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## President's Message—Avanell Sikes

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I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays and are beginning to thaw from all the blizzards. The Board has been quite busy as we end 2009 and we are looking forward to a great 2010.

There was great response to the Breeder Referral sign up. We had only two less than last year. The first round voting for Judges for 2012 was down from last year. The second round is an insert in this bulletin. We hope that you will participate and have a voice in the selection of Judges for 2012. Please send in your ballots now so you will not forget. Remember to read the instructions very carefully and be sure the ballot is signed. They cannot be counted if they are not signed.

I am very pleased to tell you that the Board approved several grants to CHF. Please check the health times to learn about these grants.

Karen Chesbro has been busy with membership. We welcome all the new members. They are published in the membership area of the bulletin. I am sure all of you will be looking forward to meeting them at our general meeting at the National Specialty.

The Board approved PayPal to use for sales on the web, sales at the National Specialty, catalog ads, trophy donations, DVD sales, and banquet and seminar tickets. The use of PayPal will be through the website only. Go to the BFCA website for complete details if you are interested in using PayPal. You may still pay for these things by check just as you always have. We are now offering both options for your convenience.

We have two position changes on the Board. Judy McNamara is now serving as Treasurer and Shyla Newton is serving as a Director. Due to records being transferred, there will not be a Treasurer report in this bulletin. The next bulletin will have a Treasurer report that begins with October 1, 2009. All of the Board members still remain on the Board; we have just had a change in job duties. I personally thank both these ladies for their hard work and willingness to participate.

Congratulations to The Bichon Frise Club of Western PA., Inc. They are now an AKC licensed club. We look forward to working with them as a local club.

You have received your membership directory by now. Thanks to Sandra Madia and Shyla Newton for working with the membership dues and thanks to Lisa Des Camps for a great job of printing the directory.

Eukanuba was a great success. Sandra Madia and Donna Rogers did a super job of organizing the booth again. The AKC staff and Delegates were very complimentary of the booth. Congratulations to the Best of Breed, Ch. Risgae Miabella Sweet Georgia; bred by Rick Day and Sheryl Kapella and owned by Sheryl Kapella. Best Opposite Sex went to Ch. Bodacious in Enemy Territory; bred and owned by Don and Glenda Blue and Dennis Brown.

## President's Message Con't—Avanell Sikes

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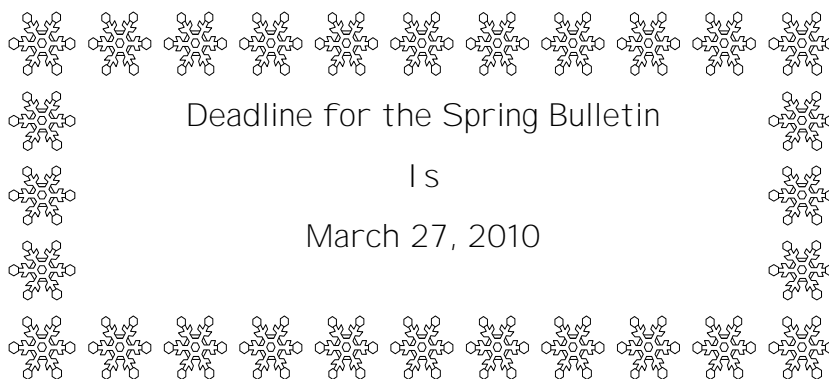
Sandy Hanson has accepted our invitation to judge Sweeps and Special attraction Bred-By-Sweeps in 2011 and Mimi Winkler has accepted our invitation to judge conformation in 2011. We look forward to having both of these ladies.

If you are interested in serving on the nominating committee for the Board of Directors or would like to nominate someone to serve on the committee, the signup sheet is an insert in this bulletin and the instructions are on the sheet.

**Kathy Loynachan has been very successful in getting "LET'S HOOP IT UP IN INDY"** off to a good start. The Specialty flyer will be arriving soon. Please support BFCA by making a trophy donation, placing an ad, donating an auction item, and entries. You will enjoy participating in conformation, sweeps, special attraction bred-by, obedience and rally. Rally is being offered again this year as a trial. The number of entries will be one of the deciding factors of future rally events. I hope all of you who are interested in obedience will help us promote the rally event.

