



BULLETIN BOARD

BCOA Announcement

August 2024

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Native Stock Import Revote Announcement:

There will be a **new ballot** for import Avongara Adanne within the next several weeks. The board decided to conduct a revote after an error was made on the return envelope address of Ballot M-01, potentially causing ballots to not reach the tallier.

If you already returned a white ballot, **YOU MUST VOTE AGAIN** for your vote to count. The new ballot M-03 will be on a **blue paper**. Any questions please reach out to a board member. Thank you!

Basenji Club of America National Specialty

Entries Close September 4, 2024 @ 12 PM PT

Next WEEK!!!

BCOA 2025 Election for Officers and Board of Directors

Per the BCOA Bylaws an election ballot will be **sent to each voting member on or before September 15, 2024**. Votes will be tallied by our accountant. Linda Beenen of MI.

The ballot packet will include all of the nominees for each position in alphabetical order, including their states of residence with the nominees' resumes included. All information will be included in the latter included with your ballot.

Your ballot must be **postmarked by Saturday, October 19** and received at the tallier by Saturday, October 26, 2024.

Results will be published in the November bulletin Board Newsletter.

Officers 1 vote per position:

President: Natalie Scherwin, WA

Vice President: Julie Hartigan, VA

Treasurer: Laura Mae Hesse, WI

Secretary: Janet Ketz, IL

Board of Directors (you will be **voting for 7 only**)

Jon Curby, MO

Michelle Hogan, MI

Julie Jones, CA

Pat Marshall, TX

Veronica Nagy, PA

Stella Sapios, CA

Jaa Scheffler, AZ

Thomas Wright, TN

Michael Work, TX

Judge Selection

Stage 2 Voting Deadline is October 5, 2024 .

2026 Conformation judge. Lebanon, TN and **2025 Sweepstakes** judge. Tucson, AZ.

In Stage 2 voting you may select up to five (5) names from each of the Lists. Your names can be US mailed or Emailed to Pat Marshall.

All info is on the **Stage 2** form, at the end of this BB.

Any questions can go to Pat Marshall or Janet Ketz

Ramp

Per AKC requirements, the BCOA board will send a ballot to all voting members to include the use of the ramp for AKC basenji judging in addition to the table. Use of table or ramp is at the judge's discretion. The ramp will be available during the National Specialty. Thought or comments will be welcome at the Annual Membership Meeting in October. The ramp vote to all voting members will be sent out after the 2024 National Specialty. Questions or comments can go to any BCOA Officer or board member.

Breeder Education Committee

With the retirement of Susan Coe, BCOA thanks her for many years on the committee, we are searching for a volunteer to chair the committee. Committee Chairs are approved by the BCOA Board. Chairs may select members as needed and create projects for National Specialty Show, on-line programs or other events related to Breeder Education.

If you want more information contact
President Pat Marshall.

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.

No applications this month. Please sponsor someone to grow our Membership.

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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See FORMS attached at the end of this Bulletin Board:

Stage 2 Judges selection
Deadline for voting is October 5, 2024

Opt-in for Electronic Balloting

Electronic Balloting

Have YOU SUBMITTED YOUR FORM YET?

We only have replies from 150 of our 300 members. The club needs to get each member to either agree **YES** or say NO to eballot. See the list of names later in this Newsletter.

An email from members would be acceptable. Please help us get this done!

Our administrator, Carrie Jones, has a company for us to consider but we must have final numbers of Electronic and paper voters before we can get an accurate quote for the service.

The board does plan to make the decision in 2024. One of our first ballots would be judge selection. More information as it becomes available.

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

Updating your information with BCOA.

Note that all members can update their own information on the BCOA website. Sign in as a member and then go to Members > Member Links > Member Profile.

Having problems or need additional help contact Secretary@ basenji.org (Janet Ketz or Treasurer@basenji.org (Laura Mae Hesse)

National Specialty 2027

BCOA needs and wants you! Please consider hosting the 2027 National Specialty. The rotation puts it in the "East" but any area of the country can submit a proposal. The proposal form is on the BCOA website along with our BCOA National Specialty Procedure. www.basenji.org
We have a National Specialty oversight committee and many past host groups that can share information with any affiliate club or 8 BCOA members in good standing.

