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BCOA Announcement

BCOA Annual Meeting

08 Oct 2024

Purina Farms, Gray Summit, MO

Meeting called to order by President Marshall at 6:20 PM .

Members present:

President Pat Marshall, Secretary Janet Ketz, Eugene Biller, Kim Bryd, Katie Campbell, Ciara Cassell, Natalie Colucci, Ray Cooper, Nancy Craigie, Jon Curby, Joan Hughes Duszka, Lianna Frazer, Chris Frost, Healthier Galford, Jeffery Gillespie, Bryan Gregory, Laurie Gregory, Julie Hartigan, Laura Mae Hesse, Michelle Hogan, Renee Holmes, Robert Huhn, Debra Johnson, Danielle Johnston, Julie Jones, Sue Joyner, Heather Kilmer Cruzate, Sue Kite, Adam Kozikowski, Stacy LeBlanc, Chris Maxka, Lizabeth McCargo, Carey Mills, Dawn Mills, Veronica Nagy, Brad Phifer, Brenda Phillips, Bob Reed, Terry Reed, Jennifer Rivera, Billie Sargent, Linda Stilwell, Karen Terry, Richard Terry, Elizabeth White, Marcia Woodard, Michael Work, Tonda Work and Parliamentarian Chris Dickey.

President Pat Marshall asked if there were any objections to Secretary, Janet Ketz running the meeting, there were none. Janet took over.

Janet Ketz made a motion to use the procedures in our policy manual to run the annual meeting. There were no objections.

45 people in attendance for the annual meeting, we needed 42 for a quorum. So, we can conduct business. Final Count with late arrivals was 48.

Presidents report – nothing to report

Secretary Report – 2023 meeting mins were published in the bulletin board newsletter motion to accept – no objections.

Treasurer's report – BCOA and BHE financials are published quarterly if any questions ask Laura. There were no questions.

AKC Delegate – Katie Campbell would like all members to know she's a resource to anyone who needs advice or help with any problems. She's happy to help the membership like this and enjoys it.

AKC Gazette Column Work - Marcia Woodward wanted to report she won a dog writers award for her writing with BCOA, 2 of her columns were finalist. She also requested that if anyone has a story about getting to the national she would love to hear it so she could write a column on it.

Juniors Coordinator – Ciara Cassel, gave history of her start in dogs and juniors, AKC just adopted the darkness to light training BCOA BOD and Katie helped her with an exemption on this. She would like to see the club do more for juniors. Other clubs are recognizing their top juniors during the top 20, recognizing the ones that qualified for Westminster. She would also like to start a scholarship offered by BCOA. She needs help to achieve these things so anyone who would like to be involved please reach out.

Health Committee Report – Chris Maxka gave an update on the survey that was done and went over the statistics from the survey.

New Business:

-Electronic Balloting – Carrie Jones asked everyone to PLEASE sign the waivers for e-balloting when we started this we were ahead of the curve now we have done nothing and we are behind most clubs getting this done. It will be more efficient, save money, and gives us many options on voting.

-RAMP – the ramp is setup for people to use, please test it out. A ballot will be coming out for the ramp after the national.

With no further items to discuss, the 2024 Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Submitted By Veronica Nagy

Native Stock Dog Ballots will be tallied after Saturday, October 26. Official results will be published in November BB newsletter. See final page for **2025 Officers results**.

Upcoming 2024 Membership ballots-

Ramp Ballot and **Stage 3 Judge Selection** weighted ballot will be US mailed to all members. Current plan is for some time in November. Judge selection ballot will include resumes for the top 5 in each category.

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 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.

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:

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Breeder Education Committee

With the retirement of **Susan Coe**, BCOA thanks her for many years on the committee.

Liz McCargo has volunteered to take on the Breeder Education Chair position.



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>

BCOA BALLOT 2024-29 APPROVED

SUBJECT: NEW MEMBERS

Effective: October 22, 2024

Circulated in accordance with the BCOA Bylaws

Please indicate your vote to approve for the following applicants published in the September Bulletin Board Newsletter. No comments were received.