Please note all the deadlines in the flyer for catalog ads, trophy donations, banquet and seminar reservations, and R. V. Parking reservations. All deadlines must be met. There will be no exceptions. If you make a reservation of any kind and you do not attend the Specialty, your money can be refunded upon request. Please let Katherine know as soon as possible what you will be donating for the raffle or auctions.

Information for making Hotel reservations are on the back cover of this bulletin. Please mention that you are with the BFCA Group when you make your reservations to get the discount and to help BFCA make our room guarantee. This is very important for us to be able to keep specialty expense down.



## Officer Reports—Sandra Madia, Recording Secretary

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I usually send you greetings from Sunny Southern California, but like most of you across the country the sun is hiding quite well; lots of wind, rain and cloudy skies. We get rain storms, but nothing like most of you have had to endure across the country.

Now that the holidays are over, your Board of Directors is ramping up its activity level and we are already busy with many items of business.

You should all have received your BFCA Membership Directory by now. Lisa Des Camps did a beautiful job and it seems so much easier to read with the nice fonts that were used. If you have not reviewed your listing in the Directory please do so and report any changes or errors to me. This way I know I have the most current and correct information on file for you. I did receive corrections/changes from a few members and they are listed on a separate page.

**It is also time to vote for your judge's selection for the 2012 National Specialty. Time is critical so please complete the ballot in this bulletin and submit right away.**

**It is also time to start thinking about the club's officers for 2011 - 2013.** There is a document attached to the Bulletin for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. This committee is made of non-board members and the Chairman is a board member. This is an opportunity for you to participate in the selection of who serves you on the board. If you wish to volunteer please complete the form and mail to me at your very earliest convenience.

LOCAL CLUBS REMINDER for 2010: If your club is planning a local Specialty please let me know as soon as you have the show information, either by E-mail or Flyer, so that I can make sure a BFCA ad is submitted for your catalog. Also, the information can also be published on our web site under Local Activities. The web site is available for everyone - not just club members. It is our hope that publishing this information may increase your attendance.

The 2010 National Specialty to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana looks to be exciting. Be sure to check out the BFCA website for information and take note of the outstanding logo **designed for this National Specialty. With Mrs. Huston "Toddie" Clark judging Conformation and Maggie Hyde-Sherwood Judging Sweepstakes; plus having our 4th "Bred-By Exhibitor Special Event", there is plenty to be enjoyed by all. Make your reservations soon in order to secure your choice of rooms and watch for the flyer with all the pertinent information.**

Notice: The Annual Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel in Indianapolis, Indiana.

## Officer Reports—Sandra Madia, Recording Secretary

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### Ballot Proposals

Board Members	10-09B	12-09A	12-09B	12-09C
Antetomaso, Gail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chesbro, Karen	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
DesCamps, Lisa	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dillon, Katherine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hanson, Kieth	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Madia, Sandra	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Newton, Shyla	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rogers, Donna	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sikes, Avaneil	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Watts, Charles	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

#### Board Proposals:

10-09B: Menu selections for the 2010 National Specialty Awards Banquet, proposed by Kathy Loynachan shall be offered as submitted. This was approved unanimously.

12-09A: The BFCA Awards Guidelines have been revised to include the awards published in the last Bulletin and will become effective December 10, 2009. This was approved unanimously.

12-09B: The BFCA shall utilize PayPal as a means of payment for sales and approved events at a cost of \$30.00 per month plus a 2.9% transaction fee. This was approved unanimously.

12-09C: The BFCA shall donate \$7,500.00 to the Calcium oxylate study at Iowa State University, \$1000.00 to the Rabies Challenge Fund, Atopic dermatitis study \$500.00, Heart failure study \$500.00 and Hemangiosarcoma study \$500.00. This was approved unanimously.

*\*Note: "NV" means no vote received due to vacation or out of town absence.*

*"AB" means abstained*

## Committee Reports—Delegate Report, George Sikes

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I attended the AKC-Eukanuba 9<sup>th</sup> Annual National Championship All Breed Dog Show in celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Kennel Club in Long Beach, CA.

