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NATIONAL SPECIALTY CALENDAR

All dates & Judges pending AKC approval

2014 – Sept 23 - Sept 28 • Gray Summit, MO

Specialty Chair: Jon Curby • jcurby@offa.com
Judges: Regular Classes - Dr. Donald Sturz, Jr.
Sweepstakes: Mr. Tad Brooks

2015 – Oct 26 - Nov 1 • Gettysburg, PA

Specialty Chair: Lisa Auerbach
Judges: Regular Classes - Mr. Michael Work
Sweepstakes: TBD

SPECIALTY EVENT CALENDAR

DATES & CORRESPONDING BID DATES



Judges Tallying Committee 2013

Chair: Dr. Laurie Stargell

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Date: October 30th, 2013

To: Pam Geoffroy, Vice President Basenji Club of America

CC: Janet Ketz, Secretary

Dear Pam:

On October 26th, 2013, the Judges Tallying Committee met to count the ballots for the 2016 Regular Classes Judge and the 2015 Sweepstakes Classes Judge. The committee received 275 ballots. Three ballots were received with a postmark after October 15th and were thus ineligible. Six ballots were ineligible due to failure to use the internal envelope and four more for failing to use the 1, 2, 3 ranking system. This left 262 eligible ballots for tallying, although 2 of those voted only for sweepstakes judges. As such, a total of 260 votes were cast for the regular class judges.

For the Regular Classes Judge, the order from highest number of total points after weighted voting to lowest is William (Bill) Shelton (758 points), Barbara Alderman (628 points), Lisa Warren (368 points), Pamela Bruce (308 points) and Sharon Sakson (278 points). For the Sweepstakes Classes Judge, the order from highest number of total points after weighted voting to lowest is Julie Jones (572 points), Pat Cembura (567 points), MaryK Quinnett (476 points), Bryan Gregory (384 points) and Kathy Jones (359 points).

I have included the table with the breakdowns for total numbers of first, second and third place votes, along with the calculation from the weighted voting on the following page.

Sincerely,

Laurie Stargell, chair

Tammy McQuigg

Jolene Krohn

2014 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESUMES

PRESIDENT Jon Curby [MO]

Although it was some time ago, I have served as BCOA president for five years. Also, AKC delegate for fifteen years. While president I instigated the formation of the Basenji Health Endowment, helped create the DNA repository for Basenjies and Canine Phenome Project at the University of Missouri. Other small projects include writing one of the first National Specialty guidelines, computerizing the BCOA roster and creating a membership database. During my forty years of living with Basenjies we have bred over seventy title holders. Of course, traveling to the Congo five times to visit the Azande people and their basenjies is one of my most satisfying undertakings. These trips have given me even more determination to do whatever necessary to preserve this magnificent breed both here and in Africa. Outside Africa, basenjies depend on people like the members of the BCOA to keep them from being "improved" by those who would manipulate them to be something they are not. We are obligated to present to the public the reality of living with basenjies and to do whatever we can to not introduce or perpetuate genetic health issues in the breed. The BCOA is the best tool we have to accomplish these goals. As president I will try to involve as many members as is practical in club projects and move toward utilization of new technological and communication tools wherever reasonable.

VICE PRESIDENT Pam Geoffroy [MA]

I have been actively involved in competing with Basenjies for the past twenty years. Under the name Eldorado Basenjies, my sister Sheila Lund and I have bred many conformation and performance (coursing/agility/obedience) champions, with excellent health and good temperament as very important priorities in our breeding program. I have also been actively involved in supporting the mission of the BCOA by working on two BCOA National Specialties (both times as trophy chair), and co-chairing the Native Stock Committee with Damara Bolte, which has led to new African dogs being included in our Basenji gene pool. It is my hope that this added diversity in our Basenji population will help protect our breed in the future should new health issues arise. I also served for two years as BCOA President, and am currently serving as Vice President. I am encouraged and heartened by the goodwill and thoughtfulness shown by so many fellow members. There is still much we can do for our amazing breed, and I would be honored to serve the BCOA in 2014 as Vice President. If elected, I will continue to emphasize the importance of: health research; educational tools for breeders, judges, owners and junior members; enhancing communication; the National Specialty; and responsible budget planning.

