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BCOA Announcement

BCOA Roster and **ballots for judges selection stage 3** going out later in May in the mail. Will be counting results mid June. Members...get your votes back asap.

BCOA is looking for an AKC Legislative Liaison.

Purpose: Follows local and state level dog policy issues and provide communication to the membership.

Responsibilities: Communicate with AKC Government Relations Department, post/share legislative alerts on current state and/or national laws affecting dog owners/breeders.

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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News From the Secretary

Janet Ketz, secretary@basenji.org
1912 Oakland Ave, Crest Hill, IL 60403
Eastern time, 815-325-5908

BCOA National Specialty 2022 Purina Farms October 9-15 is in need of volunteers to chair the following committees.

Grounds-plan a way to motivate everyone to be sure to pick up after their dogs and others. (One year if you turned in your baggie of poop you got a raffle ticket, then at the end a ticket was drawn and a prize awarded.

Grooming-coordinate and assign spaces for the 'reserved grooming space'. Set up the area and clearly indicate spaces and reserved for names.

Fast Cat- (several volunteers needed), Sarah Smith Falkner will chair the event. We also need some additional core people to help run the event. (we have a volunteer to be the secretary and to act as hunt master)

It takes a team to hold Nationals and all help is greatly appreciated.

Event Chair: Sharron Schmigdall (MI)

stonwykebasenji@aol.com

Vickie Sue Bowers Jacobs

June 14, 1947 - March 27, 2022

BCOA sends heartfelt sympathies to Russ Jacobs and the family of long-time member BCOA member Vickie Jacobs of Cynosure kennels. Vickie passed away on March 27, 2022 with Russ by her bedside. Vickie was a very active member of the Basenji community, playing pivotal roles on the lure coursing field as well as active in the conformation ring. She has left a legacy of kindness, openness, and welcoming to "newbies" in our sports and of our breed. Vickie will be dearly missed.

Russ shared Vickie Jacobs' obituary: <https://www.brennanmathenafh.com/.../vickie-s-bowers-jacobs>

Also, if anyone would like to send anything such as memories, pictures, or what-have-you to Russ at:

Russell Jacobs

7045 SE 61st Street

Tecumseh, KS 66542-9516

it would be greatly appreciated and welcomed.

Sympathies to all of her family and friends.

Change of e-mail for Secretary

Please use secretary@basenji.org for all correspondence with the BCOA Secretary, Janet Ketz. Anything sent to the old aol address will not be seen. New alternate/personal e-mail is jlketz58@gmail.com Thank you.



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

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BCOA Bulletin Board Subscription information

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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BCOA Health Committee Report

Chris Maxka, Chair

FROM THE BCOA HEALTH COMMITTEE:

A few months ago, an error in interpretation of a Fanconi test result at the U of Missouri lab of Dr. Gary Johnson was discovered, and a review of 2000 previous tests found others. Owners have been notified and samples retested, and importantly, lab procedure has been changed so that each sample now undergoes two independent tests. Dr. Johnson explains in detail:

Errors in DNA test for Fanconi Syndrome

In December of 2021 we reported that a Basenji had a “carrier” test result, which surprised the owner who expected a “normal” test result since each of the dog’s parents had previously tested “normal.” We reviewed the parents’ test results and found that one test result had been misinterpreted by one of our technicians and that the data indicated that the sire was, in fact, a carrier. This was confirmed by retesting that parent’s sample. We reported our mistake and apologized to the owner of the heterozygous offspring and the owner of the parent with the miscalled test result. We offered to provide free DNA test to any untested current offspring and any future offspring of these dogs. In addition, we contacted the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals about our mistake, and they have issued a replacement certificate for the sire.

Most of the canine DNA tests offered by our laboratory detect mutations resulting from the alteration of a single unit of DNA. There are well-established, robust technologies, for testing these types of mutations. The mutation that causes Fanconi syndrome in Basenjis is more complex. It consists of the replacement of many of the normal DNA units with a few DNA units that were not present in normal dogs. The tests for this type of mutation are more difficult to perform and to interpret. Because of this we did early Fanconi testing with two independent tests: one that was very reliable for detecting normal DNA but also detected the mutation when present and the other one that was very reliable detecting the mutation but also detected normal DNA when present. About five years ago, the technician that performed the test observed that the results of the two tests were always in agreement and that we could get reliable results from one test alone. I now regret that I agreed to change to a one-test protocol.

