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BCOA Announcement

Electronic Balloting

BCOA will again try to move forward with our electronic balloting option. We are asking all members willing to Opt-In for electronic ballots to please fill out the Opt-In Form. Each member will require an individual email address, including household members.

We do have some forms on file, if you want to check on your status contact secretary@basenji.org.

If you do not want to participate in electronic balloting please let the secretary know, with a message saying no electronic balloting at this time. Those with no email will not need to respond, they will receive paper ballots.

See form at the end of this Newsletter.

Members may email their completed form to secretary@basenji.org or US mail: to Janet Ketz, 1912 Oakland Ave, Crest Hill, IL 60403.

Judges Selection – Stage 2 – Candidate List Refinement Stage

Deadline for Stage 2 voting is June 5, 2023

Ballots will be counted on June 9, 2023

You may select up to 5 judges in each category

See final page of this newsletter for Candidates

Stage 3 US mailed ballots will be sent to all voting members later in the summer.

More info will be posted in an upcoming BB.

AKC Meet the Breeds Events for 2023

AKC is offering **2 MTB** this year:

Chicago, IL is **August, 26 & 27** at McCormick Place.

Columbus, OH is **October 14** at Greater Columbus Convention Center. Becky Blansett has volunteered for the Ohio Event.

BCOA Coordinator for both events is Liz McCargo, bellator-basenji@usa.net Contact her if you can help. Volunteer expenses are reimbursed by BCOA with receipts.

From your AKC Legislative Liason:

Many states have just wrapped up their legislative session. With that, many new animal bills have crossed many desks and eyes. The AR folks have been busy and we have seen more bills than normal that are anti breeding, anti animal sports, and increasing restrictions for ownership and medical care. I will continue to urge EVERYONE to stay current on bills and new laws in your area, and sharing with friends when you see these pop up in other areas. This is not a matter of “oh my club has a person who handles it” ...WRONG...it is imperative that every single one of us act. They need to know that we are out there, who we are, that we are the experts in our field. Please reach out by email, snail mail, phone calls, showing up at meetings. Be friendly, polite, respectful, and come armed with educational information. Calmly voice your concerns and why you feel a particular bill is a “bad bill”. If you have difficulty with wording an email, reach out to me and I will gladly help you.

I urge everyone TODAY to bookmark this webpage <https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative> , find your state or local representatives, and email them. Reach out more than once. Include your webpage, what you do with your dogs, any rescue work or other volunteer work you do. Keep it simple, educational and friendly. Encourage your all-breed club members to do the same. While we focus on training, grooming, showing....the AR people spend all their energy trying to remove our rights to breed and show. The future of our sport depends on all of us staying active.

Please visit these links below to search for alerts in your area and to stay updated.

AKC Legislative Alerts webpage (sign up for email alerts)

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/>

Canine Legislation Alerts Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/406317203539787/>

Respectfully yours,
Sandy McArthur



Evergreen Basenji Club 2018—Futurity Judge Susan Coe

This is the same site as the 2023 BCOA National Specialty.

New Member Applications

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.

Christina Bunn
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Lake Stevens, WA 98258
425-328-6352, woofgirl5@comcast.net
Occupation : Dog Trainer
Affiliates : Evergreen Bel Terv Club, NACSW, APDT, PPG
Interests : Conf, racing, rally, nosework and agility
Andrea Stone, Mary Ellen Chaffin

Darci Merollis
16060 Riverside St
Livonia, MI 48154-2461
248-777-0101, dmerollis@yahoo.com
Occupation : clerical
Affiliates: BCOSW, MI Gazehound Assoc.
Interests : racing, coursing, conf
Kelli Harmon, Michelle Hogan

Scott & Rachel Osborne
1141 Nutgrass Rd
Bunnlevel, NC 28323
570-575-4529
Bluestonebasenjis@gmail.com
Reosborne71@yahoo.com
Occupation: USPS
Kennel: Bluestone
Julie Hartigan, Kim Bryd