SECRETARY Janet Ketz [IL]

My husband and I got our first basenji in the late 90's. We currently have 2, a Ch. boy and a "Brat" girl. We are also BCOSW members, active in club events and activities. I am not a breeder nor do I have any advanced education or training but my love for the breed has prompted me to volunteer for basenjies and the BCOA when and wherever I can. When elected as BCOA Secretary for 2010, I had no idea of all the work it takes to run a large breed parent club. For the past 3 ½ years as Secretary, I have been learning and upgrading my skills so I can continue to meet the needs of our club. I try to be available to those seeking info or help with all things BCOA and basenji. I don't know all the answers but thanks to the support and knowledge of the entire basenji family, answers and information on a wide range of topics are available to us all. In March I retired, from a 30 year career in nuclear power-electrical generation, doing hands-on maintenance work. We are spending some of our new free time racing/coursing our dog and we are enjoying all the new found freedom retirement offers. I would be happy to serve the BCOA again in 2014.

TREASURER Linda Siekert [AZ]

Intrigued by the breed since the late 1980's, I researched thoroughly before obtaining my first basenji in 1994. I have bred three litters and have personally owned seven basenjies. Armed with intelligence and tenacity; necessary compliments to our beloved breed traits; I have successfully piloted my basenjies to over 150 titles, including the breed's only MACH, PACH and AKC Triple Champion; my dogs have won multiple Best in Fields, Best of Breeds and High in Trials. This diligence has also served me well in my career path; I rose from receptionist to Certified Veterinary Technician in less than 4 years; the minimum time necessary to accumulate enough hours to sit the boards. I am one half of the BCOA African Stock Project Committee, responsible for the maintenance of the ASP database, featuring photos, pedigrees and health information of native African stock. I have written numerous articles featured in various basenji publications throughout the US and abroad. I was the 2010 National Specialty Treasurer and am the current BCOA Treasurer (since 2011). My commitments to the breed and the BCOA, while simple, are earnest; to mindfully breed towards a written standard without losing sight of the breed's original purpose in Africa, to help breeders maintain unique breed traits and genetic diversity through native stock, improve long-term breed health, to support more membership participation in BCOA matters, and lastly, to help educate current fanciers, or potential fanciers, to the performance possibilities of our breed and the health problems that concern us all.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lisa Auerbach, VA

I joined BCOA in 1991 and have been active in the club ever since. I have served on the Board of Directors for twelve years, co-chaired the 2012 BCOA National Specialty and am scheduled to chair the 2015 BCOA National, and currently head up the Website Security committee. In the past, I have served on, chaired, and co-chaired the Health and Research Committee; chaired the BHE Fundraising Committee; volunteered for many Nationals; and served on the National Specialty Oversight, Volunteers, Archives, and Outreach committees. I also belong to Mid-Atlantic Basenji Club, and serve as its webmaster. I belong to and am on the Board of the Virginia Federation of Dog Clubs and Breeders, and I am a member of the AKC Canine Health Foundation's President's Council. My own breeding program focuses on health, temperament, and type. I've owned or bred fourteen champions with others pointed, plus dogs titled or on their way to titles in lure coursing and rally. In 1999, my breeding program expanded to include full Avongaras, which I have been breeding with a goal of preserving breed-wide genetic diversity that future generations will be able to utilize. At work, I am a database administrator for a financial software development organization. I'm active in my field, having written a book published by McGraw-Hill and contributed to another computer book. I also co-own small businesses that publish The Basenji magazine and develop web applications. I love the breed. If elected as a Board member, I will do my best.

Kimberly A Brown [PA]

My involvement with basenjies began in 2003 when I brought home a 1/2 Native African basenji, Lewis. Since then, I have bred 2 litters under my kennel name Dagoba. My first home bred Grand Champion earned a spot in the 2012 National Specialty Top 25 at age 1 ½. My dedication to the breed is deep. Breed education, health issues, rescue support and volunteerism are very important to me. I have represented the BCOA at the 2009 and 2011 AKC "Meet the Breeds"; in 2011 the BCOA booth won 2nd place (Hound) for our education and booth design. I am a rescue contact for BRAT. I was the co-Field Trial

2014 OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESUMES (CONT.)

Secretary for both lure coursing events at the 2012 BCOA NS and am presently the BCOA Tallier. I have a Masters in Health Sciences and Project Management Certificates. I have worked 20 years with a large pharmaceutical company as Associate Program Director; I lead numerous global teams from diverse cultures, and opinions, to improve and enhance human life. My job experience and volunteerism with various kennel clubs, makes me an excellent leader, problem solver, and negotiator. I believe in listening to everyone's opinion and making sound decisions for what is best for the situation at hand. I am a fair and neutral person that can listen to all sides without political influence in order to make the best decision for our beloved breed. Thank you for considering me in this nomination.