All proposals will be considered. Proposal form is available from Secretary@basenji.org or online at <https://www.basenji.org/ClubDocs/NationalSpecialtyAppendixD.pdf>



Visit the National FaceBook page:

Basenji Club of America National Specialty |
Facebook

like and follow the National page to receive updates

BCOA on FaceBook

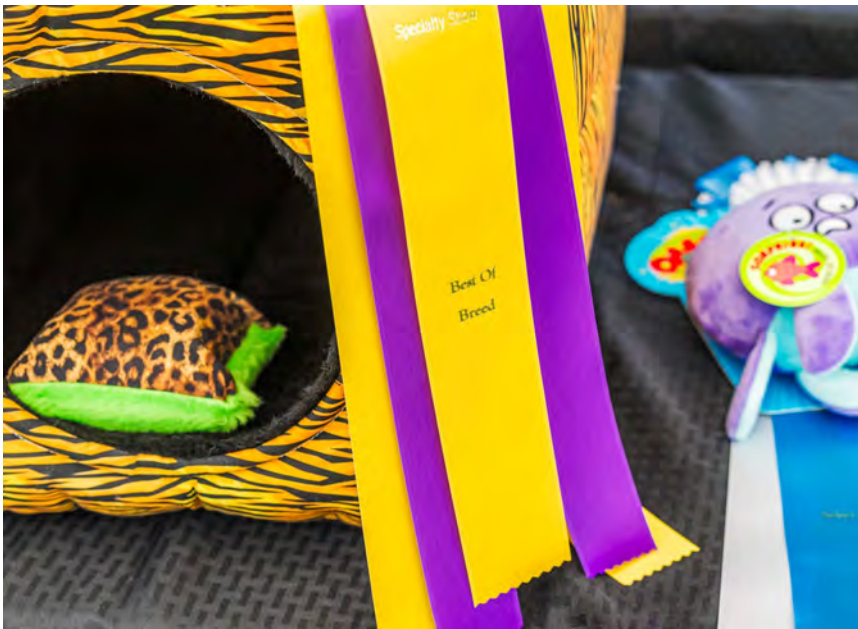
Keep up with the latest information on Social Media at:

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



Supported Entries

Date:	Club:	Specialty Type	Location
9/7/2023	MABCMD	Designated Designated with Somerset Hills Kennel Club	Bridgewater, NJ
9/8/2024	BCNNJ	Designated Specialty with Westchester Kennel Club	Bridgewater, NJ
10/4/2024	BCOA	Regional Specialty Designated with Hattboro Kennel Club	Macungie, PA
11/10/2024	CSBC	Designated Specialty with Madera Canyon Kennel Club	Tucson, AZ



Basenji Club of America

LIFETIME MEMBERS

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

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.

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

Chairs Sharron Schmigdall and Barbara Reisinger

Judges: Conformation **Ann Harrison**, Sweeps **Erin Roberts**

For More INFO visit the WEBSITE

2025 Tucson AZ

November 10-14,

Kino Sports Complex

National Specialty will be hosted by the Copper State Basenji Club

Judges: Conformation **Jeff Gillespie**

Sweeps Pending **Stage 2 voting NOW**

2026 Lebanon, TN

October 5-11

Wilson County Expo Center

Judges: **Stage 2 voting NOW**

2027 East Region

Bids are now being taken for the 2027 National Specialty. Any area of the country can submit a proposal. Any affiliate clubs or 8 members in good standing are encouraged to ask any questions regarding submitting a proposal. All proposals will be considered. We have a National Specialty oversight committee and many past host groups that can share information with any affiliate club or 8 BCOA members in good standing.

Proposal form is available from

Secretary@basenji.org or online at

[https://www.basenji.org/ClubDocs/](https://www.basenji.org/ClubDocs/NationalSpecialtyAppendixD.pdf)

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Region, Year of Event and Bid Year

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

National Specialty: October 7–13, 2024

Unless otherwise specified, all events take place at **Purina Farms**.

