

The Shaggy Rag

The Bearded Collie Club of Southern California

Founded January 12, 1997

BCCSC website: www.bccsc.net



President's Message

Hello everyone,

After many years of service to the BCCSC and due to personal reasons, Celia Sawyer has resigned as President. This vacancy is automatically filled by the Vice President, so I will be the President through the end of our Club year. I'd like to thank her for a really great job done. We all wish Celia the best and that she'll be coming out soon to join us, even if not in an officer-ship capacity.

I hope you had a nice holiday and are ready for a new year filled with many Beardie events for you to pick and choose from.

Since our last Shaggy Rag, we've had a lot of activity. We had a holiday party at my home (more about this later in the Shaggy Rag) and I really enjoyed getting out my Christmas dinnerware and dusting off my Hanukkah Menorah. It was well attended and everyone brought some wonderful, yummy food and lots of dogs! Thanks to all who made it a very nice party.

Next we had a Herding Fun Day on January 12th, 2013. It was well attended and we look forward to many more.

The proposed slate for the upcoming Club year was missing candidates for President and Secretary. With no other options on the table, the current Board called a Special Club meeting February 9th where a vote was taken to dissolve the BCCSC. Members unanimously voted against this motion and candidates accepted nominations for these two vacancies.

It was wonderful to see so many die-hard Beardie fans old and new, rallying to have a wonderful club for our dogs. Afterward, several of us went to lunch. The outcome of the day is that we are looking forward to a new slate to be voted on in April at our Annual meeting at Jump Start in Yorba Linda. Save the date of April 6th.

With all the support you guys have shown by emails and showing up to an important meeting, I'm sure we'll be calling on you to help us out in the future.

We'll be having a potluck bounce on March 9th at Cari Hall's backyard and a meeting for anyone to put in a nomination to be on the Board. Please RSVP to Cari Hall if you are attending and what you're bringing. Carihall242@gmail.com

Robert Lapham, passed away on August 12th, 2012. He was a Charter member of the BCCSC. Bob was the husband of Diana Lapham. He was a President and a member who put in many hours of service to this club. Besides helping with herding trials we used to put on, I remember one picnic we had specifically at Prada Dam. It was his job to pick up the fried chicken. I was starting to get really hungry and when I'm hungry, I get cranky. Bob wasn't back yet from picking up the chicken, so I started referring to him with an expletive. Lovingly, of course. So for years after that, I would tease him, that he was the A-@#\$\$% who was late with my fried chicken. He was such a sweet man and we remember him for the big, kind heart he had.

Until next time.....

Sandy Dubin

Beardie Board Room

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SHAGGY RAG NEWSLETTER POLICIES:

Deadlines for the *Shaggy Rag*:
February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15.

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

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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Upcoming events

- March 9th, St. Patrick's Day Celebration and Bounce at Cari Hall's house, contact Cari at 626-351-9277
- April 6th, Annual Meeting and Agility Day, Jumpstart Agility Center
- May 11th, Herding Fun Day, contact Sandy Dubin to register at sdubin741@gmail.com
- July 5 Commotion at the Ocean, Designated Specialty, and supported entries on July 6-7

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Welcome New Members

Please welcome Kathy Coxwell and Paula Olivares to our Club!!!

BRAGS

On January 6, 2013 in Palm Springs, CA my beautiful brown boy, Kobe, achieved his championship. It was a great weekend with "Team Kobe" who made the weekend fun. He was handled wonderfully by Patty Rusko and groomed to perfection by Danielle Villareal who drove to Palm Springs just to lend her support. Thank you all for cheering on the sidelines for us. I just know that Lori Fournier was there smiling down on us and laughing up a storm. She left me a wonderful gift of her love and his name is: International/American Champion Surfsong's Windward, Pt, HSAs. And now our journey continues....

Cathy McLaren



Therapy Work
Pam Schuman

The "Paws For Reading" program is celebrating 7 years on Feb 23rd with a "pawty." The therapy dogs will be receiving certificates of recognition for service from a US Congresswoman, a California State Senator, the Board of Supervisors and the Ventura City Council.

On March 1, they have been invited to Elmhurst Elementary for Read Across America in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday.

On March 14 they are invited back up to UCSB for stress reduction the week before finals. I will have some good pics after those busy times.



Sarah & Sapphire
With limited showing, Dreamchaser Sapphire Skye & Sarah Brody continue to wow us whether in the class ring or Junior competition!



