

Bonanza Kennel Club - General Membership Meeting

January 3, 2012

The January 3, 2012, meeting of the Bonanza Kennel Club was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Candy Roper. The minutes of the November 1, 2011 general meeting were approved as printed in the December 2011 newsletter. **Motion**

Bob Newman, **Second** Sieg Goepner. **Motion Carried.**

The minutes of the December 8, 2011 board meeting were approved by the board as printed in the second December newsletter. **Motion** Sieg Goepner, **Second** Bob Newman. **Motion Carried.**

The **Recording** and **Corresponding** Secretaries were absent.

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$17,830.02. The activity for the months of November and December is as follows:

Chefs in the House (show hospitality)	-\$160.94
Nancy Gammie (trophies)	-\$34.86
Judy Johnson (newsletter)	-\$30.69
AKC Show Application 2012	-\$200.00
Carson City Parks & Rec. Dept.	-\$2,478.00
Dues	\$53.00
Bad check replacement (Shear Delight)	\$175.00
Carson City Parks & Rec. Dept. (Cleaning deposit)	\$821.00

Committees:

Show: The judges are all hired and we're working on their assignments.

Breed Presentation: Cathy Coval stated that this month's presentation will be by Jessica Sage on the Bearded Collie. She asked for volunteers for future meetings stating that next month will be by Deb Schmidt on Bouviers. A request will also be placed in the newsletter for future volunteers. Cathy gave permission to publish her email and phone number in the newsletter.

Match: There will be a conformation B match in conjunction with Reno Kennel Club's obedience and rally B matches on January 22, 2012. Fliers were made available at the board's table. There will be day of match entries only. Carolyn asked if she should buy Best in Match (BIM) ribbons as needed to cover several matches. **Motion** Cathy Coval, **Second**, Deb Schmidt that BIM ribbons will be ordered for January 22, 2012 match as well as for future matches. In addition, existing ribbons will continue to be used until they run out to save money. **Motion Carried.**

Nominating Committee: Chairman Bob Kinney stated that the nominating committee will meet next week. He has contacted current board members to see if they want to continue in their current position.

Guests: Mary Engstrom from Lovelock is a member of Reno Kennel Club and has Fox and Rat Terriers; she filled out and submitted a membership application. Her partner, Deb Walker, who is also on the membership application, will attend next month's meeting with her. Melissa Graham is from Fallon. She has a nine year old daughter who is interested in Junior Showmanship. She currently has rescued mixed breeds but is interested in obtaining a purebred dog, and possibly raising a service dog for a Veteran. Melissa also submitted a membership application.

Unfinished Business:

There was supposed to be a vote on a bylaws amendment at this meeting, however, because the newsletter was not distributed within ten days of the meeting, the vote will have to be held at the February meeting.

New Business:

The standing rules were discussed and amendments were made to rules 2, 3, and 5. Rule 1 was clarified by a footnote to make it clear that dues will remain at current levels for 2012 until the AKC approves the pending changes to the club's bylaws.

Rule 2 was amended to include ". . . and Parliamentarian" after the words "Sergeant at Arms."

Rule 3 was amended after the word "families," to read as it appears in our premium lists and catalogs as follows: ". . . The president, show chairman, [show] hospitality chairman and members of their households will not exhibit or handle a dog at [BKC dog] shows." *Items in brackets were added for clarity.*

Rule 5 was amended to add a final sentence as follows: "Exceptions to this standing rule may be made by the board on a case-by-case basis."

Motion Carolyn Goepner, **Second** Nancy Gammie to accept the standing rules as amended above. **Motion carried.**

The board appointed Tony Yarbrough as Sergeant at Arms and Parliamentarian for 2012, per the 2012 Standing Rules. The position of Sergeant at Arms was questioned and it was made clear that from its inception, this position was a board appointment only.

Carolyn Goepner advised that the Bonanza Kennel Club is on the internet at some web sites and the references are unfavorable to the club. Tony Yarbrough pointed out that the words *Bonanza Kennel Club* are in the public domain on the internet and, unless we want to spend a great deal of club money to sue sites referencing the club, there is really nothing that can be done.

