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The Bichon Frise Club of America, Inc.





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President's Message

Myra Wotton

Fall is upon us already!! The tree leaves here in MN are showing their beautiful autumn colors! Our National Specialty and Parent Club Specialty that is being held with the Renaissance Cluster All-Breed shows in Madison, WI, is fast approaching! Our Show Chair, Cyndie Adams, has been doing a fantastic job preparing for our shows. Thanks, Cyndie!!

Our Premium List is now available on Baray's website – here is the link to our Premium List https://baray-production-storage.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/premium_list/98ySifoNd1eRRbNcWCZ28ycHb13LAAvK9TAzxtEr.pdf

I wish everyone the best of luck at all the shows!!!

Here is what your Board has been addressing since my last Bulletin article.

Cyndie Adams, Show Chair, for the Madison National Specialty and Parent Club Specialty participated in our September Board Zoom meeting to apprise the Board of the status of preparations for our shows. Thanks, Cyndie, for keeping the Board updated!

The Board approved having a sign-up sheet at a table in Madison on Wednesday only that would include the attendee's name, e-mail address, and a box to check whether the attendee is a BFCA member or non-member. This sign-up sheet will provide the Board with valuable information regarding member versus non-member attendance. The Board would greatly appreciate each attendee completing this information.

Kim Furlong, our Futurity Secretary, joined the August Board Zoom meeting to provide the Board with an update on our new Futurity event which will debut at our 2022 National Specialty in Tulsa, OK. Kim informed us of some of the questions she has been receiving from potential entrants as well as shared with the Board that, as of our September Board meeting, 8 breeders have nominated litters with 12 puppies nominated from 13 litters.

Kim has a new e-mail address where the Futurity nomination forms should be sent: kimfurlong9705@gmail.com. The Board told Kim that any time she would like to have information sent to the membership regarding Futurity that she need only to send the written information to us to send via Constant Contact.

Thank you, Kim, for doing a great job in being our Futurity Secretary. We're excited to be able to offer this new event for our breeders!

At the Board's September Zoom meeting, we discussed the procedure for electronic voting for the Futurity judge for 2023. The decision was made to have the members who are eligible to vote per our By-Laws and who have nominated a litter for the 2022 show be the persons to select the Futurity judge for 2023. In future years, the Futurity judge will be selected along with our other judges. The Board also decided that each litter nomination will be able to cast 1 vote.

At each Board Zoom meeting, the Board discussed the status of the pending membership vote on our revised Constitution and Bylaws. AKC has informed the Board that we can hold the confidential vote electronically, and the Board has arranged for this confidential electronic voting process. For those few eligible members who do not have access to a computer, our Recording Secretary will mail them the revised document and ballot.

Our Treasurer, Matt Abbott, has provided the Board with financial summaries so that the Board can continue to fulfill our fiduciary duty with regards to BFCA's finances. The Board appreciates the monthly summary updates – thanks, Matt!

Pres. Wotton had asked Tres Abbott and VP Endo to ascertain whether AKC indeed had a rule to keep the equivalent dollar amount of 2 National Specialties in Reserve. They reported that AKC does not have this requirement for Parent Clubs. The Board will discuss at a future meeting, with input from Treas Abbott and VP Endo, what minimum dollar amount the Club should maintain as an "Emergency Fund".

Tasheena Housman has graciously agreed to be the Show Chair for any future BFCA-sponsored All-Breed Agility trials. Tasheena is currently attempting to find an appropriate date for these trials. She will keep the Board apprised of her progress.

The Board discussed the status of the 2022 National Specialty in Tulsa at each monthly Zoom meeting. Multiple Show Superintendents have been contacted regarding providing Superintendent services at our National. However, the various Superintendents are having difficulty hiring staff and are therefore limited in the amount of shows they are able to provide Superintendent services at (and they are preferentially choosing All-Breed shows over small breed club Specialties). Therefore, BFCA is proceeding with negotiations with a Show Secretary and will explore where we can obtain show rings and show equipment.

Donna DeMartini has graciously agreed to be the Show Chair for our Tulsa National Specialty and VP Endo will be her mentor as Assistant Show Chair. Thanks, Donna and Lillian!!