Bryan Gregory [WA]

I have been interested in basenjis most of my life, having a family pet basenji as a teenager. Her name was Lady, of course, bred by Robert Mankey and Jack Shafer, Cambria Basenjis. I purchased my first basenji from Sheila Smith, Tennji Basenjis in 1981, started showing in 1983 and have been with the basenji fancy ever since. I met my wife, Laurie, Quita Basenjis, through the basenji fancy. Together we have bred approximately 50 conformation champions, many field champions, and trained a few obedience basenjis. Sheila Smith and Melody Russell were my first mentors in the breed. I feel privileged to have known Sheila, one of the early American breeders. She had wonderful stories about George Gilkey, and the beginnings of the Basenji Club of America. I believe in a balanced basenji, not only in conformation, but in form and function. Laurie and I are currently involved in conformation, lure coursing, obedience (rally), and Laurie just started our first agility dog. We breed about one litter a year. I'm a long time member of the Evergreen Basenji Club, served on the Board in various positions for many years, including president, chairman of several specialties, lure trials, and various committees. Lately, Lure Operator and equipment tech for EBC trials. My interest in running for the BCOA Board is to give back to the Club which has supported my interest for these many years. I hope to extend my ideology of balance as a Board member.

Karen Hutchison [PA]

In 1984 my husband came home exclaiming, "You should see the dog I just saw. It is the most beautiful dog I have ever seen. It is called a Basenji. The one I saw was 18 years old!" Thus began the journey. After carefully researching the breed, we decided to wait to get one until our daughter [Jami] was older. Mid-January 1992 we received a phone call from a friend that knew we were interested in the breed; there was a litter born in our area just two days prior. The breeders were Kelly and Heather Hettick and the puppy's sire and dam were CH Akuaba's Tornado x Timar's Amina. We are fortunate to the Hetticks for trusting us to have our beautiful red and white girl, Karnak. We soon learned that the saying is true... "you just can't have one if you love the breed"... a year later we got our second, a black, tan and white boy, Kippy. These two taught us so much about our role as stewards of the breed. For me, the most important things we can do as protectors of the breed is to promote careful, limited and educated breeding practices, finding great homes for the puppies, educating new owners whether they are show or pet, and providing a life-time of support for those puppies and their families. I live by this. Professionally, I have a BS in Education and am currently a Library Director at a private art college.

Jackie Jones [OR]

I am a founding member Willamette Valley Basenji Club and helped found Cascade Hound Club. A member of Basenji Club of America, and a past member of the Tualatin Kennel Club and the Longview/Kelso Kennel Club. I purchased my first purebred dog in 1963, Jahara's Lady Venus, a Dobe. She was my introduction to the world of purebred dogs and exhibiting. She lived to the ripe old age of 16. From 1963 through 1967 I worked as a veterinarian assistant. I served in the Marine Corp for 2 years. After leaving the military I again was a veterinary assistant for 5 years. My first Basenji in 1982 was from Kazor Basenjis, and I have had Dobermans and Basenjis ever since. I have had Ch Dobermans, Basenjis, Border Terriers and Afghan. I developed a computer program and shared it with club members to enable WVBC to do its own show secretary duties for both specialties and lure coursing. I have been the show secretary for many other clubs. I have held the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Board member of the WVBC and currently I am the Secretary/Treasurer. I have an AA Degree in Administrative Assistant/ Office Management and an advanced certificate as a Microsoft power user. I also have a minor degree from Pennsylvania State in light horsemanship.

Suzanne La Croix [MI]

In 1994, I sought a dog that would be behaviorally interesting. Over the next 20 years I have had ample opportunity to appreciate my gross understatement of basenji behavior! My mentor has always been Damara Bolté. We have produced three litters. Because of her generous wing, I have only recently hung my Bon Mot kennel shingle. I have spent 12 of my 19 BCOA years as the co-chair of the Performance Events committee which administers the Versatile Basenji program (Cindy Griswold and I brought the idea for this program to the BCOA in 2001). I have trained and competed with my dogs (basenjis, bouviers, dobermans, and a lab mix) in conformation, agility, obedience, coursing, tracking, search and rescue, and animal assisted activities and therapy for over 20 years. My love of canids spilled into my professional life too. I have been fortunate to serve as the President/Executive Director of a non-profit agency supporting visiting animal programs in several hospital systems in Michigan, to complete a Ph.D. at Michigan State University researching behavioral and morphological development in coyotes, and to found a private practice serving my community as an Ethologist and Applied Animal Behaviorist. I especially love telling students and clients the stories of BCOA's successes with basenji health issues. I don't know what the BCOA's next challenges will be, but I DO know that our club will persevere because of our members' wealth of talent, perspective, and energy. I would be honored to serve as a director for the BCOA.

