...
The one so Beloved of the Past
and the Ones so Beloved of Today...
I still will work hard cleaning after them
and mopping and feeding them
and whispering their names in a soft, loving way.
I will wear the gleaming sweat on my throat,
like a jewel
and I will be an embarrassment to all...
and my family...
who have not yet found the peace
in being free to have dogs as your Best Friends...
These friends who always wait at any hour,
for your footfall...
and eagerly jump to their feet out of a sound sleep,
to greet you as if you are a God.
With warm eyes full of adoring love and hope that
you will stay
and their big, strong necks...
and kiss their dear sweet heads...
and whisper to their very special company...
I look in the Mirror...
and see I am getting old...
this is the kind of woman I am...
and have always been.
Loving dogs is easy,
they are part of me,
accept me for who I am,
my dogs appreciate my presence in their lives...
when I am old this will be import to me...
you will understand when you are old...
and if you have dogs to love too.

Minutes
Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club
Board Meeting
November 28, 2004
Mike and Arlene Fenney's Home, Lake Villa, IL

Roll Call: Mary and Nancy Steckel, Karen Shaw, Dawn & Bela Szecsy, Arlene and Mike Fenney, Ginny Aulik

Call to Order: Early afternoon

Approval of Minutes: No minutes to approve.

General Discussion:

--The expenses for the yearly Regional Specialty were discussed. The two biggest expenses for each Regional are the trophies and the judges. Pros and cons to limiting expenses were discussed. No decisions were made. We just have to do as we have done in the past—on a case by case basis.

--Who should be notifying and contacting judges was also discussed. The consensus of those present felt that this should be the responsibility of the Judges' Committee.

--After discussion, it was suggested that CBCC support the entries at the following shows:

Badger KC, Sunday, May 8, 2005

Waukesha KC, Saturday at the end of July

Kiswaukee KC, a Sunday in July

Specific dates will be firmed up once we have the new year's calendar of events.

--After discussion about having meetings/get-togethers, the following was suggested:

Four to five meeting per year

1. January general membership meeting
2. A pot luck get together possibly at/after a show such as Kiswaukee
3. The Regional Specialty in June
4. A herding event in the fall
5. A picnic/fun day at some ones house

--Much discussion about different options for holding a meeting, including online. More club work should be done at the Board level leaving other meetings/get-togethers for more social/fund time. The By-Laws call for five days written notice to Board members for Board meeting. Online Board meetings seem to be the way to get things done but how to set up this kind of meeting needs to be discussed more.

--There was discussion about the honoring of a Member of the Year. There did not need to be much discussion after Pat Neale's name was submitted by Karen. All present felt it was a much deserved honor for some one who has devoted so much time and energy to this club.

--Proposed slate of officers for 2005:

President - Karen Shaw

Vice President - Carol Freeman

Secretary - Nancy Steckel

Treasurer - Pat Neale

Past president - Dawn Szecsy

Board Members - Arlene Fenney, Mary Steckel, Ginny Aulik, Cheryl Poliak

--New members voted in - Loretta Hamilton and Jack Cohen. Passed unanimously.

--Motion to adjourn by Ginny Aulik. Seconded by Dawn Szecsy. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by

Nancy Steckel

CBCC Secretary Pro Tem

Minutes
Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club
January 9, 2005
Marcia Donaldson's Home, Rockford, IL

Roll Call: Nancy Steckel, Karen Shaw, Ginny Aulik, Marcia Donaldson

Call to Order: 2:15 pm

Approval of Minutes: No minutes posted to approve.

President's Report: Karen mentioned the Board meeting held in November and provided some details to those present about the items discussed.

-- The Board would now try to take on more of the general business that can take up time at regular meetings.

-- There will be four meetings per year: the January annual membership meeting, the Regional, after showing at Kishwaukee, and at the herding event in the fall.

-- CBCC will be supporting entries at these shows: Badger KC in May, Kiswaukee KC in July, Waukesha KC in July, and Skokie Valley KC in December.

-- The Board would now try to take care of business through email meetings.

- Cost parameters for our Regional shows just won't work out for now.
- Pat Neale was nominated as Member of the Year. Pat did send an email to Karen. Pat has had some trying times this fall and seeing her name mentioned as Member of the Year in the last newsletter made her day.
- The slate of officers for 2005 was unopposed:

President - Karen Shaw
 Vice President - Carol Freeman
 Secretary - Nancy Steckel
 Treasurer - Pat Neale
 Board Members - Arlene Fenney, Mary Steckel, Ginny Aulik, Cheryl Poliak

Secretary's Report: No report.

Treasurer's Report: October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004

Beginning balance	\$3,237.73	
Receipts		1,738.00
Disbursements	730.25	
Ending balance	\$4,245.48	
Net increase	\$1,007.75	

Committee Reports:

- **Membership:** New members voted in: Loretta Hamilton and Jack Cohen. Unanimous.

Old Business:

-- Discussion about Rescue information. All present felt it important to inform the club of activity happening by those working in Rescue. Short notes would be informative in the newsletter. Any member of CBCC should be informing Cyndie Reinheimer of their efforts whether initiated through CBCC or BCCA.

-- Discussed making a calendar of events for 2006, including Beardie pictures submitted by club members. A Beardie calendar with pictures of the Beardies we know and love as well as dates of upcoming events may help members remember when meetings and other important club dates are. Marcia volunteered to put it together.