The Board approved a National Specialty Slogan and Logo – the Slogan is "A Creative Way to Tulsa" and the Logo will be an art deco style logo with a Bichon painting at an easel with the painting being the state of OK with Route 66 highlighted.

Pres. Wotton informed the Board that Ms. Helen Smith will judge Obedience/Rally, and Mr. Ben Anderson will be her ring steward. Thanks, Ben!!

As you know the Board sent out a Constant Contact for volunteers to be a Show Chair. We received only 2 responses. The issue we are facing is a limited pool of members who are experienced and/or interested in being a Show Chair given the limitation of not being able to have their bichons shown at the National. The Board will be discussing this topic in future meetings in hopes of finding an alternative way to move forward. In the meantime, the Board would appreciate any suggestions regarding this from our membership. Please feel free to reach out to any Board member with your suggestions.

The Board received a request from Ms. Mimi Winkler to provide a scholarship for Junior Handlers. The Board felt this idea has merit, and, after much discussion, will ask Ms. Winkler to send the Board a detailed proposal for a scholarship for Junior Handlers for the Board to review and decide whether to move forward with this proposal. At our October meeting, the Board voted to table this topic until we receive a detailed proposal.

Nancy McDonald, our Health Committee Chair, joined the October Board Zoom call to provide the Board with an update on the activities of our Health Committee. The Health Committee recommends that BFCA appoint a person to join AKC's Purebred DNA Bank committee that is in its infancy of organizing the program. Nancy recommended a person and the Board approved

Nancy approaching this person to see if she would be interested in representing BFCA on this AKC committee. Nancy will get back to the Board after contacting her. Nancy requested that as many members as possible complete the OFA online breed survey. Here is the link:

<https://www.ofa.org/about/educational-resources/health-surveys> Nancy told the Board that the

Health Committee will have DNA swabs available at the National Specialty in Madison. The Committee will also have Artero grooming supplies available for purchase as a fund raiser for the Health Committee. The Health Committee has a new logo, and the committee will have available for purchase items such as jar openers and pads with their new logo on them. The Committee members will also be modeling shirts with their new Bichon Health logo on them and will be taking orders from anyone who would like to buy one. Nancy discussed the BFCA 5 Star Health award; the Board agreed that the historical award recipients can be added to our website. The most current quarterly award recipients will continue to be published in the Bulletin.

Thank you, Nancy, for doing a great job as our Health Committee Chair and thank you for updating the Board with this important information.

Mollie Fletcher, Awards Chair, at the request of Pres. Wotton, obtained quotes for printing booklets for our Illustrated Standard, the Membership Directory, and, when AKC approved, our new Constitution & ByLaws. Rec. Sec. Ball also obtained a quote for printing (after AKC approved) our new Constitution & ByLaws. When & if the Board decides to move forward with printing, the Board will review all the quotes. The Board also discussed the possibility of printing the Judge's Education presentation instead of having it printed at a local store.

Diana McFarlane contacted Pres. Wotton regarding who she should send BFCA's historical documents. The Board discussed the position of Historian and Dir. Allen volunteered to be our Historian and will store all historical documents for the Club. Thanks, Roz!!

It is time for our annual Breeder Directory sign-up. The required sign-up form with instructions is located in the Member's Only section of our website as well as published in this Bulletin. The Board-approved fee for this upcoming year is \$62.40 if paid by PayPal/credit card or a discounted price of \$60.00 if paid by check. The instructions and Sign-up forms are located at the following link: <https://bichon.org/membership/members-only/breeder-directory-signup/>

The Board discussed the Breeder of the Year award. Apparently, this award had been given each year up until a few years ago. The Board decided to re-instate the Breeder of the Year award and will offer this award to the Breeder of the Year for 2020.

The issue of AKC Marketplace Puppy Scams was brought to the Board's attention. Apparently, AKC leaves it up to the Parent Clubs if they want to identify potential scams on AKC's puppy sales website. The Board decided to post an article on puppy scams and questions to ask to increase the odds of avoiding a puppy scam. Dir. Spruiell volunteered to compose the article – thanks Mary!!