Connie Langford, CA (reinstatement); Jolene Krohn, CO; Jennifer Robertson & Celeste Brusati, WA.

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

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.

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

2026 Lebanon, TN

October 5-11

Wilson County Expo Center

Judges: *Pending*

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/NationalSpecialtyAppendixD.pdf>

Region, Year of Event and Bid Year

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

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

News From the Secretary

Janet Ketz, secretary@basenji.org
Eastern time, 815-325-5908

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.

Please sponsor someone to grow our Membership.

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Retired Vet Tech
Kennel: Masiya
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Bryan Gregory, Laurie Gregory

Brenda Hammock
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Retired paramedic
Interests: Conformation
Puppies-Yes
Stephanie Cheng, Laurie Stargell

Valeria Shunkarova-Sai
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Dentist
Kennel: Lightning
Puppies & Stud: Yes
Michael Work, Whitney Podhradsky

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Retired
Kennel: Ottaray
Interests: K9 Sports-all
Terry Colbert. Laurie Gregory

Sharon Wolf
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Retired Counselor
Kennel: Sharkar
Interests: Showing, learning Rally
Laura Mae Hesse, Janet Ketz

Danielle Corkle
29331 374th Ave
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Employment Consultant – Dept Labor
Interests: hunting, LC, Conf and game tracking
Danielle Johnson, Lizabeth McCargo

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.



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.

What a wonderful week we had for our National Specialty in 2024!

We, as the Event Coordinators, worked very hard to have a wealth of choices for all our competitors and attendees. We can happily say we succeeded there, with Agility, Scent Games, Obedience, Rally, African Stock Exhibition, Sweepstakes for Puppies and Veterans, Juniors, Pee Wees, Regular Conformation, Non-Regular Conformation, Lure Coursing, and Racing. The Welcome Night with food, fun games, and socializing.

For all our offerings, we could not have had so many options if not for all the Wonderful Volunteers to Chair, handle all the details, run, and work on all these events!

Being able to highlight the Top 20 was an honor and we are so pleased with the excellent examples we were able to see highlighted in this group.

Our Auctions were a Huge Success!! We are so thankful for all the donations for both the Silent Auction and the Live Auction.

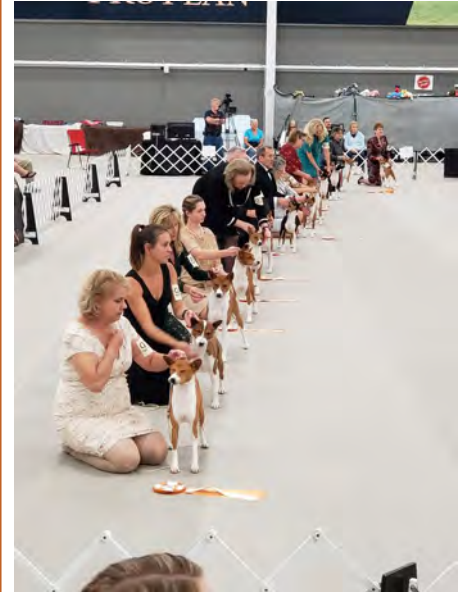
The Banquet was a wonderful opportunity to come together to have a great time and enjoy some great food. And we had a super exciting Live Auction!

We had some wonderful Educational Offerings thanks to our Health Committee.

Thank you, one and all, for your help, offers of help, support and encouragement. Without all who worked and participated in this entire week it would not have been nearly as successful.

Thank You!!

