

*Bichon Frise Club
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- 2017 Specialty 3rd Round Judge Selection Ballot

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President's Message—Judy McNamara

It's time! It's spring time and it's time for nationals! I hope you are all getting ready to come to Topeka for our annual gathering. It will be our 40th National. I know a few of you have been to every one of them. Some of us have been to most of them and some haven't been to any. So if you fall into any of these categories, now is the time to get your plans in order and be there! There are new classes in sweeps and bred by exhibitor special attraction and don't forget the 4-6 mo puppy class. Lots of chances for ribbons and trophies. It's also a good opportunity to show everyone what your breeding program has produced this past year.

We have been notified by AKC that Kieth Hanson has been approved as our new delegate and I know Kieth will do a good job for us.

We have new members and I hope each of you will give them a warm welcome when you see them in May. If any of you know of anyone interested in our club, be sure to introduce them to everyone at the show, so we can all get to know them.

I'll be seeing you soon.

Officer Reports—Diana McFarlane, Recording Secretary

The National is right around the corner. Be sure to get your hotel reservations by the 3rd of April since rooms are going fast. Also, mark your calendars for exhibitor entry closing on April 8th. The Specialty is always a fun event. It would be great to see you all there.

Annual Membership Dues notices will be going out shortly after the specialty so please watch for the notice in your mail. Dues shall be due and payable on or before July 1st of each year. Dues received after September 30th will not be processed. A prompt renewal will be greatly appreciated. If you have any address, phone or email changes please submit them immediately to me to ensure accurate information on the notices. If you use Paypal and have an address change, I would appreciate an email with the details. My email address is dwmcfarlane@roadrunner.com. A small change in the dues notice is a box to check to approve your receipt of our Constant Contact as the approved method for club communications between issues of the Bulletin. In these days of rising costs, your email address is a valued tool to us to get info to you at little cost to the BFCA.

LAST MINUTE REMINDER: If any club member wishes to address the Board at the **BFCA Board Meeting** on Tuesday, May 5th, and you have not yet made arrangements to do so, please contact Judy McNamara immediately in order to be placed on the agenda and prepare a copy of your report for the board. Time is running out - so do it today!

Notice: The **Annual Meeting** will be held Wednesday, May 6th at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center in Topeka, Kansas.

Officer Reports—Diana McFarlane, Recording Secretary

Ballot Proposals 2015 Spring Bulletin

Board Member	Ballot 01-15A	Ballot 01-15B	Ballot 03-15A	Ballot 03-15B
Antetomaso, Gail	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Chesbro, Karen	Approve	N/A	N/A	Approve
Andrew, Kathy	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Dillon Katherine	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Endo, Lillian	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Hanson, Kieth	Approve	Approve	N/A	Approve
McFarlane, Diana	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
McNamara, Judy	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Noonan, Nancy	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Scarborough, Shauna	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve
Wotton, Myra	Approve	Approve	Approve	Approve

N/A - Not Available

Ballot 01-15A, 14 January 2015 - The BFCA Board acknowledges the resignation of George Sikes as Delegate for the BFCA to the AKC and appoints Kieth Hanson as Delegate for the BFCA to the AKC

Ballot 01-15B, 16 January 2015 - The BFCA Board approves the printing and mailing of the National Specialty flyer at a cost of \$975.00.

Ballot 03-15A, 9 March 2015—The BFCA Board approves one additional night lodging for the Judges Education Chair for the Louisville, Kentucky show.

Ballot 03-15B, 9 March 2015 -The BFCA Board approves the selection of Denver, Colorado for the 2017 National Specialty.



Officer Reports—Lillian Endo, Treasurer

BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA

Treasurer's Report

Financial Statement Beginning January 1, 2015 and Ending February 28, 2015

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE December 31, 2014 \$39,342.40

INCOME:

2015 National Specialty \$ 2,267.00

Dues 40.00

Sales 18.00

Amazon Sales 149.23

Breeder's Directory 1,420.00

Total Income \$ 3,894.23

EXPENSES:

2015 National Specialty 1,565.69

AKC Flyer printing fees 60.24

Eukanuba 519.92

Treasurer's Bond 188.00

PayPal 4.50

Total Expense \$ 2,338.35

NET LOSS 1,555.88

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE February 28, 2015 \$40,898.28

PAYPAL BALANCE 500.00

BUSINESS SAVING BALANCE December 31, 2014 \$55,157.35

Interest Income. 3.48

BUSINESS SAVINGS BALANCE February 28,, 2015 55,160.83

TOTAL FUNDS February 28, 2015 \$96,559.11

LILLIAN ENDO, TREASURER February 28, 2015

Committee Reports—Membership, Karen Chesbro

NEW MEMBERS (Sponsors)

Jolee Hanson (Rejoining after membership lapse)
14481-268th Avenue N.W.
Zimmerman, Minnesota 55398
(Roberta Bleecker & Vickie Halstead)

Nina Pellegrini
930 Locust Lane S
Tacoma, WA 98465
(Barbara Barton & Ann Freeman)

On-Line Judges Balloting Third and Final Ballot

You can vote on-line if you have a valid email address on file and have subscribed to news@bichon.org in Constant Contact. If you are continuing to receive mail from the BFCA via Constant Contact, you are subscribed. If you are not receiving mail, please contact me at BFCARecordingSecretary@roadrunner.com and instructions to subscribe to Constant Contact will be sent to you.

