

The Basenji Club of America, Inc.



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ATTENTION

"Due to her Mother's advanced age and deteriorating health, L. Jane Williams has notified the president that she will be unable to fulfill her judging assignment for 2008 nationals sweepstakes.

"Pursuant to Section III (i) of the National Specialty Oversight Procedures, Brenda Cassell will judge the 2008 BCOA Sweepstakes in Jane's stead."

Sally Wuornos, President BCOA



ON THE MOVE

Address, Telephone Number and Email Changes

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KARLA SCHREIBER
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BCOA sends its condolences to the family and friends of John Siverson.

BCOA sends its condolences to Linda Ehlers on the loss of her mother.

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 251 Rd., Warrensburg, MO 64093. Phone 660-747-8552. E-mail < jerlin@wclubue.net >.

DATES OF PUBLICATION

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SUBMISSION INFORMATION

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

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In accordance with the By-Laws any member in good standing may send comments on applicants for membership to the BCOA Secretary within a period of fourteen days following the date of the newsletter publication. Comments will be sent to these person(s) for reply, and all comments and replies will then be sent to the Board. * Indicates a junior membership. Please consider the date of publication of this newsletter to be **April 20, 2008**.

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AKC Doin's**Approved amendment to Chapter 2, Section 1**

Each member club or association is entitled to hold one show and one field trial a year without payment of a fee to The American Kennel Club, but must pay an appropriate fee for each other show and/or field trial which it may hold during the same calendar year.

Approved amendment to Chapter 2, Section 13

Where a specialty club wishes to consider as its Specialty Show the breed classes at an all-breed show, written application must be made to The American Kennel Club and an appropriate fee sent with application. Consent of the parent member specialty club must be secured by the non-member specialty club and forwarded to The American Kennel Club.

Approved amendment to Chapter 11, Section 6

No entry may be changed or canceled unless notice of the change or cancellation is received in writing or cancellation is received in writing or by telegram by the Superintendent or Show Secretary named in the premium list to receive entries, prior to the closing date and hour for entries, except that a correction may be made in the sex of a dog, or a dog may be transferred from one division of Puppy Class to another or between the Puppy and Twelve-to Eighteen Month Class at a show prior to the judging. A dog determined to be ineligible, by its owner/agent, for the class in which it has been entered may be transferred to an eligible open class at a show prior to the judging of any regular conformation class within the sex of that breed or variety.....

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

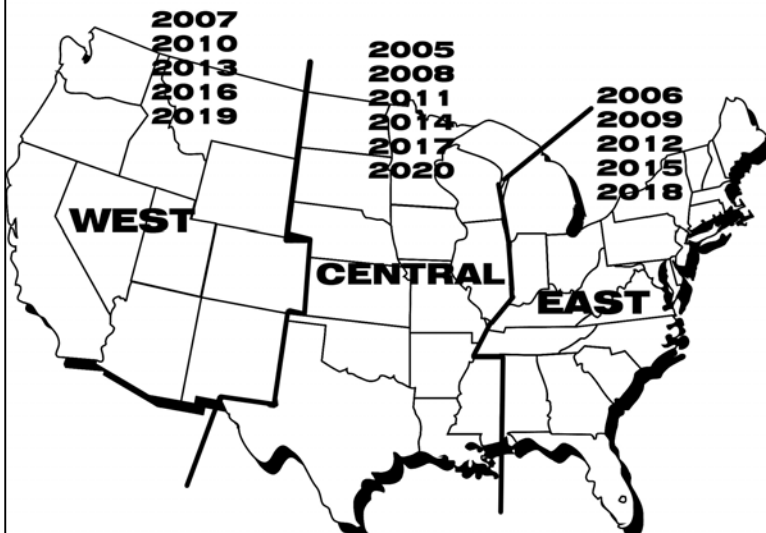
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PERPETUAL SPECIALTY CALENDAR



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: Carrie Jones

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*Additional shipping charges apply to orders

outside of the USA



Robert Vavra

BHE BALLOT 08 – 02: APPROVED
Postmarked March 28, 2008

SUBJECT: FUNDS FOR RESEARCH WAYNE POTTS
Effective April 9, 2008

Please send your vote on sending five hundred (\$500.00) dollars to Wayne Potts at the University of Utah for research in major histocompatibility complex, including autoimmune hypothyroidism. It concerns a group of genes that are responsible for much of the immune (and autoimmune) response.

