

The Basenji Club of America, Inc.



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FANCONI LINKAGE TEST - TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

Dear BCOA Member,

Dr. Gary Johnson has requested a brief suspension of Fanconi linkage testing so that he can concentrate on developing the direct Fanconi test.

His lab will process a Fanconi linkage test for requests and samples submitted on or before December 20th, 2007. After that date, Dr. Johnson and his staff will focus their efforts on the development of the direct Fanconi test. Any blood samples received after December 20th will be processed and the DNA stored for future testing.

The Fanconi test request form on the Canine Phenome Project site will be disabled on December 19, 2007. Unless a direct test is available earlier, Fanconi linkage testing will resume in late February 2008.

Please visit the BCOA website at www.basenji.org for further updates.

Basenji Club of America



<http://www.basenji.org/nationalspecialty/2008/index.htm>

The 2008 BCOA national specialty website is now up and running!

BCOA wishes Russ Jacobs (MO)
a speedy recovery from his recent surgery.



SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Bulletin Board Newsletter is published in conjunction with membership in the Basenji Club of America, Inc. Dues are \$15 for single members; \$25 for family memberships. All applications for membership require the signature of two BCOA members in good standing. Send membership inquiries to Linda Ehlers, 151 NW 251Rd., Warrensburg, MO 64093. Phone 660-747-8552. E-mail < jerlin@wcblue.net >.

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All submissions are requested by the 15th of the month preceding issue.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

No membership applications.

**ON THE MOVE****Address, Telephone Number and Email Changes**

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**BCOA 2008 National Specialty Fundraising –
Puppy Photos Needed!**

I may be biased but I don't think there is a cuter puppy than a Basenji puppy!! As 2007 Basenji puppies are arriving, please remember to keep your cameras handy. Capture those images of your new pups as they romp, play and discover life. Then send them in for consideration in the 2008-2009 Basenji puppy calendar. This will be a 16-month calendar guaranteed to give you that needed "puppy fix" every time you look at it.

Proceeds from the sale of this calendar will benefit our 2008 BCOA National Specialty in Plano, Texas. You can mail your photos* or send digital files via email**. For any questions, please call Melody Falcone at 402.297.5749 or email her at melody@melarbasenjjs.com.

*Mailing address: 706 S Randolph St., Weeping Water, NE 68463

**Digital files must be at least 8x10 in size, 300 dpi jpg or tiff files.

SUBMITTING EXPENSES TO THE BCOA TREASURER

Please note per BCOA Ballot 2004 – 48, published in January 2005 Bulletin Board:

“BCOA members incurring expenses covering BCOA budgeted items during the fiscal year shall submit invoices to the Treasurer on or before March 1st of the next year to be eligible for reimbursement. Expenditures incurred by members that are not covered by the Budget shall require Board approval. These bills shall be submitted to the Treasurer on or before February 1st of the next year. Committee Chairs shall be responsible for notifying committee members to submit receipts for expenses within this time frame.”

**Basenji Club of America, Inc.
National Specialty Calendar**

2008 - Sept. 16 – 21 (new dates!)
Dallas, Texas, South Fork Ranch
Specialty Chair: Karlene Schoonover

2009 - Sept 14 – 20
Owensboro, KY, Executive Inn Rivermont
Specialty Chair: Joe Tomey

2010 – Aug. 31 – Sept. 5
Greeley, CO, Island Grove Regional Park
Specialty Chair: Pat Bird

- All dates pending AKC approval

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Canis Basenji, a whimsical book about life with a Basenji, written and illustrated by widely published author and lifetime BCOA member, Robert Vavra, are for sale for \$13.00 each*. Originally published by the Basenji Club of America, Inc. in 1958, current copies include a bonus Introduction by Mr. Vavra written in 1991. As explained in his Introduction, this was Mr. Vavra's first book and also the only book he illustrated with pen and ink.

To purchase your piece of Basenji history, visit www.basenji.org and click on the "BCOA Online Store" link to order your copy and pay by Pay Pal or contact:

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*Additional shipping charges apply to orders outside of the USA

PERPETUAL SPECIALTY CALENDAR



MINUTES OF THE 2007 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2007 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Basenji Club of America, Inc., was held in the Pleasanton Hilton Hotel in Pleasanton, California, on Tuesday, October 16, 2007. Officers and Directors present were:

Lisa Auerbach	Damara Bolté	Jon Curby
Midge Greenlee	Laura Mae Hesse, Treasurer	Carrie Jones
Wanda Pooley	Karla Schreiber, Vice-President	Laurie Stargell

Anne Graves, Secretary, participated via speaker phone.

Absent was Sally Wuornos, President.

Also present were Tonda Curry and Sandy Tucker.

In the absence of the President, Schreiber called the meeting to order at 18:33 PDT.

