

Beardie Tales

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From the Prez...

Next meeting: Sunday, May 7 in Madison, WI at the shows. We will gather after Beardies show.

Our Specialty is Saturday, June 17 in Grayslake, IL. Help needed. Email me (beardieone@qconline.com) or come to the May meeting if you need more information. Please plan to donate a case of water to share with exhibitors if you come to the Specialty.

We are planning a bounce in August at Cyndie Reinheimer's doggie day care facility—beardies come and bring your people. Details to follow in the next newsletter.

George Moulton will be sending email notices now, telling those of us who receive the newsletter by email that the newsletter is available to be read and printed on the web site—less work for him. George, who has mailed the print copies of the newsletter for several years, asks that someone else take on the job of mailing newsletter. Please consider volunteering to take on this job for us.

Bounce high, bark loud
Carol

Did you Know ... According to the American Veterinary Medical Association the biggest group of pet owners is childless people. It used to be parents of small children. In the past ten years, the biggest group of pet owners has become childless people, ranging from gay couples to baby boomers whose kids have left the nest. The percentage of parents owning a pet has declined to 68% in 2001 from 73% in 1996. The percentage of childless couples who owned a pet rose to 72% from 53% during the same time frame.

Next Meeting

Sunday, May 7, 2006

(After Beardies Show)

Alliant Center

Madison, Wisconsin

Directions: From Chicago, I-90 west and north into Wisconsin. Exit at Hwy. 12-18 Madison. Follow 12-18 (Beltline Highway) west about 2 miles to John Nolen Drive/Coliseum. Exit on John Nolen, then left on Rimrock Road to the entrance of the Alliant Center.

From Milwaukee, take I-94 west to Madison. Exit to I-90 east/south. Take I-90 to Hwy. 12-18. Exit at Hwy. 12-18 west and follow the directions above.

Rescue Tails

by Mary Barthold

Rescue has been pretty busy already this year.

Cyndie Reinheimer kicked off the new year by taking in a pair of fawn Beardies from a backyard breeder in Minnesota. Mary Murphy assisted since she was closer, and Ed Reinheimer drove over on New Year's Day to pick them up. Mary got them cleaned up and got them to start trusting before Cyndie took over. Cyndie got them spayed and neutered, and placed both of them, the female with a family in Illinois that just lost their Beardie to cancer and the male with a previous puppy buyer (of Cyndie's) that lost their 10-year-old Beardie to complications from surgery. Both dogs are from the usual Iowa puppy mills, but now both are loved and adored as they deserve.

In early February, I got two Beardies on the same day; one from a local shelter and one an owner surrender. The shelter Beardie is a gorgeous black and white female, 6-1/2 years old, whose owner dumped her at the shelter. As luck would have it, the owner lives near the shelter and took the dog to the

same vet the shelter uses, so I was able to get the entire file on this girls. She has some health issues, but her adoptive family in Michigan didn't care. They adore her. The new mom is deaf and they are going to teach the dog hand signals to help her bond to them. Mom said Maggie is her dream dog. Can't ask for more than that!

The other Beardie that came in that day is still here, but he does have a home and will be depart in April for Georgia. He is a 3-year old male amputee. (He lost his left front leg in a collision with a car.) You may have spotted him on the BCCA web site. He is absolutely gorgeous with a temperament to match, even though he's from one of the Iowa puppy mills and he's the biggest Beardie I've ever seen. We name him Santo, after Ron Santo the Cubs announcer and double amputee himself. Santo, the dog, doesn't know he's "handicapped" but he has a

hard time with stairs. His new mom has a ranch house with a huge fenced yard and three other rescues in residence. She used to do Sheltie rescue herself. Santo will be spoiled rotten and he deserves it.

As an aside, the BCCA has outdone itself preparing for the release of "The Shaggy Dog" and I was a little nervous, because rescue inquiries skyrocketed the first few days after the movie was released. Thankfully things have gone back to normal and I hope it stays that way.