Date/Time	Event
Monday, Oct. 7	AKC FAST Agility Trial Sniffsport Challenge
Tuesday, Oct. 8	African Stock Exhibition Judge: Ethel Blair (Australia) Puppy Sweepstakes Veteran Sweepstakes Obedience / Rally Annual Club Meeting
Wednesday, Oct. 9	Conformation: Non-Regular — multi-entry (Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Brace) Judge: Terri Lyddon Junior Showmanship Judge: Terri Lyddon Pee Wees Education and Enrichment (seminars) Top 20
Thursday, Oct. 10	Conformation: Dogs Conformation: Bitches Banquet Auction Awards
Friday, Oct. 11	Conformation: Best of Breed
Saturday, Oct. 12	Racing (tentative) Lure Coursing (1690 Griffiths Rd, Sorento, Illinois)
Sunday, Oct. 13	Lure Coursing



The **Annual Membership Meeting of the Basenji Club of America** will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at Purina Farms, 500 William Danforth Way, Gray Summit, MO 63039. Meeting time and location will be announced/posted on Monday and Tuesday.

Anyone with items for discussion, Please send them in advance to secretary@basenji.org or see Janet Ketz before Tuesday afternoon at Nat Spec location.

For More INFO visit the WEBSITE

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National Specialty Grooming Space Update

<https://nationalspecialty.basenji.org/grooming/>

Grooming space will be available on a first-come first-serve basis in Gateway Hall, with no advance reservations. Gateway Hall is across the building from the Great Hall (event site). Set up of grooming spaces may begin on **Monday, October 7, at noon.**

Keep in mind the rules from the Premium List:

- No crates or exercise pens will be allowed within 20 feet of any ring. No crates may be placed directly on the flooring surface in the Great Hall. There must be plastic or a rug under the crate. All grooming tables must have rubber or plastic caps on the end of the legs of the table.
- In the designated Grooming Areas, access to limited electrical plugs is not exclusive and is not reserved. Bathing of dogs limited to the bathing area, located next to the grooming area. No dogs allowed in bathrooms. The building will be locked at 10 pm and opened at 6 am.

More National News

The 2024 BCOA National is fast approaching and the National Committee is excited to welcome you back to Purina with a fun-filled week at a Basenji Fair!

The National website is a great resource for all things National: <https://nationalspecialty.basenji.org/>. Answers to many questions can be found on the website, but if you have anything further to follow-up on, please don't hesitate to reach out to either of the National Event Coordinators: Sharron Schmidgall, sharronbasenji@gmail.com, and Barbara Reisinger, bcoa@barbarareisinger.com.

While the online BCOA National Specialty Fundraiser auction ((6) [BCOA Fundraising Auction | Facebook](#)) continues, and we thank Brenda Phillips and all who are involved in making that a wonderful success, we are reaching out to you and your local clubs about coordinating "State" baskets for the silent auction. What might you be able to offer up from your home state to bring to the auction? Unable to attend in person, feel free to send items to Denise Vertrees or along with a friend attending the National; please send information on the item(s), especially if it is a one of a kind item(s), and who the donation is from. Additionally, not everything needs to be "basenji" or even dog related. Gift cards, coolers, chairs, jewelry, travel certificates, holiday /household decorations, lots of things can be donated. For all details regarding the silent auction, please reach out to our wonderful silent auction coordinators, Janet Ketz, jlketz58@gmail.com, and Denise Vertrees, bridenbasenjis@gmail.com.

There are MANY upcoming deadlines, with one of the most important being **September 4, 2024**: all conformation, junior showmanship, obedience, rally, and ASE entries close! It is also the final day to pre-order your National catalog! For further deadlines including the Top 20 Catalog Ad submittal, Banquet, Welcome Fun Night, Agility Trial, Scent Work Play Day, and so much more, visit the deadlines page on the National website: <https://nationalspecialty.basenji.org/deadlines/>.

There are many hard-working people that are behind the scenes bringing this National to you, so please make sure to review the committee members and say a quick "thank you" because without them none of us would have this National to attend and enjoy!

We look forward to seeing you at the Basenji Fair at Purina in October!