Cathy Coval stated that she would like assist with next year's show.

Cathy Coval asked whether the club had ever thought about doing a scholarship or to find some other use for the club's money. At the current time, the club's treasury will not support such a donation.

There being no further business, Carolyn Goepner made a **Motion** that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

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The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship is on TV on February 4. It will air on ABC. I don't have what time it will be on, so watch your TV schedule for the time! Westminster is February 13 and 14, and is on at 8:00 p.m. on the USA Network. There are six new breeds being shown this year – the American English Coonhound, Cesky Terrier, Entlebucher Mountain Dog, Finnish Lapphund, Norwegian Lundehund, and the Xoloitzcuintli. I'm looking forward to some GOOD TV programming for a change!

A couple other quick notes: After the match in July, a box was put in the back of the Kinney's truck. That box contained all of the match entries, results, extra armbands, the club's AKC book, pens, rubber bands, etc. Elaine needs that box and can't find it! Someone said it is in the trailer, but she's looked a couple times and can't find it. The Kinneys are currently out of town so we can't ask them again! If it was you who put that box away, or if you've seen it in the club

trailer, PLEASE contact me at candocr@sbcglobal.net ... We need that box! Thank You!

Speaking of the Kinneys ... Congratulations to Taren on her graduation from Boot Camp last week! We are proud "one of our own" is serving our country! We want to know what you're up to, Taren, so keep us posted!

And one final note. Bonanza Kennel Club now has a page on Facebook. I will be posting meeting notices, classes, matches, and other information on it to try to spread the word about what we're doing. I'm not sure how you promote a Facebook page efficiently. If anyone is able to give me some guidance, I'd be happy to talk to you! There are currently four "likes" on the page. If you would each "like" Bonanza Kennel Club it would really help!

See you all on February 7 at our next meeting. The breed presentation will be on the Bouvier.

Condolences

Tony Yarbrough lost his companion and friend, Noel, on January 23, 2012. She suffered from congestive heart failure and was not responding to treatment. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Tony on this sad event.



Breed Spotlight: Bearded Collie

Jessica Sage presented her Bearded Collie to the club after the meeting on January 3, 2012.

Bearded Collies, or "Beardies" as they are affectionately known are a hardy, active breed with the strength and agility of a working dog. They have been bred for centuries as a companion and servant; they are devoted and intelligent family members. They are stable and self confident showing no signs of shyness or aggression. They are a medium-sized dog with a bright and inquiring expression, a feature of the breed. They recommend showing the dog in a natural stance.

Thank you, Jessica, for sharing your dog with the club.

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AKC News

2012 AKC NATIONAL AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

To see the full story about this momentous event being held in our area, click [HERE](#). You will find entry forms, parking information, etc. And, if you want to volunteer to help, read the box to the right.

AKC NEWS—PUPS LEGISLATION

Several emails have been circulating lately about the proposed federal law entitled Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety ([HR 835](#)). Of great concern to many breeders is the definition of a "breeding female" as an intact female dog aged four months or older.

Read AKC's concerns [HERE](#).

AKC JUNIORS NEWSLETTER

Read the e-newsletter for junior showmen (showpersons?) [HERE](#).

PRESS RELEASE

Treeing Walker Coonhound joins the family of AKC recognized breeds. There are now 174 approved AKC breeds. See the full story [HERE](#).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The AKC is holding its 2012 National Agility Championships in RENO in March 2012 and they are looking for volunteers. They need experienced agility workers as well as newbies. Volunteers will get lunch, a tee shirt and a front row seat to watch some of the best agility teams in the country. The deadline for submitting volunteer forms is February 17, 2012.

For more information, contact Kimberly Munoz, Nationals Volunteer Coordinator, at slyfoxagility@yahoo.com.

NEW RALLY RULES GO INTO EFFECT APRIL 1, 2012

The TMDTC (Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club) is having a 30-minute talk at their next meeting (February 6, 2012, 7:00 p.m.) Ladonna Doud will be the speaker. The meeting will be held at their clubhouse located at 755 Timber Way, Reno. Questions can be answered by Cindy Smullen (775-849-2920).

