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BCOA Announcement

Nominating Committee Slate for 2022 Officers and Board of Directors

No additional nominees were received for 2022 Officers and Board.

2022 Slate:

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Resumes will be published in November BB.

AKC Meet the Breeds

Events cancelled for the rest of the year.

The AKC Rally® Virtual Program has been
made a permanent sport feature with AKC.

<https://www.akc.org/sports/rally/rally-virtual-entry/>

New Member Applicants

In accordance with the Bylaws 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.



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Carole Kirk, Denise Vertrees

News From the Secretary

Janet Ketz, secretary@basenji.org
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BALLOT 2021-16 APPROVED

SUBJECT: New Members

Effective: September 13, 2021

These new member applicants were published in August Bulletin Board News-letter. No comments were received.

Please indicate your vote to approve them to membership.

Debbie Beckwith SC, Cindy Mason, TX.

Approved: Curby, Hamilton, Hartigan, Hutchison, Jones, Ketz, Nagy, Sapios, Work.



Quick Reference

Send address & email changes to:

Laura Mae Hesse, Treasurer@basenji.org

Sunshine Committee

To ask the BCOA to send a card regarding an ILLNESS, BIRTH, MARRIAGE or DEATH of a member or a member's immediate family, notify Linda Stillwell at 580-251-0930 or linda.stilwell71@gmail.com

Submitting expenses to BCOA Treasurer

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."

The link to the reimbursement form is on the Members' page of www.Basenji.org

BCOA BULLETIN BOARD

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The *Bulletin Board Newsletter* is published in conjunction with membership in the Basenji Club of America, Inc. Dues are \$30 for single members; \$42 for household memberships. All applications for membership require the signatures of two BCOA members in good standing. Send membership inquiries to Janet Ketz, Secretary@basenji.org

Send submissions to:

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newsletter@basenji.org

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BCOA Health Committee Report

Chris Maxka, Chair

As Chair of the **BCOA Health Committee**, I recently “attended” the annual **AKC Canine Health Foundation National Parent Club Canine Health Conference** in which scientists and veterinaries presented their research funded by the **Canine Health Foundation**.

This year the conference was online only.

The following represents my attempt to pull together my notes to share with you. Some of the research studies were breed specific, not relevant to Basenjis, but others contained general information for our breeders and owners. The following are my brief notes on topics of interest.

Immunology and Allergies

Two factors that have a broad impact on the immune system are diet and stress. A high quality diet supports a healthy gut and gut microbiome, which in turns supports the immune response. Increased stress, on the other hand, lowers immune response.

One researcher discussed the benefits of colostrum in enhancing the immune system, including:

- a better reaction to stress,
- a better response to vaccine,
- a longer lasting immunity,
- a better antibody response
- lower inflammation.

SF68 probiotic was also found to enhance vaccine response and immunity.

Canine Atopic Dermatitis

One not uncommon condition that appears to be immune system and allergy related is Canine Atopic Dermatitis. Although the Basenji is not a breed considered to be at increased risk for this condition, our dogs do get it.

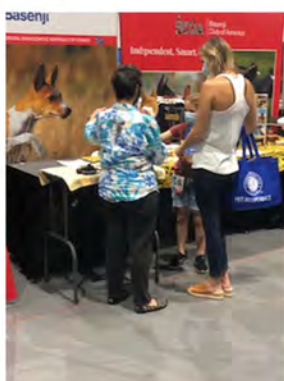
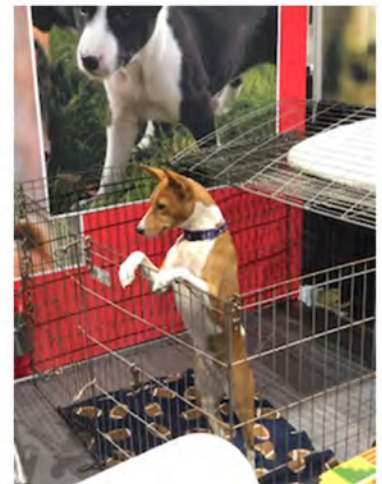
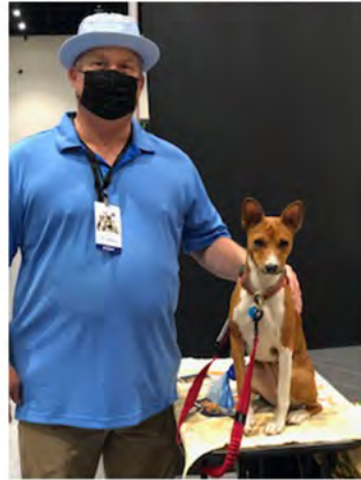
Here’s what to know: this condition is progressive, and it usually persists for life. 10% of affected dogs experience onset by 6 months, 37% by 1 year, and 75% of cases appear by 3 years. Symptoms start with an itch, which progresses around paws, groin, and face, and may include ear infections. Additional allergies may develop over time, and if your dog has this condition, treatment should never stop.

This researcher was cautious in advising antibiotics however. She found that topical therapy (creams, etc) was successful 70% of the time, and recommends trying topicals before turning to antibiotics.

Canine Epilepsy and CBD

I’m sure there are some of you are interested in this topic: “Is CBD the Cure for Canine Epilepsy?” This was a very small, limited study, and although the initial findings were positive, it ended with the opinion that “more research is needed.”

Epilepsy is the most common neurological condition in dogs, and it was inevitable someone would look into the effectiveness of CBD in moderating this disease. Many dogs continue to have seizures even after being treated with anti seizure drugs, and CBD is an alternative therapy touted in humans. The study was preliminary, concluding the CBD appeared “well tolerated,” although the researcher admitted she did not determine either the effectiveness nor the correct dosage.