Sharron Schmidgall and Barbara Reisinger



Visit the National FaceBook page to see photos:

[Basenji Club of America National Specialty | Facebook](#)

Win Photos and a few candid photos by **TeddyLei Photography**

<https://teddylei.shootproof.com/category/148040>

Performance Event Candids by **Jumoke Photography**

<https://jumokephoto.shootproof.com/gallery/25667861>

[2024 BCOA National Show Results](#)

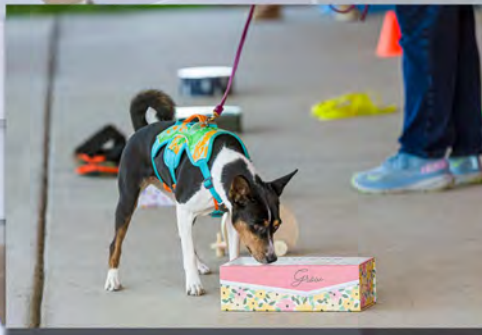
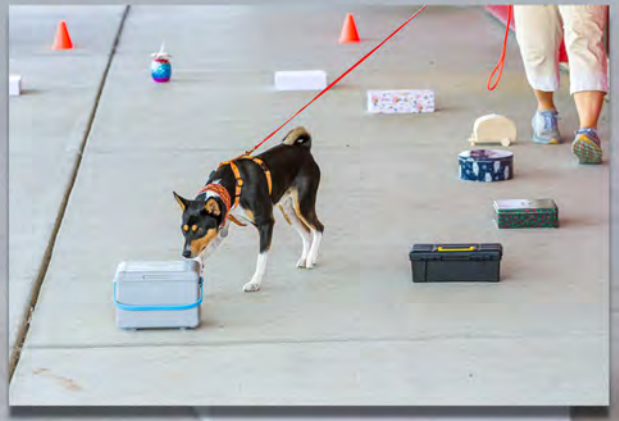
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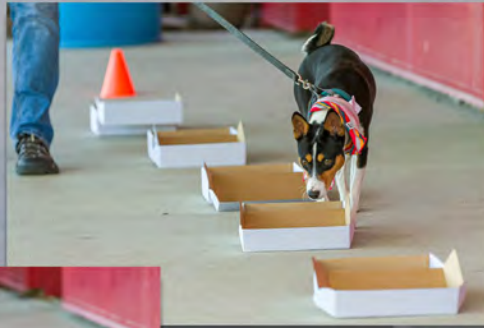
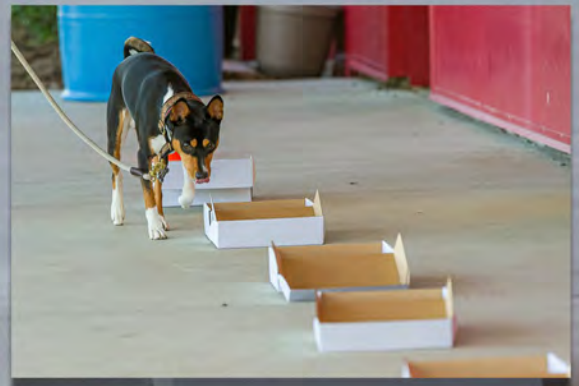
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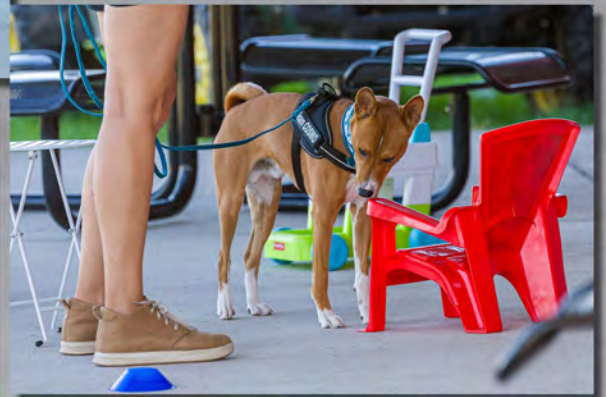
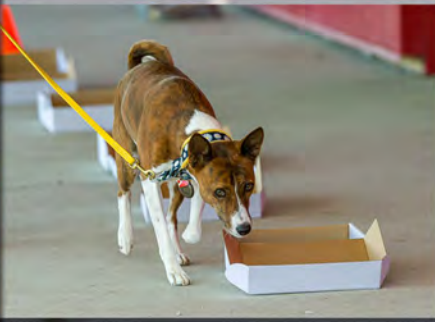
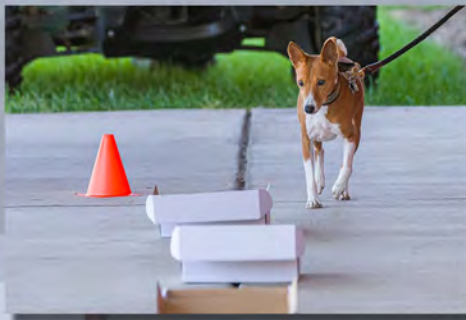
Candid photos included in this issue taken by **Terry Fielder** and **Laurie Gregory**. More photos will be posted in the next issue of the *Bulletin Board* to **Celebrate the 2024 BCOA National**. Please send additional content and committee reports to newsletter@basenji.org