GROUP REALIGNMENT POLL

The Dog Show Superintendent Association (DSSA) would like your opinion about the proposed realignment of Groups. Take the survey [HERE](#).

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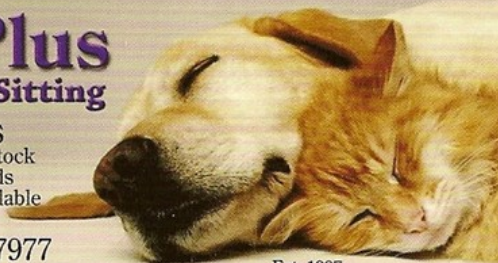


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Nominating Committee Results

The Nominating Committee, led by Vice President Bob Kinney, met Monday, January 9, 2012, and completed its obligation to nominate one person for each board position. The committee members included Tony Yarbrough, Suzanne Johnson. The alternates were Nancy Gammie and Ann Kinney. The following is the slate they selected:

- President: Candy Roper
- Vice President: Bob Kinney
- Treasurer: Bob Newman
- Recording Sec: Judy Johnson
- Corresponding Secretary Gail Speiker, Board Member
- Seig Goepner, Board Member
- Elaine Oxborrow, Board Member

Nominations from the floor will be taken at the general meeting on March 6, 2012, and the elections will take place at the general meeting on April 3, 2012.

Standing Rules

The 2012 Standing Rules, as approved by the membership on January 3, 2012, are attached to this newsletter. Rule 1 will not go into effect until the bylaws amendments are approved by the AKC. The dues amounts remain as printed below in the DUES NOTICE.



BYLAWS VOTE

At the February 7 meeting will be voting on the following proposed bylaw addition:

In order to maintain the independence and integrity of Bonanza Kennel Club, anyone serving as an elected official in another all breed kennel club is ineligible to concurrently serve as an elected official in Bonanza Kennel Club.

You **MUST BE PRESENT** at this meeting to vote.

Bonanza KC

DUES ARE DUE

Membership dues for 2012 are due and payable by January 1, 2012. Pursuant to the current BKC Bylaws (Article I, Section 1), annual dues are as follows:

- General Membership \$7.50
- Associate Membership \$5.00
- Juniors (17 and under) free

Please fill out the information below and send your dues to:

Bonanza Kennel Club, P. O. Box 1871, Carson City, NV 89702

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

ANIMAL ISSUES

NATIONAL ANIMAL INTEREST ALLIANCE

By Patti Strand, National Director

Wishing You a Happy and Successful New Year!

At NAIA Trust our most important New Year's resolution is to help our constituents increase their power in 2012! This is an election year so it's doubly important to make contact with your elected officials, especially if they are up for re-election.

As a constituent, you have more influence with your elected officials than any other person or outside group, no matter how rich or seemingly powerful they might be. But for your special status to count, you must take action. As the saying goes, **the world is run by those who show up**. Our goal is to help you do that.

A few tips and tools for growth and success in 2012

1. Introduce yourself to your elected officials:

Establish a relationship;
Create an awareness of your issues, and Become a trusted source of information.
Make an in-person visit, call, fax or write. If you can't personally visit Washington DC or your state capital, visit your lawmakers' local offices and get to know the staff. Share your materials with them so they become familiar with you and your issues. Phone calls can be very effective, but always follow up with a letter that puts your positions and ideas in writing. When time isn't a factor, send your letter via normal mail channels. Otherwise send it by fax or copy and paste it into your email. If you want your letter to be read, do not send it as an email attachment because security concerns may prevent it from being opened. Please read number 3 below for

guidelines on how to write the letter.

2. Use . It makes it easy for you to locate and contact your lawmakers - federal, state, and local, from the President down to your local representative. Please note that Capwiz not only gives you contact information for your lawmakers, it also provides links to federal agencies. This is valuable because under this administration federal agencies have taken a more active role, sometimes replacing legislative proposals with administrative rulemaking and other regulatory approaches. Earlier this year, for example, USDA proposed rulemaking and sought comments regarding the importation of dogs for resale. In the near future, we expect USDA to propose rulemaking and seek comments regarding the regulation of dog breeding. At that time, our members need to be prepared to make substantive comments enabling officials to write effective, well-targeted regulations that don't come with a load of unintended consequences. You can be sure that agency administrators are hearing other points of view about issues that affect you.