You will receive an email (household members will each receive an email). Each member should click on the link **VOTE HERE in *their email* to vote. Be sure to sign your name or your vote will not count.**

Committee Reports

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please save the following in your biennial directory.

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Judges Selection Committee

Please note in this issue is the final round Ballot for the 2017 Specialty. We encourage everyone to participate in the selection process. You can be a participant if only as one who helps to select the judges that would make our Specialty proud.

THIRD ROUND PROCEDURES

1. The Third Round Ballot will go out in the BFCA Spring Business Bulletin.
2. The top three names from the Second Round Ballot will be listed on this ballot in alphabetical order.
3. Members shall vote for ONE ONLY! That is one (1) for Conformation and (1) for Sweepstakes.
4. PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AS ANY ERRORS COULD REMOVE YOUR BALLOT FROM CONSIDERATION.

Deadline for return of this ballot will be posted on the ballot and may require you to decide and vote quickly in order to have a result prior to the upcoming Board Meeting.

Committee Reports—Rescue Financial Report, Matt Abbott



BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA CHARITABLE TRUST

Est. 2003

Regions Bank Balance as of December 31, 2014 \$39,361.68

Regions Bank Balance as of March 27, 2015 \$39,243.55

YEAR-TO-DATE AS OF MARCH 27, 2015

INCOME

Pay Pal Transfer In	2,500.00
Contribution	1,344.89
Adoption Rescue	1,675.00
Relinquishment Contribution	15.00
TOTAL INCOME	5,534.89

EXPENSES

Vet Expenses For Rescue	5,633.02
Check Image Fee	20.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,653.02

Prepared By Matt Abbott, BFC ACT Treasurer

Committee Reports

REGISTER OF MERIT/REGISTER OF MERIT EXCELLENT AWARDS

Spring 2015 - Submitted as of 3/21/15

Congratulations to the following dogs that have been awarded ROM titles:

ROM

OWNER(S)

CH Whitebred's Kissed By An Angel

Karen Graber* & Dr. John Graber

*Note: * Denotes BFCA member*

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 of ten (10) or more Champions of Record.

Application Process

To apply for your ROM/ROMX please submit the following two documents:

- 1) An AKC Progeny Report for the sire or dam, listing the Champions of Record available from the AKC On-Line Store or a copy of publications from the AKC Gazette, AKC Awards, BFCA Banquet Awards Booklets or Bichon Reporters verifying the Champions of Record.
- 2) A copy of current AKC registration, showing all owners of the sire or dam.

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Committee Reports

In Memoriam of B.F.C.A. Members



It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we bid farewell...

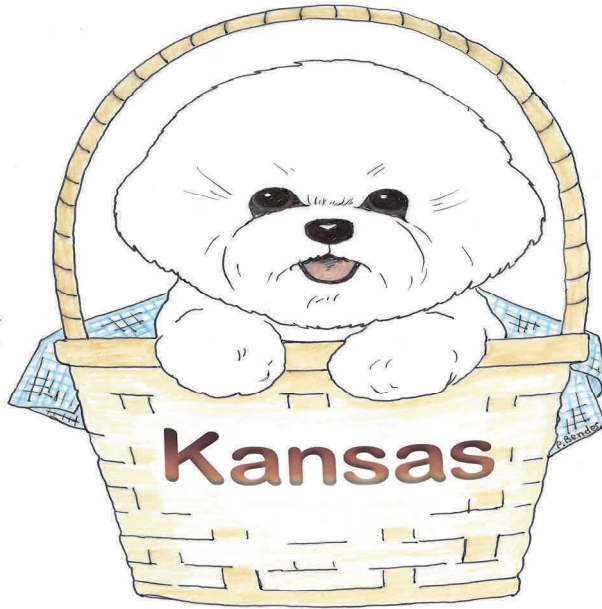
Lynn Bortman—PA
Estelle Kellerman—NY
Lois Morrow—ID/CA

BFCA and AMAZON

Our partnership with Amazon is paying off. You have helped earn over \$1,642 for the club-- just by using the Amazon Partner link on our website.

For those of you who haven't used this link, go to the www.bichon.org website under the SHOP menu--and click the link called AMAZON PARTNER. Please bookmark this link or "right click" and drag it to your desktop as a shortcut.

Whenever you want to shop at Amazon.com, use this link or shortcut to start shopping so that the BFCA will get credit. **This is at no cost to you and all purchases are anonymous.**



The land of Ahhs!

Bichon Frise Club of America National Specialty 2015

May 5-8, 2015

**Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center
1717 Southwest Topeka Boulevard
Topeka, KS, 66612**

1-800-579-7937

Make your reservations NOW!

Let's travel to the wonderful land of Ahhs!