

The Shaggy Rag



The Bearded Collie Club of Southern California

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BCCSC website: www.bccsc.net



Vice President's Message

Dear Beardie Friends,

We all want to thank *everyone* from Southern California who put in blood, sweat and tears while putting together the 2012 National Specialty here in Los Angeles. I hope you all had as good a time as I did: competing, partying, cultivating old friendships and making new and also being in awe of so many beautiful dogs. I sit back and reflect on how hard work and determination came together for 7 days of day-long events. Personally, my favorite (I have a few), was the Power Point slideshow that Noli put together at the Awards Banquet. People are still talking about it.

On to what's next. After a herding day in November, then our Holiday Party on December 8th, we look forward to a more relaxed year next year.

Some of our Board members are taking a break after years of dedication. We are looking for fresh blood. Make this club your own. The nominating committee has been hard at work making phone calls asking for some involvement in the club. It doesn't take much time to plan a bounce or perhaps become a board member and attend just 6 board meetings a year and help this club thrive. We're in a good position now, with the Specialty behind us, to get involved by being on a committee or go on the Board. Please contact Patty Rusko, Karen Dressler or Sandy Dubin and let us know how you would like to help out the club. It doesn't take much time and the rewards are worth it.

Be safe during the holidays with your pets... Don't let your cat eat tinsel or their poops will be very long!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS and Hug your Beardies,

Sandy Dubin

Dear BCCSC Members:

Your membership dues, along with the renewal form, are due by **January 1, 2013**.

Please complete the form available on our website at: BCCSC.net (click on link and it will take you to the web page) OR included in this newsletter (page 5)

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The Shaggy Rag will be published, approximately, the following month from the deadline date; i.e., March, June, September (printed and mailed to our members) and December. Email me for pricing.

The club's secretary will send out a reminder of the deadline by email. When you get the email, please send your photos, brags, ads, etc., in. We cannot guarantee that it will be published in the newsletter if it is not in on time.

Please send FULL RESOLUTION PHOTO(s) and text in an email to:

Susann Brody (SBrody99@yahoo.com) and I will format something for you.

You may also have your own graphic designer send over your completed submission.

Acceptable formats are jpg (full resolution) or psd (Photoshop). PDF can be accepted if in final format (print ready) as no corrections or additions can be made.

Professional ads submitted for full page ad must measure (live area) 7 1/2 x 10 inches or for full bleed 9 x 12. Full bleed means that there is no white surrounding the ad/brag. Please email me for more info regarding this, if you are interested.

The Editor reserves the right to edit copy.

Questions? Please email me or call me with any questions.

Thanks, Susann

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS and ADDRESS CORRECTIONS:

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- Internet/emailed version: Without a picture -free.
1/4 page-\$10.00; 1/2 page-\$20.00; full page-\$30.00
- Printed and mailed version (September ONLY) : Without a picture, limit of 25-30, words-free;
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BRAGS!!!

Quinn, owned by Jennifer Waldeck, had a great weekend in Dixon October 26-28. She went Select at the Northern California Herding Group Association Specialty and Best of Breed in a strong entry at the Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers Association, finishing her Grand Championship title.

Quinn is now GCh Papaw Jump for Joy of Audscotia HIC

She was bred by Lisa Danchuk and is handled by Mandy Clevenger.

BCCA National Brags

Our BCCSC members share some brags!!!

Sarah Brody (13 years old), won Best Junior Handler this year at our National with Dreamchaser Sapphire Skye (21 months young)!!!

They were just adorable together.

Belle, owned by Sheila Mangel, earned her HT in herding!!!

GCH Classical's My Turn (Turner) took Select Dog and AOM #1.

Owned by Wendy Marciante. Bred and co-owned by Julie Kempster & Bea Sawka, Classical Bearded Collies.

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The Editor was given exclusive permission to use these pictures for this Shaggy Rag.

Don's website is topflightphotography.com and the photos to order can be found more specifically here: <http://topflightphotography.com/v/home/specialty/20121006/> (click on link and it will take you there)

Nina



Pam Schuman and Chad celebrated Nina's 15th birthday on October 13!!!

Nina worked with Chad at the library and had a great day.

You go girl!



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM
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SELECT MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

The Board would like to clarify the categories of membership so you may choose the one that best fits your level of involvement in the Club.

☐ SINGLE (\$25) - for an applicant who wants to be actively involved by attending meetings and includes voting privileges

☐ JOINT (\$35) - for two applicants living together who want to be actively involved and includes voting privileges for each member

☐ ASSOCIATE (\$25) - for either one or two applicants (living together) who are not able to be actively involved but would like to receive the Club newsletter and to be informed of club activities and events. It does not include voting privileges.