Congratulation to Ch. Risgae Miabella Sweet Georgia for her great win and Ch. Bodacious In Enemy Territory for winning Best Opposite Sex.

Meet The Breeds was a big success as usual. Many thanks to Sandra Madia and her crew for a wonderful job and Brono for the camera shots. It was estimated that between 20 and 25 thousand people went through the gates the two days. As you people that did such a fantastic job in New York know, Sandra Madia, Barbara Stubbs, Donna Rogers and a few others special helpers, put a lot of time and effort into this. They have done this four straight **years. As Dennis Sprung said in his opening remarks at our general meeting, "The success of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The American Kennel Club was made possible because of the dedication of the many volunteers that worked long hours in the Meet The Breed Booths."**

I attended The Bylaws committee meeting. There was a report from joint subcommittees regarding the future of the Delegate Body. There is a study being made of the possibility of going to only three Delegate meetings per year, with a three day meeting. Now we have eight days per year. The new plan would give us nine days. Now I can only attend eight committee meetings per year. Under the new plan I could attend 12. It would add one more night of hotel bills per year but would eliminate one airfare. It would be a saving for the Delegates and a big saving for AKC.

Term limits as they apply to Board members were discussed. After a long discussion of pros and cons, it was voted by the Bylaws Committee Members to bring term limits back before the Delegate Body for a 2/3 vote at a later date.

I attended the Parent Club Committee meeting. A location for the upcoming 2010 Parent Club conference has not been made, but the dates will either be August 20-22 or August 27-29, 2010.

We were informed that Group Realignment was dead but I think it depends on who is elected to the board as to the outcome of Group Realignment. Remember, we were told that Mix-Breeds was dead until after the election in March 2009. Four weeks later we had mix-breeds.

I attended the Legislative Caucus. It is disappointing to see the small number of Delegates at these meetings. I know it is early at 7 am but it is a very important meeting. We heard success stories from all over the U. S. Carol Williamson from the Houston Kennel said they are having great success at their all breed shows by getting law enforcement involved in **their shows. She states, "If you can convince law enforcement that there are no bad dogs, only bad people, they have more influence on local politics." We hear meeting after meeting that dog legislation must start at the local level.**

## Committee Reports—Delegate Report Con't

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I attended the Delegates Forum: We heard three minute speeches from each of the following candidates for the AKC Board: Dr. J. Charles Garvin, Marion Ohio Kennel Club; Dr William Newman, Mastiff club of America; Patricia C. Scully , Obedience Training Club of Hawaii; Dr Carmen Battaglia, German Shepherd Dog Club of America; Steven D. Gladestone, Reno Kennel Club.

Amendment to Chapter 3, section 8 of Rules Applying to Dog Shows. This amendment brings the Bred By Exhibitor requirements in line with all regular classes as defined by Chapter 11 Section 1. This amendment was approved.

The following amendment was approved to Chapter 3 Section 14 and 15. This amendment allows for awarding Grand Championship points.

### Bulletin

I am in need of covers and some sketches of Bichons that I could use in the bulletin. If you can give me any help with this, I would be most appreciative!!

Shauna Scarborough

### Friendship Committee Report

Since the last bulletin, we have sent out 4 get well cards and 2 sympathy cards with a donation to BFCA rescue in Ginger Le Cave's memory.

Laura Purnell  
Friendship Chairman



# Committee Reports

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## BFCA Legislative Committee

### We need Volunteers!!!

We have divided the country into 5 regions and are in need of a representative for each region.

The Representative would be responsible for:

- . Monitoring of legislative activity which may affect BFCA breeders
- . Notify BFCA members in their area who may be affected by the legislative activity
- . Alert the Legislative Committee Chairs of activity which could use BFCA involvement
- . Monitor AKC Website (Legislative Alert) for activities in their region
- . Communicate with BFCA members in their region as appropriate

The five regions are as follows:

- . East ME,WV,NH,NJ,VT,DE,MA,MD,RI,CT,NY,PA,OH,VA (75 BFCA households)
- . Southeast NC, AR, KY,SC,MO,GA, FL,AL,LA,MS,TN ( 33 BFCA households)
- . Midwest IL, IN,WI,MN, IA,NE,SD,ND, MT,WY,MI (27 BFCA households)
- . Southwest TX,UT,CO,OK,NM,AZ,KS (41 BFCA households)

Legislative issues affecting our freedom to breed purebred dogs are very local (state, county, city) in nature. The best way to deal with these issues is by having BFCA members in the local area involved. Consequently, a strong regional organization is the most effective way to deal with the issues. AKC provides an effective overview organization thru the Government Relations Department.

