

**February 5, 2016**

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New Members & Reinstates  
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**Vote:** New Members & Reinstates & Treasurer's Reports  
Bids for CCA 2019 – between Iowa and Illinois  
Herding Regional bids for 2016  
New BOY trophy  
AKC recognition Awards (Emily Berkley's motion and amendment)  
Operations Manual committee

**Discussion:** Continued input and review of Constitution Proposal  
Proposal to purchase additional Loving Cups for the CCA  
New members for the Public Relations Committee – Bennett & Robinson



***Collie Club of America, Inc.  
2016 National Specialty  
March 20 – March 26, 2016 – includes performance dates  
Kentucky Exposition Center, Louisville KY***

**MEETING NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

**BOARD MEETING**  
Wednesday, March 23, 2016  
Board Meeting will be held 30 minutes after judging in West Hall Meeting Room (KEC)

**All new directors are welcome to attend the Board Meeting.**

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
Friday, March 25, 2016  
Before Smooth Specials in the West Hall Meeting Room (KEC)

***President's Message***

I hope everyone is getting ready for our National in Louisville in March. I am looking forward to seeing old friends and making new friends. I want to welcome the new DDs that will be joining us at the Board meeting on Wednesday, 1/2 hour after judging concludes. I will be sending each DD an agenda for the board meeting.

Our Constitution Chairman is going to try to attend the National for a couple of days; he and other committee members will be available for any and all questions you might have. I plan on sending out the latest Constitution draft document before the National with the changes which were requested in the two meetings with DDs held in December.

The Bulletin is in desperate need of an advertising manager! If you would be willing to take on this job please get back to me.

I hope that many of you are planning on attending the “Take the Lead” event we are sponsoring on Saturday, March 19, 2016. This is going to be a very special night for the CCA as we are the first National Breed Club to host such an event.

I would like to thank those that supported me in my run for President for a second term. With everyone’s help and input we will be able to accomplish the projects that still need to be finished. Let’s please work together and put our personal agendas aside so that we do what’s best for the CCA and the Collie.

I want to thank each of you for all of your hard work and all you do for the CCA.

Mike Van Tassell.....

### ***Secretary’s Message***

A warm welcome is extended to the newly elected Board of Directors in the election process. Thank you to all that offered to serve by running for an election position.

Hope everyone has made their reservations for CCA 2016 in Kentucky. The deadlines are quickly upon us. Your trophy sponsorship deadline for payment is February 6, 2016, and must be paid to prior to the deadline to be printed in the catalog.

Thank you to the Tellers Committee for all their hard work and to Rein and Judy Laik for their help after our printer mix-up on the addresses.

See you all soon,

Janie

## **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING – JANUARY 7, 2016 Via PHONE.**

**Start time was 7:05 MST  
Including hard copy ballot results – closing January 7, 2016**

**This ballot will be tallied via phone call set up by the President on January 7, 2016, and will count as our meeting if a quorum is reached. We request that you submit your paper ballot vote as verification as well, and all paper ballots received from district directors unable to attend the meeting will be counted during the Board’s transition period. Paper ballots, therefore, will be counted.**

**Total Board Members on Board: 55; Voting 32; absent 23 from phone meeting but 15 submitting hard copy vote = 47 votes.**

**Ballots sent by Hard Copy, but not on phone...counted...**Gayle Kaye, Martha Ramer, John Buddie, Leah Warner, Peggy Darington, Melinda Sunnarborg, Paula Clairday, En Harriet Chang, Linda Mabus, Katie DelGrosso, Jim Holliday, Joanne Huff, Jane Armatys, Hiroshi Tojo, John Geddes.

**Not at phone meeting or submitting a hard copy ballot:** Joann Romero, Susan Martin, Linda Langham-Sotoodeh, Randy Smith, Isabel Ososki, Susan Kaelin, Nadine Beckwith-Olson, Marion Johnson.

*The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P M. MST. The President called for the roll call by the Secretary. There were 32 members present on the phone connection.*

**1. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates (unpaid longer than one year and less than five years) from Membership. There are no reinstates this month.**

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|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| A. Ace Mask, CA         | A. Approve __46__ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain __1__ |
| B. Donna Mask, CA       | A. Approve __46__ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain __1__ |
| C. Lynette Wheatley, IA | A. Approve __46__ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain __1__ |
| D. Catherine Sims, MS   | A. Approve __46__ | B. Disapprove _____ | D. Abstain __1__ |

**2. The President presents for approval the Treasurer's Reports presented by Mike Esch, Treasurer. (October Financials).**

- A. Approve \_\_47\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**3. The President presents for approval the vote by the Executive Committee to purchase a computer for Michelle Esch-Brooks as Yearbook chair. Details within the Communique'.**

- A. Approve \_\_47\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**4. The President presents the recommendation from Show Rules. The wording as follows:**

8. JUDGES CONTROLS

3. At the time of nomination, a conformation judge will have been published as an approved judge for collies by the AKC for a period of 5 years. I.e., - Judges eligible for the 2020 show will have been approved as regular judges in the year 2015 as per the AKC judge's directory.

- A. Approve \_\_47\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

*The Board has discussion over the Intern Program, not the candidates, but trying to get clarification on the development of the program by Breed Education.*

**5. The President presents the nominations for the Intern Program for Breed Education as presented by Patt Caldwell.**

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|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| A. Deb Smith       | A. Approve __41__ | B. Disapprove __6__ | C. Abstain _____ |
| B. Kathleen George | A. Approve __40__ | B. Disapprove __7__ | C. Abstain _____ |

**6. The President presents for approval Joe Reno, as chair of the Show Rules Committee. Nancy McCue is stepping down but will remain on the committee.**

- A. Approve \_\_47\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

**7. The President presents for approval Ann Boles, as interim chairman for the Shining Star Committee. She is already on the committee and will help in the search for a permanent chair and additional members.**

A. Approve \_\_47\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

*The President stated this concludes the voting. Then, the meeting was opened for discussion. The President began with opening discussion on the matters before the Board. Robette Johns had asked to speak on behalf of the new Breeder of the Year committee. Amy Gau, Chair, was not able to attend the phone meeting. Robette Johns, committee member, made the presentation for a new Breeder of the Year trophy description and financial report. (You will find entire report in the Communique'. She forwarded all the details to the Board shortly after the close of the phone meeting, so the Board could easily review the proposal and financials.) The Board discussed the proposal and decided to take a straw poll on the issue. If the Board showed an agreement for going ahead, the President would proceed and take to vote by the Board in the next Communique'. Mike Esch said he would provide information for contracts with the artist before we begin the financial distribution.*

*There was discussion on Emily's motion for recognition of the the AKC award presented at the Eukanuba. It was mentioned by Ed Degner and discussion continued regarding all the other recognitions we have that are being made by Club members. Then Emily stated her intent on her original motion. With discussion and agreement a motion was made to amend Emily's original motion to include a differential recognition for the Jeszewskis and the Coens who had been presented awards previously by the AKC. This motion was made by Gayle Guthman and seconded by Nancy Anstruther. This will go to vote in the next Communique' requiring a 2/3 majority to be in time for the National presentation.*

*The President concluded the meeting at 7:56 MST.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Clymer, Secretary

### *Treasurer's Report from Mike Esch*

#### **Balance Sheet as of November 30, 2015**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking	\$11,321.56
Columbia money market	\$14,361.75
Membership Checking	\$17,048.73
National Conformation account	\$97.03
National Performance Account	\$7,741.31
Savings - Banner Blue	\$452.19
Savings 2720 - CCA	\$177.86
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$51,200.43</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	
Mergard Trust	\$123,987.72
Inventory of trophies	\$13,291.04
<b>TOTAL Other Assets</b>	<b>\$137,278.76</b>
<b>Investments</b>	
Various Securities	\$206,443.63
<b>TOTAL Investments</b>	<b>\$206,443.63</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$394,922.82</b>

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>\$394,922.82</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$394,922.82</b>