For more information, see the discussion on Wikipedia at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Major_histocompatibility_complex

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

BALLOT 2008 – 06: APPROVED
Postmarked February 21, 2008

SUBJECT: STIPENDS FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS
Effective March 3, 2008

BCOA will offer, to the extent practicable, a discretionary stipend in the amount of \$100 (per attendee, per event) to help defray expenses for any BCOA member attending a BCOA-approved event/meeting/conference as an official BCOA representative. If a vote is to be taken at such an event, the individual representing BCOA shall vote as directed by the BCOA Board (if he/she knows in advance that a vote will take place) and will make a reasonable effort to obtain Board input concerning all matters (with the exception of ministerial issues) coming to a vote at the event. All stipends are provided at the discretion of the Board, and will be approved on a per event basis, with the Board taking into account the financial well-being of the Club, and any other relevant factors. Events, meetings and conferences that may qualify for a stipend include, but are not limited to, AKC quarterly delegate meetings, the ASFA ACOD, the CHF Health Conference, and the AKC Parent Club Conference.

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

BALLOT 2008 – 07
Postmarked February 21, 2008

SUBJECT: POLICY MANUAL
Effective March 3, 2008

Please send your vote on the following proposal.

Proposed: that BCOA form a special committee to prepare a policy manual. The information will be gathered from ballots and discussions.

The steps to complete this assignment would be:

- Compile all ballots in electronic format. Years 2000 to present are already in electronic format. Expanding the already existing electronic file will make it easy to sort the data and easily eliminate ballots not referring to the establishment of a policy: Examples of non-policy ballots: new member applications, budget, elections.
- Evaluate all the ballots that address a policy statement.
- Organize all the information from these ballots in two categories that best describe a particular policy.
- Prepare the policy manual .
- Adopt supporting documentation such as procedures for various activities.
- Present a draft for board approval.
- Once approved, publish the policy manual and create a .pdf file to be posted on the club website.
- Review the manual annually to amendments and additions.

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

BALLOT 2008 – 08:
Postmarked February 24, 2008

SUBJECT: SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE 2010
Effective March 5, 2008

Please indicate your vote on the following contract for the Sweepstakes Judge for the BCOA National Specialty of 2010:

“Kari Wuornos-Winger
32051 Virgo Street NE
North Branch. MN 55056-6623

BALLOT 2008 – 08: continued

Dear Ms. Wuornos-Winger:

Here is the proposed contract with the Basenji Club of America, Inc., concerning your judging the Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes at the National Specialty of 2010. The Sweepstakes classes will likely be Thursday, September 2, but that schedule is subject to change. This assignment is contingent upon approval from the American Kennel Club. Following their requirement, we are listing below the classes assigned to you for your acceptance before submitting your name to them:

BREED: BASENJI – SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES, PUPPY AND VETERAN

We can offer compensation for travel not exceeding four hundred (\$400.00) dollars. The specialty group will supply your hotel room and meals for the duration of the judging assignment. You are entitled to all National Specialty activities (dinners, symposia, etc.) free of charge.

Additionally, you have agreed not to judge a Basenji sweepstakes for one year prior to this specialty. Failure to comply with this request will disqualify you from serving as judge at this event. “

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

BALLOT 2008 – 09: APPROVED **SUBJECT: BUDGET FOR 2008**
Postmarked: March 26, 2008 **Effective: April 7, 2008**

Please send your vote on approving the BCOA Budget for 2008, as submitted by the BCOA Treasurer.