If you would like to be a regional representative, please contact George Sikes or Kieth Hanson.

## Committee Reports—Membership, Karen Chesbro

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### New Members

Laura/Gary Huddleston

1533 Moonlight Drive

Ferguson, MO 63135

(Laura Purnell & Sara Barkley)

Carol Short

723 Stoneway Drive

San Antonio, TX 78258

(Paula Bender & Nancy McDonald)

Dianne Mallon

11 Turning Leaf Way

Azusa, CA 91702

(Sandra Madia & Barbara Stubbs)

### New Membership Applications (Sponsors)

Madlyn Glazer

12 Janet Avenue

N. Bellmore, NY 11710

(Pam Goldman & Joanne Styles)

All BFCA members are invited to send comments (both pro & con) regarding applicants. Comments must be received by the Recording Secretary, Sandra Madia, 13631 Addison Street, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423-1411 by February 15, 2010.

## Committee Reports

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### Membership Directory Corrections

Winter 2010

The new membership directory was sent out recently and you should have received it by now.

Please review your information and report any corrections or changes to:

Sandra J Madia e-mail: sandraj@winning.com

## In Memoriam of B F C A Members



*IT IS WITH HEAVY HEART AND GREAT SADNESS  
THAT WE SAY FAREWELL...*

*Ginger LeCave November 2009 Wyoming*

## Committee Reports

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### BICHON FRI SE CLUB OF AMERI CA CHARI TABLE TRUST

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#### Winter Bulletin 2010

We want to wish all our friends a Happy and Healthy 2010. 2009 was a tough year in rescue, with a record number of dogs. The economy hit us hard with both incoming rescues and vetting expenses. Older dogs and dogs with major health issues were the norm. Owners had lost their jobs and homes and their only course for their beloved pets was rescue. Because all our foster homes were full, we had to start asking owners to keep their Bichons and we put them on our Petfinders site until the dogs were adopted. Because of this, we **don't have an accurate number of Bichons we placed because many of these dogs never formally came into rescue.**

Good and yet bad news is there are a lot of eastern puppy mills closing. Sad news is that a lot of these dogs are coming into rescue and these are the toughest rescues. They are terrified of the world and have a lot of trauma issues. They need a lot of vetting and even more care, patience and love. Some are brought in and you find that their health and temperaments are so poor that you need to give them the final peace. But we have to look at the positive, many of these loves find wonderful adopters who have the patience and love to give them.

Maryland Bichon Frise Rescue continues to raise funds for BFC ACT rescue through their boutique <http://www.bichonbash.com/boutique2006.htm>. However, we do rely on other groups like Bichon Furkids of California ([www.bichonfurkids.org](http://www.bichonfurkids.org)), Bratpack Rescue of Florida (<http://www.bratpackrescue.com/bratboutique.htm>), Delaware Valley Bichon Rescue (<http://www.delawarevalleybichonrescue.com>), Tidewater Bichon Rescue (<http://www.virginiabichonrescue.org/>) and some of the local Bichon clubs to bring in and place many rescues. You can go to all the above websites and they all have boutiques and need your continued support.