Rarely a dull moment in rescue
Mary

Editor's Note: May I add my **AMEN** to Mary's aside about The Shaggy Dog movie. Some Chicagoland people also did some wonderful things in connection with the movie's release. At the risk of missing someone and incurring their wrath, kudos to Claudia Diaz, Carol Freeman, Mary and Nancy Steckel and Marilyn Snook.

***Chicagoland Regional Specialty
Saturday, June 17, 2006
Lake County Fairgrounds
Grayslake, IL***

Minutes of the

Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club Meeting

January 21, 2006

Home of Arlene and Mike Fenney, Lake Villa, Illinois

Roll Call: Nancy Steckel, Mary Steckel, Suzanne Jelinski, Charlotte Lanning, Bela Szecsy, Dawn Szecsy, Claudia Diaz, Danna Dokmo, Karen Shaw, Mary Barthold, Buz Barthold, Cheryl Poliak, Carol Freeman, Arlene Fenney, Pat Neale, Bob Neale

Visitor: Karen Coley (Claudia Diaz' sister)

Call to order: 1:45

President's Report: Karen stated that she has enjoyed being the President of the CBCC, but is glad to be stepping down. She wishes to encourage all to fill out Beacon Health surveys found at the Beacon website.

Secretary's Report: nothing to report

Treasurer's Report: Sorry. Pat Neale had provided one, but secretary forgot to get a copy from the President before leaving the meeting.

Committee Reports:

Membership:

New Members voted in: Patricia Steward. Motion by Carol Freeman, seconded by Mary Steckel, unanimous

Newsletter: There was some discussion about whether people are receiving the newsletter or not. Let George Moulton know if you are not receiving it at

Herding: Charlotte Laning has scheduled a herding instinct test for October 8, 2006 in Genoa City with Shannon Wolfe. Mark your calendars and wait for further info as the date nears. There was discussion about how to hold the event, if it should be open to other breeds, whether to combine it with an AHBA event. Other suggestions were to tell the Great Lakes Bearded Collie Club and invite any of their interested members to join us. There was much discussion on whether we should continue to be strictly a CBCC event which makes it more of a social event for club members. Price was a big concern. Shannon charges \$30 a dog. The suggestion was to charge club members \$25 (with CBCC picking up the rest) and non-members \$30

Rescue: Mary Barthold reported for Cyndie Reinheimer. A breeding pair of fawn beardies were purchased from a breeder who was getting rid of them. Both have homes.

Fund Raising: Dawn Szecsy and Carol Freeman purchased some CBCC lapel pins. They will be available at upcoming events. They are 2 for \$5.00 or 1 for \$3.00.

Old Business:

-Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club Regional to be held on June 17, 2006, at Grayslake

-We have received approval from the AKC for our upcoming Regional pending receipt of a new list of current members and current officers.

-Cheryl Fehrer is doing trophies. Anyone wanting to contribute to the Trophy Fund, please contact Cheryl Poliak at cpoliak@hotmail.com

-The new slate of officers was voted in. Motion to accept the slate as presented by the Nominating committee by Pat Neale, seconded by Charlotte Laning, passed unanimously.

The Officers for the 2006 year will be:

President Carol Freeman

Vice President Dawn Szecsy

Secretary Nancy Steckel

Treasurer Claudia Diaz

Board Members: Mary Steckel, Bob Gleason, Cheryl Poliak, and Arlene Fenney

New Business:

-Claudia Diaz reported that she saw a listing for a PBS television show and one of the episodes includes a make-over on a beardie. She thinks it will be seen on January 29 and the program is called **Underdogs**

-Dawn asked if CBCC wanted to hold a Puppy Sweepstakes in conjunction with the Waukesha Kennel Club shows in July like we did last year. There was discussion. Cheryl Poliak made a motion to hold the Sweepstakes, seconded by Karen Shaw, passed unanimously. Dawn will do what needs to be done to set it up.