CLUB ACTIVITY SURVEY

The BCCSC wants to know what events you would like to see on our calendar. We welcome your suggestions for activities, educational topics and workshops. Please indicate your interests/suggestions

Conformation ☐ Herding ☐ Agility ☐ Rally/Obedience ☐ Picnics/Fun ☐
Other _____

Suggest an activity for the coming year: _____

What is an area of interest (committee) you could help with? _____

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BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA 2012 NATIONAL SPECIALTY

by Wendy Marciante



The 34th annual Bearded Collie Club of America (BCCA) National Specialty was held October 6-12, 2012. This 'roving' specialty, hosted this year by the Bearded Collie Club of Southern California, welcomed 247 Beardies competing in a variety of events held in Lancaster (herding), the Industry Hills Expo Center (agility), and at the Pacific Palms Golf Resort (rally, obedience and conformation).

The week-long specialty began in Lancaster, CA, where Joel Levinson and Adrian Lopez judged two days of herding trials. Saturday's HIT was earned by PENTANGLE'S PEDAL TO THE METAL and RHIT by ARTISAN HERE COMES THE SUN. Sunday's HIT went to WOODSONG'S DANNER TAKE A HIKE and RHIT to CHANIAM LIATH KEELIN.



Belle-gets her HT



Chaniam Liath Keelin, RHIT



Artisan Here Comes The Sun, RHIT



Woodsong's Danner Take a Hike, HIT



Danner and his trophies



Nash

Photos by Don McGee. More info on page 3

Agility



Agility trials, judged by Tammy Domico, began bright and early Monday morning on a beautiful grassy field at the Industry Expo Center. In the "Time To Beat" competition, WIGGLEWORTH WHICH WAY NOW ran the high score. The "Jumpers With Weaves EXC A" competition was won by GCH SCOTT'S GOTTA HAVE HEART OA OAJ. JW/W EXC B was won by CH SPRINGHILL'S ISABELLE OA AXJ. MACH2 DUNNACHIE'S BUFFY SLAYS ME RA HT MXC MJB2 OF took first place in the JW/W EXC A P. STD NOV A 1st place went to CH WOODSONG'S DANNER TAKE A HIKE RA HSASD. LANARK'S B IS FOR BOUNCE OAJ OJP won STD NOV B and STD EXC B's 1st place went to CH SPINDRIFT SOMETHING ABOUT MARY BN RA PT AX MXJ OF. STD OPEN P went to CHANTILLY'S FAST FORWARD and STD EXC B P was won by COLARD FLY WITH ME.

A lake-side Welcome Party capped off this busy Monday. A Mariachi band added to the festivities as attendees from all over the world reconnected with old friends and greeted new ones.

Tuesday's activities began with Obedience and Rally, which were run concurrently in a fully tented and carpeted ring at the Pacific Palms Golf Resort. Pauline Andrus judged obedience. Novice Class A Obedience was won by CH WOODSONG'S DANNER TAKE A HIKE RA HSASD; Novice Class B by CH SPINDRIFT SOMETHING ABOUT MARY MXJ AX OF RA BN; Beginner Novice A by CH WOODSONG'S DANNER TAKE A HIKE RA HSASD; Beginner Novice B by CH WINBERLEE'S PICTURE PERFECT HT; and Veterans Class by CH MACH COLOUHOUN'S HURRICANE BREWIN' CDX MX HSBS RAE HSAS.

Rally



Rally was judged by Larry Andrus. Novice A went to CH SCOTT RAGTYME NASH METROPOLITAN; Novice B to LEGACY'S SONG FOR NICHOLAS GONE WEST; Advanced A to CH BURLESQUE GOING TO THE SHOW; Advanced B to CH SPINDRIFT SOMETHING ABOUT MARY MXJ AX OF RA BN; Excellent A to CH WOODSONG'S DANNER TAKE A HIKE RA HSASD; and Excellent B to GCH SCOTT'S GOTTA HAVE HEART.



Obedience



Futurity followed and was judged by Mrs. Cindy Alspaugh. **BURLESQUE RUMOR HAS IT** was awarded Best in Futurity with **HIGHLANDER SAVE THE LAST DANCE** going Best Opposite in Futurity. Upon conclusion of the judging, Mrs. Alspaugh reported, "What an honor to be chosen to judge the BCCA's last futurity! From the quality of the young dogs presented to me, the future of Bearded Collies in the US appears to be in good hands."