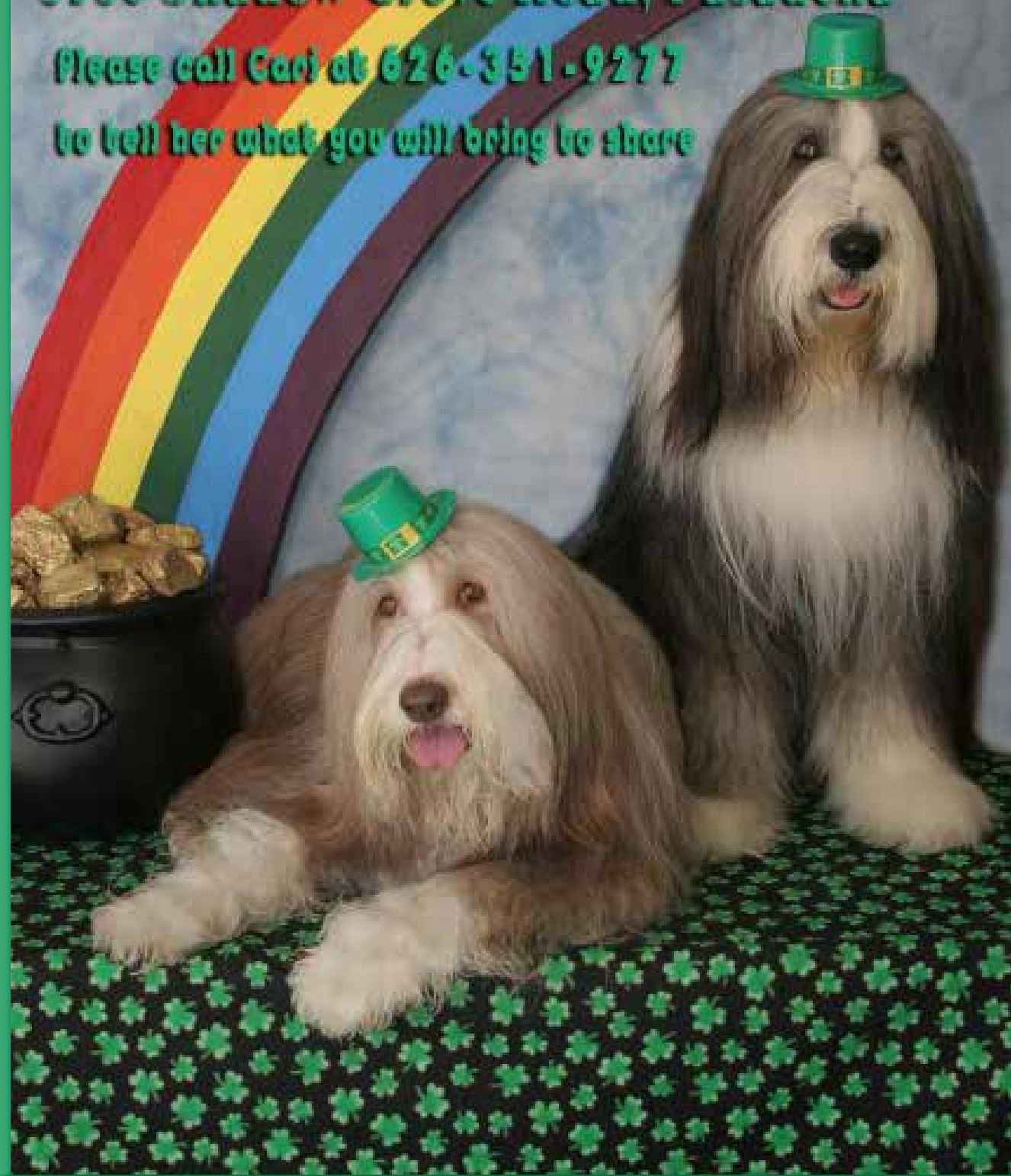
A Bearded St. Patrick's Day at Cari Hall's Home!
Saturday, March 9th, 2013

12:00 noon

3780 Shadow Grove Road, Pasadena

Please call Cari at 626-351-9277

to tell her what you will bring to share



Annual Meeting and Agility Fun Day

Saturday, April 6th, 2013
at Jump Start Dog Sports
4691 Valley View Street
Yorba Linda
CGC too!

