

The Shaggy Rag

The Bearded Collie Club of Southern California

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President's Message

Dear Beardie Friends,

Welcome to our special edition of the Shaggy Rag. This edition showcases our Regional Specialty (The Commotion at the Ocean) held in July at the Ventura County Fairgrounds. This very special edition will be printed for all of our members in full color. We want to thank our editor, Sue Brody, for all the time throughout the year she spends doing the Shaggy Rag for all of us to enjoy.

If you missed the Regional Specialty, you missed a great show. The show was dedicated to our great friend and member, Meredith Bar David. Meredith never missed a show and she was such a positive influence to all she touched.

Thanks to all those that supported our Specialty by volunteering to help, donating money, donating to our silent auction or purchasing a silent auction item. Again, a big thanks to Anna Marie Yura for being our Show Chair. No one else can make it look so effortless. Congratulations to all those that participated!!!

December 8th, 2012 is our Holiday Beardie Bounce Party. It will be at my house. I will cook hamburgers and you can bring something to share. My yard is Beardie friendly and Aynsley, Brandy and Dakota are looking forward to a big Beardie Bounce. We had a great time last year so mark your calendar and plan to attend.

This is it....This may be the last time I will mention the 2012 BCCA National Specialty we are hosting on October 6 through the 12th. It is being held at the Pacific Palms Resort in the City of Industry. You can go to the website to find out more info on what is being offered each day: www.bcca2012.com. This is an event you will want to attend. If you don't want to compete in any of the events (Herding, Agility, Obedience or Conformation), that's okay, but you may want to watch these activities just for the fun of it. You may never see this many Beardies in Southern California again....meet people who are just like you and love Beardies.

Again, let me remind you this is the first time Southern California has hosted a National Specialty. This is a huge undertaking and our club has been working on the logistics for over three years. This event takes a special person to be Show Chair and we can't thank Anna Marie Yura enough for all she has done to make this a very special event. She has volunteers coming from all over the United States to help with the show. I also want to thank Wendy Marciante as Assistant Show Chair. If you want to know anything, just check the website she maintains: www.bcca2012.com. I also want to thank the CORE members who have been assisting as an advisory committee: Noli Caswell, Sandy Dubin, Wendy Marciante, Anna Marie Yura, and myself. They have made our club proud. When we wake on the morning of October 13, remember what Dr. Seuss said, "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." Thanks to all those that made it happen.

Love to the "Beardies," Celia and the "girls"

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Thanks, Susann

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Calendar

- Oct 6-12, 2012 - BCCA National, held in City of Industry.
- Nov 17, 2012 - Herding fun day.
- Dec 8, 2012 - Holiday Party at Celia Sawyer's residence.

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A fact you might not know

about one of our members

Danny, owned by our very own BCCSC member, **Carole Desmond**, is the No. 1 Boxer and he is also the No. 3 working dog.

Danny also won Best of Breed at the Boxer Regional Specialty in Ventura the same day as our Regional.

And on that same weekend, Danny won his
40th Best in Show!!! Way to go, Danny!!!
Congratulations to Carole!!!



Braggs!!

Pam Schuman: On June 4, Nina and Chad were providing stress reduction to the UCSB students the week before finals.
As long as they were on campus, they did a little campaigning as well.

Dakota, owned by **Celia Sawyer** and **Patricia Rusko**, took 1st place with a perfect score in JW at her first AKC agility trial .

••••• Sarah Brody (13 years old) with Sapphire (18 months old), was awarded Winner's Reserve bitch at our Regional Specialty and won her 1st point on that same weekend at the Ventura Co. Dog Fanciers Association.

BCCSC 10th Annual Commotion At The Ocean

July 5, 2012 Ventura, CA



The BCCSC's 10th Annual Regional Specialty was a huge success!!!

Because of those who came from near and far, this year's entries matched our previous two Specialties'.

Our Judges, Pat Hastings (Regular and Non-Regular Classes) and Sandy Remell (Sweepstakes), did a super job, the weather cooperated – even though it was one of the coldest days in July – participants mingled and we all had a wonderful time.

At the T.G.I.O. Party, Pat Hastings educated us all by giving a very complete demonstration of what to look for when evaluating a Beardie.

Putting on a Regional is not an inexpensive nor easy task, but thanks to the generosity of our Club Members, we were able to pull it together. We hope that next year we will see some new faces supporting their club. If you would like to volunteer, please contact any of us on the Board.