BALLOT 2007 - 53 Bolté moved, Auerbach seconded, to suspend the reading of the minutes of the 2006 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT: None.

REPORT OF SECRETARY: None.

REPORT OF TREASURER: Given by Hesse; balance sheet as of October 6, 2007, was circulated for review.

BALLOT 2007 - 54 Bolté moved, Pooley seconded, that the report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

AKC Delegate Jon Curby gave a report concerning the relationship between the Canine Health Foundation and the American Kennel Club

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BALLOT 2007 – 55: After discussion of terms for the contract of Kent Delaney, Conformation and Obedience judge for the 2010 National Specialty, Stargell moved, Greenlee seconded, that we accept his terms of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars per day for three days of judging conformation classes and no charge for judging obedience classes, and that round-trip economy airfare be split between obedience and conformation. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

BALLOT 2007 - 56: Schreiber explained that some parent clubs are finding that an increasing number of people are refusing to sit on Boards that do not have liability insurance (essentially “bad acts” policies). Currently any club’s board of directors and officers could be held liable if the treasurer makes poor or illegal financial decisions. Liability insurance would cover each director or officer from paying his own legal fees and some money amounts. Tonda Curry gave more background and information. After more discussion, the Board determined to appoint volunteers to investigate various liability policies. Auerbach moved, Bolté seconded, that Hesse contact Equisure for premium and policy quote for officer and board liability insurance. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 57: Pooley reported that *The Bulletin* now can offer center page advertisements in color, provided that a combined number of four advertisers is available. Currently, inside cover advertisements are one hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars. Pooley moved, Bolté seconded, that all inside color advertisements (inside cover and center spread) be increased to one hundred forty (\$140.00) dollars per page, and that outside cover color advertisements remain at the current two hundred twenty-five (\$225.00) dollars per page. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 58: Pooley and three other Board members having recently received anonymous e-mailed “messages” spurred discussion of such problems. Pooley moved, Greenlee seconded, that the Editor(s) of *The Bulletin*, *The Bulletin Board Newsletter*, and any other club publications be directed not to print anonymous correspondence, and to have the editorial committee verify the author’s authenticity for any correspondence deemed negative, defamatory, and/or controversial. Motion passed.

BALLOT 2007 – 59: Curby moved, Stargell seconded, that for National Specialty judges, if fewer than four receive nominations for Sweepstakes and Conformation classes, judges receiving the top four nominations, including any ties, will appear on the ballot for the membership’s vote. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 60: The Board discussed the problems encountered by Basenji fanciers who live outside the USA in submitting payment to the University of Missouri for the marker link Fanconi DNA test, since the university does not have a Paypal account nor any plans for one. Thus those fanciers must pay for the test either by sending a check on non-USA banks or asking someone in the USA to pay for them. Greenlee moved, Pooley seconded, that this issue be tabled until the Treasurer can research this topic further. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 61: Curby moved, Greenlee seconded, that the Board approach our CPA for recommendations on the audit procedure for our organization. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 62: Curby moved, Stargell seconded, that BCOA establish a budget committee to consider budgeting priorities and submit them for Board review and approval. Pooley amended the motion to say the committee shall consist of Board members and officers. Amendment was approved; motion carried as amended, with “no” votes from Auerbach, Curby, and Stargell.

BALLOT 2007 – 63: After discussion of approval of National Specialty sites and the idea that more guidance be given to host groups, with a site coordinator to oversee all such events, as well as the idea of finding a permanent National Specialty site, Curby moved, Jones seconded, that a site coordinator be appointed to gather a group for site locations. Motion carried.

BALLOT 2007 – 64: Bolté moved, Greenlee seconded, that the BCOA Officers and Board of Directors be appointed as the Officers and Board of Directors of the Basenji Health Endowment. Motion carried.

Pooley moved that the meeting of the BCOA Board of Directors be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 21:15 PDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Graves [Supplementary notes taken by Caryn Jones, to whom I give deepest thanks.]

BALLOT 2007 – 66: APPROVED

Postmarked November 7, 2007

SUBJECT: MAILING VIDEOS OF NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Effective November 17, 2007

Please mark your vote on Lynn Jackson [CA] to be in charge of the disbursement of the 2007 DVDs ordered after Nov 13, 2007, and through the year 2008. Lisa Auerbach [VA] has agreed to act as back-up.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell

BALLOT 2007 – 67: APPROVED

Postmarked November 7, 2007

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Effective November 17 2007

The following persons have applied for membership in BCOA, and their names, along with a call for comments, were published in the October issue of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter*. No comments have been received. Please mark your vote on admitting them to membership in BCOA. * indicates Junior membership.

