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Enclosures:

- 2013 Specialty 3rd Round Judge Selection Ballot
- Video Pre-Specialty Order Form

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President's Message—Avanell Sikes

Hi “Y’all, let’s go....Boot Scootin to Texas” just a few weeks away. I’m looking forward to seeing all of you. If you have not made your reservations, now is the time. Be sure to tell the hotel that you are with the BFCA Group so that you will be counted in our room guarantee.

“Y’all get to Boot Scootin” out there and be on the lookout for something “special” to bring or send to our Raffle. Contact Katherine Dillon at alleykat.dillon@att.net or (559)561-3675 to let her know what you will donate. Katherine has some very special items for the auction, so stick in a few Big Bucks.

The Banquet and Seminar reservations have been extended until April 30. No reservations can be accepted after that date. If you have not made your reservations, contact Myra Wooton at myblissbichon@comcast.net or (952)882-9188.

R. V. Parking has also been extended until April 30, or until the limit of 15 has been met. Contact Howard Chesbro at Kcbichon@verizon.net, or (413)663-7109.

Buy videos early to save \$10.00. Marked Catalogs are available for \$20.00 while supplies last. Catalogs will be sent independently of the videos to insure speedy delivery. To order, contact Lindsay Van Keuren at Aspenvistal@gmail.com or (303)641-6179.

BFCA is glad to offer Pay Pal again this year for your convenience in paying for your reservations, etc.

Local Clubs will meet as usual immediately following general meeting in the same room with Karen Graeber. It is our goal to have at least one representative from each local club. Please be sure a representative from your club will attend.

We welcome our new member Linda Ross. We look forward to meeting and greeting all the new members this year at the general meeting.

The annual Board meeting will be Thursday, May 5, 2011. If anyone wishes to address the Board, please let me know by April 15, 2011 at avagbichon@aol.com or (601)825-0882, or contact Sandra Madia at Sandraj@winning.com or (818)784-4240 and she will forward your request to me.

See you soon. **“Y’all let’s go....Boot Scootin to Texas.”**

Officer Reports—Sandra Madia, Recording Secretary

The 2011 National Specialty is just around the corner and the board has been very busy working on details to make this specialty very exciting.

Once again we have our fabulous Videographer to film all of the events of our Specialty. If you order the DVD set in advance you can save \$10.00. Please review the flyer included in this Bulletin packet and act quickly. The DVD's are being managed by Lindsay Van Keuren and she has taken steps to improve the managing and mailing of your orders. They are payable via the internet using PayPal – what could be simpler?

LAST MINUTE REMINDER: If any club member wishes to address the Board at the BFCB Board Meeting on Thursday, May 4th, 2011, and you have not yet made arrangements to do so, please contact Avanell Sikes immediately in order to be placed on the agenda. **Time is running out - so do it today!**

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4, Sub-section (a) of our constitution, the nominating committee submitted the following names which were published in our previous Bulletin. No additional names were submitted:

President	Sandra Madia	California
Vice-President	Kieth Hanson	Florida
Corresponding Secretary	Katherine Dillon	California
Recording Secretary	Diana McFarlane	California
Treasurer	Judy McNamara	Oklahoma
Director	Gail Antetomaso	New York
Director	Karen Chesbro	Massachusetts
Director	Lisa DesCamps	Arizona
Director	Lillian Endo	California
Director	Nancy Noonan	Connecticut
Director	Avanell Sikes	Mississippi

Annual Membership Dues notices will be going out shortly after the specialty so please watch for the notice in your mail. A prompt renewal will be greatly appreciated. If you have any address, phone or email changes please submit them immediately to Diana McFarlane or me to insure accurate information on the notices!

Thank you everybody for your support during my 8 years as your Recording Secretary. I have loved the job and welcomed the challenges that arose from time to time. I am sure Diana McFarlane will support you fabulously as she takes over as your new Recording Secretary. Please give her your support and best wishes in this new position.

That's it for this report. Please order your DVD's now and I look forward to seeing you in Houston. Bring your bichons, your appetite and your wallets! Yee Haw.