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

BALLOT 2008 – 10: APPROVED **SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS**
Postmarked: March 26, 2008 **Effective: April 7, 2008**

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

Kay and *Mikala Bennett [WI]; Kara Berry [AZ]; Terry Colbert [IL]; Robin Griswold-Ott [NC]; Wendy L. Hodges [TX]; Elizabeth M. Hopkins [TX]; Katherine Katayama [ID]; *Chase P. Masters [PA]; Kimberley A. Mencarini [CT]; Kimberly A. Noyes [ME]; Paul R. Pulsinelli [TX]; Sara Ryno [MO]

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

BALLOT 2008 – 11: APPROVED **SUBJECT: TREASURER FOR 2008 NATIONAL SPECIALTY**
Postmarked: March 26, 2008 **Effective: April 7, 2008**

Please mark your vote on approving Paul Pulsinelli [TX] as Treasurer for the 2008 BCOA National Specialty.

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

Here is BCOA Ballot 2007 - 65, reporting on the results of the petition submitted to the BCOA Board. Although the Board examined, discussed, and voted on it in a timely fashion, and I as Secretary wrote the report, I did not submit it to the new editor of the *Bulletin Board Newsletter* in early December, at the close of the voting and tallying of results. On December 8, 2007, the "Effective" date of the ballot, I took my husband to the emergency room, starting a several-week in-and-out of the hospital schedule with a life-threatening cardiac condition (finally under control in mid-February). The fact that I had the report in my files convinced me that I had sent it.

I take full responsibility and deeply regret that I allowed this to happen. I know that the apparent silence has caused distress to some BCOA members. Please accept my apologies.

Here is a re-publication of BCOA Ballot 2007 - 73.

BALLOT 2007 – 65: DISAPPROVED

Postmarked October 28, 2007

**SUBJECT: DONATION OF A PORTION OF 2006
NATIONAL SPECIALTY PROFITS TO BHE**

Effective December 8, 2007

[Petition received October 27, 2007, in accordance with BOCA Bylaws Article II, Section 4: "Business items may be presented for Board action by: . . . (b) Written petition addressed to the Secretary and signed by 20 members in good standing. Items presented by such petition shall be voted upon by the Board within six weeks of the date the petition was received by the Secretary. . . . Current reports of Board action shall be forwarded within ten days of the Board vote to the Editors of the Club Bulletin and Bulletin Board Newsletter for immediate publication."]

We, the undersigned BCOA members in good standing, do hereby ask that the BCOA Board of Directors vote on the following ballot:

To donate \$3,000.00 of the 2006 BCOA National Specialty Profits to Dr. Gary Johnson, University of Missouri, in support of Basenji health research. This amount, added to the \$2,404.97 already donated, will bring the total to \$5,404.97, an amount more in keeping with the club's tradition of supporting Basenji Health Research.

Signed:

Kristen Marshall, FL
Tari Parish, AZ
Melissa Skillman, WV
Marilyn A, Leighton, CA
Brenda Phillips, WA
Russella Bowen, SC
Sue Kite, OH
Brenda J. Cassell, TX
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CarolAnn Worsham, OH

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June C. Young, WA
Kathryn R. Britton, OR
Lisa R. Voss, CA
Joseph Hurt, IN
Pam Sweeney, IN
Denise Searcy, CA
Linda Seikert, AZ
Andrew Sawler, MA

APPROVED: Lisa Auerbach ["Since the IRS limits our contributions to BHE, having BCOA give direct donations to grant requests allows us additional flexibility and increases the amount BCOA can give to health research. Please note that IRS limitations are on BCOA donations to BHE – not limitations on our ability to give to other charities or good causes, including health research. No IRS-related limitations or problems with these direct donations have been identified to me. Therefore I believe BCOA should take advantage of this approach."]

Jon Curby ["If the Treasurer determines that we can give the BHE \$3000, I would agree to vote for a motion that is identical to the petition except for the donation recipient being the BHE instead of Dr. Johnson. If that motion is approved, I will then change my vote for the petition to NO."]

Carrie Jones

Laurie Stargell ["This ballot provides us with the opportunity to honor the efforts of the BCOA members who contributed items, money, and/or their time, to the 2006 National Specialty with the intent to support Basenji health research."]

BALLOT 2007 – 65: DISAPPROVED continued

DISAPPROVED: Damara Bolté ["I like following the procedure giving \$2500 to BHE and \$500 to Dr. Johnson , which amounts to the same thing but done legally or correctly according to National Specialty Procedures. I look forward to 'if this petition is voted down, then the Secretary will be sending out the ballot to send \$2500 to BHE and \$500 directly to Dr. Johnson.'"]