When, as mentioned above, it came to our attention that we had mistakenly given a “normal” test result to a dog that was, in fact, a “carrier”, we worried that there may have been other mistakes. Thus, we reviewed the results for over 2,000 Fanconi tests done since we reverted to the single test procedure. All samples that gave test results with even slight deviations from the expected band patterns were retested with the two-test procedure. In addition, many randomly selected tests were retested, as were samples run at the same time as suspected errors. In all, we found 15 errant test result in addition to the one mentioned. Fourteen of the errors were involved “carriers” that were mistakenly reported to be “normal.” Two of the errors involved “affected” dogs at risk of developing Fanconi syndrome that were mistakenly reported to be “carriers.” All of the involved owners have been notified and offered free testing for the offspring of the dogs with the errant test results. In addition, all of the mistakes have been reported to the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals and corrected certificates have been issued.

Going forward, we have resumed using the two-test protocol for all samples submitted for Fanconi testing.

Sincerely,
Gary S. Johnson



Considering making a bid to chair the National but don't know what's involved or would like some guidance along the way? Natalie Scherwin, 2023 Event Chair, would be happy to answer your questions or provide guidance - whether that's discussing the scope of the job, putting together the bid, or sharing best practices. Contact her at natalie.scher@hotmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 9:

LGRA/NOTRA, Sorento, IL
Scent Work (AB), Purina, hosted by
Bouvier Club

Monday, October 10:

ASFA/AKC Lure Trial, Sorento, IL
Scent Work (AB), Purina, hosted by
Bouvier Club
Agility (AB), Purina, hosted by
DASH--Bouvier Club
Carting (AB), Purina, hosted by
Bouvier Club

Tuesday, October 11, at Purina:

FCAT (AB), hosted by BCOA
Seminar (post FCAT)
Agility (AB), hosted by DASH--
Bouvier Club
Carting (AB), hosted by Bouvier Club

Wednesday, October 12, at Purina:

Obedience/Rally (AB), hosted by BCOA
Stud Dog Gallery (4 PM)
Welcome Party/Member Flea Market (4 PM)

Thursday, October 13 at Purina:

African Stock Exhibition
Sweepstakes
Seminar
Obedience/Rally (AB), hosted by Bouvier Club
Judges Education
Annual Meeting
Top 20

Friday, October 14 at Purina:

Conformation (Class animals)
Obedience/Rally (AB), hosted by Giant Schnauzer Club
Banquet and Auction
Judges Education

Saturday, October 15 at Purina:

Conformation (Best of Breed)
Further specifics will be published as they are finalized.
<https://nationalspecialty.basenji.org/>

*Tentative--updates will be published as they occur.



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)

stonwykebasenji@aol.com

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.

Looking 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

AKC will try again this year for a **Meet the Breeds Tour** across the country. The schedule was already updated for 2022 from the original plan so we will have to keep watching for future changes. Liz McCargo (Bellator-basenji@usa.net) is our Public Education Chair. She will be the tour liaison with AKC. BCOA is requesting that members contact her for information and to volunteer. All BCOA members and affiliate clubs are welcome to man the booths. AKC has stated that if no parent or affiliate club volunteers to fill the booths at these events, AKC will find someone to host each booth so Please consider volunteering so that we can get correct basenji information out to the public. There are passes for volunteers and a stipend to cover expenses.



2022 EVENT SCHEDULE

TAMPA CONVENTION CENTER

Tampa, FL
Sat. April 23-Sun. April 24

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON CONVENTION CENTER DALLAS

Dallas, TX
Sat. June 25-Sun. June 26

SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER

San Diego, CA
Sat. September 10-Sun. September 11

COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER

Columbus, OH
Sat. October 15-Sun. October 16

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New York, NY
Sat. November 12-Sun. November 13



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Dear AKC constituency,

The American Kennel Club is opposed to the ongoing crisis in the Ukraine. In solidarity with the Ukrainian people, effective immediately, judges from the Russian Federation will not be approved to judge at AKC sanctioned events. Additionally, new requests for imported dog registrations (AKC Foreign Registration) from the Russian Kennel Federation will be denied effective immediately.