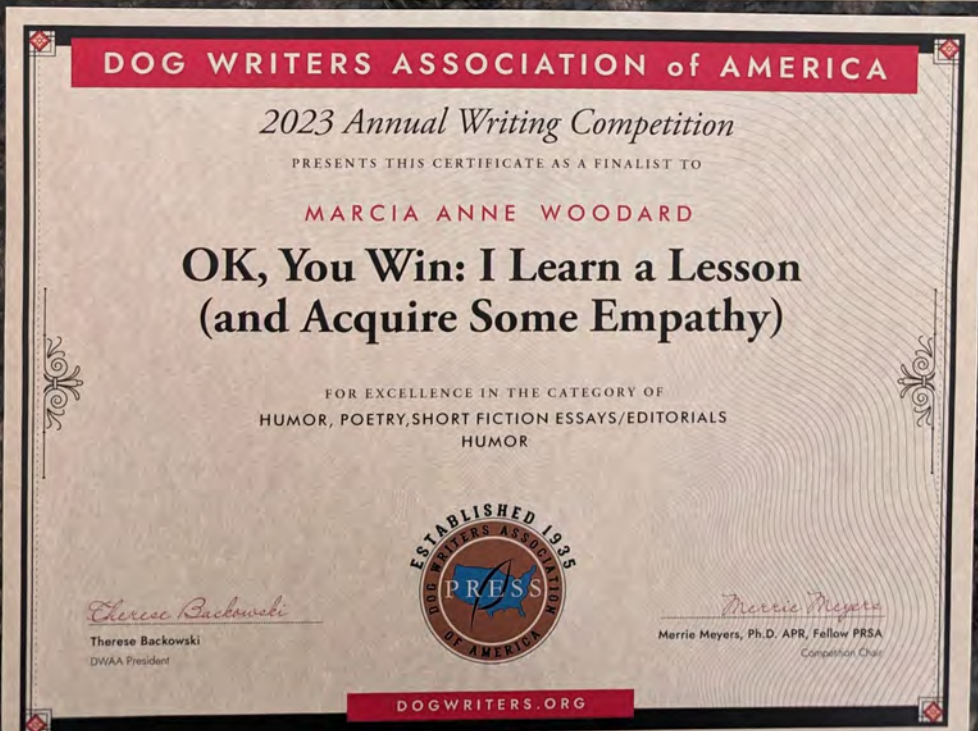
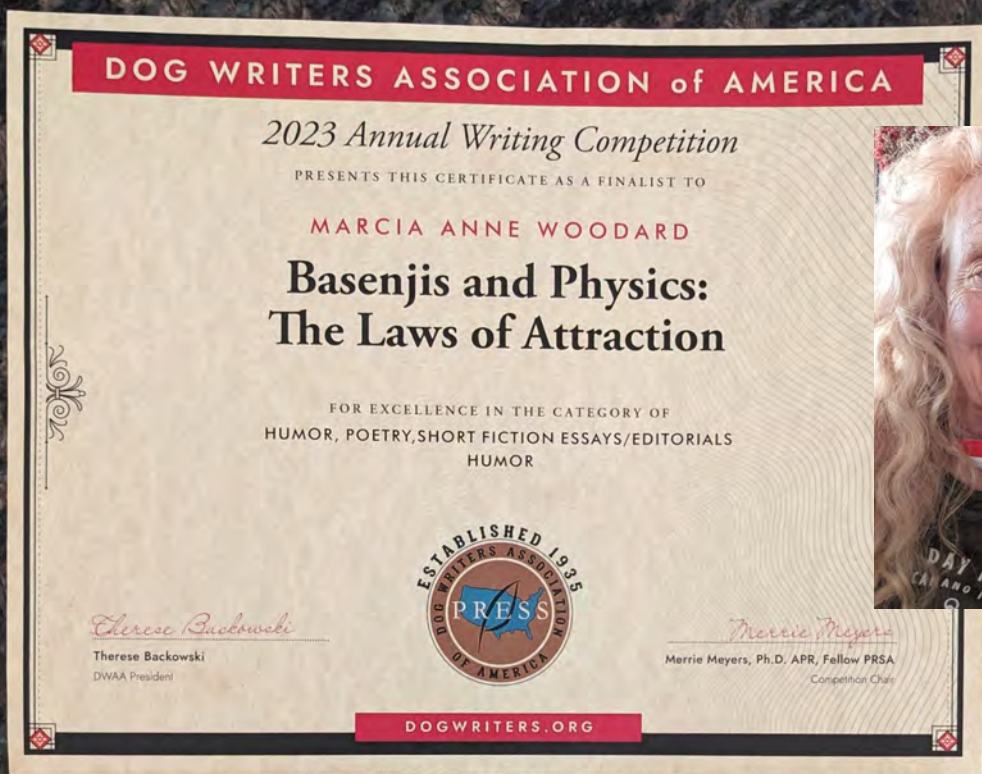