-There was discussion that the Judges committee needs to get judges for the 2007 Regional even though where it may be held is still up in the air. Send names to Carol Schiernbeck or Bob Gleason.

-There was discussion about the CBCCList on the internet that Bob Gleason has set up. So far it is mainly the officers who are on the list. There was discussion on whether business could be conducted there or if we would need a separate dedicated list for that. There was discussion on whether it should be opened up to all members who want to be included so we can chat about things pertinent to us. No decision was made.

-Karen was presented with a gift in Thanks for her years of service (most recently as president of the club). A BIG THANKYOU to Karen who has worked hard to keep this club going during some hard times.

-An addition after the meeting was adjourned- The next meeting will be held at Wisconsin State Fair Park March 4, 2006 one half hour after beardie judging.

-Motion to adjourn-Mary Steckel, seconded by Bela Szecsy, passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Steckel, CBCC Secretary

Minutes of the

Chicagoland Bearded Collie Club Meeting

March 4, 2006

State Fair Park in conjunction with the Wisconsin Kennel Club Show

Roll Call: Nancy Steckel, Mary Steckel, Suzanne Jelinski, Bela Szecsy, Dawn Szecsy, Karen Shaw Cheryl Poliak, Carol Freeman, Cyndie Reinheimer, Kathy Landro, Cheryl Fehrer, Bobby Archibald

Call to Order: 11:30

There were no Officer reports or Committee Reports

Old Business:

-There was discussion about whether members are receiving their newsletters or not. Contact George Moulton if you are not. Carol Freeman took a written poll of members present who were having problems.

-Bob Gleason has set up a CBCC internet list for officers at present. He is trying to get a domain name. CBCC is already gone. He is attempting to get something with Chicagoland in it.

- There was discussion about whether members wanted to do something 'organized' after the upcoming Regional. Mike and Arlene are burned out on hosting the barbeque and want to be able to enjoy a Regional til the last dog is shown. Can we blame them? The restaurant across the street was getting too small for all of us. People were going to think about it. We are not allowed to bring food onto the fairgrounds.

-Dawn has ordered the 'theme' trophies (that the Waukesha Kennel Club is using for the weekend) for the Sweepstakes that will be held in conjunction with that show in July, 2006.

New Business:

-Claudia Diaz encourages all to remember to pay their 2006 dues. Remember they now go to Claudia, not Pat Neale.

-Claudia has a list of current members and will send it to anyone who wants one.

-Meet the Breed efforts related to the upcoming opening of the new movie ***The Shaggy DA***- There was lots of discussion. Pros and cons. Some felt that bringing beardies and info to theaters was like advertising. Others felt it was public education. All agreed to disagree. Cheryl Poliak bred the 'star' of the movie and is very proud of him. She is very concerned about the effects the movie will have on the general public. She made a motion to place ads in local newspapers on the opening weekend of the movie with wording like.... Bearded Collies- for Knowledgeble Information call..... The ads to be placed in the Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel, Chicago Tribune, Madison State Journal and possibly the Waukesha Freeman. Carol Freeman will put her phone number in the ad and field the calls. The motion was seconded by Karen Shaw and passed unanimously.

-Cheryl Poliak was encouraged to forward a short article on 'COAL' the star of the new movie ***The Shaggy DA*** to Loralie for inclusion in an upcoming newsletter.

-Claudia Diaz wants to link her website to the CBCC website Others already have links. This should not be a problem. NOTE- CBCC does not put links to 'people' or 'products' on their site other than for breeder listings.

-Cyndie Reinheimer has a beautiful facility that she is offering to hold a Social Nite some Saturday evening. She thought maybe even for a fun match.

-Cheryl Poliak will look into buying the tapes from the BCCA National Specialty for 2004 and 2005 She had not purchased them yet for the CBCC Library.

-Motion to adjourn-Karen Shaw, seconded by Suzanne Jelinski, passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted by,
Nancy Steckel, CBCC Secretary