

OFFICIAL NOTICES FROM THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the BCCA will be held in Hunt Valley, Maryland at the Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn on Saturday evening, October 6, 2001. The exact room and time to be announced later.

October Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the BCCA will meet on Wednesday, October 3, 2001 at the Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn in Hunt Valley, Maryland. The exact room and time to be announced later.

Notice to All Affiliated Clubs

Please have your club secretary send a current listing (name, address, and telephone) of your current officers and directors to the Recording Secretary of the BCCA. Mail to: Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, NC 28080.

2003 National Specialty Host Clubs

Bids are now being accepted from local clubs to host the 2003 BCCA National Specialty. Please contact the Recording Secretary, Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, NC 28080, for the proper forms to make the bid per SR 12/81-08.

Nominations for Regular and Sweepstakes Judges for the 2003 National Specialty Nominations for Futurity Judge for 2002* National Specialty

Please send your nominations for regular and sweepstakes judges for the 2003 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary, Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, NC 28080. Each BCCA member is entitled to nominate one person for regular classes and one for sweepstakes.

In addition, please send your nominations for futurity judge for the 2002 National Specialty to the Recording Secretary, Cindy Alspaugh, 5552 Polson Lane, Iron Station, NC 28080. Each BCCA member is entitled to nominate one person for futurity. **Judges for futurity are selected one year in advance.*

Deadline for receipt of all nominations is September 1, 2001. Do it now!!

A preliminary ballot with all nominations will be mailed to the membership in the November issue of *Bagpipes* and must be returned to the Treasurer no later than January 15, 2002. The top three candidates from the preliminary ballot for each judging position will be presented to the membership in a final ballot in the February issue of *Bagpipes* with the ballots to be returned no later than March 30, 2002.

Nominations of judges from other countries, such as Great Britain and Canada, who are eligible to judge championship shows are allowed for regular conformation classes only.

In the selection of sweepstakes judges, any nominations received for English judges, or for persons eligible to judge the entire Herding Group in this country or the Group to which Bearded Collies belong in any other country or are eligible to judge the Breed at any AKC shows are ineligible. All nominees for Sweepstakes should have at least 7 years of experience as an exhibitor in conformation and/or as a breeder of Bearded Collies and have a thorough understanding of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows and Judging as well as the Standard of the Bearded Collie to be eligible for nomination. Only U.S. and Canadian residents may judge

sweepstakes at the National Specialty. Only BCCA members in good standing may be candidates to judge sweepstakes at BCCA National Specialties.

To be nominated to judge futurity, an individual must be a current member in good standing with the BCCA for a period of not less than 10 years, have bred a minimum of 3 litters of Bearded Collies and at least 5 of the resulting puppies from these litters bred have obtained their conformation championships.

Any judge officiating at the BCCA National Specialty will not be permitted on the ballot again until a two year time period has elapsed.