Kaye Bennett and *Mikola Bennett [WI]; Kara Berrey [AZ]

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell

BALLOT 2007 – 68: (amended): APPROVED

Postmarked November 11, 2007

SUBJECT: ADDITION TO WORDING OF NATIONAL SPECIALTY SITE PROPOSAL

Effective November 21, 2007

Please mark your vote on approving this addition to the wording of the BCOA National Specialty Site Proposal:

Following the signature of the proposed Chairperson, add this statement:

As Specialty Chairperson, I understand that any profits generated from the events, activities, merchandise sales, and other revenue-generating activities directly associated with the national specialty are the property of the Basenji Club of America, Inc., unless

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BCOA approves specific direct fundraising efforts for the Basenji Health Endowment, Inc., in writing, and in advance of any such fundraising efforts.

APPROVED: Bolté; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber;

DISAPPROVED: Auerbach [“I think this would have a chilling effect on fundraising not just for the Endowment, but for other worthy causes. Spontaneous fundraisers and ‘pass the hats’ have a long and worthy history at Nationals. I feel that our membership would be responsive to requests to direct fundraising to where it is most needed, as long as we clearly communicate such needs.”]; Curby [“Unnecessary.”]; Stargell [“ I think this ballot is too restrictive to the host group with regard to fundraising for special projects that are relevant to local issues, and too vague with regard to ‘activities directly associated with the national specialty.’ I support fundraising for the BHE as an excellent option for specialty revenues, but the future may see other projects that are also worthy.”]

Basenji Junior Showmanship Top Ten - 2007				brkls@wi.rr.com			
Based on AKC Show Awards through November 2007							
Covering shows January 1, 2007 - September 30, 2007							
Prepared by Lisa Marshall, 10611 S. Farmdale Dr., Oak Creek, WI 53154							
Rank	Name	Total Points	Best Junior	Placements			
				First	Second	Third	Fourth
1	Ciara Cassell	175	2	11	6	3	4
2	Nicole Keys	134	2	8	6	3	2
3	Thomas Scott Meade II	131	2	23	11	5	9
4	Margaret Dugan	106		2	1	5	5
5	Veronica Predale	95	1	3	7	2	2
6	Shelby Miller	49	2	4	2	3	2
7	Kevin Stamper	48	1	3	3	2	1
8	Rebecca Boese	27		1		1	
	Jocelyn Brody	27	2	8	4	1	3
10	Mark Calandra	25	1	3	2	1	1

Important News for BCOA Affiliated Clubs with Federal Tax Exempt Status

Don't Throw Away Your Tax-Exempt Status

Beginning in 2008, small tax-exempt organizations will have a new filing requirement. It's short, easy and electronic – it's the new e-Postcard.

If you are a tax-exempt organization that normally has annual gross receipts of \$25,000 or less and does not have to file Form 990 or 990-EZ, you must file the e-Postcard. The e-Postcard is due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your tax year. So if your organization operates on a calendar year, the e-Postcard is due by May 15 of the following year.

What happens if you don't file? You risk losing your tax-exempt status!

If you think this new filing requirement may apply to your organization, go to www.irs.gov/eo for complete details and while you're there sign up for Exempt Organization's free email newsletter, EO Update, to receive up-to-date information posted on the charity pages of irs.gov.

October 24, 2007

RE: Election of Officers and Board of Directors for the 2008 Election for the Basenji Club of America, Inc.

Dear Mrs. Graves:

As Inspector of Ballots, I received 353 ballots for the Basenji Club of America Inc. 2007 election of the officers and board of directors. Three of these ballots were invalid.

From the 350 valid ballots, I tallied the following results:

President		Secretary	
Sally Wuornos, MN	253 votes	Anne L. Graves, TX	277 votes
Abstention	97 votes	Abstention	73 votes
Vice President		Treasurer	
Karla Schreiber, IL	257 votes	Laura Mae Hesse, WI	269 votes
Abstention	93 votes	Abstention	81 votes

Board of Directors

Wanda Pooley, IL	227 votes	Carrie Jones, MN	170 votes
Jon Curby, MO	212 votes	Pam Geoffroy, MA	158 votes
Damara Bolté, VA	210 votes	Carol Ann Worsham, OH	144 votes
Lisa Auerbach, VA	209 votes	Carole Kirk, WV	143 votes
Laurie Stargell, CO	208 votes	Gale Whitehurst, GA	132 votes
Midge Greenlee, FL	185 votes	Abstention	452 votes

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 713-977-5673.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Elizabeth P. Miller
7806 Burgoyne, Houston, TX 77063

Addendum:

The Secretary used a ballot form which listed the due date (October 31) specified in the ByLaws before the last amendments (2002). The amended due date for ballots is October 21, with postmark of October 15. The Secretary regrets this error.