Entries Made	Deadline	Date Sent
Trophy Sponsorship (to be acknowledged in the catalog)	August 25, 2024	
National Catalog Ad Deadline	August 28, 2024	
Conformation	September 4, 2024	
Junior Showmanship	September 4, 2024	
Obedience	September 4, 2024	
Rally	September 4, 2024	
African Stock Exhibition	September 4, 2024	
Specialty Catalog Pre-Order	September 4, 2024	
Agility Trial Entry	September 11, 2024	
Top 20 Catalog Ad Deadline	September 10, 2024	
Banquet Reservation	September 13, 2024	
Welcome Fun Night & Basenji Bizarre Reservation	September 13, 2024	
Scent Work Play Day Entry	September 18, 2024	
RV (Purina) Space Reservation	September 22, 2024	
Flea Market Table RSVP	September 25, 2024	
Stud Dog Gallery Entry	September 25, 2024	
AKC Lure Coursing Early Entry	October 2, 2024	
ASFA Lure Coursing Early Entry	October 2, 2024	
LGRA Racing Early Entry	October 2, 2024	
NOTRA Racing Early Entry	October 2, 2024	

News From the Secretary

Janet Ketz, secretary@basenji.org

Eastern time, 815-325-5908

BCOA BALLOT 2024-21 APPROVED

SUBJECT: New Members

Effective: August 7, 2024

Circulated in accordance with the BCOA Bylaws

Please indicate your vote on new members published in the July Bulletin Board Newsletter. No comments were received.

Reinstatement Applicant: Sarah Lindenbaum, IL and New Member Applicant: Michael & Ruth Burnham, CO.

APPROVED: Curby, Hartigan, Hesse, Hogan, Jones, Ketz, Nagy, Sapios, Scherwin and Work

BCOA Ballot 2024-22 APPROVED

Subject: REBALLOT of Native Stock Avongara Adanne

Effective: August 7, 2024

Based on an error made on the return envelope address of Ballot M-01, Native Stock – Avongara Adanne that may have potentially causing ballots to not reach the tallier, please indicate your vote to send a new Ballot M-03 for import Avongara Adanne.

All members MUST VOTE AGAIN for their vote to count. The new ballot M-03 will be on blue paper.

APPROVE: Curby, Hartigan, Hesse, Hogan, Jones, Nagy, Sapios, Scherwin, Work.

Recuse: Ketz

The next page is the list of names of members that have a waiver on file for e-Ballot Voting.

If your name is not on the list please send in the form attached to this Bulletin Board Newsletter.



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.

Abraham	Gillespie	Marsicano	Siekert, R
Armstrong	Glass	Maxka	Stargell, L
Auerbach, L	Graves, M		Steffens
Bain	Graves. C	McArthur	Stilwell
Biller	Gregory, B	McArthur	Stome
Bird	Gregory, L	McCargo, L	Stone
Bitler	Hamilton	McCargo, N	Swan
Blansett	Hamilton	McGrogan	Sweeney
Blari Bain	Harrison	McMahon, Z	Troyna
Bowles Root, B	Hartigan	McManon, D	Tuttle, A
Bowles Root, P	Hayter	McMurrey	Tuttle, T
Brady	Hefner	Merollis	Van Der Veer
Britton Sanchez	Hesse	Mitchell	Vertrees
Bruner	Hogan	Morales Reyes	Webber
Bunn	Howard	Morgan	Wickland
Burnett	Hudson, D	Nagy V	Wilson, R
Butler	Hudson, T	Nagy, C	Woodard
Campbell	Huff	Noble	Work, M
Cassell, B	Hutchison	Noel	Wournos, B
Cassell, C	Hutchison Huber	Ocherman	Wournos, S
Cembura	Inan	Osborne, S	Wright TL
Chaffin	Johannes	Osborne, R	Wright, T
Chang	Jones C	Patterson Hine	Barnham, both
Cholewa	Jones M	Phifer	
Church	Jones, J	Predale, J	
Coe, J	Jordan	Quinnett, L	
Coe, S	Joyner	Quinnett, M	
Coker	Kanouff	Reed, J	
Craigie	Katayama	Reed, J	
Crisco	Ketz	Reisinger, B	
Cunningham	Kilmer Cruzate	Reisinger, J	
Curby, J	Kite	Rose	
Curby, V	Klinkowski	Ruis	
Curry	Kozikowski	Sanchez	
Cuzzeto	Le Blanc	Sanders, C	
Duszka	Lee	Sanders, D	
Elliott	Lefrano	Sapios	
Fragassi	Leicht	Scheffler	
Frazer	Leonard, J	Scheirber	
Frost	Leonard, T	Scherwin	
Gantt	Lesar	Schulz	
Garel	Lowe	Sealy	
Geoffroy	Lund	Shadbolt	
Gerdes	Lundell	Sherman	
Gilchrist	Marshall P	Siekert, L	

This is the list of members with
WAIVERS on file for E-Ballot
Voting.