Anne Graves

Midge Greenlee ["The stated objectives of the petition are that BCOA donate \$3000 directly to Dr. Gary Johnson in support of Basenji health research, to bring the total for the year to 'an amount more in keeping with the club's tradition of supporting Basenji Health Research.'

BCOA does not donate funds for health research. The Basenji Health Endowment does. BCOA donates funds to BHE in an amount that is, in the best judgment of the BCOA Treasurer and the opinion of our accountant, both advisable and in compliance with IRS rules and regulations.

The folks who put on such a wonderfully successful specialty in 2006 and who did so with great expectations that their success would result in a substantial contribution to the BHE were told, time and time again, that the reason more was not initially donated had to do with IRS rules, and that BCOA would, at the end of 2007, contribute the maximum additional amount allowed by the IRS. And BCOA will do just that.

If the amount allowed is less than \$3000, I concur with sending whatever balance is needed to bring the total to \$3000 directly to Dr. Johnson with the stipulation that it be 'for Basenji health research.' That is not the best way to donate funds, from a business (and IRS) standpoint, but I would support doing it to satisfy the amount requested in the petition.

BCOA has always supported BHE and will always continue to do so. But the amount donated in any given year, and the manner in which funds are donated, cannot be at the decision or direction of even the best-intentioned people if it is not in compliance with IRS regulations, or if it might cause the IRS to question BHE's status."]

Laura Mae Hesse

Wanda Pooley ["I vote No for Ballot 2007 – 65 covering the petition, and I endorse creating a new ballot to have the BCOA contribute the maximum allowable amount (as determined by our Treasurer) to the BHE that fits the formula for the public support test. At this point, the additional amount the BCOA can contribute will closely match the request of the amount stated in the petition. This is also the proper channel to provide funds to support health and research of our breed and to assure 100% of our dollars are used to benefit Basenjies."]

Karla Schreiber ["I vote No for Ballot 2007 – 65 because, on the advice of BHE's accountants and Treasurer, BCOA can donate an additional \$2700 to BHE in the calendar year 2007 – in addition to the sum of \$2400+ already donated by BCOA to BHE during that time frame. I believe making the maximum gift to BHE in 2007 is an important show of support for BHE by BCOA – and is in keeping with the expectations of the many individuals and clubs that generously donate to BHE each year. An additional donation of \$2700 to BHE comes very close to the sum of \$3000 requested by the Ballot 2007 – 65 petition, and for all intents and purposes, the request made by the petition should be considered satisfied by the additional \$2700 amount that BCOA can donate to BHE (without running afoul of the IRS public support test) pursuant to the advice of BHE's Treasurer and accountants."]

BALLOT 2007 – 73: APPROVED**SUBJECT: FUNDS FOR BHE AND GARY JOHNSON****Postmarked December 15, 2007****Effective December 25, 2007**

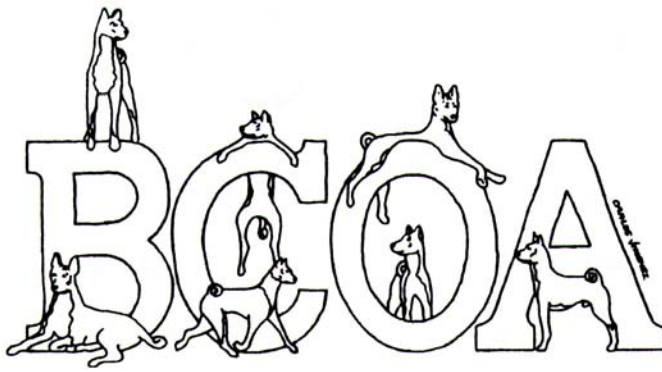
Please mark your vote on approving the donation of funds:

two thousand seven hundred (\$2700.00) dollars to Basenji Health Endowment, and
three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to Dr. Gary Johnson at the University of Missouri

to be used for further research into Basenji health research, especially Fanconi syndrome.

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

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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