3. Write a short letter to introduce yourself and your issues. It's good to develop a relationship with government officials you need their help. You can be certain that representatives from other national groups have already introduced themselves. Here are a few letter-writing tips:

- * Be respectful and polite;
 - * Identify yourself as a voting constituent;
 - a. a stakeholder who could be affected by a policy decision;
 - b. an expert who can provide useful information on policy issues; and,
 - c. a representative of a larger group whose views you share.
- * State your concerns very succinctly. Get to the point. Here's a reminder we have posted in the NAIA office. "Be selective. Be concise. Don't tell people what you know, tell them

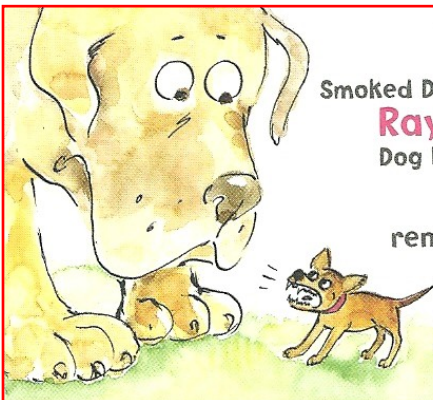
what they need to know; what it means; and why it matters."

* Provide your representative with documentation to show your expertise or prove your case whenever you can. Here are some items that dog enthusiasts can use:

- a. AKC State Economic Impact for 2010;
- b. The NAIA Shelter Project showing animal shelter ;
- c. NAIA brochures and ;
- d. NAIA Model legislation offering ; and
- e. Ask for a response to your letter, or better yet, ask for an appointment.

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BRAGS!

Susanne Haug's Pembroke Welsh Corgi, Hooper (Nebriowa Jumpin' Jack Flash), took Winners Dog and Best of Winners at the Golden Valley Kennel Club Show) and the next day took Winners Dog in Stockton, San Joaquin Kennel Club Show. Susanne handled at both shows. Hooper took Reserve Winners Dog to a four-point major at the Palm Springs Show in Indio. Competition was heated when Bill Shelton was showing. Almost all were bred-by with owner/judges either showing or professional handlers on 90 percent of the Pems. Hooper

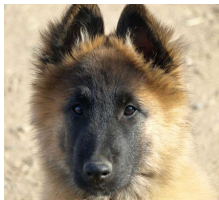
Chris Sage's Bearded Collie, Fallon's Bonnie Lass v Luna is an International Champion and has a leg in her national Championship and only needs two more legs to get that! Woo Hoo Bon Bon, a Border Collie, only needs her majors for her AKC Championship. She hopes to get them this spring!

Elaine Oxborrow's Aquila Mischief Managed "Jordon" (sired by my Ch Aangikichi Midnight Magic "Wizard" out of Elaine's CH Tamzil Makin' Mischief At Aquila "Sophie") took Winners Dog,



BOW and Best of Breed for the crossover 4 point major at his first show at 6 months and 3 weeks of age! The next day Jordon took Winners Dog for another point.

Elaine also has a new Belgian Tervuren puppy, Tahoe (AfterShock Game On at Aquila) who has already had his first herding lesson.



CONGRATS EVERYONE!

My goal is to print each and every brag from each meeting *BUT* please don't expect me to be able to write down everything at a meeting. I'm not that good and you wouldn't want mistakes. So, be sure to follow up your brag with an email to me (jayjay44@charter.net). *AND . . . SEND PICTURES!*

Area Clubs

Northern Nevada Australian Shepherd Club

<http://www.nnasc.com/>

Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club

<http://www.tmdtc.org/>

Sierra Nevada Bulldog Club

www.sierrabulldogclub.org



Sierra Nevada Border Collie Club

<http://snbcc.blogspot.com/>

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