Lynn Ramich, Co-Chair

[www.bichonrescue.org](http://www.bichonrescue.org)

## Committee Reports

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### BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA CHARITABLE TRUST

Est. 2003

#### FINANCIAL REPORT 2009

#### REGIONS BANK MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

BEGINNING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2009 \$32,045.02  
ENDING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2009 \$20,727.38

#### CASH FLOW JANUARY 1, 2009 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009

##### INFLOWS

ADOPTIONS RESCUE	22,413.00
CREDIT FOR OVER CHARGE ON CHECK CARD	774.51
DONATIONS	21,198.79
DONATIONS WITH MEMBER DUES	1,790.00
TRANSFERRED FROM PAY PAL (DONATIONS)	1,029.45
PETFINDER Sap ACH BICHON RESCUE PA517 (DONATIONS)	198.00
PROCEEDS FROM ITEM AUCTIONED AT NATIONAL SPECIALTY	500.00
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>\$ 47,903.00</b>

##### OUTFLOWS

ACCOUNT CORRECTION	-25.00
ADVERTISING (DOGS USA)	490.00
BANK CHARGE	60.00
EXPENSES FOR RESCUED BICHONS	1,813.40
EXPRESS MAIL	17.50
OFFICE SUPPLIES	38.02
REIMBURSEMENT DONATION RESCUE	1,026.00
TAX RETURN PREPARATION	500.00
TELEPHONE 866 473-0722	311.99
TRANSPORT RESCUES	300.00
VET EXPENSES FOR RESCUED BICHONS	52,018.13
WEBSITE <a href="http://www.bichonrescue.org">www.bichonrescue.org</a>	2,500.00
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>\$ 59,050.04</b>

**OVERALL TOTAL** -11,146.29

PREPARED BY: GAIL ANTETOMASO, TRUSTEE

## Committee Reports—ROM/ROMX, Sandra Madia

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### REGISTER OF MERIT / REGISTER OF MERIT EXCELLENT AWARDS

Submitted as of 01/15/10

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

ROM:

CH. Chalets Dotdashone at Kallos (D)

CH. Victoire Diamond Rio Citrine (B)

OWNERS:

Sandra & Kieth Hanson\* &

Roberta L. Bleecker\*

Darlene & Dave Scheiris &

Vickie Halstead\*

\* Denotes BFCA Membership

### Qualifications for ROM/ROMX

It is the responsibility of the Owner of a proposed dog to submit the required information to the ROM/ROMX Chairman for confirmation. The Owner must be a BFCA member in good standing. To be eligible for a Register of Merit (ROM) Award, the subject dog is to have been: the Sire of seven (7) or more, or the Dam of five (5) or more, Champions of Record. To be eligible for a Register of Merit Excellent (ROMX) Award, the subject dog is to have been: the Sire of twenty-five (25) or more, or the Dam of ten (10) or more, Champions of Record. The progeny are to be Champions of Record, confirmed by AKC.

### How to apply for your award:

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 for \$25.00; OR publications from AKC Gazette, AKC Awards, BFCA Banquet Awards Booklets or Bichon Reporters verifying the Champions of Record.
2. Copy of current AKC registration, showing all owners of the sire or dam

Note: If you are unable or unsure about obtaining the AKC Progeny Report, then you may submit your request with a copy of the current AKC registration and a non-refundable check for \$25.00. I will obtain the AKC Progeny Report and mail a copy to you.

**Mail To: Sandra J Madia, 13631 Addison Street, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423-1411**

**Phone: 818-784-4240**

**E-mail: sandraj@winning.com**

## Committee Reports

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### Sales report

As I sit at the computer on a frigid January evening, it is hard to believe that spring and the 2010 specialty are just a few months away. We are hoping to have some new, exciting fun items for you to purchase in Indy, so save your spare change and look forward to seeing some new "Bichon" items available for you to take home with you.

If any of you have some ideas about merchandise that you think would be a good item for the club to sell, please feel free to contact me and we will take a look.

Kathy Loynachan

### 2010 National Specialty

Wow- how did we get through 2009 so quickly? Before long we will all be gathering in Indy for a fun 2010 National Specialty. Committee members are hard at work to ensure that we all have a fun, exciting specialty. It is never too late to offer to help with the specialty and I would be very happy to have someone offer to obtain materials for our goody bags. We could also use a good salesman to help with the catalog advertising. Joanne Rubin will be doing her usual good job of receiving ads and making sure they are sent to Onofrio for placement in the catalog. I am sure she would appreciate some help calling exhibitors and breeders to ask them to consider placing an ad in our catalog. What better place to advertise your kennel than a National specialty catalog? If you are a good salesman, please feel free to contact Joanne or myself. We would love to hear from you.