Meet the Breed San Diego 2021

BCOA Supported Entries

11/5/2021	BCONC	designated with Yosemite Kennel Club	Vallejo, CA
11/6/2021	BCONC	designated with the Contra Costa County	Vallejo, CA
11/27/2021	Copper State Basenji Club	Concurrent with scottsdale kennel club	Phoenix, AZ
11/28/2021	Copper State Basenji Club	concurrent with Arrowhead kennel club	Phoenix, AZ
12/11/2021	5 member request	Supported entry at Eastern Dog Club	Springfield, MA

Please contact our **Sunshine Committee Chair, Linda Stilwell**, by email, linda.stilwell71@gmail.com, with information on illness, accident or loss of members or their immediate family. This will help Linda send out the appropriate card. Thanks to Linda for cheering us when we are low.



Our **AKC Delegate, Katie Campbell**, invites you to contact her by email at taji@krcampbell.com with any questions you have about the AKC, issues you have encountered, or praises that you'd like to sing. She is happy to have you reach out to her and looks forward to facilitating solutions.

BCOA on FaceBook

Keep up with the latest information on Social Media at:

<https://www.facebook.com/basenji.org/>

National Specialty Dates

Any questions or volunteers for any of the upcoming National Specialty Events should contact **National Specialty Advisory Committee (NSAC)**, Jon Curby at jcurby@offa.org

All judges are pending AKC approval.

2022 Purina Farms October 9-15

BCOA will share facility with Bouvier des Flandres & Giant Schnauzers.

Event Chair: Sharron Schmigdall (MI)

Judges: Conformation: Katie Campbell

Sweeps: Stella Sapios

Sharron is currently accepting members to contact her regarding any committee or activity assistance.

2023 Aug 7—Aug 11, Argus Ranch, Auburn WA

Event Chair: Natalie Scherwin (WA)

Assistant Chair Barbara Reisinger, AZ

Judges: Conformation: Mia Lowbeer, Sweepstakes: pending

2024 East Region

A deposit has been made for Purina Farms with dates planned for October 7-14, 2024. Currently managed by BCOA Board.

Lokking for members willing to take on any or all of the planning and management of this event. Contact any Officer or Board Member for information/assistance.

Judges: pending

2025

The west region will have first option to host the 2025 National Specialty. Per Procedure, this host bid is not due yet but if your affiliate club or 8 BCOA members in good standing are interested, please let the NSAC know ASAP.

https://basenji.org/ClubDocs/NS_Procedures_Rev_P.pdf

Region, Year of Event and Bid Year

West 2025	Bid 2022
Central 2026	Bid 2023
East 2027	Bid 2024
West 2028	Bid 2025
Central 2029	Bid 2026
East 2030	Bid 2027



BCOA 2021 Lure Coursing

Photos by Terry Fiedler

Other Stuff

BCOA Disclaimer: Contact information for any organization, activity or event outside of the BCOA is provided strictly as a public service for our members. All organizations, activities and events are separate entities that are unrelated to the Basenji Club of America and BCOA is not responsible for the actions of any group or their agents. BCOA does not regulate, supervise, inspect, or provide any input into the respective operations, policies, procedures, and/or adoption requirements of any outside groups. BCOA members need to investigate all outside groups and events and make their own decisions on the merits of the events and event presenters.



Taking Command

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July NEWSLETTER](#)

The **AKC** is pleased to announce that an **enhanced DNA test kit** will become available July 2021, utilizing a new and improved way of submitting your canine DNA samples to AKC.

Submitting DNA samples is now simpler than ever. The new AKC DNA kits contain a barcode and an activation code, which customers will enter along with their contact and dog information via an online portal (www.dna.akc.org). No more pen and ink paper forms are required and customers will mail their DNA samples directly to AKC's lab in Lincoln, NE, greatly improving processing turnaround time.

Also, customers will now automatically receive email notifications of sample status, eliminating guesswork and letting customers know the status of their sample as soon as possible. Results and DNA certificates ordered will still be mailed directly to the customer when processing of the sample is complete.

The current non-barcoded AKC DNA test kits (both prepaid and regular \$50 kits) will be phased out in July 2021. Any AKC DNA kits purchased prior to the barcoded kit update will still be accepted for processing. The original procedure of mailing the sample, payment and completed forms directly to AKC DNA Operations will still be required for processing these old-style, non-barcoded kits.

For any questions or for more information, contact dna@akc.org or call 919-816-3508.



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Costume Contest at the National Specialty --

Becky Blansett put on the event. It was a meet and greet with fun & games. Ray Cooper took the photo.

In the photo is Heather Galford, Marie Galford, and Thor "GCH Dark Moon's God Of Thunder" who was Awarded Select Dog. Heather noted this was their first National and a very memorable one! Glad to have them in our basenji pack.

Thanks to Heather and 'junior in training' Marie for pitching in during the week to help out.

THANK YOU

To everyone that worked on & participated in the **2021 Nationals**

From

The **BCOA Officers and Board of Directors**

BCOA 2021 National



Pickin' & Grinnin' in Tennessee!

Here is the Link to the RESULTS

https://foytrentdogshows.com/results/2021/Results_2021_Basenji.pdf

https://foytrentdogshows.com/results/2021/Results_2021_Basenji_Rally.pdf

Here is the Link to the Candid Photos

<https://thornburydesigns.shootproof.com/gallery/16283506/>

Here is the Link to the Videos

<https://www.youtube.com/user/SherryBuchla>