**CC of A Income Statement November 2015 YTD**

01/01/2015 - 11/30/2015

**INCOME**

Inc Advertising	\$19,876.92
Inc CCA Loving Cup	\$2,790.00
Inc Donation - General	\$1,000.00
Inc Herding Certificates	\$255.00
Inc Library	\$1,388.95
Inc Material Sales	\$1,791.00
Inc Membership - Renew	\$55,663.87
Inc Purina Parent Club Partnership	\$2,902.72
Inc Regional Herding Trials	\$9,119.00
Inc Sales	\$10,630.93
Inc Seminars	\$2,965.00
Inc Video Streaming	\$877.50
Interest - Banner Blue	\$0.11
Interest - Bonds	\$2.66
Interest - Mergard Trust	\$50.62
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$109,314.28</b>

**EXPENSES**

Advance - Meet the Breeds	\$1,000.00
Advance - 2016 National	\$5,000.00
Annual fees	\$300.00
Application fees - Regional herding events	\$140.00
Bank charges	\$254.85
Banners - Public relations	\$300.00
Board meeting expenses	\$1,596.93
Bond Insurance	\$359.00
Booth expenses	\$110.00
Communication expenses	\$504.00
Computer hardware & Repair	\$2,444.57
D&O Insurance	\$1,607.00
Donation - 501 (c) 3 qualified	\$9,509.00
Eukanuba medallions	\$290.00
Insurance - National Trophies	\$664.00
Insurance - National Liability	\$625.00
Mail prep	\$3,189.10
Postage	\$12,328.12
Printing	\$34,705.00

Regional Herding trials expenses	\$7,182.92
Registration Inserts	\$77.58
Remote Deposit Monthly fee	\$360.00
Rent Storage Room for materials	\$1,045.00
Seminar expenses	\$6,262.18
Shipping Fees	\$1,489.16
Seminar registration fee - AKCHF	\$250.00
Show application fees - 2016 National	\$525.00
Show records from AKC - 2014	\$200.00
Site Rentals	\$8,545.00
Supplies	\$8,690.10
Telephone Charges	\$119.74
Travel expenses	\$2,519.15
Trophies	\$3,922.00
Trophy case manufacture	\$767.96
Videos	\$3,670.61
Web Site Hosting Fee	\$418.40
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$120,971.37</b>
<b>NET CHANGE</b>	<b>-\$11,657.09</b>

**CHECKING JOURNAL & CASH RECORD November 2015**

Date	Num	Description	Category	Tag	Amount
11/2/2015	3998	Paula Clairday	Meet The Breeds Advance	Meet The Breeds	-\$500.00
11/2/2015	DEP		Inc Sales	2016 Calendar	\$329.00
11/10/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$2.08
11/17/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$8.25
			Postage	Elections	-\$109.66
11/20/2015	DEP	Transfer From Paypal	Inc Sales	2016 Calendar	\$800.00
11/20/2015	DEP		Inc CCA Loving Cup	Show Perm&Trph	\$200.00
			Inc Sales	2016 Calendar	\$34.00
			Inc Herding Certificates	Versatility Program	\$30.00
11/23/2015	DebitCard	Copy Co	Printing	Elections	-\$161.02
11/23/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$29.30
11/23/2015	4004	Michelle Brooks	Computer Hardware	Treasurer Budget	-\$1,707.81
11/23/2015	4006	Fed Ex	Postage	Show Perm&Trph	-\$44.00
11/23/2015	4007	James Smotrel	Supplies	Versatility Program	-\$1,789.86
11/25/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$159.44
11/25/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$5.75
			<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>		<b>\$1,393.00</b>
			<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>		<b>-\$4,517.17</b>
			<b>NET TOTAL</b>		<b>-\$3,124.17</b>

## Treasury Reports for December 2015

### Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2015

<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking	\$43,394.85
Columbia money market	\$14,363.51
Membership Checking	\$2,268.73
National Conformation account	\$97.03
National Performance Account	\$7,741.31
Savings - Banner Blue	\$442.20
Savings 2720 - CCA	\$177.86
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$68,485.49</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	
Mergard Trust	\$123,991.93
Inventory of trophies	\$7,347.74
<b>TOTAL Other Assets</b>	<b>\$131,339.67</b>
<b>Investments</b>	
Various Securities	\$206,777.60
<b>TOTAL Investments</b>	<b>\$206,777.60</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$406,602.76</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>\$406,602.76</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$406,602.76</b>

### CC of A Income Statement December 2015 YTD

01/01/2015 - 12/31/2015

<b>INCOME</b>	
Inc Advertising	\$34,384.63
Inc CCA Loving Cup	\$3,040.00
Inc Donation - General	\$1,000.00
Inc Herding Certificates	\$285.00
Inc Library	\$1,388.95
Inc Material Sales	\$1,791.00

Inc Membership - Renew	\$65,423.87
Inc Purina Parent Club Partnership	\$2,902.72
Inc Regional Herding Trials	\$9,119.00
Inc Sales	\$11,516.43
Inc Seminars	\$2,965.00
Inc Video Streaming	\$877.50
Interest - Banner Blue	\$0.12
Interest - Bonds	\$4.42
Interest - Mergard Trust	\$54.83
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$134,753.47</b>

## EXPENSES

Advance - Meet the Breeds	\$1,000.00
Advance - 2016 National	\$5,000.00
AKC annual dues	\$25.00
Annual fees - bonds	\$300.00
Application fees - Regional herding events	\$140.00
Bank charges	\$304.80
Banners - Public relations	\$300.00
Board meeting expenses	\$1,596.93
Bond Insurance	\$359.00
Booth expenses	\$110.00
Communication expenses	\$784.80
Computer hardware & Repair	\$2,444.57
D&O Insurance	\$1,607.00
Donation - 501 (c) 3 qualified	\$9,509.00
Eukanuba medallions	\$290.00
Insurance - National Trophies	\$664.00
Insurance - National Liability	\$625.00
Mail prep	\$3,189.10
Postage	\$12,563.45
Printing	\$36,097.14
Regional Herding trials expenses	\$7,182.92
Registration Inserts	\$77.58
Remote Deposit Monthly fee	\$360.00
Rent Storage Room for materials	\$1,045.00
Seminar expenses	\$6,262.18
Shipping Fees	\$1,489.16
Seminar registration fee - AKCHF	\$250.00
Show application fees - 2016 National	\$525.00
Show records from AKC - 2014	\$200.00
Site Rentals	\$8,545.00
Supplies	\$9,921.50
Telephone Charges	\$119.74
Travel expenses	\$3,020.15
Trophy expense - 2017 National	\$6,000.00
Trophies	\$3,922.00
Trophy case manufacture	\$767.96
Videos	\$3,670.61
Web Site Hosting Fee	\$418.40
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$130,686.99</b>

**NET CHANGE** **\$4,066.48**

**CHECKING JOURNAL & CASH RECORD December 2015**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Num</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Tag</b>	<b>Amount</b>
12/1/2015	BANK	Monthly Fee	Bank Charges	Treasurer Budget	-\$29.95
12/4/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$25.35
12/8/2015	4008	Fed Ex	Postage	Show Perm&Trph	-\$32.04
12/8/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$5.75
12/12/2015	DEP S		Inc Advertising	2015 Bulletin	\$350.00
			Inc Sales	2016 Calendar	\$311.00
			Inc CCA Loving Cup	Show Perm&Trph	\$50.00
			Inc Sales	Librarian Act	\$40.00
12/14/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$11.50
12/21/2015	4010	Fed Ex	Postage	Show Perm&Trph	-\$65.37
12/21/2015	4009	Laura Weiss	Trophy Expense	2017 National Breeders Education	-\$6,000.00
12/22/2015	4012	Nancy McDonald American Kennel Club	Committee Meeting expense		-\$280.80
12/22/2015	4011	Club	AKC Dues	Treasurer Budget	-\$25.00
12/22/2015	4014	S Judy Guthrie	Supplies	Membership	-\$28.84
			Postage	Membership	-\$66.57
12/22/2015	4013	John Buddie	Travel Exp	AKC Delegate	-\$501.00
12/22/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$28.75
12/23/2015	DEP DEP	Transfer From Paypal	Inc Advertising	2015 Bulletin	\$74.64
12/23/2015	S		Inc Sales	2016 Calendar	\$84.50
			Inc CCA Loving Cup	Show Perm&Trph	\$200.00
			Inc Advertising	2015 Yearbook	\$14,113.07
12/28/2015	TXFR		[Membership Checking]		\$24,500.00
12/30/2015	DEP	Transfer From Paypal	Inc Advertising	2015 Bulletin	\$450.00
12/31/2015	DebitCard	Hall Commercial	Printing	Election Act	-\$999.00
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>					<b>\$40,173.21</b>
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>					<b>-\$8,099.92</b>
<b>NET TOTAL</b>					<b>\$32,073.29</b>

## ***BREEDER OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE REQUEST***

This is committee member Robette Johns standing in for Amy Gau the chair. The last BOY committee chaired by Kathy Moll completed all the hard work of setting up the new criteria for BOY. After two surveys polling the membership by Kathy's committee, the Board voted and passed the new criteria. The old committee had researched awards over a year ago to be given to the individual winners and plaques to be held by the CCA and displayed at National Specialty shows. Funding for these awards was never requested. The new BOY committee agrees on the awards selected and is requesting the Board to fund the awards as soon as possible so they can be completed by the Louisville National.

