



BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA INC. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership in the Bearded Collie Club of America (BCCA) is open to individuals 18 years of age or older. The application process takes approximately three (3) months from the time we receive the completed application until the time an applicant is accepted into membership.

To ensure that your application is processed without delay, please (i) complete the form in full (**do not leave questions blank**); (ii) have a BCCA member in good standing complete the sponsorship section; (iii) sign and date the application; (iv) read and sign the Code of Ethics (signature of all applicants is required); (v) enclose the appropriate dues; and (vi) forward it to the Corresponding Secretary for processing. Please contact the BCCA Corresponding Secretary if you need help in locating BCCA members in your area to act as your sponsors.

Upon receipt, the Corresponding Secretary will submit the application to the BCCA Board for review and to *The Bagpipes*, the official newsletter of the BCCA, for publication and membership review. If no objections to the pending applicant(s) are received, a motion to accept the membership application will be voted on at the next Board meeting. Upon approval, the candidate will be contacted by the Corresponding Secretary and welcomed as an official member of the BCCA.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

(Please print or type)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Occupation _____

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Home Address: _____ Phone (home): _____

_____ Phone (fax): _____

Kennel Name (if applicable): _____ E-mail: _____

Check where applicable: Dog Owner Exhibitor Breeder Website: _____

How long have you been involved with Bearded Collies? _____ Number of Bearded Collies currently owned or co-owned: _____

Number of other breeds: _____ Name of other breeds you currently own: _____

How long have dogs of any kind been part of your life? _____ In what way? _____

Please indicate your reasons for requesting membership in the Bearded Collie Club of America: _____

What do you expect membership in the Bearded Collie Club of America to offer you? _____

I would be interested in serving the BCCA in some voluntary capacity: Yes No My strengths and/or interests are in the following areas (dog-related or other): _____

Are you currently a member of a regional Beardie club? Yes No Are you a current member of any other dog clubs?
 Yes No Name of clubs and any office and/or positions held: _____

Are you engaged in any commercial enterprise connected with dogs? Yes No If so, are puppies or adult dogs sold in connection with this activity? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been suspended by the American Kennel Club? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from a breed club? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

BEARDED COLLIES OWNED OR Co-OWNED

Registered Name	Registration Number	Call Name	Sex (M/F)	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	Color

If more than four Beardies, please provide above information for each dog on a separate sheet.

ACTIVITIES

Do you exhibit or work your Bearded Collie in any of the following?

Conformation Yes No Agility Yes No Herding Yes No Obedience Yes No

Rally Yes No Therapy Yes No Tracking Yes No Other _____ Yes No

If not, would you have any interest in or want any information about?

Conformation Yes No Agility Yes No Herding Yes No Obedience Yes No

Rally Yes No Therapy Yes No Tracking Yes No Other _____ Yes No

BREEDING RECORD

Do you breed Bearded Collies? Yes No If yes, how long have you been breeding? ____ Please attach a record of the Bearded Collie litters you have produced in the past three years showing date of birth, sire, dam and AKC/CKC/Foreign registration number.

If you have not bred a litter, do you have any interest in breeding? Yes No Explain: _____

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY APPLIES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE BEARDED COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. (BCCA) AND AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE RULES, REGULATIONS, CODE OF ETHICS, CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE BCCA. I PLEDGE TO DO ALL THINGS POSSIBLE TO ADVANCE THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BEARDED COLLIE BREED, TO MAINTAIN THE BREED STANDARD, AND TO FOSTER AND MAINTAIN AMONG THE BCCA MEMBERS WARM FRIENDSHIPS AND THE HIGHEST ETHICAL STANDARDS OF SPORTSMANSHIP.

I HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING BCCA DOCUMENTS:

Constitution and By-laws Code of Ethics Breeders' Guidelines Educational Brochure

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT(S): _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP* (Check One)

- Single - \$25.00 Joint - \$30.00
- Donation to BCCA Rescue: \$ _____
(Donations will be specifically allocated to Rescue)
- Bulletin subscription, bulk postage mail rate - \$28
- Bulletin subscription, 1st class postage, US/Canada - \$36
- Bulletin subscription, 1st class postage, foreign - \$48
- Illustrated Standard, US - \$13
- Illustrated Standard, Canadian - \$15
- Illustrated Standard, Foreign - \$20

*Membership includes a subscription to the Bagpipes (monthly newsletter) and a discount on the subscription rate for the Bearded Collie Bulletin (quarterly magazine)

Please make a check or money order (in U.S. funds only) payable to the **BCCA**.

Send your completed application materials to:

Elizabeth Hayes
BCCA Corresponding Secretary
450 Welsh Road
Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

CODE OF ETHICS

The Bearded Collie Club of America, in order to protect, preserve and promote the advancement and proper breeding and showing of the Bearded Collie, as well as ethical practices, does hereby set forth this Code of Ethics.

- 1) All members shall maintain the best possible standards of health and care of their dogs and shall sell only those who are in good health and condition at the time of delivery. The breeder shall keep and pass on to the buyer accurate health, breeding and registration records at the time of the sale.
- 2) Registration with the American Kennel Club is the responsibility of the breeder. It is recommended that all terms of agreement pertaining to sales, leasing, whelping and breeding of dogs be recorded in writing.
- 3) Bearded Collies shall not be sold to pet shops, wholesale dealers, contest sponsors or to any buyer who the breeder feels will not properly care for the dog.
- 4) All advertising shall be of an honest and forthright nature.
- 5) Good sportsmanship shall be advanced by members at all times.
- 6) All members shall endeavor to help acquaint the public as to the Standard of the Breed as adopted by the Bearded Collie Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club.
- 7) Members shall be held responsible for instructions to handlers and groomers as to the proper grooming of the Bearded Collie so as to conform to the Standard of the Breed.
- 8) Disciplinary action against any member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Club or the Breed may be taken by the BCCA.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE CODE OF ETHICS AS WITNESSED BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW. I UNDERSTAND THAT A BREACH OF THIS CODE MAY BE CAUSE FOR DISMISSAL FROM THE BCCA.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT(S): _____ Date: _____
_____ Date: _____

STATEMENT OF SPONSORSHIP

A BCCA member in good standing must endorse each applicant. By submitting and signing this form you are endorsing the acceptance of a candidate for membership in the Bearded Collie Club of America and you hereby certify that you know this candidate well enough to give such endorsement.

Sponsor's Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Candidate(s): _____

I have known the candidate for _____ years. I have visited the kennel or home of the applicant: Yes No

Candidate owns _____ Bearded Collies. Candidate owns other breeds? _____ Please list number and breed(s): _____

It is my understanding that the candidate for membership has purchased a Bearded Collie to participate in the following activities:

Conformation Therapy Agility Herding Obedience/Rally

Tracking Companion Breeding Other _____

Please explain what you know about this candidate so the BCCA Board can make an informed decision about this candidate's application for membership. Make sure to include the candidate's relationship with their dog club(s), reputation in the dog community, sportsmanship, non-dog interests, activities, and abilities.

I am currently a BCCA Member in good standing and certify that the facts contained in this statement are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I am aware of my responsibility to the BCCA in sponsoring a candidate for membership.

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____