Adele, Burlesque Rumor Has It



Evan, Highlander Save The Last Dance
Picture courtesy Cathryn Hoare

Ms. Susan B. Lybrand, of Brandmar Kennels, judged Sweepstakes. She awarded **WILLOWISP BIT O'THE PIPER AT WOODSONG** with Best In Sweeps and **XTC'S HE COULD GO ALL THE WAY!** with Best Opposite Sweeps. Always a sentimental fan favorite, Best In Veteran Sweeps went to **CH DUNHILL INSPIRATION** and Best Opposite in Veteran Sweeps to **GCH XTC'S WHAT CAN BROWN DO FOR YOU?** . Following her assignment, Ms. Lybrand had this to say, "In some of the classes and in my final decisions for the top winners, it truly came down to splitting hairs why I chose one over another. I look forward to watching a lot of these young dogs mature with great anticipation as they have an exciting future full of possibilities in front of them. To the breeders of these dogs, you should be very proud of the results of your efforts."

Following the day's judging, the BCCA Board of Directors held their annual meeting. High on the agenda was the lengthy and time-consuming process of revising the Club's by-laws.



Aberlour's Seabiscuit

The Bearded Collie community is devoutly focused on the health and well-being of the breed and is dedicated to the ongoing education of its members, whether they are breeders or pet owners. This year's specialty included a Health Symposium, which was presented by Pat Hastings, an expert author and lecturer on the subject of canine structure. The three-hour presentation reviewed the structural strengths to strive for in breeding programs and the structural issues to take into consideration before leading a dog into an active life. Pat acknowledged the Bearded Collie Illustrated Standard as one of the best she has seen and encouraged the fanciers to evaluate our Beardies by the standard.

Mrs. Sue O'Brien, from the Sammara Kennel in the UK, was this year's conformation judge.

Wednesday's judging began with dogs. Her choice for Winner's Dog was ABERLOUR'S SEABISCUIT from the Open Dog class. Best Veteran Dog came from the 7-10 year class and was GCH BRIGADOON DAYBAR BELIEVE IT OR NOT.

Another fan favorite included in the annual specialty is the "Parades" where therapy, rescue and titleholders have a moment in the spotlight replete with rosettes and trophies.

"Surf's Up!" was the theme for this year's auction. The evening began with a silent auction before a sit-down

dinner was served under the beautiful Pavilion Terrace at the host hotel. A live auction took place during dinner with 30% of the evening's proceeds donated to the BCCA Rescue Program.

Thursday brought heavy rains, generator failures and the 4-6 Puppy competition judged by Bill Edwards. His first place award went to SPINDRIFT LOVE COMES SOFTLY with Opposite going to BRITANNIA MAKE IT SO.

Judge Mrs. O'Brien stepped back into the damp ring to begin bitch judging. Winner's Bitch came from the Bred By Exhibitor class and was WINBERLEE'S IT'S ME ELOISE. Best Veteran Bitch went to CH MOTLIKRU-BUAIDH EARTH ANGEL, who came from the 7-10 year class.

The Annual General Membership meeting took place later in the evening. It was an opportunity for the Board to bring attending members up-to-speed on current club affairs, however, a quorum was not present and no official business was conducted.

The last day of the specialty began as Mrs. Arlene Rubenstein awarded Best Junior Showmanship to 13-year old Sarah Brody, who has always shown her Bearded Collie, DREAMCHASER SAPPHIRE SKYE, with the grace and confidence of a pro.

When recapping her enormous task of conformation judging, Mrs. O'Brien had this to say, "When I judge, I am looking for a Bearded Collie with true breed type who is not overdone and without exaggeration. He/she should match very nearly the breed standard in all respects and his movement must be sound and ground covering with an effortless supple gait. For me, though, the show dog must present that elusive quality, charisma and he/she must ooze the qualities of a rugged hill dog. A Bearded Collie who is overdone and heavily trimmed for me is a long way off my ideal of a rugged hill dog." Her choices were – Best of Breed: GCH SPINDRIFT BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM HT OA AXJ OF;



Sarah Brody, Best Junior Handler, with Dreamchaser Sapphire Skye



Spindrift Bend It Like Beckham



Best Of Opposite: CH RAGTYME BEAUTIFUL SOUL;
Best of Winners: WINBERLEE'S IT'S ME ELOISE;



Ragtime Beautiful Soul



Winberlee's It's Me Eloise

Select Dog: GCH CLASSICAL'S MY TURN, and Select Bitch: GCH WOODSONG PANDEMONIUM. Mrs. O'Brien also presented 15 Awards of Merit.