If your name is NOT on this LIST
please send in the attached
waiver.

BCOA will be starting VOTING
by E-Ballot soon.

BHE

The **Basenji Health Endowment** is looking for a **Logo/letterhead**. The board was hoping that a member might step up to organize a campaign to find our future BHE logo. The BHE campaign manager would need to work in an organized and active way toward getting artistic submissions from BCOA members for a BHE Logo/Letterhead. The course of action would be to gather submissions, organize them and allow members to vote for their favorite. Once a Logo/Letterhead is selected by the membership, the artist will be asked to sign a release form for Logo to become BHE property. The Logo/letterhead would become an emblem for future BHE correspondence and identification.

Anyone interested in heading this idea or one of your own for a member created and selected BHE Logo please contact President Marshall at berimobasenjis@gmail.com or Secretary Ketz, secretary@basenji.org

Hoping someone will take on this work for BHE and the BCOA.

Thank you for your support

To Janet L. Ketz

Secretary, Basenji Club of America

Dear Janet,

On behalf of the University of Missouri Canine Genetics Laboratory I would like to thank the Basenji Club of America for the generous donation to the Dr. Gary Johnson Memorial Fund for Canine Genetic Diseases Research. I collaborated with Dr. Johnson for many years on studies to identify the genetic bases of inherited diseases in dogs. He made outstanding contributions to canine health, and he is greatly missed by his colleagues and the many dog lovers with whom he worked. He took great joy in his work, and it was his wish that the research program that he built would continue after he was gone. I, along with the team he assembled, am doing my best to try to fill his shoes and carry on the important work of the lab. The donation from the Basenji Club is helping to make this possible by enhancing our ability to identify DNA sequence variants that underlie disorders in dogs of many breeds, including Basenjis. We will continue to be here to help with any hereditary health issues in the breed you care so much about.

Thank you and best regards,

Martin L. Katz, Ph.D.

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Basenji Club of America, Inc. Donor Advised Fund

2nd Quarter 2024 Statement (1/1/2024 - 6/30/2024)



1/1/2024 Balance	1,690.85
Contributions	\$0.00
PPCP Contribution	\$123.73
Investment Earnings/(Losses)	\$127.00
Research Support*	\$188.98
6/30/2024 Balance	1,752.60

Purina Parent Club Partnership Program

Your national breed club, the AKC Canine Health Foundation and Purina® are working to ensure a healthy future for your breed. Since 2002, thousands have chosen to make a positive impact on the health of their breed by participating in the Purina® Parent Club Partnership (PPCP) Program. To date, the PPCP program has provided over \$8.4 million for canine health research.

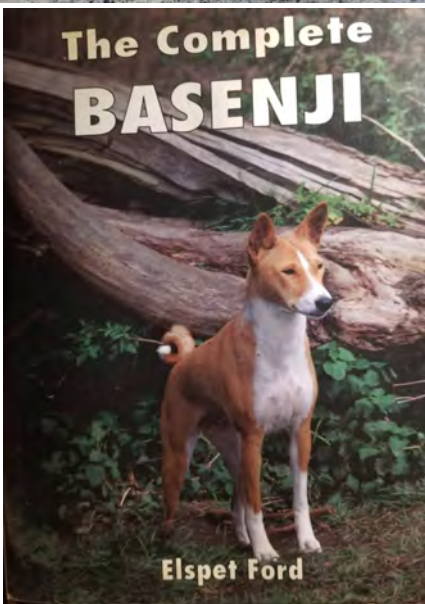
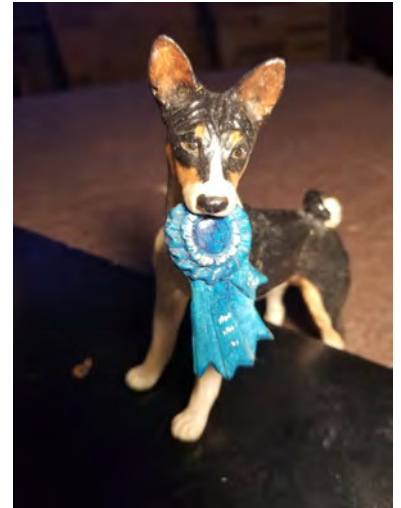
When you are a member of Purina® Pro Club® and you submit proofs of purchase for eligible Purina® brand pet foods, your national breed club can receive funding for breed-specific health studies that enable dogs like yours to live longer, healthier lives. The more proofs of purchase you turn in, the greater your potential earnings for your national breed club. Some clubs have already generated thousands of dollars for their breed.