Janell Burnett
29W042 Smith Rd
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630-837-3066, zoitopia@comcast.net
Occupation : Retired
Affiliates : GAROC, MBC
Positions : Board, Program Chair, Trophy Chair
Karla Scheiber, Karen Kuchta

Reinstated Membership Applicants
(No sponsors required per BCOA Bylaws)
Dennis McCloskey
1010 Eastbourne Dr
La Plata MD 20646
301-922-1747, dennisanddenise@comcast.net
Occupation ; Security Specialist
Kennel : Bahari
Other Clubs : Mid-Atlantic BC, So. MD KC
Puppy & Adult

Nominating committee for 2024 Officers

Sharron Schmidgall (chair)
Jeff Gillespie
Sandi McArthur
Andrew Sawler
Sally Wuornos

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 Stella Sapios. stellasapios@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 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:

Jlketz, Secretary@basenji.org
newsletter@basenji.org

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BCOA on FaceBook

Keep up with the latest information on Social Media at:

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

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like and follow the National page to receive updates



[Basenji Club of America
2023 National Specialty
Website](https://www.basenji.org/clubdocs/NSAC/2023%20National%20Specialty%20Website.pdf)

Time to make you RESERVATIONS for Canopy Space and RV Parking.



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Club of America**

LIFETIME MEMBERS

Beverly Bland, AZ
Damara Bolté, VA
Jon Curby, MO
Susan Coe, Australia
Dr Steve Gonto, GA
Dr Gary Johnson, MO
Sally Wallis, England
Robert Vavra, Spain

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.

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

Event Chair: Natalie Scherwin (WA)
Assistant Chair Barbara Reisinger, AZ
Judges: Conformation: **Mia Lowbeer**, Sweepstakes: **Sally Wuornos**
Evergreen Basenji Club Specialty and Futurity will be Aug 4 and Aug 5 in conjunction with the National.
Judges: Conformation: **Joe Walton and Garry Newton**.
Futurity & Maturity: **Brad Phifer**
<https://www.evergreenbasenjiclub.org/futurity>

2024 October 7-12, Purina Farm, Gray Summit, MO

Chairs for the event are pending.
Questions can go to the Nat Spec Advisory, Jon Curby or any Board of Director.
Judges: Conformation **Edna Martin**, Sweeps *pending*

2025 November, Tucson AZ

National Specialty will be hosted by the Copper State Basenji Club in Tucson, AZ

2026 Central

Per Procedure, this host bid is due in 2023. 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



At the Basenji National Specialty — An Agility Jamboree!



A Competitive Agility event to showcase the skills and relationship between Basenjis and their Owners.

There will be a single course design, **much like AKC FAST**, for all dogs to run. Owners will strategize how to accumulate the most points in 60 seconds based on their dog's individual skills and strengths.

Handlers can **choose any jump height**; measuring is not required.

There will be 3 Divisions, and awards for 1st-4th place in each based on total score. (there is no "qualifying or non-qualifying" requirement)

When: Monday Evening Aug 7th

Where: indoors on artificial turf

How to enter: Premium list with detailed rules coming soon! Entries will be taken electronically, \$25 each

Summer Intern Division: For Basenjis in training, but not yet competing. Handlers may gently assist the dog for safety reasons and may use food or toy rewards on course.

Retiree Division: For Basenjis retired from agility, but who want to play in the jamboree, at any jump height. At this level handlers may gently assist the dog if appropriate for safety reasons and may use food or toy rewards.

Career Division: The 1st place Basenji from this division will win the coveted Basenji National Specialty High in Trial. This level will be scored as if a real trial.