Ballot Proposals 2011 Spring Business Bulletin

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>03-11A</u>	<u>03-11B</u>	<u>03-11C</u>
Antetomaso, Gail	Baseball	Get on Base	Yes
Chesbro, Karen	Baseball	Other	Yes
DesCamps, Lisa	Baseball	Game On	Yes
Dillon, Katherine	Baseball	Game On	Yes
Hanson, Kieth	Baseball	Get on Base	Yes
Madia, Sandra	Baseball	Get on Base	Yes
McNamara, Judy	Baseball	Other	Yes
Newton, Shyla	Baseball	Get on Base	Yes
Rogers, Donna	Gun	Game On	Yes
Sikes, Avaneil	Baseball	Get on Base	Yes
Watts, Charles	Baseball	Other	Yes

Board Proposals:

11-10A: The logo for the 2012 National Specialty shall be either the “Gun Carrying” bichon or the “Baseball Theme” bichon. The “**Baseball Theme**” was approved by a large majority.

11-10B: The slogan for the 2012 National Specialty, following the selected “Baseball Theme” logo shall be either “Game On”, “Get on Base”, “Hit A Home Run in Chicago”, “Batter Up In Chicago”, “Take Me Out To The Specialty or National” or “Take Me Out To The Dog Show” and “Chicago 2012 – It’s A Hit”. Using a run-off ballot, the slogan “**Get On Base**” was approved by a majority.

11-10C: The BFCA shall award a plaque to the first bichon owned by a BFCA member to earn the AKC Grand Champion Award. This was approved unanimously.

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

“AB” means abstained

Officer Reports—Judy McNamara, Treasurer

TREASURERS REPORT BICHON FRISE CLUB OF AMERICA

FINANCIAL STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 2011 THRU MARCH 15, 2011

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2010 \$15,783.54

INCOME:

National Specialty-2011	\$6,047.00
Health	55.00
Dues	39.58
Sales	340.50
Membership	<u>75.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$6,557.08

EXPENSES:

National Specialty	\$1,381.93
Pay Pal	10.12
Printing and Reproduction	43.71
Telephone	213.21
Judges Education	25.80
Bulletin	855.55
Insurance	188.00
Postage	17.83
Ads	50.00
Delegate	465.08
Licenses and Permits	<u>20.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENSE \$3,271.23

NET INCOME \$ 3,285.85

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE MARCH 15, 2011 \$19,069.39

PAY PAL ACCOUNT 500.00

BUSINESS SAVINGS ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31,2010 \$40,081.00

Interest 3.20

BUSINESS SAVINGS ACCOUNT MARCH 15,2011 \$40,084.20

TOTAL FUNDS MARCH 15, 2011 \$59,653.59

New Members - MARCH 2011

**Linda Ross
4910 County Road 121D
Wildwood, FL 34785
(Rick Day & Donna Jones)**

New Membership Applications (Sponsors)

**Judy Beckham
3011 Lone Star Lane
Pinehurst, TX 77362
(Paula Bender & Carol Short)**

**Betty Harker
6433 Folsomville-Degonia Rd
Tennyson, IN 47637
(Paula Hendricks & Janet Jamison)**

**Almaza Kroeschel
6901 148A St
Surrey, BC V3S 0Y9
(Dale Hunter & Pat McAllister)**

**Kim Lockwood
6 Little Field Drive
Fredericksburg, VA 22405
(Polly Street & Kathie Vogel)**

**Stephanie Uva
62 Lakeview Terrace
Ellijay, GA 30536
(Lisa DesCamps & Kat Dillon)**

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 April 19, 2011.

Membership Directory Changes

Send any directory changes to:

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

Please update your 2011 - 2012 BFCA Membership Directories to reflect the following changes:

COMMITTEE CHANGE REMINDERS:

ROM/ROMX Chairman

Dianne Mallon

11 Turning Leaf Way

Azusa, CA 91702-6259

Phone: 626-969-7491

Email: bichonparty@aol.com

BREED REFERRAL:

Nancy Noonan

9 South Road

Niantic, CT 06357-2723

Breed Ref Phone: 860-739-0886

Breed Ref Email:

LOCAL CLUBS CHAIRMAN:

Karen Graeber

4 Concord Road

Whippany, NJ 07981-2205

Phone: 973-884-0272

Email: whitebredkg@aol.com

ADDITIONS:

Linda Ross

Luvit Bichons

4910 CR 121 D

Wildwood, FL 34785

Phone: 352-748-7963

Email: luvitbf@earthlink.net

CORRECTIONS:

Wendy & Danny Ball (Not Wendy Danny Ball)

Kentucky (State Listing)

Erayna Beckman

legendbichon@comcast.net

Paula Hendricks

bibelotbichons@gmail.com

Diana McFarlane

hollyhock@roadrunner.com

***Note: The words in italics indicate the changed or corrected information.**

Committee Reports—ROM/ROMX, Dianne Mallon

REGISTER OF MERIT / REGISTER OF MERIT EXCELLENT AWARDS

Submitted as of 03/15/2011

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

ROM:

CH. Milk’N Honey of Bianco Puro (B)

CH. Risgae Sweet’s Treat at Musicbox (D)

CH. Sasikay Paray Belle Du Vallee’ (B)

OWNERS:

Jewel Elias* & Mitchell Elias*

Donna Jones*

Kathy Lowe, Dave Lowe, James Mitchell* & Kay Mitchell*

* 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: Dianne Mallon, 11 Turning Leaf Way, Azusa, CA 91702-6259

Phone: 626-969-7491

E-mail: bichonparty@aol.com

2011 National Specialty

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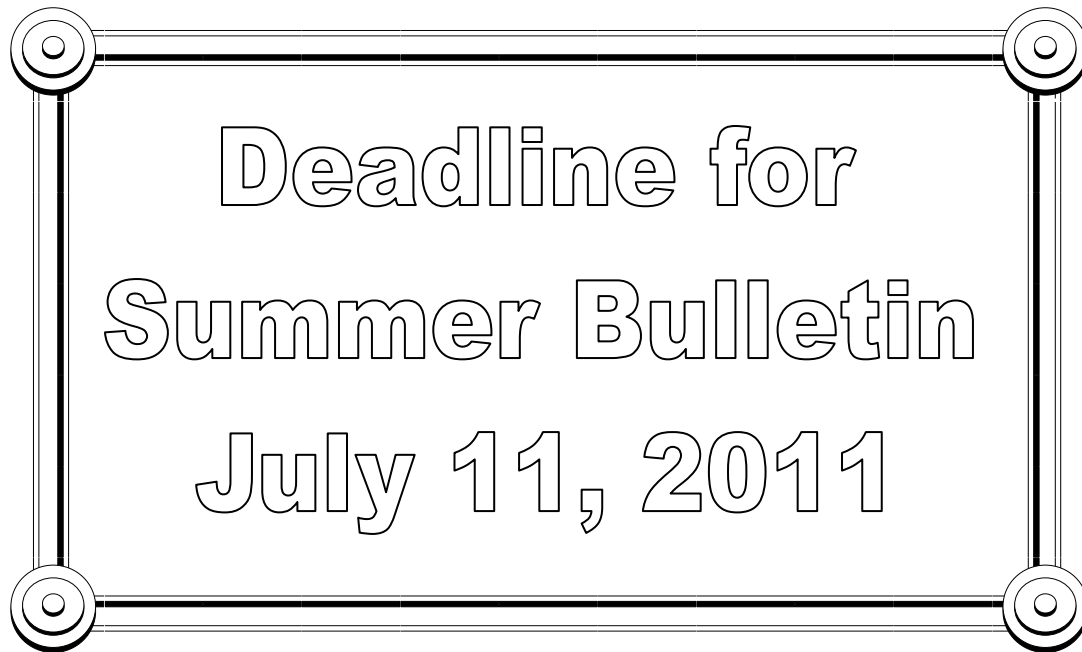
The Advertising and Trophies are closed. Your response was good, thanks to all of you who sent your donations and ads. Our Specialty can only be as successful as you make it.

Entries close on April 6, which means our show is really just around the corner. The Houston Club is really looking forward to having all of us there. The seminar and banquet reservations are still open so don't forget to get those in to Myra.

As the days count down to the show, I just want to thank all of those committee people who work so hard all year long to make it very special for all of us. Please take note of the committee people and say thank you when you see them at the show.

Houston is calling, will you be "Bootin Scootin" to Texas?? See you soon.

Judy McNamara



Y'all let's go...



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HOUSTON, TX
MAY 5, 6, 7, 8

SHERATON NORTH HOUSTON
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Houston, Texas 77032

RESERVATIONS at www.bichon.org

LOCAL NUMBER 281-442-5100

Judy McNamara—Show Chairman