Thank you to everybody who came out and helped make this event a big success.

Anna Marie Yura & Wendy Marciante



The Bearded Collie Club of Southern California (BCCSC) is honored to Host the 2012 BCCA Nat'l Specialty. All but the herding event will be held at the Pacific Palms Golf Resort in Industry City. (Agility is just around the corner from the Host hotel.) Our week of events will include herding, agility, obedience/rally, futurity, conformation, junior showmanship, health seminar, judges education, sweeps, parades, a fabulous Auction and Auction/Awards banquets ... and tons of **BEARDIES!!!**

By now, we hope you have ordered your logo-wear and submitted your Master Registration Form. All the information you need can be found on our website www.bcca2012.com

Anna Marie Yura
Show Chair

Wendy Marciante
Assistant Show Chair

Bearded Collies – Patricia (Pat Hastings)

Bearded Collie Club of Southern California – July 5, 2012

Thanks so much for the honor of judging your Specialty. Beardies are near and dear to my heart as we showed a lot of them while we were Professional Handlers and I even co-bred a couple of litters. I love the breed with their happy, bouncy temperament, which I hope the breed never loses.

I hate to see how the breed is losing their unique length. It is one of the defining pieces of the breed and one that the breeders have to work hard to maintain. If you cannot identify a breed by its silhouette, it lacks breed type so please pay attention to it. 5-4 may not seem like much but that makes a 20-inch bitch 25-inches long and that is a rectangle not square or off-square.

I was pleased with the overall quality of the entry and very pleased with the lack of scissoring and sculptured coats. In a standard that has only 5 serious faults, why do you add one on purpose?

DOGS

6-9 Puppy: 1 entry

1. “Conley’s Rainy Night Fling” - Cute as a button with a great temperament and attitude and a very decently made puppy at both ends but nowhere near as long as he should be.

12-18: 2 entries

1. “**Sebring High Hopes**” - Great hair – nice flat, harsh and strong but with a proper undercoat. Decent body length. Decently made at both ends.

2. “Artisan Day Tripper” - Very good head proportions. Needs more body length and average built front and rear.

BBE: 3 entries -1 absent

1. “**Aberlour’s Seabiscuit**” - A very nicely made dog with proper and balanced angles at both ends. Correct head proportions of equal length and decent width of both the muzzle and skull. Could be a little longer in body, but better than most. Beautiful mover in all directions and maintained his total shape in motion.

2. “Rosebud Mister Lincoln” - I am very sorry but I missed taking the picture of this one and wrote nothing down.

Open Dogs: 4 dogs

1. “MacCorkindale Marigold Skye” - A nicely made fawn dog, good topline, tailset and croup. Good mover, but not a great head, which lacks strength.

2. “Surfsong’s Windward, PT” - Another decently made brown dog, but could have more length and lacks in rear angles.

3. “Cynamen Heart N Sol” - A beautiful colored brown dog. A color that is almost lost in your gene pool. Fairly straight in the front assembly accompanied by a short neck but has a nice rear.

4. “Scotts Special Valentine” - A very nice dog in all respects except he is under the ideal height which according to your standard is to be severely penalized.

WD: BBE I love to see the Bred By Exhibitor class have the quality that allows me to take it to winners. Good job.

RWD: 12-18 This one should finish without a problem.

BITCHES

Darn, no puppy bitches (my favorite)

12-18: 5 entries

1. “**Dreamchaser Sapphire Skye**” - A lovely bitch with a young girl that did a great job. Her coat was not in the best of condition but she was very well made with decent proportions of both her body and head.

2. “Dreamchaser Capture Your Heart” - Littermate to the first place and also a very nice bitch plus had a better body length but was not nearly as smooth in motion.

3. “Larkangen’s American Trendy Girl” - Nicely made with a beautiful coat but lacking in head.

4. “Sebring High and Mighty At Centennial” – Fairly short backed with a higher set shoulder blade but is made much better than she showed in movement today.

AOH: 1 entry

1. "Sebring High Fashion" - A very nicely made bitch with good hair and a great presence but needs to be a little longer. She should finish easily, owner-handled all the way.

Open: 7 entries

1. "**Britannia Sebring Nip Nip Hooray**" - An absolutely lovely bitch. Very well made, great shoulders and front assembly, good rear and uses every bit of it correctly in motion.
2. "Allen Be Dazzled"- Wonderful flat, harsh, strong coat which is becoming quite lacking in today's Beardies. A beautiful picture with good length and proportions but could be better up front which was very obvious in movement.
3. "XTC's Fabulous Tina Ballerina" - A beautiful brown bitch that is made correctly but does not use herself at all.
4. "Springhill's Belle of the Ball" - Another nice coat but needs improvement at both ends and is fairly square in proportion.