The article is located on our website under the Breeder Directory tab at the following link: <https://bichon.org/breeder-directory/beware-of-bichon-puppy-scams/> Also, please remember that if you click on "About Bichons" tab on our website, you will find multiple articles of interest to puppy buyers including one entitled "Before You Buy a Puppy". Here is the link: <https://bichon.org/about-bichons/breed-info/before-you-buy-a-puppy/>.

As you can see, your Board has been addressing many important topics. If any member has an idea or suggestion for the Board to discuss, please don't hesitate to contact any Board member. We're here for you and welcome communication from our members!

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Myra



Recording Secretary Report

Wendy Ball

Well, to say my past few months have been boring is definitely a LIE! Those of you that are friends on Facebook, know that Danny my husband almost died (non-covid related), after sudden severe stomach pain hit him on August 22. Long story short, he had 4 emergency surgeries on his abdomen and a helicopter ride in the middle from our local hospital ICU to the University of Kentucky CCICU for 4 weeks total in intensive care followed by 2 weeks of intensive rehabilitation. He is definitely a miracle, and we appreciate all those that prayed for us both. That along with all the BFCA business, it has been extremely busy.

I'd also like to address those members who voiced concerns with me as Recording Secretary and keeping your voting confidential. First, let me give you my career background....I served as a Deputy Circuit Court Clerk in the county I resided in, for numerous years and was in charge of our Drivers License Office. When I left there, I went to work for the Kentucky State Police and retired with 31 years' service to the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a Dispatcher Supervisor overseeing a dispatching staff of 9 individuals and working with 45 uniform units. Not only being responsible for their safety while out on the road, I was also responsible for running checks on the state, federal and international levels when the case arose. Part of the job was also to be able to keep sensitive information confidential and with that we had to have various clearances from state, federal and international agencies. I have more clearances on those levels than anyone you know. So, rest assured, I know how to keep things confidential.

BFCA Recording Secretary

At this time, I'd like to thank Lillian Endo for her assistance on helping with the annual dues. Per our By-Laws in Article I, Section 1, (a), (b), (c), (d) ALL DUES RECEIVED AFTER SEPTEMBER 30TH WILL BE RETURNED AND RE-APPLICATION WILL BE REQUIRED, NO EXCEPTIONS! We wish the best to those who are no longer BFCA Members: Terry Ellen Collings-CA, Dean Anneser II-CT, Mary Ellen Ivey-MA, Jolee Hanson-MN.

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Recording Secretary Report (Continued)

The Club also offers its condolences to the family and friends of those members who have passed away this past year: Larry Brockett, Elaine Forstall, Laurie Philpot and one of our Past Presidents Avaneil Sikes.

Remember it is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to notify me if you have any changes with your information, email me at bichonbabe@mchsi.com with your new information....I can do lots of things BUT READING MINDS IS NOT ONE OF THEM!

Bichon Kisses,
Wendy Ball



Treasurer Report

Matt Abbott

BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA
Treasurer's Report
Financial Statement Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending September 30, 2021

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	June 30, 2021		68,834.08
INCOME:			
	Membership Dues	6,106.81	
	2022 Futurity	180.00	
	Sales	12.00	
	2021 N/S - Trophy Donations	2,305.00	
	2021 N/S - Catalog Sales	680.00	
	Application Fees	60.00	
	Total		9,343.81
	Health		
	Donations	1,015.40	
	Total		1,015.40
	Agility		
	Total		-
TOTAL INCOME			10,359.21
EXPENSE:			
	2021 N/S - Welcome Night Deposit	250.00	
	2021 BFCA Supported Entries	69.90	
	2021 N/S Ribbons	318.57	
	Judges Education	1,279.95	
	Bulletin Expenses	111.44	
	CA Franchise Tax Board	25.00	
	Paypal Expenses	96.69	
	AKC Medallions	215.00	
	Office Supplies	146.36	
	Total		2,512.91
	Health		
	Promotional Sales Items	743.39	
	Paypal Expenses	14.04	
	Total		757.43
	Agility		
	Total		-
TOTAL EXPENSE			3,270.34
NET GAIN/LOSS			\$ 7,088.87
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	September 30, 2021		\$ 75,922.95
PAYPAL BALANCE	September 30, 2021		\$ 500.00
BUSINESS SAVINGS BALANCE	June 30, 2021	60,281.31	
Interest Income		1.50	
BUSINESS SAVINGS BALANCE	September 30, 2021		\$ 60,282.81
TOTAL FUNDS	September 30, 2021		\$ 136,705.76

Matt Abbott, Treasurer - September 30, 2021

Delegate Report

Mayno Blanding

I attended the September Delegate meetings of the Health Committee, the Parent Club Committee, the Coordinating Committee, and Orientation for New Delegates as well as the general Delegate meeting.