### ***Tangible Awards for Each Variety***

The committee is suggesting two, walnut plaques, with 24 brass plates each, for display at the national from year to year. These would stay in the Club's possession.

The two 24-plate wooden plaques (Hodge's Badge Company) cost approximately \$350 total.

- 10-1/2" x 13" Walnut Award Plaque
- Top plate measures 8" x 2-1/2"
- Top plate can be engraved with 5 lines of text, 48 characters per line
- Includes 24 small plates underneath top plate
- Small plate can be engraved with 2 lines of text, 24 characters per line

In addition, the recipient in each variety would receive a 2 1/2" high pewter medallion created by Rick Lingenfelter as a memento with a detachable plate to engrave with the recipient's name and the year. One medallion would be a rough head study and the other medallion, a smooth head study. Each would be mounted on felt and framed (included in the medallion price).

- 30 pewter medallions (15 in each variety)
- Design and Sculpting....\$200
- Mold and Tooling.....\$225
- Medallions 30 @ \$25 each...\$750
- Total cost will be \$1,175

A one-time cost of \$1,525 total for awards covering fifteen (15) years. The per-year cost was \$51 each for a rough and a smooth Breeder of the Year award as of a year ago. The committee is asking for an increase of 20% to cover costs that may have risen. That would bring the total to **\$1,830**. Any unused funds would be returned to the treasury.

We are requesting a straw poll tonight in good faith to allow Rick Lingenfelter to start creating the molds for the medallions.

On behalf of the BOY committee we thank Mike and the Board for its consideration.

## PURCHASE OF CCA LOVING CUPS

Received from Kathy Drabik, chair, Show Permissions and Trophies/Loving Cups Committee.

Titan Partners, LLC proposes to furnish the standard Collie Club trophy in bright finish as produced for your club most recently in 2013.

On an order of 100 pieces our price is \$109.00 each plus S&H of approximately \$4.00 each.

Terms: \$3500.00 with order  
\$3500.00 ten days after receiving 50 pieces  
\$3900.00 plus S&H charges 20 days after balance of order

On an order of 200 pieces our price is \$107.00 each plus S&H of approximately \$4.00 each

Terms: \$7000.00 with order  
\$7000.00 ten days after receiving 100 pieces  
\$7400.00 plus S&H charges 20 days after balance of order

She is asking the Board for approval of this purchase. Please read the her End of the Year Report but she says the balance on hand as of today is 57 Loving Cups which will come close to completing this year. At that time, we will have a zero balance available.

**Kathy asked the following and below is the response from the company today.**

Thank you for sending the trophy proposal. I will be presenting your proposal to the Collie Club of America this month and it will be voted on to approve this order. I should have an answer back to you by the end of March. I do have a couple questions to ask, as I will also need information on when can we expect delivery on the first part of the order and when can we expect delivery for completion of the order. I will need this information to present with your proposal. Also just asking, are these Trophies made of pewter? I will get all this information to the members this next week.

Thank you so much.

Kathy Drabik

Response: The metal is pewter. I will order the material when the deposit is in our account. Three weeks is usually the lead time to receive the metal, and then fabrication, soldering, finishing, engraving, and shipping follow. The first cartons should be arriving at your destination two to three weeks after we start the job in our shop, and order should be completely shipped in one more week for 100 pieces, and two weeks for 200 pieces.

## NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

### **Noreen Bennett**

My name is Noreen Bennett and own 3 Collies. I have been involved with showing Collies for over 45 years. My family competed in Obedience with their Collies when I was a child. I have continued the tradition and also added Conformation, Herding and Agility. I currently run my own business as an Agility Trial Secretary for New England. Our breed was bred to be versatile, athletic, intelligent and an overall terrific addition to a family. It's time to educate our community on the virtues of our breed.

## **Anne Robinson**

My first collie, Sailor, introduced me to the dog world almost 20 years ago. I never looked back. We started obedience school together and at the end of the first session, Sailor passed his Canine Good Citizen test. Never thinking that I wanted to compete in Obedience, I received his CGC certificate, and those three initials after his name whetted my appetite for more titles. So my collie and I set sail toward the wonderful world of performance. We competed and earned titles in obedience and agility, and together we did pet assisted therapy, tracking, nosework, and backpacking. Sailor even wrote his own blog!

Since then, two more collies (Jib and Kite) have come into my life, and I have spent my time in dogs teaching dog training classes for my local obedience club and writing articles for the obedience column in the magazine, Collie Expressions, and of course, training my collies for competition and participation in obedience, agility, nosework, tracking, and pet assisted therapy. My youngest, Kite, is proving to be an excellent herding dog, too.

The collie is such a versatile breed – collies can do it all, and have indeed participated and titled in all the canine performance venues - herding, agility, obedience, tracking, pet assisted therapy, nosework, lure coursing, barn hunt, the list goes on. I wish I had a dollar for every time people on the street stop me and wistfully say that they had a collie when they were children and it was the BEST dog ever. I look forward to being part of a team that can showcase the collie breed's beauty and versatility to the general public.

In my non-dog spare time, I also make quilts and write children's books, take an active part in my grandchildren's lives, and try to find time to sleep.

## **Collie Club of America, Inc.**

### **END OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 2015**

#### **ARCHIVE'S COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Chair - Gayle Kaye**

This year the Archives got some interesting collections. Kathy Peters sent a collection of Billy Aschenbrenner photos and pedigrees. Billy was a well known breeder, exhibitor and judge of Pleasant Hill and Abbehurst Collies. From Amanda and Russell Kaufmann came several items from Florence Cummings. Amongst them were a couple of neat Albert Payson Terhune pictures. Also from the Kaufmann's came two interesting albums. One was actually a scrapbook compiled by George Noppenberger of Newaygo Collies. It includes clippings, pictures and pedigrees from vintage magazines, circa 1930s and 1940s. Also courtesy of the Kaufmann's is a real gem - an oversized album compiled by and belonging to Joseph Smith of Tawneytavor Collies. The Joseph Smith album is full of pictures, pedigrees and interesting anecdotes from one of the breed's rising newcomers. Joseph was born in 1915 and became interested in Collies at 14 years of age. Per notes in the album, he was planning on doing a book on Collies. He put together an amazing collection of pictures, statistics and notes all in this one album. Unfortunately he died in 1943 while still a young man, in the service during World War II. The albums donated to the Archives are some of the most amazing items we have! The goal is still to collect one of everything on the Collie. We are interested in any kennel collections or albums, any vintage pictures and any magazines pre-1930.

Gayle Kaye

Chelsea Collies

**COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA  
AUDIT FINDINGS 2014  
Chairs – Lynn Arneson and Cheryl Sulewski**

There were no major items found this year that were deemed a “reportable condition”. This year’s bank statements were matched to the ending bank balances on the general ledger each month.

No misappropriated funds were found.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Invoices had approvals and check numbers were written on each invoice.

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:**

Receipts matched and tied out each month.

**REVIEW OF AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

No recommended changes or adjustments.

**BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARDS: THEIR CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION REPORT FOR THE  
FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF 2015**

**Submitted By Kathy V. Moll (Chair last 4 month 2013 through first 4 months 2015)**

**Committee Members from mid-2013 to mid-2015: Emily Berkley, Isabel Ososki, Leslie Rappaport, Ellen Russell & Jeanine Blaner (CCA WCC chair and BOY consultant)**

The new proposal for rough and smooth breeders of the year was approved by the CCA Board as of January 2015. Our goals to complete by May 2015 were:

1. Suggest a BOY Committee Chair for Future Awards as per the President’s Request
2. Assist the New Chair & New Committee Members in Overseeing the 2015 Awards
3. Help Create an Application for Breeders
4. Make Suggestions & Begin Plans for Tangible Awards for Each Variety

***New Committee Chair Appointment & Orientation***

Out of 6 possibilities, the committee unanimously voted that President Van Tassel ask Amy Gau to serve. He asked and Amy accepted (appointment pending BOD approval). Subsequently, Amy met with this committee on our May conference call so that we could answer her questions and tie up loose ends with her assistance.