The dates of the specialty were incorrect in the last Bulletin. We will start the event off with a Canine Good Citizen test on Tuesday, May 4th and have the BFCA hosted hospitality that night. We will finish up with the show on Friday the 7th. Plan on spending May 4<sup>th</sup> through the 7<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis for some good times with your fellow Bichon fanciers.

We will be using the Indianapolis Wyndham West Hotel - the same hotel we used the last time we were in Indy - just a different name. The phone numbers for the Wyndham West are 317-381-6181 or toll free 877-361-4511.

If you have any questions, requests or offers of help, please contact me at [bichon12@iowatelecom.net](mailto:bichon12@iowatelecom.net) or by phone at 641-862-3274 (after 6:00 P.M.)

I am looking forward to seeing you in Indy.

Kathy

## Chicagoland Bichon Frise Club

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With spring around the corner, the Chicagoland Bichon Frise Club hopes to wake up from hibernation and be a more active club in 2010.

New officers were elected in December. They are as follows:

President - Nancy Muklewicz

Vice President - Laura Pfab

Secretary - Jeanette Neagu

Treasurer - Terri Sibaja

Board Member - Carol Haines

Lately, we have had some difficulty in having regular meetings, as many of our members live outside the greater Chicago area, and it's tough to get a quorum together. In 2010, we are going to try and set up several standing committees to do the club's work outside of meetings. Wish us luck!

Our club is having a specialty in conjunction with the International Kennel Club show on Saturday, February 27th. J. G. Reynolds is judging regular classes and Ed Haas is judging sweepstakes. This is a benched show, and usually draws a great crowd. Several other AKC types of events are held in the same building, including agility, obedience and rally.

We had hoped to have an independent specialty after this year's national specialty in May, but we just couldn't make it happen this year. BFCA members and attendees have supported our past specialties after the national one; CBFC is grateful for your past support and we hope to not disappoint you the next time the national specialty is in this area.

Instead, our club is planning to have a specialty closer to the fall, either with the Elgin Kennel Club shows in late August or with the Stone City Kennel Club shows in early October.

May 2010 be a successful year for everyone!

Nancy Muklewicz, President



## Bichon Frise Club of Dallas, Inc.

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**The Bichon Frise  
Club  
of Dallas, Inc.**



*Happy New Year to all ~*

*The Bichon Frise Club of Dallas has met each month since September 2009 with doggie activities and also meetings that feature FOOD and a Guest Speaker or program. We average 22 people at most meetings and when we include the bichons we will typically have 30 or so come.*

*Our summer Specialty was the July 4th weekend and we have designated the classes as our Specialty again this year. It is a 3 day show weekend and is in the Market Hall buildings near downtown Dallas near loads of hotels. We hope you all can attend our July 2010 Specialty as our own mentor and long time breeder/exhibitor Lee Fry of Kobold Bichon Frise will be judging our Sweepstakes. Let me know if you have any questions about the show or Dallas...Leanne Wise, Show Sec.*

*Our January meeting will be at the Wise's home. There is a Chili theme, prizes for the first 4 couples to arrive on time and a guest speaker, Dr. Karen Ave, who specializes in Acupuncture and Alternative Veterinary Care and our monthly business meeting.*

*Submitted by  
Leanne Wise  
Clarion Bichon Frise  
BFCA and BFCD member*

## Bichon Frise Club of Northern California

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**Jan.15,2010**

Here we are again, just getting over the Christmas holidays and now busy with the preparations for our BFCNC Specialty. It will be held on April 16,2010 at Cal-Expo in Sacramento, CA which is rapidly creeping up on us. Our Conformation judge is Mr. George Milutinovich and the Sweepstakes will be judged by Sandra Madia.

This year has been a very sad one for us, with losing four of our members, Mary Ann Harral, Roger Smith, Cheryl Peters and Steve Blanding. We can only wish the very best for them.

We are just starting our raining season now; but we can't complain when we see the snow in the midwest and east.

Many of our members are still looking for those hard to find majors. We are hoping to visit all of our old friends at the National specialty this year.