The **Health Committee** reported on several areas of importance to the BFCFA. Among the research studies underway are the treatment of mast cell tumors; the intestinal microbiome of mothers and their puppies as investigated by DNA sequencing; the role of luteinizing hormone in promoting hemangiosarcomas; and the efficacy of CBD oil in controlling epilepsy. Another epilepsy study explores the difference in functional MRI scans of the brain in dogs affected by epilepsy and those unaffected.

The AKC/CHF Parent Club Health Conference held virtually in August had more than 400 registrants. The recorded sessions will soon be available on the AKC Canine College website. The AKC/CHF has once again achieved Charity Navigator's highest four-star rating.

This is the 20th anniversary of the OFA CHIC program, which began in the Fall of 2001 with eight AKC breeds participating. More than 200 breeds now participate. The OFA DNA bank is now 15 years old and includes more than 31,000 DNA samples from 200 breeds. Recently, samples have been obtained by researchers at University of Pennsylvania for studies of PRA (progressive retinal atrophy).

It was pointed out that the breeding of brachycephalic dogs has been prohibited in Denmark and in the Netherlands due to the susceptibility of short-muzzled dogs to upper airway obstruction. The legislation provides that only dogs with the length of muzzle at least a third of the head are allowed to be bred. One of the consequences is that breeding of the Pug in the Netherlands has been banned despite the pug being the national Dutch dog! ***Take this as a warning to Bichon breeders who prefer a shorter muzzle over the correct proportion of 5/3.***

OFA is currently licensing a program developed at Cambridge University as a rating system for the severity of BOAS (Brachycephalic Obstructive Airway Syndrome).

The committee urged breeders to take advantage of the AKC Marketplace as an advertising venue. It is estimated that some 10-20% of dogs bred in the US are advertised there. ***Unfortunately, we need to keep checking the Bichon ads to make sure that they are not scams. The AKC does not do this for us, therefore, our club must take the initiative.***

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The difficulty of obtaining a necropsy was discussed by the committee and guests, with general agreement that the increase in veterinary demand during the Pandemic has worsened the problem.

The **Parent Club Committee** also reiterated the need for PCs to police the AKC Marketplace. They made a big pitch for PCs to involve Juniors and said that the AKC is getting very much involved and can help with this. *There was an outstanding video on Tuesday at the general Delegate Meeting. If anyone would like to see it, please email me.**

Regarding legislation, we were warned that breeding is often lumped in with animal cruelty. Beware of “killing” laws which may impact Field Trials, Earth Dog, and Fast Cat. They suggested we support the AKC PAC which supports legislators who support us. 100% of our donations is used – there is no overhead. There’s a committee that awards clubs that excel in Breeder Education. There was a great deal of time spent on the Purebred Preservation Bank. The goal is to help breeds survive in the coming decades. Our Health Committee is pursuing this. *There was a slide presentation on the Purebred Preservation Bank at the general Delegate Meeting on Tuesday. If anyone would like to see it, please email me.**

AKC has asked us to encourage breeders and PCs to check out the AKC pages on Facebook. They are being very basic and would like PCs to join these pages. This could be used as a recruitment tool and for meet-up groups.

Some people may not be aware that the AKC Meet-the Breed events are stand-alone events. They encourage involvement by the Parent Club, but will proceed without our support if we choose not to be involved. They have gotten rave reviews by everyone who has participated for how well they are organized and how beautiful they are. AKC will help anyone who wants to participate.