- Brain stormed dates and events for the upcoming year, including but not limited to:

Sunday, January 9 - general membership meeting, Marcia Donaldson's home, Rockford, IL.
 Sunday, May 8 - Badger KC, meeting and supported entry.
 Saturday, June 18 - CBCC Regional Specialty.
 Sunday, July 17 - Kishwaukee KC, meeting/pot luck and supported entry.
 Saturday, July 30 - Waukesha KC, supported entry and possible sweeps.
 Sunday, August 14 - Racine shows, pot luck.
 Sunday, December ? - Skokie Valley KC, supported entry.
 Date in August or September to be determined. Makowski's picnic organized by Mary Barthold.
 Date in fall to be determined - herding event.

-- Ginny and Marcia suggested having a talk by Dr. Ronald Schultz, PhD, DVM, Professor and Chair of Department of Pathobiological Sciences at the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Wisconsin. He is well known in both the allopat and holistic veterinary communities. He would address the practice of annual vaccine boosters for dogs. His studies show that viral immunity persists for years after inoculation or possible for life of the animal. There was no cost for the seminar when presented at a recent show but donations supporting Dr. Schultz's research were appreciated. All felt this would be a good idea and we should all look into the good time and place for this seminar.

- Adjournment at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted
 Nancy Steckel
 CBCC Secretary

**Chicagoland Regional Special
 June 2004 Critiques**

Having heard that the weather had been unseasonable and there had been floods in the area, I wondered what to expect since we were going to be outside. Well it was a warm sunny day, the ring was spacious and reasonably dry, and to make me feel "at home" on arrival I saw cars being towed by tractors—something I am all too familiar with at many English shows! However, somehow, the dogs remained immaculate, but I think some of the handlers may have decided to "bin" their outfits after the "Beardie feet" had pattered them in mud.
Jenny Osborne

6-9 Mo. Puppy Dogs

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| 1. Old Smuggler's Peace Train
maturity. | Very promising 6 mo. brown. Mature for age. Hopefully his eye will darken with maturity. |
| 1. Brigadoon's One Day At A Time | 6 mo. blue. Not as mature as winner. Would like a longer rib cage. |
| 2. CaRob Just Push Play | Not so firm in temperament as the two above. Steady on the move. |

9-12 Mo. Puppy Dogs

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| 1. Nonesuch H' Air Jordan
Steady movement. | 9 mo. Well grown puppy, everything to like about him. Super head and expression. |
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| 2. Wynsum Galloway Lad | 10 mo. Not the front reach of winner. |
| 3. Meadows' Nothing Like Applause | 10 mo. Nice puppy who did not make the best of himself on the move. |

12-18 Mo. Dogs

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| 1. Nonesuch DW Crash Bang Boom eye. | 16 mo. brown. At the pale stage. Promise of a harsh coat. Again, would like a darker eye. |
| 2. Lakewood's Only You At Ragtime | 14 mo. Promising but needs more front reach when moving. |
| 3. Wahzoo's Yabba-Dabba Blue | Liked him a lot but refused to cooperate with his handler on the move. |

Novice Dog

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| 1. Sheiling Awesome Angel
later he was best in sweeps. | Very steady. Well built old-fashioned blue. Everything in the right place for age. Learned |
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Bred By Exhibitor Dog

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| 1. Nonesuch's Prevailing Wins of Justice | First scored on overall balance. |
| 2. Scotdale's Hot Time In The City | Would like more leg length. |

American Bred Dog

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| 1. Lakewood Riverboat Gambler | Stood alone but well deserved his first place. Could carry more weight though. |
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Open Dog

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| 1. Roi-De-Cover De Chester
height and in full coat. Move with reach and drive. | 3 yr. Plainly marked dog. Super head. Nice length of back. Well balanced outline. Correct |
| 2. Willowmead Gift Of Gold | 6 yr. Brown with lovely dark eye. Not quite the ease of movement as the winner. |
| 3. Daybar's With A Twist | Completed a trio of very nice dogs. |

6-9 Mo. Puppy Bitches

This was a superb class of babies, any one of whom could have won. This bodes well for the future of the breed.

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| 1. Brika's Fireworks Finale | 6 mo. |
| 2. Old Smuggler's Peace By Peace | 6 mo. |
| 3. FirstPrizeBears Cambria | |

9-12 Mo. Puppy Bitches

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| 1. Meadow's Nothing So Delightful | Very like her brother who was placed third. Balanced girls and steady mover. |
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12-18 Mo. Bitches

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| 1. Newshires Sweet Memories | 13 mo. Balanced girl who finally decided to show how she could move. |
| 2. Arlins Caught U Looking | Not the maturity of the winner. Needs time. |
| 3. Daybars Singing Da Blues
Time is on her side. | Again, lacked the maturity of the winner. Needs more length to complete the picture. |

Novice Bitches

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| 1. Sheiling Touched By An Angel | Little sister to winner of novice dog. Same remarks apply. |
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Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

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| 1. XTC's Say It Ain't So Joe | Well balanced throughout. Steady mover. In full coat. |
| 2. Nonesuch AshBreeze Brown N' Lovett | Brown, balanced girl with a lovely dark eye. |
| 3. Wynsum Diamonds Are Forever | Balanced girl who lacked the maturity of those above. |

Open Bitches

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| 1. Meadows' Tango For Two | Had the edge on movement. |
| 2. Nonesuch Vision Of Love | Had the edge on eye colour. |
| 3. Nonesuch Wildwood Chasin' Rainbows | Needed more front reach. |

Best of Breed (also Veteran Bitch)

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| 1. Ch Sheiling Angel Of The D'Arque
showgirl, and to cap it all, may favourite colour blue. Dam of the novice winners. | Excels in head, construction, movement. In full coat. Of correct texture. What a |
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Best of Opposite

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| 1. Ch Balidorn Continue In Style
Moved steadily. | 5 yr. Slate/white. Well balanced masculine dog. Lovely head and expressions. |
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