We brainstormed with Amy about the makeup of her committee going forward. I volunteered to consult as did Jeanine who will either advise or ask one of her CCA WCC members to do so. Isabel volunteered to be a member of Amy’s committee for some initial cross-over. Amy seemed pleased with these suggestions. As soon as she is approved, she will be asking others she feels will do a good job to be on her team. Committee members explained our process so that Amy could answer questions for her new committee members.

Our discussion about the new “**percentage based conformation**” portion of the award centered on the 75% total conformation portion, the largest part. When breeders apply during December ‘15 & January ‘16, they will submit the names & numbers for champions they bred or co-bred that finished in the calendar year 2015. The longtime desire expressed by many CCA members has been that a pure numbers game should be replaced by a percentage of collies produced in a typical year compared to the number of champions in the calendar year of the award.

Therefore, another breeder submission on the application will be the total number of live puppies (s)he bred or co-bred over calendar years '12, '13 & '14 using their AKC record keeping. The BOY Committee will calculate average number of puppies per year. The percentage of champions the breeder produced in 2015 will be determined when the committee compares the **average** number of puppies per-year produced over the previous three years with the number of champions for 2015.

Amy's new committee will receive automatic performance title updates from the CCA Working Collie Committee so no BOY committee members will need to keep up with new AKC title information or what titles stand for. Jeanine's cooperation as a resource with the current committee has been wonderful and will continue through her or one of her committee members.

We encourage breeders to contact their collie buyers that they know or believe have earned performance and/or service titles during the calendar year of the award to assist with the 15% of the award that applies to these areas. Perhaps a mass email to past collie buyers would get the desired result about titles on the other end of their collies' names. The highest title earned for each collie in each performance/service area for the year of the award counts toward the 15% for the breeder.

Health testing, screening and participation in studies on litters or individual collies count for 10% of the BOY awards. Agencies providing tests send results to the breeders and/or owners, usually online and/or in mailed paper copies. All breeders need do is keep health information with their kennel records.

CEA testing is what each CCA member agrees to by signing the Code of Ethics when joining or paying yearly dues. This is also the only testing "required" to qualify for the BOY awards in either variety. Additional health items give the breeder additional credit for what they do. The committee is not asking breeders for test results. Simple proof of testing or study participation is all that is required.

In addition to sample conformation conversions, the current committee has charts with point values and conversions in both the performance/service and health areas for the committee to use each year. **The breeders do not need to do any calculations unless they choose to do so.**

### ***Breeder of the Year Application***

I submitted a draft of a one page BOY application for breeders to use to send in their information in four (4) areas. This form may be revised or changed by Amy's committee if they wish.

The only information that breeders need to provide to the committee each year would be names & AKC numbers of champions they bred or co-bred; names and titles of performance/service titled collies they bred and choose to submit; health testing, screening and/or study participation for their collies; and the total number of live puppies produced and added together for the previous 3 years leading up to the award year. The application states, "I understand that most of the information I provided is a normal part of breeder record keeping and is subject to review if necessary."

Future BOY committees will be responsible for inviting breeders who fall in the upper portion of raw number champions to apply if they so desire. Any other breeders who feel they may have a percentage possibility to win in either variety would be welcome to apply as well. The committee would then follow the charts and examples we have provided to calculate the winner in each variety. The process calculations are objective and impartial.

### ***Tangible Awards for Each Variety***

We also included Amy in our suggestions for the tangible awards. Our previous thoughts had been for two, walnut plaques, with 24 brass plates each, for display at the national from year to year. These would stay in the Club's possession.

The two 24-plate wooden plaques (Hodge's Badge Company) cost approximately \$350 total.

- 10-1/2" x 13" Walnut Award Plaque
- Top plate measures 8" x 2-1/2"
- Top plate can be engraved with 5 lines of text, 48 characters per line
- Includes 24 small plates underneath top plate
- Small plate can be engraved with 2 lines of text, 24 characters per line

In addition, the recipient in each variety would receive a 2 ½” high pewter medallion created by Rick Lingenfelter as a memento with a detachable plate to engrave with the recipient’s name and the year. One medallion would be a rough head study and the other medallion, a smooth head study. Each would be mounted on felt and framed (included in the medallion price).

- 30 pewter medallions (15 in each variety)
- Design and Sculpting....\$200
- Mold and Tooling.....\$225
- Medallions 30 @ \$25 each...\$750
- Total cost will be \$1,175

Funding would need to be CCA BOD approved at a one-time cost of \$1,525 total for awards covering fifteen (15) years. The per-year cost is \$51 each for a rough and a smooth Breeder of the Year award.

***Conclusion & Accolades***

The current committee members who volunteer to participate with the newly appointed committee members will begin promoting participation in the rough & smooth breeders of the year as soon as soon as the new committee members are chosen.

I sincerely appreciate all the hard work my committee members contributed to create this new award. They never gave up! Instead they overcame the many obstacles that no one else had previously to develop a “percentage based conformation” award that also included other important aspects vital to the future of our beautiful collies. I thank them all from the bottom of my heart for their ingenuity and teamwork.

**NEW BREEDER OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE**

**Amy Gau, Chair**

At the end of 2015, a new committee was approved to implement the approved breeder of the year award as we move into 2016, we prepare to solicit and review applications for the 2015 breeder of the year to be presented at the 2016 CCA National Specialty.

We extend our thanks to the original committee both for their hard work in designing the system and their continued assistance to use in implementation.

Breeder of the Year Committee

Amy Gau, chair

Robette Johns

Jeff Silverman Presley

Erin Gorney

**CCA CALENDAR**

**Nancy McDonald, Chair**

Sales of the 2016 were successful again! 325 calendars were sold for total income of \$5,608, less total expense of \$3,585 for net profit to CCA of \$2,023. This year, we expanded the content of the calendar to include independent specialty show dates, CCA specialty deadlines, 50-year member and Top Twelve Collies and Performance Star birthdates.

Printing was complete in early August, in time for the Collie Health Foundation's Gathering at Sunnybank where we were able to hand deliver a number of calendars, reducing shipping costs. Pre-ordered discount calendars were shipped bulk rate, with savings passed along to the customers.

Thanks to the CCA for trusting us again with this project - we hope to expand on it further next year!

## **REPORT OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

### **Lenell Nix, Chair**

Since mid-2015 the use of Constant Contact (an email service) has steadily increased as an online primary source of communications streaming from CCA. We are rolling full steam ahead with constant improvements to this method of communication. Constant Contact allows us to be able to within a very short time to notify our members of upcoming events and other information pertaining to the Collie Club of America.

The primary challenge we as a committee experienced is finding that numerous email addresses are no longer valid and we have no record of changes. With your cooperation we will continue to strive to ensure that each member who has email access will be receive these communications. We ask that that all members make sure their current email addresses are on file with the with the membership committee.

We look forward to continuing to keep the membership informed!

Communications Committee

Lenell Nix, Chair

Members: Erin Knouse Gorney, Katie Skilton Rendina, Cody Sulewski, Judy Guthrie

## **CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE**

**Chair – Jeff Tallackson**

**Members of the Committee: Jackie Caruso, Michael Esch, Gayle Kaye, Jennifer Weiner**

The Committee was charged with and undertook the task of reviewing the Club's certificate of incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws and corporate operating history and applicable law. This was with the goal of identifying and suggesting solutions to legal and operating problems facing the Club. The Committee's primary but not exclusive focus has been compliance of the Club's Constitution and Bylaws and decision-making process with New York's Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, which governs the Club's corporate documents and operations.