We continue to explore options to provide assistance to the Ukrainian people and their pets during this crisis.

The AKC and AKC Reunite have donated \$25,000 to Equiwent (<https://www.equiwent.org/>), a German organization with operations in Poland and Romania. Equiwent is assisting in the humanitarian effort by helping with the Ukrainian refugees and their pets. Clubs and fanciers may donate to the cause by using this Equiwent link.

In addition, the AKC Store is also selling **"Peace for Ukraine"** apparel with **all proceeds** going to Casa lui Patrocle animal rescue, located 25 miles outside of the Ukraine offering shelter, veterinary care and emergency assistance to anyone crossing the border with pets. This fundraiser will remain active for the entire month of March. To date, \$15,000 is being donated.

Dr. Thomas M. Davies, Chairman, AKC
Dominic P. Carota, Vice Chairman, AKC
Dennis B. Sprung, President and CEO, AKC

Important Information - Breeder EZ-REG is Being Discontinued

The **Breeder Toolkit Prepay application** will be replacing Breeder E-Z Reg for Puppy Management on **May 1, 2022**. If you haven't already, you will need to create a Breeder Toolkit account in order to manage your puppies.

Get started with [AKC Breeder Toolkit](#) today to manage your puppies and access many other helpful tools under one application. You can manage your dogs and litters, access litter coupons and breeding records, quickly get to AKC Marketplace and more!

We appreciate your involvement and hope you will stay connected in the years to come!

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact the AKC at www.akc.org or AKC Customer Service at 919-233-9767.

Purina® Parent Club Partnership (PPCP) Program



<https://www.purinaproclub.com/why-purina/ppcp>

Since 2002, thousands of fellow dog breeders and enthusiasts have declared their participation in the Purina Parent Club Partnership (PPCP) Program. This program allows national parent breed clubs to individually earn funding based on Purina weight circle submissions by Pro Club® members.

How it Works

Pro Club members submit weight circles from bags of participating Purina® Brand Dog Foods and accumulate weight circle points as part of the Pro Club Weight Circle Program. (Refer to Purina Pro Club Weight Circle Program for the program details). Purina tracks these weight circle submissions, and for every \$100 of qualifying weight circle points earned by Pro Club members, Purina donates \$10 to the participating national parent breed club. It is as simple as that.

Points are accumulated throughout a calendar year, and a check representing 10 percent of the value of the submitted weight circles for the year is evenly split between the participating national parent breed club and the AKC Canine Health Foundation. Since all funding is incremental to the weight circle program, your participation in the PPCP will not result in a reduction of the points you personally earn.

Funding Distribution

One half of each club's individual annual earnings is issued directly to the Canine Health Foundation to support research grants aimed at a better understanding of genetics and other conditions impacting our dogs' health. The other half is issued to the individual national parent breed club for use in the support of canine health research, education and/or rescue efforts. The PPCP Program has raised in excess of \$3.5 million for canine health research, education and rescue efforts since 2002.

In addition to helping fund canine health research projects, the funding returned to the individual clubs has been used to help support educational outreach programs such as scholarships, library support, youth programs and conservation education programs. It has also been used to support judges' education seminars, to produce breed specific educational materials and to produce responsible dog ownership materials.

Rescue programs have benefited with funds being used for the direct care of dogs in need, the development of fund raising tools and the support of adoption events.

How to Participate in the PPCP Program

You must be a Purina® Pro Club® Member to participate. Pro Club® members must individually declare their participation in the program and identify the national parent breed club that will receive their Purina Points. Members may declare for their national parent breed club by calling the Purina® Pro Club® toll-free number at [1-877-PRO-CLUB](tel:1-877-PRO-CLUB) (1-877-776-2582) from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday, or by registering on this site. Pro Club members can only earn funds for their national parent breed club if the national parent breed club is enrolled in the PPCP Program. BCOA 2021 earnings were \$101.27

BCOA on FaceBook

Keep up with the latest information on Social Media at:

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



Our AKC Delegate, Katie Campbell, invites you to contact her by email at taji@ktcampbell.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.



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