Michael D. Work [VT]

My involvement with Basenjis goes back forty-five years. In 1966 my parents gave me a Basenji puppy as a gift. "Flame", Ch. Makila Motane Moke, became the Top Producing Basenji bitch of all time, and helped to spark my lifelong passion for the breed. Flame's record stood for thirty-one years. I have been an active member of the Basenji Club of America. Over the years I have served as Vice-President and as a Board Member of the BCOA. I have made three trips to the Democratic Republic of Congo in 1987, 2006 and 2011 with Jon Curby and others, to bring back foundation stock. I have been a member of the Native Stock committee and helped to re-open the AKC stud book for basenjis imported from Africa. I have judged Sweepstakes, African Stock Exhibition, Junior Showmanship and the Top Twenty at BCOA National Specialties. I was fortunate to have wonderful mentors when I started and I have tried to emulate them and share what I have learned over the years with newcomers to the breed. It is important for experienced people, active in the Basenji community, to give their time and energies to the BCOA. I think at this point in the Club's history, the views and perspective of people with broad experience in the breed can make a difference. I am independent. I will vote my conscience for what is best for basenjis and the Basenji Club of America.

2016 Regular Class Judge choices

Judge	First choice (5 points each)	Second choice (3 points each)	Third choice (1 point each)
Barbara Alderman (total = 628 points) 2	81 votes (405 points)	61 votes (183 points)	40 votes (40 points)
Pamela Bruce (total = 308 points) 4	11 votes (55 points)	59 votes (177 points)	76 votes (76 points)
Sharon Sakson (total = 278 points) 5	23 votes (115 points)	40 votes (120 points)	43 votes (43 points)
William Shelton (total = 758 points) 1	119 votes (595 points)	43 votes (129 points)	34 votes (34 points)
Lisa Warren (total = 368 points) 3	26 votes (130 points)	57 votes (171 points)	67 votes (67 points)
Ballot totals	260 votes (1300 points)	260 (780 points)	260 (260 points)

2015 Sweepstakes Class Judge Choices

Judge	First choice (5 points each)	Second choice (3 points each)	Third choice (1 point each)
Pat Cembura (total = 567 points) 2	68 votes (340 points)	54 votes (162 points)	65 votes (65 points)
Julie Jones (total = 572 points) 1	66 votes (330 points)	63 votes (189 points)	53 votes (53 points)
Kathy Jones (total = 359 points) 5	19 votes (95 points)	63 votes (189 points)	75 votes (75 points)
Bryan Gregory (total = 384 points) 4	47 votes (235 points)	38 votes (114 points)	35 votes (35 points)
MaryK Quinnett (total = 476 points) 3	62 votes (310 points)	44 votes (132 points)	34 votes (34 points)
Ballot totals	262 (1310 points)	262 (786 points)	262 (262 points)



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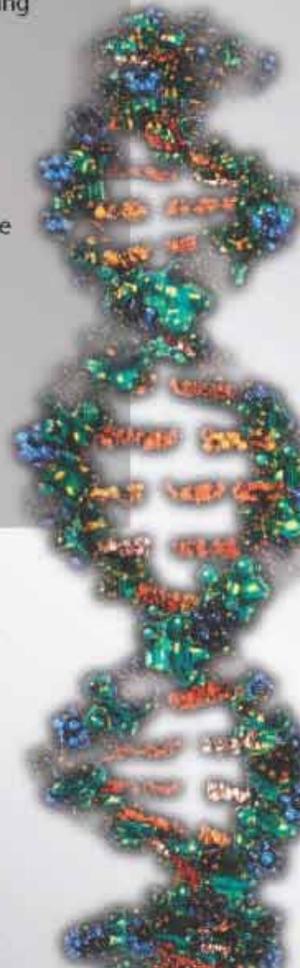
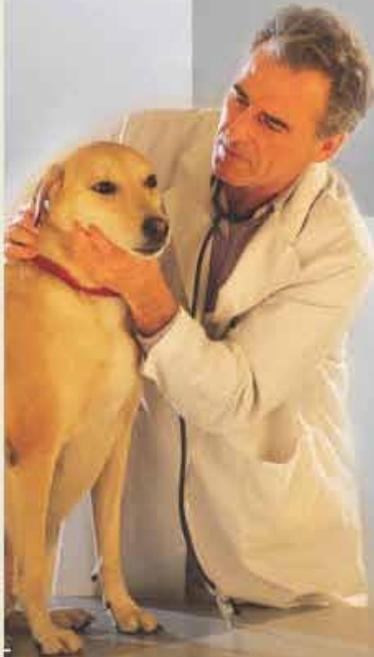
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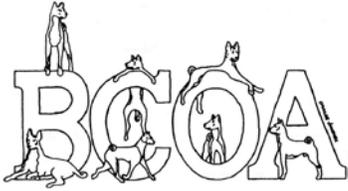
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