

NOTICES FROM THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, September 30, 2005 at the Crowne Plaza hotel at 1:30 p.m. at a specific place to be announced. Please make plans to attend. This is every member's opportunity to meet their Board members and for the club to conduct business.

Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the BCCA will meet at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at a time and place to be announced.

Notice to All Affiliated Clubs

Please have your club secretary send a listing (name, address and telephone) of your current officers and directors to the Recording Secretary of the BCCA. Mail to Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, TX 76901.

2008 National Specialty Host Clubs

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2008 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact the Recording Secretary, Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, TX 76901.

If your club is small, please consider contacting another club and asking them to join you in hosting the 2008 Specialty. Two clubs in the same general geographical area could pool their resources and share the work. Teamwork is the key to success !!

Nominations for Regular, Sweepstakes and Futurity Judges for the 2007 National Specialty

Please send your nominations for regular, sweepstakes and futurity judges to the Recording Secretary, Linda Taylor, 801 S. Park, San Angelo, TX 76901. Each BCCA member is entitled to nominate one person for regular classes, one for sweepstakes, and one for futurity.

Deadline for receipt of all nominations is September 1, 2005. Don't wait; do it now !

A preliminary ballot with all nominations will be mailed to the membership in the November issue of *Bagpipes*, and must be returned to the Treasurer no later than January 15, 2006. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each judging position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot in the February issue of *Bagpipes*, with the ballots to be returned no later than March 30, 2006.

Nominations of judges from other countries, such as Great Britain and Canada, and who are eligible to judge championship shows, are allowed for regular conformation classes only.

In the selection of sweepstakes judges, any nominations received for English judges, or persons eligible to judge the entire Herding Group in this country or the Group to which Bearded Collies belong in any other country, or who are eligible to judge the Breed at any

AKC shows are ineligible. Only United States and Canadian residents may judge sweepstakes at the National Specialty, Only BCCA members in good standing may be candidates to judge sweepstakes at BCCA National Specialties. All nominees for Sweepstakes should have at least seven (7) years of experience as an exhibitor in conformation and/or as a Breeder of Bearded Collies, and have a thorough understanding of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Judging, as well as the Standard of the Bearded Collie to be eligible for nomination.

To be nominated to judge futurity, and individual must be a current member in good standing with the BCCA for a period of not less than 10 years, have bred a minimum of 3 litters of Bearded Collies, and at least 5 of the resulting puppies from these litters bred have obtained their conformation championships.

Any judge officiating at the BCCA National Specialty will not be permitted on the ballot again until a two (2) Year time period has elapsed.