Half of the funding each year is designated for canine health research and AKC Canine Health Foundation grants. The other half is eligible to provide additional funding for the breed club's health research, education and rescue efforts.

For more information: <https://www.akcchf.org/how-to-help/purina-parent-club.html>



Here are just a few of the items auctioned off in the past couple of months.



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.



**BCOA National
Specialty Fundraiser**



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



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

From AKC June 2024 Update to Clubs

Reminder - Opportunities for Majors at Specialties Effective July 3, 2024

At the December 2023 Delegates meeting a modification to Chapter 16, Section 1 of the [AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows](#) was approved by the Delegate body. The modification provides all specialty clubs the option for the Reserve Winners Dog and Reserve Winners Bitch to earn a three-point major provided that the number of dogs competing in the regular classes of the Reserve Winner's sex totals at least twice the number required for a five-point major, in the region in which the event is held. Previously this option was only available at a breed's National Specialty. **Clubs must opt-out on their event application if they do not want this option available at their specialty show. This option is available for events held on or after July 3, 2024.**

To calculate twice the number required for a five-point major, in the region in which the event is held, go to for AKC regional Points Schedules:

<https://www.akc.org/sports/conformation/resources/points-schedule/>





AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

Major Changes to dog importation rules in the US

Thursday, August 1, 2024

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/new-dog-import-rules-effect-today/>

Today, Thursday, August 1, 2024, new rules for the importation of dogs into the United States have gone into effect.

HISTORY

[In July 2023](#), the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) proposed new rules to address the public health risk of dog-maintained rabies virus variant (aka, canine rabies) associated with the importation of dogs into the U.S. In addition to issuing multiple [calls to action for all dog owners](#), the American Kennel Club (AKC) [submitted a formal comment in September 2023 to CDC](#), urging it to retain its policy allowing personally-owned dogs that have not spent time in countries classified as high-risk or restricted for canine rabies to be imported into the U.S. younger than six months of age if they met health and vaccination requirements.

[On May 8, 2024, CDC released a letter to stakeholders](#) advising of coming changes to the rules pertaining to the importation of dogs and cats into the U.S. The text of [the final rule was published in the Federal Register on May 13, 2024](#).

Since then, many concerned purebred dog owners, enthusiasts, and sportsmen, along with airlines and groups that import rescue dogs from foreign countries, have expressed deep concerns with the impact the new rules will have. This feedback has resulted in changes to how the new rules' requirements will be enforced.

UPDATES ON THE CDC DOG IMPORT FORM

To provide greater flexibility to the requirements for dogs coming from canine rabies-free or low-risk countries, dogs that have spent the prior six months only in canine rabies-free or low-risk countries will be able to enter the U.S. with a [CDC Dog Import Form](#) online submission receipt as acceptable documentation. This form can be filled out the day travel, and the receipt can be shown to airlines and border officials by phone or printed copy. For these dogs, the receipt will be good for travel into the U.S. for six months from the date of issuance, including multiple entries into the U.S. However, all dogs entered the U.S. must have a microchip and be over six months of age.

In a recent discussion with AKC staff, CDC staff clarified that for dogs that have not been in a canine rabies high-risk country in the six months prior to importation, the [CDC Dog Import Form](#) does not require the importer to provide a photo of the dog or its microchip number. However, both CDC and AKC recommend that importers of these dogs travel with a digital or printed copy of their dog's vaccination record, a photo of their dog, and a record of the dog's microchip number as a precautionary measure. It should be noted that some U.S. states may also require this or similar information.

For dogs that spent any time in a country classified as high-risk for canine rabies in the six months before entering the U.S., additional documents and requirements remain in effect. For these dogs, the [CDC Dog Import Form](#) will require the dog's microchip number and photo.

REQUIREMENTS, BY TYPE OF IMPORTATION

All dogs being imported into the U.S. must:

- Appear healthy upon arrival.
- Be at least six months old at the time of entry or return to the U.S.
- Have a microchip that can be detected with a universal scanner to identify them.