The Committee has through the end of the year 2015 devoted many hours to reviewing relevant materials and history, has conferred through telephone conference calls and countless emails and has completed the following projects:

- Participated in the Club's 2015 meeting at the National specifically directed to the fundamental issue of the size of the Club's Board of Directors.
- Prepared and submitted for the Board of Directors' information and consideration Summaries and full Reports regarding the basic legal and process issues and problems that the Committee has addressed.
- Prepared and submitted for the Board of Directors' information and consideration revised drafts of a proposed rewrite of the Club's existing Constitution and Bylaws.
- Responded to numerous inquiries regarding these issues.
- Participated in conference calls with groups of Directors for the purpose of answering questions and providing explanations of the rationales for the Committee's recommendations.

## **JUDGES EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**Chairs – Gayle Kaye and John Buddie**

**Members: Darci Brown, Tom Coen, Pat Jung, & Larry Willeford**

2015 was another good year for the **Judges Education Committee**. We continue to get excellent feedback from those who attend our judges education seminars throughout the country.

We had a wonderful turnout of attendees at the National Specialty in Oklahoma and had several seasoned judges sitting ringside with attendees to help hone their skills of observation and selection. We are always so appreciative of the breeders and handlers who are willing to take time from their busy schedules, to bring excellent dogs to the hands-on portion of the program. Many of these new judges have never had the opportunity to see top quality Collies, and to examine them. This exercise is one which can often make or break a judges career in any breed. Thank you to those individuals who are always there when we need them.

Would like to give a special thanks to Darci Brown for organizing and mailing out the material needed for the various seminars!

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

**Judy Guthrie, Chair**

Seems like only yesterday that I was writing a report for the 2014 Yearbook.

Once again I want to thank the hard working members of this committee: Susan Houser, manages New Member Applications & Reinstates; Sue Kuechenmeister, manages Member Change of Address; Shelley Bogenhagen, manages New Member Packet mailings; Kathy Drabik, manages mailing Bulletins to members who do not receive; and Lori Montero, manages the PayPal account.

In 2015, we welcomed 16 new 50 year Members one of whom is our 1<sup>st</sup>. International 50 year member. Mrs. Kazue Fuji from Japan. Her certificate was presented to her Japanese representative and at one of the Japanese specialties they held a presentation ceremony for Mrs. Fuji. Domestically we have 37 new Individual Members, 14 new Joint members, 1 Junior, and 4 Reinstates. Foreign Membership increased by 2 Singles and 2 Joint.

The committee thanks Nancy McDonald for her hours of assistance this past summer in helping to update the membership database. It seems that our present FileMaker Pro 11 version will be just fine for our present usage.

Many thanks to Les Canavan of Royal Rock Collies for donating the late Verna Allan's (also of Royal Rock Collies) collection of yearbooks dating back to the 1960's to the Membership Committee. These books are invaluable in verifying members' years in our club.

Using a print company near home in Glen Allen, VA, the 2016 dues renewal form was revised and mailed by October 15, 2015. This proved to be beneficial in getting the dues renewal forms in the mail before the holiday mail rush.

**NATIONAL SHOW COMMITTEE**  
**Report 2015**  
**Chairs - Martha Ramer & Darci Brown**  
**Roxann Heit & Susan Larson**

The National Show Chair position has become a National Show Committee, consisting of four members. Each with valuable experience as well as event specific knowledge.

We assist a potential host club or group from the bidding process thru the actual show. We are available for questions, helping to understand CCA and AKC rules and regulations as well as providing a sounding board. We are also working with National Show Rules to make sure that rules are updated and easily understandable by Host Show Committee's. We have also developed a working relationship with the National Trophy Chair to provide a seamless year to year transition of trophy information.

**CCA NEWSLETTER SUMMARY 2015**  
**Marion Johnson and Isabel Ososki, Co-Editors**

The CCA newsletter has long been a source of information for all members of our parent club.

It has always been staffed by dedicated volunteers: setting up the format, correlating the news, time table of upcoming events, directories of whom, what and where. It was then sent to a publisher for printing and mailing out copies to all members, on a bi-monthly schedule. The postage ran about \$600.00 per issue.

With the incorporation of Constant Contact, the value of the information that had been sent via USPS, has been diminished. All important news and time schedules are now sent swiftly, electronically, via email.

With budget a large concern and the ability of information being posted instantly, I believe it is time to rethink the relevance of the newsletter. There is an interest, I believe, in reaching all of the membership with news that affects members and their Collies in numerous aspects of the Collie World. However, we must justify content with cost.

We as a club, must insure that all members receive the same information: meaning if no email is available then we are obligated to hard mail copies. We have about 100 members who are in this latter group, with a printing, postage cost of about \$300 per issue.

Since the mode of dispensing information has changed so dramatically in the past few months of 2015, I believe it is time to reevaluate the structure/purpose of the newsletter.

Perhaps having a page in the CCA Bulletin, which is mailed to all members, with Bi-monthly reports/stories that enhance, inform, broaden our collie experiences would be an acceptable and useful tool and keep the tradition of the CCA Newsletter relevant.

Marion Johnson, Editor  
CCA Newsletter

## **CCA FILM LIBRARY REPORT**

**Chair – Kathy Peters**

This year C.C.A. Film Library, in coordination with the C.C.A. Breed Education Committee releases two new “hot property” DVD’S to the Collie fancy.

VIRTUAL LAB a three disc set “So You Want To Be a Breeder” by Dr. Cindy Bossart. Filmed at the National Specialty Oklahoma 2015 and THE STORY OF ROYAL ROCK, an interview with Les Canavan filmed on location at the Sunnybank Gathering, August 2015. Included on this DVD are sentimental scenes from Terhune Memorial Park, Wayne, New Jersey.

The purpose of our Film Library is for Historical Preservation and Educational film material made available to all Collie folks interested in the Breed.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Peters, C.C.A. Film Library

## **ONLINE STORAGE COMMITTEE**

**Chair – Laura DeLaurentis**

**Member: Lenell Nix**

The Online Storage Committee completed its 4th year in September and continues to make slow progress, one committee/member at a time.

We appreciate those committees and Board members who voluntarily support the club's mission to protect our critical business documents and image library. As an organization that continually ages, we are disappointed in the continued lack of support we are getting in the area of critical business documents. One death, serious accident, or serious illness could bring our operations to a halt.

In 2016, we look forward to mandated use of our centralized storage as a means of protecting the CCA now and for future generations.

***Laura DeLaurentis & Lenell Nix***  
CCA Online Storage Committee  
[ccaonlinestorage@gmail.com](mailto:ccaonlinestorage@gmail.com)

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Chair – Linda Mabus**

**Members: Melinda Sunnarborg & Chandra Flaim**

**Mission Statement:**

The Public Relations Committee will provide ideas and resources for the active promotion of the collie as a desirable family companion and working canine partner. The committee will explore avenues to help local groups put on events for the public in association with members and groups already experienced with public events.

Important possible avenues for featuring our breed would be a link on our CCA website page where the public can view articles, photos, and videos of collies in family settings and activities. Additionally, some media would show collies and their owners doing agility, carting flyball, freestyle, herding, obedience, service dog, therapy, tracking, and other performance and service activities.

The Public Relations Committee has developed several trifolds: “Read These: Learn Something New”, “A Sport for You and Your Dog” (Children’s Brochure), “Collies and Their Children”, and updated “The Beautiful Collie”. Also a bifold, “How to Find a Reputable Breeder” has been developed. These downloadables can be found on the CCA website and reproduced for outreach events, puppy packets, etc. The Collie Club of America banner sets have been used by several Specialty Clubs. The three sets do reduce scheduling conflicts. The CCA website has the Request form to reserve the banners for events. The *Bulletin* has cooperatively assisted the Committee by providing Committee generated articles and ads for PR promotion. The Committee is currently working on a video showing the collie in various venues that will have multiple uses. Several of our CCA members have submitted photos for this production.

Respectfully,

Chandra Flaim, Kathy Moll (resigned in September, 2015)  
Melinda Sunnarborg, Vicky VonSeggern (resigned in August, 2015)  
Linda Mabus, Chair

The Public Relations Committee with the Breed Education Committee submitted a change to AKC of its description of the ‘collie’ on its website.