We are so very grateful for amazing members and volunteers that work hard to support our club and our National(s). Please support them, too, by following the BCOA Fundraising Auction group, having fun bidding on some special Basenji items. Currently fundraising for the 2023 National.

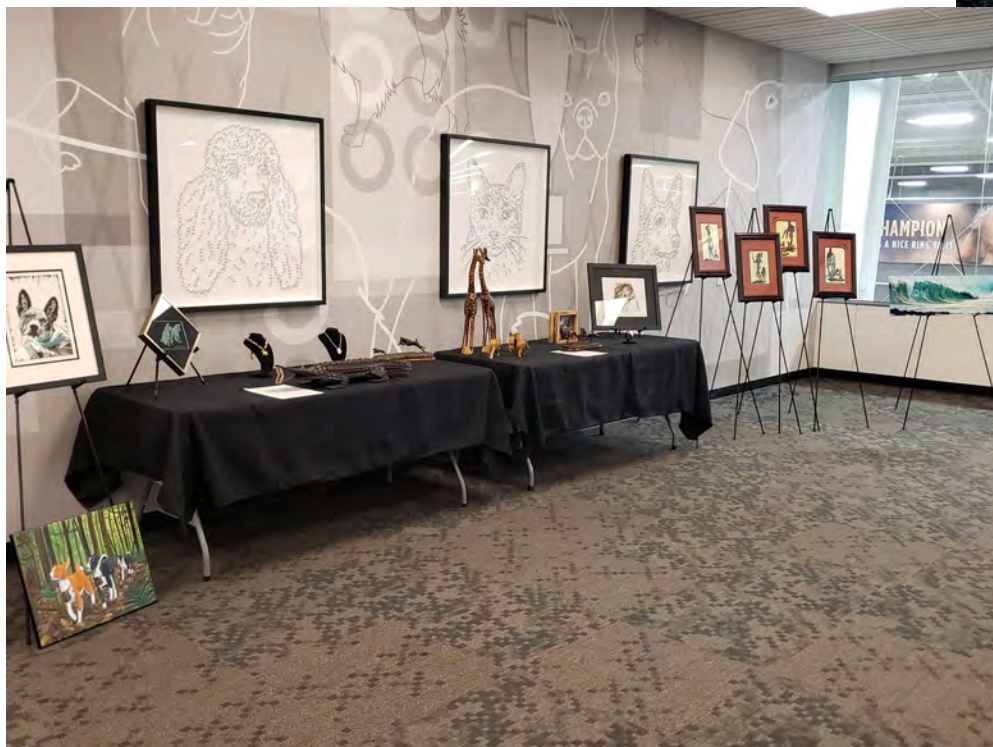


<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bcoafundraising>

BHE

The **Basenji Health Endowment** is looking for a **Logo/letterhead**.

Felice Lang has volunteered to manage our search for a BHE Logo/ letterhead. We will have more information next month.



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.

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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>





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Sweepstakes, Futurity, and Maturity Judges

AKC Update from our AKC Delegate, Katie Campbell:

The (AKC) Board voted to **remove the exhibiting restriction for Sweepstakes, Futurity, and Maturity judges effective January 1, 2025.**

This change will permit Sweepstakes, Futurity, and Maturity Judges to exhibit on the same day they judge in any competition other than the classes for the competition they are assigned to judge. Those accepting an assignment to judge a Sweepstakes, Futurity or Maturity are reminded that **the event hosting club does have the option to impose exhibiting restrictions for its judges above those defined by AKC rules and policies as a condition of contract.**

Be advised, for all events held prior to January 1, 2025, Sweepstakes, Futurity, and Maturity Judges must adhere to the current policy which prohibits one from exhibiting the same breed the day they judge at events held within 200 miles of their assignment; with the restriction spanning the entire length of the event when held with a multi-day show.