Be accompanied by a receipt for a [CDC Dog Import Form](#).

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Additional requirements may be required by CDC, depending on the type of importation. For:

Dogs from Dog-Rabies Free or Low Risk Countries, [click here](#).

S.-Vaccinated Dogs from High-Risk Countries, [click here](#).

Foreign-Vaccinated Dogs from High-Risk Countries, [click here](#).

For dogs arriving in the U.S. by air and that traveled in-cabin, airlines are now required to generate air waybills. This requirement is the same as has been required of dogs arriving in the U.S. by air but that were flown as cargo. Airlines unable to generate an air waybill for in-cabin dogs due to the time required for technology updates may obtain a temporary waiver by providing the same data to CDC in another format. Anyone travelling with a dog who intends to arrive in the U.S. by air is strongly encouraged to contact their airline to determine and meet requirements prior to arriving at an airport for travel.

CDC staff continues to emphasize that the latest information available to importers is available on its website at www.cdc.gov/dogtravel.

CDC staff also noted that the first nine months of implementation of the new dog importation rules will be an “adaptation” period, during which it will be looking at additional information and program performance to determine reasonableness, feasibility, and potential rule changes.

CONCERNS REMAIN, CONTACT CONGRESS AND CDC

AKC recognizes the serious health threats posed by the recent, continuing import of unhealthy dogs using fraudulent veterinary/import paperwork, and supports CDC’s intention of protecting the public from serious health risks. However, AKC remains concerned that banning the import of all dogs younger than six months is overly burdensome and will have a disproportionate impact on the entry/importation of low-risk, personally-owned dogs, including those that regularly cross the U.S.-Canadian border for canine events, training, veterinary care, and breeder collaboration.

If you have concerns about the new import rule, we encourage you to contact your members of the U.S. House and Senate, and the [CDC](#). Respectfully express your concerns. It is recommended that breed enthusiasts who import personally-owned dogs from canine-rabies free or low-risk countries, or owners who routinely cross a land border with their dog, ask Congress and CDC to eliminate the disproportionate impact that they experience, particularly regarding the requirement that puppies be six months of age for importation.

Share messages in personalized, individual emails, calls, or letters in which you represent your own situation or that of your club.

Tell your story about how it negatively impacts you and your colleagues, events, etc., as responsible dog enthusiasts.

Ask the CDC to continue to work with AKC and other organizations that represent responsible dog owners to consider exceptions for personally-owned dogs that can affirmatively demonstrate little risk of canine rabies.

Other points you may wish to include:

The final rule disregards the difference in risk profiles for personally-owned pets and dogs intended for transfer.

The proposed rule for comment included exceptions, potentially reducing comment, but the final rule provided no exceptions.

There is little risk from fully vaccinated puppies from low-risk countries entering the U.S. at four months of age.

To find out who represents you in Congress, visit: www.akcgr.org/officials/.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

First, go to www.cdc.gov/dogtravel for the latest information on CDC’s dog importation requirements.

Then, for specific inquiries or to express concerns, contact CDC at (404) 498-1600 or cdcanimalimports@cdc.gov.

You may also contact AKC Government Relations at doglaw@akc.org.

A special thank you to those of you who have been attending city and county meetings, writing letters to your representatives and sharing notices of hearings. All of these actions are so important in our fight against more animal legislation. An example is recently in Pennsylvania, hundreds of individuals showed up to a recent Borough Council meeting where an ordinance presenting that would limit the number of dogs owned per property to 3. After hearing the testimonials of various dog owners and professionals the Council withdrew the proposed ordinance. Without local action, this would have been voted in. Please watch your local city and county meeting agendas and hearing notices and attend or write. We all need to fight to maintain our rights to own/breed/show our dogs.

As always, if you would like more information on how you can be active, email me at senji_sandy@icloud.com and I am happy to assist.

Respectfully yours,

Sandy McArthur
BCOA Legislative Liaison to AKC



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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To be eligible to enter the Futurity, the breeder must nominate the bitch before (or within 30 days after) the whelping date and must nominate the puppy within the 3 months following its birth.

EBC invites everyone to nominate your bitches so your puppies can compete in the next Futurity competition.