Upcoming Events

Date:	Club:	Specialty Type	Supported:	Location	Classes	Contact:
6/8/2023	BCONC		Supported entry BCONC	Vallejo, CA		Eunice Ockerman
6/9/2023	BCONC	Designated with Yosemite KC		Vallejo, CA		Eunice Ockerman
6/10/2023	BCONC	Designated with Contra Costa County KC		Vallejo, CA		Eunice Ockerman
6/11/2023	BCONC		BCOA supported entry with Contra Costa Count KC	Vallejo, CA		Eunice Ockerman
7/19/2023	WVBC	Independent AM		Cathlamet, WA	reg+sweeps	Jackie Jones
7/19/2023	WVBC	Independent PM		Cathlamet, WA	reg	Jackie Jones
7/23/2023	BCNNJ	Designated with Hudson River Valley Hound Association		Carmel, NY	reg+sweeps	Heather Cruzate
7/23/2023	BCNNJ	Designated with Hudson River Valley Hound Association		Carmel, NY	reg+sweeps	Heather Cruzate
7/20/2023	WVBC	Independent		Cathlamet, WA	reg+sweeps	Jackie Jones
7/28/2023	BCOSW	Independent		Ixonia, WI	reg + sweeps	Clay Bunyard
7/29/2023	BCOSW	Designated		Ixonia, WI	reg	Clay Bunyard
8/26/2023	SCBF	Designated SBKC		Santa Barbara, CA	reg + sweeps	Holly Lumanauw
8/27/2023	SCBF	Designated SBKC		Santa Barbara, CA	reg	Holly Lumanauw
9/9/2023	MABCMD	Designated with Somerset Hills KC		Bridgewater, NJ	reg	LeeBeth Cranmer
9/10/2023	BCNNJ	Designated with Westchester Kennel Club		Bridgewater, NJ	reg+sweeps	Veronica Nagy
10/6/2023	5 members	BCOA Regional		Macunige, PA	reg + sweeps	Kim Brown
10/14/2023	5 members	BCOA Regional		Lebanon, TN	reg + sweeps	Thomas Wright
10/15/2023	5 members		BCOA Supported	Lebanon, TN	reg + sweeps	Thomas Wright

Come join us in Michigan at the beautiful Armada Fair-grounds!!!

BCOA and their Michigan Enthusiasts are hosting a BCOA Regional AKC Specialty Lure Trial and Lure Coursing Test on Friday, **June 30, 2023**. Then stay on for two more days of AKC Lure Trials and Lure Coursing Tests hosted by Michigan Gaze-hound Association on July 1-2, 2023.

On Saturday evening, MGA will be hosting a potluck dinner. All are welcome to join. So get your camping gear ready and come hang out with your Basenjis and us Michiganders.

Looking forward to seeing you and your hounds and having a great time!

LURE CHASING INSTINCT PROGRAM

The official LCI Rules (no longer an experimental program) have been published on the ASFA website.

<https://www.asfa.org/rule/2023%20Rules%20Lure%20Chasing%20Program.pdf>



The Basenji University (BU) is a practical education concept. The goal is to provide home-study programs in Basenji breed education. The University is designed as an on-going school of learning in which courses on owning, breeding, competing with and judging Basenjis are available year round.

The Basenji University is dedicated to preserving the past and educating future breeders, owners, exhibitors and judges of the Basenji.

Pedigree Database

An update from Sally Wallis. The **Basenji Pedigree Database** is now on an SSL security certificate. The address has changed slightly.

The database is now <https://pedigrees.zandebasenjis.com/>

Check this BCOA Fundraising Auction on Facebook

We are so very grateful for amazing members and volunteers that work hard to support our club and our National(s). Please support them, too, by following the BCOA Fundraising Auction group, having fun bidding on some special Basenji items. Currently fundraising for the 2023 National.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bcoafundraising>



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.