*Did you know that the AKC was very involved with the dogs used in NYC after 9/11? For a very moving video, please contact me.**

Overall, I am extremely impressed with how well the AKC is run. Now that I am a delegate, I can see more of what is happening. They are well organized, very helpful, and have so much information for just about any problem we can come up with. We only need to reach out and they will respond with open arms.

*maynob@gmail.cc





BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA CHARITABLE TRUST

Est. 2003

Zandra Kern

Rescue has been busy. We've had 28 Bichons so far this year. We have also been busy raising money to support our Rescue. On September 26 we had our Bichon Bash. Our Bash was a great success. The Bichons played games with their owners and played together. After expenses we received \$8,121 for Rescue.

We are also working with the Sedona Tap House in Centreville, VA. The Tap House has a "Dine Out for Charity". They have a charity they support every month and for the month of October, they are supporting Bichon Rescue. Rescue will receive a donation for every dinner ordered on an October Monday. Our Bash volunteers are planning to have their Bash debrief meeting at the Tap House on Monday, October 25.

Our website <https://www.bichonrescue.org> now has a page highlighting our permanent rescues. Our goal is to increase our donations by informing people about the plight of many of the Bichons we get in rescue.



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THIRD QUARTER FINANCIALS

INCOME/EXPENSE STATEMENT JULY 2021 – SEPTEMBER 2021

BASH- Merchandise	107.50	
Bash- ticket sales	7,413.35	
Direct Public Grants	30.00	
Direct Public Support	9,936.13	
Other Types of Income		
Teeshirt Fundraiser	516.00	
Total Income		18,002.98
Cost of Goods Sold	454.45	
Gross Profit	17,548.53	
<u>Expense</u>		
Bank charges	30.00	
BASH expenses	50.80	
Credit Card Fees	352.30	
Dog Food-Supplies	87.47	
Grooming	75.00	
IT internet- computer	748.92	
Postage- teeshirt fundraisers	110.78	
Veterinary Expenses	4,437.55	
Total Expense		5,892.82
Net Income		<u>11,655.71</u>

BALANCE SHEET THIRD QUARTER 2021

Sep 30, 21		
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings	42,832.13	
Other Current Assets	5,164.17	
Total Current Assets		47,996.30
Other Assets	719.11	
TOTAL ASSETS		48,715.41

FUTURITY

Kim Furlong

Thank you to all of you who have nominated your beautiful puppies for Futurity. Just a few reminders I wanted to share with you as we will soon be transitioning from 2022 nominations to 2023 nominations. When I send your return paperwork, the color of the paperwork will change from blue to pink as an added way for you to tell at a glance which forms you are filling out.

- An easy way to ensure you continue the process to nominate your puppy is to mark the three- and six-month nomination due dates on your calendar so you don't miss the deadline. Once I receive your six-month nomination the only thing left for you to do is to enter the puppy when you do your National entry.
- Futurity nominations for the 2023 BFCA National begin on November 4, 2021. The location is Minneapolis, MN and the judge will be announced by the end of October.
- Don't forget, you can still show your puppy in Futurity even if they earn their Championship beforehand!
- The last day to nominate a litter for the 2022 Futurity is November 3, 2021. The judge is Judy McNamara and the location is Tulsa, OK.
- Each placement in Futurity has a \$ CASH \$ payout!
- Futurity celebrates breeders and well-planned breeding programs - join in the fun!
- Futurity showcases our breed's future stars! Nominate your litter today!
- Your Futurity nomination just needs to be **postmarked** prior to whelping, not received. It's not too late to participate :-)
- Futurity is a great warm-up class before the regular classes for those puppies who have not been shown before.
- Your puppy **must** be entered in the regular puppy class to be able to be entered in the Futurity class.
- Futurity mirrors the very beginning of this sport which was to evaluate breeding stock and enjoy peer comradery!
- Have faith in yourself and your breeding program. Nominate your upcoming litter for Futurity!
- **Please note my new email address: kimfurlong9705@gmail.com**
- If you need any assistance with having the program explained to you in more detail, feel free to contact me at any time.
- Submitting health documentation is highly recommended but not required. If you do not have your results at the time of nomination, I am happy to accept them at a later date but I must have all of them 30 days prior to the National.
- Thank you for doing your part to preserve the standard and integrity of this wonderful breed!