WB: I would be pleased to have any of these three in my breeding program. My winner from the open bitch class was one that all breeders should have as a goal to build a breeding program around. I would take her home in a minute

RWB: From the 12-18 class is another one that should finish easily. Make sure you all encourage and help the youngsters, as they are the future of our sport.

Veteran Dog 10-12: 1 entry

1. "**Ch Kellyn Centennial O My Stars**" - Absolutely fabulous condition. A very lovely dog in all aspects except he should be longer.

Veteran Dog 12 and over: 2 entries.

1. "Ch Britannia Lunar Eclipse" - Also a very nice dog. Again could be longer.
2. "Gemstone My Winsome Traveler" - It is almost impossible to judge a dog that does not want to be here and this was a perfect example. He was not about to give me any idea of how nice he might have been.

Veteran Bitch 7-10: 2 entries

1. "Ch Britannia Card Trick PT" - A very nice bitch but was too heavy. Remember guys that the extra weight is VERY hard on joints particularly as they age and we all want our old ones to have the best lives possible.
2. "Ch Rosebud Love Potion" - Another one that did not want to be here. She was being strung up with the lead and fighting every bit of it.

Veteran Bitch 10-12: 2 entries

1. "**Ch Aellen Hasta Be Shasta PT RN**" - A fabulous bitch that has everything I am looking for. Great length, very well made, proper head proportions, wonderful correct flat, harsh coat, great Beardie temperament and in wonderful condition. When they are made right, they stay like that their whole lives which is one of the reasons we should be breeding to the old guys that are still sound.
2. "Ch Melita Olivia De Havilland" - Very out of condition and way too heavy that affected her ability to move.

BOB: 14 entries 2 absent

BOB: Was the wonderful 11-year-old Vet bitch. There was absolutely nothing amongst the youngsters to beat her.

BOW: The lovely "Britannia Sebring Nip Nip Hooray"

BOS: "Dreamchaser Follow Your Dreams" - A nice dog in prime condition. Not as long as the Breed winner but has lots of nice things about him.

Select Dog: "GCh Wigglesworth Thriller"

Select Bitch: "Ch Scott Ragtyme You Are The Music In Me"

AOM: In no special order. These were all nice animals that could win on any given day.

"GCh Aellen Jive Talkin"

"GCh Farmarens Highland Piper RN"

The Veteran Dog "Ch Kellyn Centennial O My Stars"



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Bearded Collie Sweepstakes – Sandy Remell

Bearded Collie Club of Southern California – July 5, 2012

It was a wonderful pleasure to be invited to judge the 2012 Bearded Collie Club of Southern California Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes in Ventura, California. My sincere thanks to the members of the BCCSC for the invitation to judge, it was an honor, and I very much appreciated the opportunity.

Congratulations to the Show Committee for putting on such a successful event and a thank you to my ring steward, Paul. A special thank you to Anna Marie Yura, Show Chair, and Wendy Marciante-Berry, Assistant Show Chair for their warm hospitality and a well done show!

Lastly, I want to thank all for allowing me the privilege to judge your dogs, some decisions were hard. I look forward to seeing the youngsters in the future as they grow up; and the lovely veterans, how wonderful to see them again looking so terrific!

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

Veteran Dogs - 7yrs and under 10yrs

#43-CH Sebring Four On The Floor - A beautiful nice masculine boy that showed with a lovely attitude. He has a nice strong head with lovely dark eyes and pigment to match. He is soundly constructed with a free flowing gait and nice top line.

10yrs and under 12yrs

#23-CH Kellyn Centennial O My Stars - A beautiful masculine brown boy with a pleasing outline, showed in good condition and lovely coat. Hard to believe this boy is even a veteran. Balanced front and rear, which gave him nice side movement. Correct body length and a strongly made head. I was pleased to award him my Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweepstakes.

12yrs and older

#27-CH Britannia Lunar Eclipse - A veteran I have not seen for a long time, and he seemed happier after he was moved. He is well put together with correct length of body. He has a nice head, with a pleasing expression. Nice neck and fairly well laid back shoulders.