An insert was created to reflect this change and has been added to the current version of the [Rules, Policies, and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges](#) posted on the AKC website. The revised text will be inserted into the booklet at its next reprint.

Make sure to click through here to see the whole rule: https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/REJ999.pdf?sc_src=email_1347171&sc_lid=81565074&sc_uid=cWim8Pj2F4&sc_lid=616&sc_eh=7e98ef036c96b4cf1

That being said, the “crib note” is that AKC now allows hosting clubs to enable Sweeps/Futurity/Maturity judges to exhibit on the same day ****just like it already exists for judging 4-6 and other special attractions e.g. FSS, Veterans, Puppy, BBEX, etc**** HOWEVER, While Sweeps/Futurity/Maturity judge restrictions have been lifted, **it is now the case that NOHS judges can no longer exhibit on the same day.**

Heed that AKC does allow the hosting club the option, *"The event hosting club does have the option to impose exhibiting restrictions for its judges above that defined by AKC rules and policies as a condition of contract."*



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.

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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Teller's Report for the Basenji Club of America 2025 Officers and Board of Directors

Election ballots postmarked by October 19, 2024 and received by October 26, 2024: 241

Officers

President	Natalie Scherwin	223
Vice President	Julie Hartigan	220
Secretary	Janet Ketz	226
Treasurer	Laura Mae Hesse	227

Board of Directors

Pat Marshall	210
Stella Sapios	194
Michelle Hogan	192
Julie Jones	187
Veronica Nagy	178
Jon Curby	173
Thomas Wright	136
Michael Work	133
Jaa Scheffler	63

Five ballots which were postmarked later than October 19, 2024 are not included in the above counts.

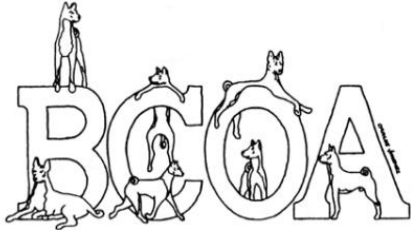
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Linda C. Beenen CPA CFP® MST

Member's Name (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.