### **THE COLLIE RESCUE FOUNDATION, INC.**

The Collie Rescue Foundation, Inc. celebrated its 10th Anniversary in 2015! To commemorate this milestone, we introduced a new logo graciously given to us by Ramonette Dugan. CRF's primary goal is to financially assist Collies who are in rescue and need medical aid in order for them to find their forever home. With the ever growing costs of veterinary care, treating these dogs becomes an increasingly larger financial burden on rescues. CRF also provides emergency funding to rescue groups who are suddenly assigned the task to take in and care for multiple dogs at one time. This can be 5 or 50 dogs needing heartworm testing, food, vaccines, and parasite testing and treatment. When rescue groups from around the country have achieved Affiliate status with CRF, it means they have met our screening process and are then listed as a resource on our website to become the core of our efforts to help Collies. While they are not the only ones who step up, they are who CRF turns to first when there is something to be done.

In 2015, more than 97% of our donations went directly to the mission of supporting rescues, with less than 3% going to administrative expenses. This year saw us providing approximately \$22,000 in assistance to the various Collie rescue organizations. We are forever indebted to our donors, who without their help, we would not be able to do what we do! Remember...."All Collies Belong to You and To Me!"

President: Candi Sapp-Sabata

Vice President: Vickie VonSeggern

Secretary and Newsletter Editor: Kathy Jackson

Treasurer: Mary Jane Anderson

Board:

Kathy Downey

Jeannette Poling

Diane Troxell

Website: Joan Spradley Johnson

<http://www.collierescuefoundation.net/>

Also look for us on Facebook @ Collie Rescue Foundation

## NATIONAL TROPHY COMMITTEE

### Heather Newcomb & Kelly Neeley (Co-Chairs)

This committee administers 3 perpetual trophies and 20 challenge trophies with a combined value of approximately \$35,000. The AKC abolished all new perpetual trophies in 1954. For permanent possession, challenge trophies must be won three (3) times by the same owner not necessarily with the same dog or at consecutive shows.

All new Challenge Trophies must adhere to Collie Club of America, Inc. & American Kennel Club, Inc. Show rules, and be approved by the National Trophy Committee & Board of Directors.

In 2015, two challenge trophies were retired:

**THE SANDY TUTTLE MEMORIAL TROPHY** awarded for Winners Bitch (Smooth) was retired by Susan Kaelin.

**THE ELISABETH BROWNING MEMORIAL BOWL** awarded for Top Winning Blue Merle was retired by Matt and Anita Stelter.

A new **ELISABETH BROWNING MEMORIAL BOWL** will be offered in 2016, the previous one having been retired. This will be the seventh challenge trophy so offered, and is awarded to the top winning (ranking) blue merle in the nation.

In 2015, The National Trophy Committee and the Board of Directors approved the addition of two new challenge trophies to be presented for the first time at the Collie Club of America National Specialty in 2016 in Louisville, Kentucky.

**THE RITA STANCZIK MEMORIAL TROPHY** to be awarded to **BREEDER OF WINNERS BITCH (Rough)**, a Carol Baynton Phelps Bronze Statue on wooden base, donated through the Collie Club of America, Inc. through the generosity of friends. (Valued at 2500.00)

**THE AL FORTHAL MEMORIAL TROPHY** to be awarded to **BREEDER OF BEST AMERICAN BRED (Rough)**, a Rick Lingenfelter Bronze Statue on wooden base, donated through the Collie Club of America, Inc. through the generosity of family and friends. (Valued at 2000.00)

## SHOW PERMISSIONS AND TROPHIES

### Kathy Drabik, Assistant to the Secretary

The Beginning Inventory of Collie Club of America Loving Cups on January 1, 2015 was 125 cups and 10 Sterling Silver Goblets.

Total Loving Cups Shipped in 2015 was 54

Total Replacement Cups shipped was 1

Our Total Ending Inventory is 70 Loving Cups.

At the present time, specialty clubs submit two (2) checks in the amount of \$50.00 each. If the club's % of CCA members is 60% or more, the cost of the loving cup, for their club would be \$50.00 and one (1) check is returned to the club. If the club's % is less than 60%, then the cost would be \$100.00 for the club for the Loving Cup. Applications for requesting a CCA Loving Cup can be downloaded from the CCA web site.

## CCA VERSATILITY AND HERDING INSTINCT CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

**Co-Chairmen: Jim Smotrel & Judy Smotrel**

The CCA Versatility and Herding Instinct Certification Committee reviews applications and processes certificates for both the CCA Versatility Program and the CCA Herding Instinct Program. The annual summary report for each of these programs is given below.

### 2015 CCA Versatility Program Report

The CCA Versatility Awards Program is designed to recognize collies which have distinguished themselves in both the breed ring and in AKC recognized performance events. It also provides a means to encourage breeders to put more emphasis on the structural soundness, working capabilities and temperament of their breeding stock.

This program was created around AKC sanctioned activities. These activities serve to test not only the physical and mental characteristics of the dog but also the preservation of herding capability which was the original basis for the breed.

A point system is used to weight the value of each accomplishment based on its relative difficulty. The point scale is shown in the following table.

VALUE	CONFORMATION	PERFORMANCE CATEGORY								HERDING
		Obedience	Tracking	Agility*						
1		CD, RE, GN, PCDX		NA	NAJ	NAP	NJP	NF	NFP	HT
2	Major	CDX	TD, TDU	OA	OAJ	OAP	OJP	OF	OFF	PT
3		GO, VER, PUTD								HS
4	CH	UD	TDX	AX	AXJ	AXP	AJP	XF	XFP	HI
5	GCH	UDX, OM	VST	MX	MXJ	MXP	MJP	MXF	MFP	HX
6		OTCH, OGM	CT	MACH, PACH						HC

\* Versatility points for agility are awarded only for the highest title earned in either the Standard, JWW or FAST Classes, or the Preferred Classes.

To qualify for a versatility award a dog must demonstrate his capabilities in each of the three major areas: Conformation, Performance and Herding. Three levels of awards are given, a Versatility Award (VA), a Versatility Excellent Award (VX) and a Grand Versatility Award (GV). The VA requires that the dog accumulate a total of at least 5 points with at

least one point from each of the three major areas. The VX requires that the dog accumulate a total of at least 10 points with at least one point from each of the three major areas. The GV requires that the dog accumulate a total of 15 points with at least two points from each of the three categories, and the dog must be at least a double champion. The breadth of the criteria that must be satisfied to qualify for a CCA versatility award makes the goal very challenging, but enhances its value to those who achieve it.

Versatility awards are presented once a year at the CCA National Specialty. Since 1993, a total of one hundred seventy-five (175) Versatility Awards and eighty-three (83) Versatility Excellent Awards and eight (8) Grand Versatility Awards have been presented. In Oklahoma City, OK, four (4) Versatility Awards, ten (10) Versatility Excellent Awards, and two (2) Grand Versatility Awards were presented. The 2015 CCA versatility awards were presented by the CCA President Mike Van Tassell.

### **2014 Herding Instinct Certification Report**

The CCA Herding Instinct Certification program recognizes Collies who have demonstrated that they possess the herding instinct that was a key element of the original foundation of the breed. It is designed to encourage breeders and owners to evaluate their dog's herding instincts through participation in a simple test requiring no pre-training. It is hoped that this program will generate increased interest in preserving this breed characteristic in breeding programs.

Any Collie at least 6 months of age can earn a CCA Herding Instinct Certification (HIC) through successful completion of the test at an organized event. Any organized Introduction to Livestock, Herding Instinct Test, or AKC Herding Test sponsored by any legitimate club or group is acceptable. Acceptable sponsoring organizations do not have to be licensed by the AKC and are not limited to Collie clubs. In advance of the test, the owner will secure an Application for HIC form from the HIC Chairman or the CCA website. Upon successful completion of the test, the owner will have the application form signed by the Judge and the Secretary of the event. The completed form is then sent with the appropriate processing fee to the HIC Chairman.

To pass the test the dog must demonstrate a sustained interest in moving the stock. The natural herding style may be either circling (attempting to gather the stock) or following (driving the stock). The judge will evaluate the dog's overall attitude toward the stock, his behavior with the stock, and his response to instruction.

In 2015 the CCA awarded a total of forty-one (41) Herding Instinct Certificates. This is about a 16% decrease in CCA HICs compared to 2014. The majority (56%) of the HIC's awarded in 2015 were to Collies owned by CCA members.

We would like to recognize those collie organizations that took the time and effort to sponsor a HIC test in 2015.

Collie Club of America

Collie Club of Minnesota

Indiana Collie Club

Overlake Collie Club

Pacific Northwest Collie Club

Encourage your local Collie Club to organize a herding instinct test in your area so you can experience the delight in watching the ancestral instincts of your faithful companion being awakened by the stirrings of a flock of sheep or ducks.