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

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



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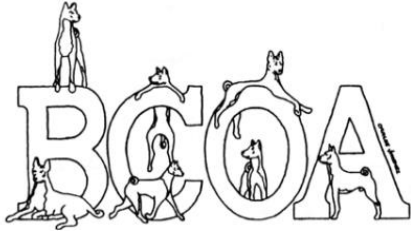
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Member's Name (Printed)

Member's E-mail Address (Printed)



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Waiver to Opt – In for electronic balloting,

I hereby agree to electronic balloting, as specified in the Basenji Club of America by-laws, in which the club's Secretary may utilize for club ballots. AKC approval for Electronic Balloting was granted on September 1, 2013, and is published at https://images.akc.org/pdf/clubs/club_policies/Electronic_Balloting.pdf, AKC publication includes details, and a FAQ

I agree to release the club from any liability should the ballot be received late or not received due to circumstances beyond the club's control. Members not providing written authorization will continue to receive all materials via USPS.

Member's Name (Signature)

Date

A Signed electronic copy of this document is accepted as original.

Ballots by USPS are subject to the same conditions of potential received late or not received due to circumstances beyond the club's control. Members are advised to contact the club's Secretary should they believe they have not received an issued ballot, whether by Electronic Balloting or USPS before the required due date. Notice of balloting of the membership is published in the official BCOA newsletter, and is often discussed in social media.

Send completed waiver by email or USPS to Janet Ketz, BCOA Secretary, 1912 Oakland Ave., Crest Hill, IL 60403, secretary@basenji.org Document must be on file with the BCOA Secretary for your Opt-In for electronic balloting.

Judges Selection – Stage 2 – Candidate List Refinement Stage

Selection for National Specialty Conformation Judge for 2025 and Sweepstakes Judge for 2024 continues. Please see the nominees below and submit your selections by **June 5, 2023** to the Judge Selection Committee Chair, Dianna Sanders by e-mail or Pat Marshall by US mail. Addresses below.

In stage 2, any voting member in good standing may select up to five (5) names from each of the 2 lists. The top 5 names from each list (and ties) will be placed on the final weighted ballot that will be mailed to all members for the final vote.

Deadline for Stage 2 voting is June 5, 2023.
You may select up to 5 judges in each category

BCOA National Specialty 2025 Conformation Classes

Alphabetically Listed (USA unless otherwise noted)

Edd Bivins
 Eugene Blake
 Francis Broadway
 A. Tad Brooks
 Pamela Bruce
 Joanne Buehler
 Dana Cline
 Clay Coady
 Susan Coe
 Jon Curby
 Epsen Engh

Raymond Filburn
 Nicholas Frost
 Jeffrey Gillespie
 Greendale-Paveza,
(Sulie)
 Ed Hall
 Trish Hallam
 Denise Hardy
 Ann Harrison
 Jamie Hubbard
 Doug Johnson

Steve Keating
 Klinkowski,
(Marianne)
 Eric Liebes
 Jose Luis Payro
 William Potter II
 Ann Roth
 William Sahloff
 Ron Spitzer
 St. John Brown,
(Susan)

Glen Stark
 Paula Steele
 J. Randall Tincher
 Jon Titus Steele
 Pat Trotter
 Cindy Vogels
 John Wade
 Joe Walton
 Patti Widick Neale
 WischAbraham,
(Claire)

BCOA National Specialty 2024 Sweepstakes Classes

Alphabetically Listed (USA unless otherwise noted)

Eugene Biller
 Becky Blansett
 Damara Bolte`
 Russella Bowen
 Brenda Cassell
 Ciara Cassell
 Susan Coe - Australia
 Tonda Curry
 Pat Fragassi
 Michelle Gahgan
 Pamela Geoffroy

Bob Gooderl
 Bryan Gregory
 Tim Huff
 Karen Hutchinson
 Janice Kahl
 Sue Kite
 Suzanne La Croix
 Barbara Naddy
 Veronica Nagy
 Laura Owen
 Tari Parish

Brad Phifer
 Bev Reed
 Jan Roberts
 Erin Roberts
 Cindy Russell
 Karla Schreiber
 Natalie Sherwin
 Savio Steele – Brazilii
 Tiina Taavitsainen - Finland
 Elizabeth White

**You may email your selections to dianna487@hotmail.com or
 U.S. mail this form to: Pat Marshall, 1030 CR 284, Jasper, TX 75951.**