11:00 - 3:00

Club Members and their guests are invited for a wonderful
day of Agility games, Relays, Fun and Friendship.

Lunch will be served!

Cost-\$5.00 per dog for a day of Agility Fun
and

Lunch \$5.00 per person

CGC testing available by Patty Rusko
Please see bccsc.net for details!!!



Reservations for Members and their Guests are Required by **April 1st!!**

Please RSVP to Noli: caz5510@yahoo.com

Flyers and more details are available on the bccsc.net website

The Bearded Collie Club of Southern California Invites You To



2013 Annual Regional Specialty

Hosted by

Channel City Kennel Club

Friday, July 5, 2013 -- Seaside Park, Ventura, CA

Regular & Non-Regular Classes ~ Judge Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman

Jack Bradshaw

Online entries at:

www.jbradshaw.com

Entries close 12pm, June 19, 2013

Followed by two days of supported entries at the same location:

Saturday, July 6, Santa Maria Kennel Club

Sunday, July 7, Ventura County Dog Fanciers Association

Join the BCCSC for a happy-hour following regular classes

Susann Brody ~ Show Chair
sbrody99@yahoo.com

Holiday Party

by Daniel Olivares (son of member Paula Olivares)

Our Holiday Party was held on December 8th at the home of Sandy Dubin in Valencia. The 9-10 beardies and other dogs who attended had a great time running through the people, sniffing out the newcomers and playing with their old and new friends. Play, run, play, bark and play outside was the order of the day for the four legged ones.

While the beardies played, those who attended met new friends, visited with old friends while enjoying a generous potluck spread. One highlight was Joel explaining the meaning behind Hanukkah before the ceremonial lighting of the Hanukkah candles. Sandy was a gracious hostess, presenting each furry guest with a gift bag of doggie treats. In conclusion, a good time was had by all.



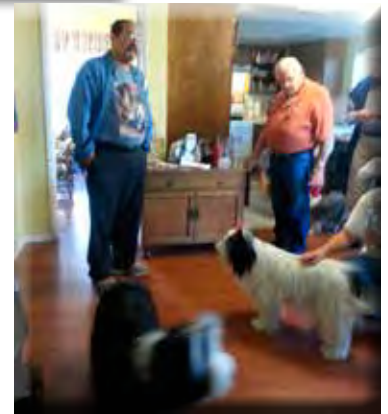
All of us!



Nash wears his Yamulke for the occasion



Eating and talking



Joel explains the meaning behind Hanukkah

The dogs are socializing



Gizmo is the center of attention at the party

Dogs and us socializing



Special General Meeting



A special meeting was held on Saturday the 9th of February.
(See picture above)

12 eligible voting members that were present voted unanimously AGAINST the dissolution of the BCCSC!!
The BCCSC received many emails congratulating US on the GREAT news!



(Excerpt from the notice to the club)

The Nominating Committee, Sandy Dubin (Chair), Karen Dressler and Patricia Rusko, has submitted its proposed slate of Officers and Directors for the BCCSC's 2013-2014 Club year.

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2013-2014

President: Susann Brody
Vice President: Sandy Dubin
Secretary: Karen Dressler
Treasurer: Catherine McLaren
Director: Noli Caswell
Director: Louise Rishoff

Additional nominations may be made in person at the March 9, 2013 meeting (see St Patrick's day flyer) by any full/voting Member. All nominations must be accompanied by a written statement of willingness to serve signed by the nominated Member.

Herding Day



Rescue

by Sandy Dubin

Our Club doesn't have a Rescue committee, but behind-the-scene rescues and connections do happen and it's heartwarming.

There is Declan, who is staying right where he belongs at his foster home, along with rescue, Baxter. Declan was about to be put down at a shelter because they thought he might be aggressive. He was found roaming around with some Pit Bulls and there was evidence that he was eating a goat or lamb.... I think he was smart and asked the Pit Bulls to Kill him some dinner..... so he wouldn't starve. Happy Ending: It turns out he's really a sweetheart and is in love with his new foster owners and is always smiling now.

Lastly, a very long-time Beardie owner and member of our club was looking for a senior dog to fit her lifestyle. Along came a 13-year-old, sweet and very healthy boy named Charlie, whose owner needed to find him a home in the next few months, as her living situation is going to change. The two women talked, found out they had a lot in common, and Charlie is getting a new retirement home also!!

To all these new placements, congratulations and may you all enjoy your new forever digs!!!