In order to be sure that the will of the membership was expressed, the Inspector opened the 15 ballots which arrived after October 21. Although the number of votes received obviously changed, the final count remains, with the same seven Board candidates receiving the largest number of votes constituting the 2008 Board of Directors.

Here is the count including the late ballots:

Board of Directors

	Original	W/ Late Ballots	Difference
Wanda Pooley, IL	227 votes	237 votes	10
Jon Curby, MO	212 votes	217 votes	5
Damara Bolte', VA	210 votes	216 votes	6
Lisa Auerbach, VA	209 votes	214 votes	5
Laurie Stargell, CO	208 votes	220 votes	12
Midge Greenlee, FL	185 votes	194 votes	9
Carrie Jones, MI	170 votes	177 votes	7
Pam Geoffroy, MA	158 votes	161 votes	3
Carol Ann Worsham, OH	144 votes	149 votes	5
Carole Kirk, WV	143 votes	147 votes	4
Gale Whitehurst, GA	132 votes	139 votes	7
Abstention	452 votes	484 votes	32

The Inspector keeps all ballots and envelopes for a year after the election, should there be any question about accuracy.

Elizabeth P. Miller
7806 Burgoyne
Houston, Texas 77063

September 1, 2007

BASENJI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.
Office of the Secretary
Anne L. Graves
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Houston, Texas 77096-1404

RE: *2007 Election of Proposed Amendments to the Basenji Club of America, Inc. By-Laws*

Dear Mrs. Graves,

As Secretary of the Basenji Club of America, Inc., you received 252 envelopes containing ballots for election of proposed amendments to the Basenji Club of America, Inc. By-Laws. You delivered to me, the Inspector of the ballots, these envelopes on 31 August 2007. The 252 envelopes became 303 ballots. One of these ballots was invalid. From the 302 valid ballots, I tallied the following results:

Amendment 1

For	291
Against	9
Abstention	2

Amendment 2

For	256
Against	41
Abstention	5

Amendment 3

For	233
Against	62
Abstention	7

Amendment 4

For	257
Against	41
Abstention	4

Amendment 5

For	285
Against	12
Abstention	5

Amendment 6

For	247
Against	49
Abstention	6

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (713) 977-5673.

Sincerely,

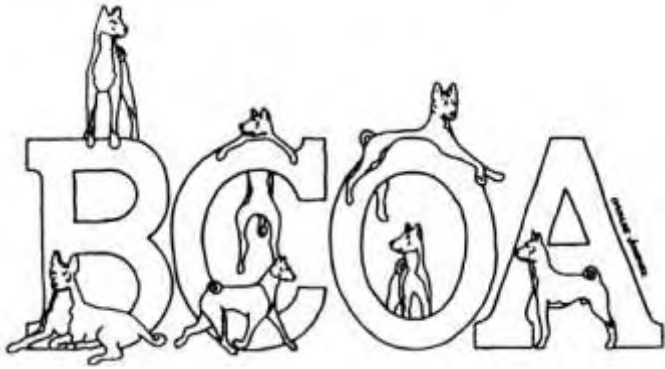
(signed)

Elizabeth P. Miller

The following dates are from AKC's corresponding date table based on the affiliated club's 2007 specialty date(s) unless otherwise notified of change of date by appropriate affiliated club liaison. Information regarding venue, judges, show secretary/superintendent, etc. is updated as it is received from affiliated club liaisons.

* Events listed are considered pending AKC approval until notification of approval received from the appropriate affiliated club liaison.

CLUB	2008 Scheduled
Willamette Valley Basenji Club www.basenji-club.com Multnomah County Expo Center, Portland OR	January 17
Dallas-Ft. Worth Basenji Club www.dfwbasenji.org	March 21
Basenji Club of Northern California www.norcalbasenjies.org	May 17
Basenji Club of Cincinnati http://www.angelfire.com/oh3/bcoc/	May 23 & May 24
Greater Chicagoland Basenji Club http://www.basenjiclub.com/chicagoland/ Alden Kennels, Ringwood IL	July 19*
Willamette Valley Basenji Club www.basenji-club.com Red Sunset Park, Gresham OR	July 11
Basenji Club of Southeastern Wisconsin www.bcosw.org Alden Kennels, Ringwood IL	July 20*
Evergreen Basenji Club www.basenji.org/ebc/activities	August 1 & August 2
Hoosier Basenji Club Delaware County Fairgrounds, Muncie, IN	August 16
Basenji Fanciers of Greater Phoenix http://www.azbasenji.com/	<u>PENDING</u>
BASENJI CLUB OF AMERICA NATIONAL SPECIALTY www.basenji.org	September 16 - 21
Basenji Club of Northern California www.norcalbasenjies.org	October 18
Indian Nations Basenji Club	October 30



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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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