Judges Education

Mimi Winkler

I hope everyone had a healthy, happy summer and that you are looking forward to the change of seasons and our National Specialty.

Last I wrote, I was headed to Houston, to give a Bichon seminar for the DJAA judging group. I was so pleased that once again we had not only the largest number of judge attendees for the Bichon Seminar, but we received all 5.s, from the judges, the highest rating given. Many hours of hard work goes into gathering more information to present to the judges, so that when I receive these accolades I realize all this hard work is worth it.

This year I implemented a round table discussion at the end of the seminar. All the judges liked it so much they told the directors about it. they, the directors, then came over to me to discuss it...Seems they liked what they heard... I will continue to make this part of my seminar.

Thank you to Judy McNamara for riding shotgun this time. It's always a pleasure to have either Paul or Judy, like minded, intelligent, experienced, open minded, breeders to share their many years of life with a bichon with the judges. Between us we do have a wealth of knowledge. We offer different points of view while sticking to the standard. There is an expression "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing...drink deep or taste not the Pyrian Springs." In other words, Know what you are talking about....they do...

Again, my thanks to Kayley for rounding up all the beautiful dogs for the hands on portion of the seminar. Without the dogs ..well let's face it....nothing is good without the dogs.

The National: I have posted on every Judges Only FB page..so they have all the information.

A quick summary...WED. Nov. 17th...8:00am Judges Seminar...followed by Ringside Mentoring for Sweeps...Lunch..... Ringside Mentoring for. Conformation....breakthen Hands On...to wrap up Judges Ed for the day..it will be a long day....I am thanking everybody now, in advance, for volunteering to help me with your dogs at the end of the day.

Ringside mentoring will be offered every day....approved mentors please volunteer, if only for one or two classes. .and remember if you have a dog in a class you must excuse yourself. .We teach the standard, not our personal preferences.

Be well.

Mimi



Membership Report

Sheri Kennedy

Fall 2021

NEW MEMBERS (Sponsors)

Lewis Waldeisen
77905 Cottonwood Cv.
Indian Wells, CA 92210
(Lorrie Carlton & Roz Allen)

Sari Bankson
4333 24th Avenue, Lot 114
Fort Gratiot, MI 48059
(Terrell Potts & Anna Hillman)

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS (Sponsors)

*All BFCA members are invited to send comments (both pro & con) regarding applicants. Comments must be received by the Recording Secretary, Wendy Ball, 967A Boat Dock Rd, Somerset, KY 42501 or bichonbabe@mchsi.com by **November 15, 2021***

Doug Housman
6018 Radiance Blvd E
Fife, WA 98424
(Karen Paulson & Sue Swindle)



ROM/ROMX Report

Roz Allen

Effective from here forward, Roz Allen is the Chairperson of the Registry of Merit. All ROM/ROMX submissions should be submitted to her at:

Roz Allen
1681 Meadow Vista Road
Meadow Vista, CA 95722
rozallenbfca@gmail.com

As a Reminder, your applications should be submitted with the current AKC Registration of the Dog and an AKC Progeny Report. In Lieu of a Progeny Report, you may send the pages of the Bichon Frise Reporter, announcing the Championships of the Dam or Sire's get.

Qualifications for ROM/ROMX

It is the responsibility of the Owner of a proposed dog to submit the required information to the ROM/ROMX Chairperson for confirmation. The Owner must be a BFCA member in good standing.

To be eligible for a Register of Merit (ROM) title, the subject dog is to have been the sire of seven (7) or more Champions of Record or the dam of five (5) or more Champions of Record.

To be eligible for a Register of Merit Excellent (ROMX) title, the subject dog is to have been the sire of twenty-five (25) or more Champions of Record or the dam ten (10) or more Champions of Record.



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Small Tote Bag—was \$25—**NOW \$15**

Mouse Pad—was \$15—**NOW \$12**

Luggage / Golf Tag—was \$10—**NOW \$5**

Contact Merry Nicole at 703.431-2075 (call or text) or email
BFC.A.Sales@gmail.com for availability!