The final competitive placements awarded by Mrs. O'Brien were Stud Dog – GCH WIGGLESWORTH THRILLER; Brood Bitch – CH WINBERLEE'S PICTURE PERFECT HT and Brace - RUNNINGMTN ROCK THE JUKEBOX and RUNNINGMTN KRYPTONITE.

The 34th Annual BCCA National Specialty ended with a sit-down Awards Banquet attended by nearly 150. Achievements earned on a cumulative basis during the previous year were awarded for agility, rally, therapy, conformation, ROM/ROMX, and versatility. The prestigious BCCA "Member of The Year" award was presented to Mrs. Kathy Coxwell.

The next BCCA National Specialty will be held September 28 – October 4, 2013 at the state-of-the-art Purina Farms facility in Gray Summit, Missouri. More information is available on the show website: www.bcca2013.com

*Show results noted were provided by the respective event Secretaries.

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Classical's My Turn



Woodsong Pandemonium

Awards of Merit



Awards of Merit (continued)



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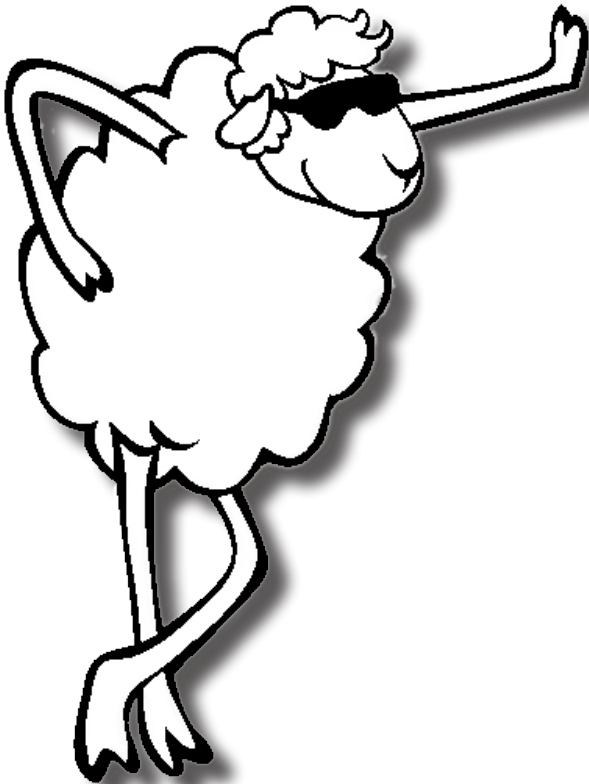
Herding at the National-2012

Barbara Claxton and I were the Co-Chairs of our Herding Trial at our National Specialty. It was challenging but very rewarding. We had a very good turn out from Beardie herding enthusiasts from all over the country and even from Canada. We offered Test and Trial levels, B course, Geese runs and BCCA Instinct testing.

The trial was catered all weekend by Bruce Freeman, a BBQ expert. Boy, was it yummy!

I'd like to thank Rosanne Hunt and Darlene Foley for their hard work. People were really impressed with our trophies and rosettes, so please join me in thanking Carole Desmond for those gorgeous trophies and Kirsten Andreassend for our rosettes. It's the people behind the scenes that work tireless hours/years and we appreciate all that hard work you gals put in.

Our judges were our own Joel Levinson and Adrian Lopez and they did a magnificent job judging in the windy conditions. Our photographer was Don McGee from Topflight Photography and we kept him very busy all weekend.



We appreciated the hard work of the ranch owner, EveLynn McGinness, our secretary, Jan McAninch and our stock handlers, Sally Douglas, Peggy Richter and Kyle Henisey.

I want to give a shout out to our helpers: John Scorzelli and Heather Henisey and our Southern California members who also stepped up and came out to work tirelessly in the warm and windy weather: Paul Foley, Adonica Turner, Karen, Lauren and Gordon Dressler, Diana Hartman and Louise Rishoff. We couldn't have done it without you.

The ranch owner, caterer and herding secretary all said the Beardie people were a joy to work with. Job well done!

Sandy Dubin
Co-Chair Herding Trials

P.S. BCCSC is holding another herding day Saturday, January 12th, 2013. Email Sandy if you need details at hairdog@sbc-global.net

The BCCSC sends get well wishes to Carole Desmond recovering from foot surgery!!!