## **2015 CCA VERSATILITY AWARDS**

### **GRAND VERSATILITY AWARD**

**DC Ability's Rock Star CD BN RAE HSAds HSBds HIAs HIBds HXAdMsM HXBdM AX MXJ XF (D)** By HC Ability's Rocketman ex Ability's Kate Of Ohadi HSAs. Breeder: Linda Holloway. Owner: Jeanine Blaner.

**CH MACH Rosehaevens Summit Nobility CDX RAE HSAds HSBds HIAds HIBd HXAdMsM HXBdM MXS MJG XF T2B (D)** By CH Cheviot Fit The Bill ex CH Rosehaevens Easter Parade CD. Breeder: Kathryn Neil & Dona Williams & Taylor Williams. Owner: Dr. Deanna Levenhagen.

### **VERSATILITY EXCELLENT AWARD**

**GCH CH Belfair Follow Me CD BN RN HT AXP OJP (D)** By CH Demuirs Inside Edition ex CH Belfair Amazing Grace. Breeder: Alene Evans & Pat Becker & Mary Cox. Owner: Mary Cox & Alene Evans & Terry Cox.

**CH Deep River's Joie De Vive HSAs AXP MJG (B)** By CH Kitleigh Charlie Brown RE HSAdsc NAP ex DC Deep River's Comfort And Joy CD RE HSAdsc HSBs HIAs HXAds. Breeder: Kathy V Moll & Claire Apple. Owner: Susan S Carbee.

**CH Deep River Light The Night Sky RN HSAd AJP (D)** By CH Deep River's Consider It Done ex CH Deep River Karizma Highlight. Breeder: Kathy V Moll. Owner: Susan S Carbee & Kathy V Moll.

**Entais Exhilaration TD HSAs AX MXJ (D)** By CH Overland Black Market ex GCH CH Ets Entais Charismatic. Breeder: Diana Hiiesalu Bain & Pierre Bain. Owner: Susan Larson.

**CH Fantasy's Fly Like The Wind BN RE HT AX AXJ OF CGC FM (B)** By CH Fantasy's Rising Dragon ex CH Sassy's A Kiss In The Night. Breeder: Sandy Schwedler & Debbie Holland. Owner: Nancy Dragotta & Vincent Dragotta.

**Foggy Bay Starry Night Of Sealoch CDX GO RAE PT MX MXJ MJB XF T2B CGC (D)** By Foggy Bay Just Cool It CGC ex CH Foggy Bay Sneaking Suspicion HSAs. Breeder: Diane L Parness. Owner: Sally Mobraaten.

**CH Kitleigh Charlie Brown RE HSAdsc HXAd NAP (D)** By Southland's Bardstown ex Shekinah Deep River Siren. Breeder: Judith Pitt. Owner: Kathy V Moll & Claire Apple.

**PACH Moore's Alainn Aoife RAE HSAs AX AXJ MXPB MJG5 MJPS PAX OF XFP (B)** By CH Moore's Tiernan Dash HT ex CH Contempo's Alainn Aithne. Breeder: Alicia Moore & Thomas Moore. Owner: Alicia Moore & Thomas Moore & Virginia Kost.

**CH Wild Wind's Deuce's Are Wild CD RA HSAds HIAds HXAs (B)** By CH Wild Wind's Heavy Metal ex CH Wild Wind's Just Push Play CDX HSAs HIAds HXAs NAJ. Breeder: Michelle Bergstraser & Laura Lorenz. Owner: Michelle Bergstraser & Laura Bergstraser.

**CH Winterbound's Fortune Teller CD HSAds HSBs HIAds HXAd (D)** By CH Chestry U S Marshall ex Winterbound's Teasel CD HSAs. Breeder and Owner: Haydee Kuner.

### **VERSATILITY AWARD**

**Celticmoon's Sundrop At Aidan RN PT OA OAJ NF FM (B)** By Rainforest Under The Lights ex Celticmoons Petals Of Wisdom CD RAE NAP NJP. Breeder: Pearl Fabbro & Jeanne Gregory. Owner: Erin Gorney & Adam Gorney.

**CH Sinkona's Masked Bandit BN RN HSAds NAP (D)** By CH Shadaglen On The Mark CD HSAds ex CH Sinkona's Calamity Jane VCD2 RE PT AXP AJP. Breeder: Linda Marie Ward & Tanya A Ward. Owner: Heidi Braun & Linda Marie Ward & Tanya A Ward.

**CH Tapestry Dashing Dark 'N Silver BN RA RE HT (D)** By CH Tapestry South Wynd ex Tapestry Premonition.  
Breeder: Steve and Lisa Finken. Owner: Lee M Anderson and Nancy K Hvinden.

**CH Wild Wind's Silken Dalliance CD PT (B)** By Wild Wind's Labarynth ex CH Wild Wind's Hollywood Nights.  
Breeder: Michelle Bergstraser & Jessica Lafrenier & Laura Bergstraser. Owner: Stacy E. Kim & Michelle Bergstraser & Laura Bergstraser.

### **2015 CCA HERDING INSTINCT CERTIFIED COLLIES**

**Anstetts Artic Destroyer**, August 1, 2015, Owner: Patricia Anstett  
**Anstetts Twilight Trade Secret**, August 1, 2015, Owner: Patricia Anstett  
**Bayside Majestic Dare To Dream**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Carolin Harris  
**Belfair Backstage Gossip**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Heidi & Gary Webster  
**Belfair Majestic O' For The Life Of Riley**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Carolin Harris  
**CH Bolero's Heaven Sent BN RE CGC**, August 1, 2015, Owner: Vicki Wilder  
**Castlebar's Highland Storm RN CGC**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Ann Ferguson  
**Chelsea Diamond & Pearls**, April 25, 2015, Owner: Tim & Marilyn Mothersell  
**Chelsea Special Request**, April 25, 2015, Owner: Thomas & Jeannette Poling and Gayle Kaye  
**Classique Kieran O'Ross**, March 6, 2015, Owner: Ed & Kristy McTaggart and Al & Leslie Hernandez  
**Deorsa's Dark Side Of The Moon**, October 3, 2015, Owner: Laura Kjosness & Kathleen George  
**Duquesne's She's A Little Bit Dangerous**, July 6, 2015, Owner: Sylvia Group  
**Duquesne's She's Like The Wind**, July 6, 2015, Owner: Sylvia Group  
**Eleanor**, September 22, 2012, Owner: Brenda Pulkrabek  
**Greatview Light's Legend CGC TDI**, June 10, 2015, Owner: Mary & Paul Yerkes  
**Kings Valley Majestic Blue Persuasion**, June 16, 2013, Owner: Carolin Harris  
**Kings Valley Sky's The Limit**, April 25, 2015, Owner: John Bell & Elaine Bell  
**Lara Ferguson RN CGC**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Ann Ferguson  
**Moxie Through A Glass Darkly**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Kristianne Hastings  
**Omega N Rimbva Bound For Glory TC**, October 3, 2015, Owner: Kathy Watson  
**Overland Braeton's Sinfully Rich**, September 19, 2015, Owner: Karen Webber & Joni McConnell  
**Overland Journey**, April 19, 2015, Owner: Ruth Pietrowski  
**Qualteri Lazurite Island Treasure**, July 6, 2015, Owner: Chandra L Flaim  
**Qualteri Lazurite Island Tryst**, July 6, 2015, Owner: Chandra L Flaim  
**Rimba Wears Prada**, October 3, 2015, Owner: Kathy Watson  
**Sandland's Shine Your Way**, April 12, 2015, Owner: Janice Read  
**Sno Valley Harvest Moon**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Leah Vieira & Steve Vieira  
**Sno Valley Tall Dark & Handsome**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Leah Vieira, Steve Vieira, Mary Cox & Terry Cox  
**SnoValley Belfair Ball Of Fire**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Heidi & Gary Webster  
**SnoValley Belfair Barely Harry Too!**, June 20, 2015, Owner: David Moe, Rebecca Jullien-Moe, Terry Cox, Mary Cox & Alene Evans  
**CH Snovalley Style & Grace**, July 9, 2015, Owner: Janis Dymont, Jim Dymont, Mary Cox & Terry Cox  
**Swan's Au N Ringside Whisperz**, May 9, 2015, Owner: Suanne Hardie  
**CH Swan's Flight Of The Bumblebee**, May 9, 2015, Owner: Suanne Hardie  
**Swan's How The West Was Won**, May 9, 2015, Owner: Suanne Hardie  
**CH Swan's Wm Tell Overture**, May 9, 2015, Owner: Suanne Hardie  
**Tercan 'N Zandria's Plot Twist**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Candace Hunter & Alex Erb  
**Tercan 'N Zandria's Game Changer**, June 20, 2015, Owner: Candace Hunter & Alex Erb  
**Twin City's Joyful Noise**, August 23, 2014, Owner: Sharon Mayes & Carl Williford  
**UCh Oak Knolls Burning Secret RN**, August 1, 2015, Owner: Amy Ross, Brian Elwell, and Mary & John Davis  
**White Cloud's Angel Flight**, March 6, 2015, Owner: Ed & Kristy McTaggart  
**Wicani Demoiselle**, September 19, 2015, Owner: Barbara Starr

## WORKING COLLIE COMMITTEE

Jeanine Blaner, Chair

The Working Collie Committee continues to support and promote collies participating in performance and companion events. WCC members once again coordinated the posting of performance results from the CCA Nationals on the CCA webpage.