***** Great News!! The Illustrated Breed Standard is online at www.bichon.org*****

Keystone Bichon Frise Club



After a hiatus due to the pandemic, the Keystone Club is active again. The Club held the election of Officers and Board Members in August. The following are the new club officers:

President - Cyndie Adams

Vice President - Diane Woodring

Secretary - Susan Dare

Treasurer - Nita Gryan

Board Members - Janet Weiderhold, Linda Laber

The club purchased a canine vest and will be presenting the vest to canine officer Kona, which will include a demonstration of a working canine.

This past year the club lost 2 active members and, in their memory, made a donation to Delaware Valley Bichon Rescue.



Please join us for our
57th, 58th and 59th Annual Specialty Shows.

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday
February 25-27, 2022**

Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard
Del Mar, CA 92014

- Indoors, 3 Specialties & 3 Sweepstakes in one weekend
- National Owner Handler Series competition each day
- Beautiful rosettes for all placements

Show Entries Close and other event deadlines are Wednesday, 02/09/22

- Patrons of the Specialty Fund donations received by this day will be prominently acknowledged on the awards table
- Reserved grooming space forms & payment is due to Silver Bay Kennel Club

Please visit our club website for the latest information

including the official Premium List and Judges (once they are known):

Go to: bichonfriseclubofsandiego.com/2022specialty/

We thank all of you who have supported us in the past and hope you will support us again this year. Your donations help us offset the costs of our wonderful awards and rosettes. No contribution is too small.

To make a donation, please visit bichonfriseclubofsandiego.com/2022specialty/

Show Chairperson: Deb Gibb, 858-531-2890

Patrons Donations: Lewis Waldeisen, 760-275-9203

Bichon Frise Club of San Diego: BichonFriseClubOfSanDiego.com

Bichon Frise Club of San Diego: facebook.com/bichonfriseclubofsandiego

Silver Bay Kennel Club: silverbaykc.com

Superintendent: Jack Bradshaw, jbradshaw.com/shows.htm

Bichon Frise Club of Northern New Jersey

The Bichon Frise Club of Northern New Jersey has been VERY busy this fall. Our first specialty was held in conjunction with the Somerset County Kennel Club. Although we had a small entry, the club had lovely awards for all the winners and a delicious hospitality table with lunch served and 2 raffle prizes. Our 2nd Specialty 3 weeks later was held in tandem with the prestigious Morris and Essex Kennel club. As a toast to the show being very special, the club members dressed up in black, lots of pearls, and festive fascinator hats. The entry for this show was overwhelming and once again the club members hosted a wonderful hospitality table with lunch. Our club members worked hard to make sure these shows went off without a hitch.

Finally on Oct 24, the BFCNNJ will host their annual Howl-o-ween dog costume party, with prizes, light refreshments, and a brief meeting. Fun was had by all - especially the dogs.

November will be a Zoom meeting to review the results of the shows and what we can do better, because with a little luck our USUAL March specialty will be held and planning will begin again.

December is our annual holiday luncheon held so we can all socialize as a club.

The Bichon Frise Club of Northern New Jersey would also like to thank the parent club BFCA for supporting our entry at the Morris and Essex show.

Respectfully submitted
Karen Graeber
Secretary BFCNNJ



45th Bichon Frise National Specialty and Concurrent Specialty Alliant Energy Center, Madison WI

Our long awaited 45th National Specialty is almost here! Entries close on November 3, 2021, so if you haven't submitted an entry yet please visit Baray's web site (www.barayevents.com). Premium lists for all the shows are listed on their site.

Our National will be Wednesday, November 17th, and the Parent Club Specialty is November 19th. The Houston Club will be having specialties on November 28th and 20th. There are also 4 days of all-breed shows, so lots of points to be earned! There will be a Judge's Education Seminar on Wednesday morning. The Health Committee will have a spot and there will be DNA kits available. Don't forget the raffle! If anyone has something to donate, please let Lillian Endo know.

Please remember that there is no bathing of dogs allowed in the hotel rooms. Bathing stations will be available starting at 6AM on Wednesday, November 17th at the Alliant Center. There is no access to the Alliant Center until Wednesday morning.

Looking forward to a great 5 days of shows and to seeing everyone again!

Cyndie Adams
BFCA 2021 Show Chair