Veteran Bitches - 7yrs and under 10 yrs

#44-CH Britannia Card Trick - A lovely feminine slate bitch of good quality and construction. She has good angulation front and rear. A very sweet expression, lovely head, good shoulder layback and correct length of body. Would prefer more muscle tone.

#30-CH Rosebud Love Potion - Another lovely bitch with smooth clean lines and feminine expression. She moved happily with her handler today. She has correct proportions, arch of neck that blended smoothly into her shoulders. Just preferred the overall look of #1.

10yrs and under 12yrs

#32-CH Aellen Hasta Be Shasta - This bitch is absolutely outstanding and in excellent condition. She has a superb balanced feminine head with a beautiful face and expression. Excellent reach of neck and well laid back shoulders, well angled upper arm. Lovely length of back with correct depth and a top line, which held on the move. She has the easy going unexaggerated ground covering action that is so lovely to watch. Lovely beardie type and beautifully presented. A

true beardie with charisma! I was pleased to award her ***Best In Veteran Sweepstakes.***

PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES - 6 mos to under 9 mos

#5-Conley's Rainy Night Fling - A young man at his first show. He had a pleasing expression and level top line. A pup with a nice dark eye and good pigment. He settled with his handler on the move. Would prefer him longer in body.

12mos to under 16mos

This class had 2 lovely dogs that made the judging difficult. Both dogs were nicely made and beautifully presented.

#9-Sebring High Hopes - A handsome, strongly made and very masculine dog. Beautifully arched muscular neck, nicely angulated shoulder and upper arm balanced with his rear. Excellent length of back with a striking outline. He moved with an easy yet purposeful manner, extending just enough to cover the ground. One to watch in the future and I was pleased to award him, ***Best In Puppy Sweepstakes.***

#13-Aberlour's Seabiscuit - Another lovely dog, well presented and in fit condition, nice well proportioned head and lovely beardie expression. Good depth of chest, level top line, very sound. Good reach of neck and angulated front giving good forward reach. Proper tail set. Just preferred the length to height ratio of #1.

16mos to under 20mos

#7-Artisan Day Tripper - A minimally marked brown dog going through his coat change. He was a happy dog with a level top line, correct tail set and length of leg. He was difficult to assess as he was not cooperating with his handler today.

Bitches - 12mos to under 16 mos

#6-Larkangen's American Trendy Girl - A lovely bitch going through her coat change. Good shoulder placement, lovely low set hocks with nice upper arm. Very balanced, nice length to height ratio. She had a nice neck and feminine head. When she settled, she moved out well and was considered for Best of Opposite puppy sweeps.

#10-Sebring High and Mighty at Centennial - A young girl with an attractive head, pleasing expression and level top line. Good shoulder placement with a nice upper arm. Would prefer a little more length of body.

#16-Sebring High Fashion - A lovely classic young lady with a sweet expression. Good top line. Lovely dark eye and pigment. Correct length of body, with balanced movement. Would prefer more depth of rib.

16mos to under 20mos

#26-XTC'S Fabulous Tina Ballerina - A lovely feminine brown girl with a good length of neck, well laid shoulders and a nice straight front. Nice body length with correct shape, length and depth of rib cage. She moved positively, extending just enough to cover the ground without much effort. She was my ***Best Of Opposite in Puppy Sweepstakes.***

#14-Dreamchaser Capture Your Heart - A young girl with a nice head and pleasing expression. A lot to like about this bitch. She had a well laid back of shoulder, nice neck, properly proportioned, clean coming and going. Just carried too much weight, which showed in her movement.

#12-Dreamchaser Sapphire Skye - A young bitch with a nice feminine head and expression. Correct length and good ribs. Pleasing head and expression. Fairly angled in front and rear.



Aellen Hasta Be Shasta

Sweeps



Sebring High Hopes



XTC's Fabulous Tina Ballerina











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Special Thanks!!!

It was definitely a commotion by the ocean to watch my 11-year-old Veteran, CH. Aellen Hasta Be Shasta, PT, RN, CGC, ROM, show like a youngster in both Sweeps and in the Regular classes.

Thank-you to Sandy Remell for the award of Best Veteran in Sweeps, to Pat Hastings for the award of Best of Breed and to all the BCCSC Club members who put on another wonderful Regional Specialty.

It was fun to watch Shasta cast a glance at her daughter Bee Gee while in the ring together and give her the "watch how this is done" look.

Bee Gee received an Award of Merit so all in all it was a memorable day for Aellen Bearded Collies.

Ruth Colavecchio