<https://www.evergreenbasenjiclub.org/futurity>

The **Norm and Mae Wallace Award** is given to the breeder of the Best in Futurity winner. This unique award is given in honor of the Wallace's love for the breed, and celebrates a Basenji dam and her brood.

The **Don Murphie Award** is given to the Best in Maturity winner in memory of Don's many years of support to the EBC's Maturity. The artwork celebrates a young adult Basenji.



2024 Don Murphie Award



2024 Norm and Mae Wallace Award



Basenji Club of America Voting Member Notice
Judges Selection – Stage 2 – Candidate List Refinement Stage

Selection for National Specialty Conformation Judge for 2026 and Sweepstakes Judge for 2025 continues. Please see the nominees below and submit your selections by **Saturday, October 5, 2024** to the Judge Selection Committee Chair, Pat Marshall by e-mail or 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 U.S. mailed to all members for the final vote.

Deadline for Stage 2 voting is **Saturday, October 5, 2024**

BCOA National Specialty 2026 Conformation Classes
You may select up to 5 judges in each category

Alphabetically Listed

Claire Abraham	Avery Gaudin	Jan Robert
John Arvin	Rusty Grayson	Robert Robinson
Hal Bierman	Lou Guerrero	Anne Savory Bolus
Jean -Christopher Boulinquez	Denise Hardy	Amy Sorbie
Andrea Bradford	Steven Herman	Ronald Spritzer
Kathy Britton	Jamie Hubbard	Carol Spritzer
Francis Broadway	Linda Hurlebaus	Susan St John Brown
Pamela Bruce	Robert Hutton	Paula Steele
Joseph Buchanan	Steve Keating	Helen Stein
JoAnne Buehler	Thomas Keirstein	Betty Ann Stermark
Kris Caleinari	Ronald Lukins	Helena Strombert
Brenda Cassell	Molly Martin	Donald Sturtz
Dana Cline	Marjorie Matorella	Harold Tatso
Susan Coe	Dianna McCarty	Debra Thornton
Jon Curby	Neil McDevitt	Bonnie Threlfal
William Dougherty	Kimberly Meredith	J. Randall Tincher
Karen Dumke	David Miller	Jon Titus Steele
Eddie Dzuik	Juan Mirande	Pat Trotter
Kay Elred	Patti Neale	Cindy Vogels
Espen Engh	Sulie Paveza	Jon Wade
Denise Flaim	Scott Pfiel	Joe Walton
Nicholas Frost	Tom Rabbette	Judy Webb
Chris Frost		Mike Work

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BCOA National Specialty 2025 Sweepstakes Classes
You may select up to 5 judges in each category

Alphabetically Listed

Harry Bennet
Eugene Biller
Russella Bowen
Kathy Britton
Tad Brooks
Kim Byrd
Connie Camp
Ciara Cassell
Susan Coe
Ray Cooper
Judy Cunningham
Vickie Curby
Janneke De Graff
Mary DeWhitt
Jon Draud
Pam Geoffroy
Bob Gooderl
Bryan Gregory

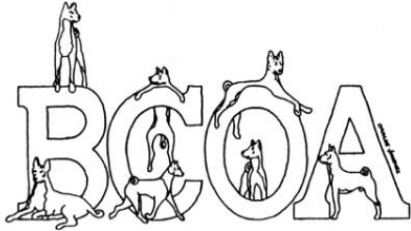
Allison Hardy
Laura Mae Hesse
Anne Humphries
Julie Jones
Kathi Jones
Sue Kite
Suzanne La Croix
Julie Leicht
Tracy Leonard
Louise Marsden
Chris Maxka
Sandy McArthur
Veronica Nagy
Scott Osborne
Laurie Owen
Brad Phifer
Jennifer Powers
John Predale
MaryK Quinnett
Tom Rabbette

Terry Reed
Jordan Reed
Jan Roberts
Cindy Russell
Dianna Sanders
Michael Savage
Andrew Sawler
Natalie Scherwin
Sharron Schigdall
Susan Schroeder
Cali Shattuck
Kelly Shupp
Cindi Shuttack
Sarah Smith Falkner
Andrea Stone
Jay Webb
Betty White
Gale Whitehurst
Thomas Wright

You may email your selections to
Pat Marshall
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US mail - 1030 CR 284, Jasper, TX 75951.

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.

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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.