Sally Mitchell,  
Corresponding Secretary

BFCNC



At our November Meeting the following officers were elected: President Ginny Humphrey, Vice President Karen Chesbro, Corresponding Secretary Enid Zimble, Recording Secretary Nancy Noonan, Treasurer Sue Anneser, and Board Members Howard Chesbro, Gloria DuBois, Carol Dundulis, Charlotte Ludington, Gerry Paolillo, & Brenda Wallace.

*Congratulations to Chris Murdocco for receiving an award at our Banquet honoring her newest champion CH Grandesign Galway's Swoosh (Becky).*

Recently our members have participated in Greater Hartford's "Meet The Breeds" show, raised and donated monies to the BFCA Rescue Fund, and held a Handling Seminar. The Seminar was beautifully presented by the incomparable Maggie Hyde Sherwood as she shared her many decades of tips about showing your own bichon to his/her championship.

This year our 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Specialty Show was held in conjunction with Windham County Kennel Club's All-Breed Show in November. This was a new adventure for our club but thanks to Gloria DuBois, our Show Chairman, it was a huge success. Applause to all our hard-working **BFCsNE members and a big "thank you" to this year's outstanding judging panel**---Susan M. Carr for Conformation and Gail Antetomaso for Sweepstakes. And the winners were:

SWEPTAKES Puppy Dogs 6 to 8 Months: Whitebreds Diamond Solitaire. ; Windy Glen Blown Away, Junior Dogs 12 to 15 Months: Whitebreds Sparkling Diamond. Puppy Bitches 8 to 10 Months: Windy Glen A Little Bit Moore. Puppy Bitches 10 to 12 Months: Whitebreds Cheers To Minnie. Junior Bitches 12 to 15 Months: White Shadows Gimme A Break. Junior Bitches 15 to 18 Months: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. BEST PUPPY in SWEEPSTAKES: Windy Glen A Little Bit Moore. BEST of OPPOSITE SEX to BEST PUPPY IN SWEEPS: Whitebreds Sparkling Diamond. BEST JUNIOR in SWEEPS: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. GRAND SWEEPSTAKES WINNER: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball.

REGULAR CLASSES: Bred by Exhibitor Dogs: Whitebreds Diamond Solitaire. Open Dogs: Whitebreds Devil With Angel Eyes. **Winner's Dog**: Whitebreds Devil With Angel Eyes. Puppy Bitches 6 to 9 Months: Whitebreds Sparkling Diamond. Puppy Bitches 9 to 12 Months: Windy Glen A Little Bit Moore. Bitches 12 to 18 Months: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. Bred by Exhibitor Bitches: White Shadows Gimme A Break. Open Bitches: Dorianns East Of Eden. **Winner's Bitch**: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. BEST OF BREED: CH Bodacious In Enemy Territory. BEST OF WINNERS: Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX: CH Whitebreds A Diamond In A Pearl. AWARD OF MERITS: **CH Whitebred's Kissed By Kenningway** and Gemstone She Is A Belle Of The Ball. Best Puppy: Whitebreds Sparkling Diamond. Best Bred by Exhibitor Dog: Whitebreds Diamond Solitaire. Best Bred by Exhibitor Bitch: White Shadows Gimme A Break.

The Breed Prizes were a bichon embroidered chair and bags and our traditional coffee/soup mugs beautifully embossed with this year's theme "Rockin' Bichons" (think a "Happy Days" dressed bichon leaning on a jukebox) designed by Gerry Paolillo.

The Challenge Trophies were:

Best of Breed – Tiffany Leaded Crystal Bowl on a Base offered by PILLOW TALK in memory of Mary & John Vogel.

Best of Winners – Four Piece Sterling Silver Tea Service offered by PILLOW TALK in memory of Mary & John Vogel.

Best of Puppy Classes – Brass Bichon on Base offered by BFCsNE in memory of Rolande Lloyd.

Best Bred By Exhibitor Dog – Two Bronze Bichons on a Base offered by VOGELFLIGHT in memory of Lori Kornfeld.

Best Bred By Exhibitor Bitch – Two Bronze Bichons on a Base offered by VOGELFLIGHT in memory of Lori Kornfeld.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Noonan, Recording Secretary.

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