The WCC assisted the Breeder of the Year committee in developing criteria for the inclusion of performance titles in the proposed Breeder of the Year award and will provide ongoing assistance to the new implementation committee for Breeder of the Year.

In 2015, the WCC supported the Herding Regionals, which occurred in Olympia, Washington, and Birdsboro, Pennsylvania. The WCC is particularly happy to note that both Regionals had a modest profit this year. The WCC also reviewed and recommended proposals for the 2016 regionals, which will occur in Watkinsville, Georgia, and Olympia, Washington, upon CCA approval. To allow the Regionals committees to have more time to plan and advertise their events, the WCC decided to make the deadline earlier for 2017 and future Regionals.

The WCC continued to work with the CCA Bulletin to include articles highlighting collies' involvement in performance and companion activities. The WCC also provided its members' expertise to other committees when requested to answer questions about performance events and event planning.

- Jeanine Blaner, Working Collie Committee Chair

## HERDING SUB-COMMITTEE

Chair – Linda Holloway

The Herding Sub-Committee participated in reviewing the regional bids before sending them for perusal to the entire WCC Committee. The new pre-started classes that resulted in the Most Promising Dog Award, were run for the first in the Regionals were discussed and tweaked for their debut. These classes had several participants and provided a very good step up for the dog and handler teams getting ready for the A and B trial classes. The herding section of the CCA website was updated and several links fixed to make it more "user friendly" and current. Thanks to all that helped, we could not do this without the volunteers that donated their time and skills.

## New Members and Reinstates –January 2016

**CA-N** Davina Lynch, 38860 Rustic Lane, Squaw Valley, CA, 93675, 559.593.5623, cvdcoa@v-driveboats.com,

Sponsor: Elizabeth Lewellen (CA-N) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I was introduced at Davina at a dog show, Sunmaid Kennel Club over nine years ago. The lynch's were showing another breed. Now they want to become collie show people. They love the collie breed.

Sponsor: Jean Cullen (CA-N) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I met this nice lady at a dog show (K?? KC) 2 years ago. She wanted a collie to show. She has by now acquired one (Ch sired) from a reputable breeder

Occupation Dog groomer/owner

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? To get more involved with the collie breed & health and learn all I can about showing.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My husband always wanted one and I like to show in obedience and thought they would be a great breed to work with. They seem so gentle.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes German Shepherds

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? no Performance events? Yes , obedience for 10 yrs.

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. We run a boat club and were members of the schutzhund club and Paint horse.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no  
What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Groomer/some computer skills/just the love of dogs.

**CA-S** Patricia Cormack , 15130 San Jose St., Mission Hills, CA, 91345, 818.361.0998

Sponsor: Barbara Hash-O'Keefe (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 8 yrs sold her a male collie

Sponsor: Martha Ramer (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I don't know her real well, I met her at the dog shows-mainly specialties. She has one show dog and has become really interested in getting to know more about Collies and the dog shows. We all help her at the shows but she can get much more knowledge being a CCA member

Occupation Office worker

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Have had 4 collies, always wanted to join the CCofA!

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Mary Fluman, Linda, Barbara Gambit Collies

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? Altered? Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: none Collie litters? none

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Used to be a member SCCC

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Only Type!

**CA-S** Wendilyn Grasseschi, PO Box 7511, Mammoth Lakes, CA, 93546, 970.509.0126, wendigrasseschi@me.com

Sponsor: Nancy Lamp (AZ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 2 years is a puppy buyer

Sponsor: Miriam Stempler (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 17 years

Occupation Reporter

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Long time interest in collies, collie health & bredd betterment. Now have 1 show prospect.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Miriam Stempler/I have a Regina daughter. Before that my mother! I have had only collies since I was a child.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? 2 Altered? No Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? will Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Writer I am a published writer.

**CO** Caitlin Neeley (daughter of CCA member Kelly Neeley), PO Box 810, Bennett, CO, 80102, 303.884.0152, neeleycaitlin@yahoo.com DoB 0-5-04-01 AKC# 20215214005

Sponsor: Margaret Heywood (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Have know Caitlin for 8 years. Have watcher Caitlin grow up in the do world and become a Junior handler.

Sponsor: Christina Golden (OK) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Longer than I can remember. Caitlin has always been a stunning representation/ambassador of our breed. She is a great Junior handler both in and out of the ring. We met through her mom Kelly Neeley.

Occupation

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? My mom is a member and I would like to learn more about the breed.  
Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My mom has been in collies since 1996, and I have just grown up around them.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 6 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, 1-10yr GSD

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: Collie litters? 6

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? No

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. CC of CO and CHF

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? I enjoy helping younger kids.

**FL** George and Joyce Jackowski, 1910 Innisbrook Ct., Venice, FL, 34293, 941.786.3871, joycejnp@hotmail.com

Sponsor: Betsy Bradshaw (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Over 1 year. We sold them a puppy and they have been outstanding owners. They are participating in agility and are purchasing a puppy now to show in conformation. They are looking to join a local collie club.

Sponsor: Gail Currie (FL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Greater Tampa Collie Club - 2015

Occupation NP

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Have my second collie in my life, getting another very soon. Love the breed and want to join a group of other owners to learn, network, promote.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My former husband always wanted one, got one from a coworker that bred her first litter. (Valerie Daley) and have been a fan since my first sable boy "Reno"

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? Altered? yes Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? N Performance events? Working on agility

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? NO

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. She is AKC registered, ??? also belong to my nursing organization and quilt guild

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Quilt, nurse, have been an editor for text book & written for professional journals & books.

**FL** M. Katrina Warsick, 8603 Bella Via, Hudson. FL, 34667, 727.992.3966, kwarsick@gmail.com,

Sponsor: Gail Currie (FL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 yr – owns 2 of my collies, member of GTBCC

Sponsor: Nancy Comparato (FL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 year – member of my local collie club

Occupation Therapist

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? My life has been blessed by collies since childhood. A passion for me is seeing this remarkable breed be furthered and recognized for its attributes.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: A beloved Aunt who engendered a love – respect for all animals, especially collies.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: no Collie litters? no

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? Not currently

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Greater Collie Club of Tampa Bay

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? ?

**IL** Amanda Maravilla (Bolero Collies), 742 McKinley Ave., Geneva, IL, 60134, 630.217.8112, Bolero\_ar@msn.com  
Sponsor: Vickie Wilder (IL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Purchased puppy from her.

Sponsor: Karen Soeder (IL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have actually know Mandy since she was a young junior. Her mother Judy was a member of Central States CC when I joined in the 90's and I saw Mandy and her sister grow up and become accomplished handlers. So I've probably known her for more than 15 years—a very nice and pleasant young woman.

Occupation Groomer

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I have been breeding, raising and showing collies my entire life. I would like to be more involved with the future of the breed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My mother has been involved in collies before I was born. She was a long time CCA member.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 3 Altered? 1 Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 2 Collie litters? 2

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Used to belong to Heartland CC.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Skilled at grooming.

**IL** Deborah Wilde, 38207 3<sup>rd</sup>. Ave, Spring Grove, IL, 60081, 815.679.7015, WildeManorCollies@Live.com

Sponsor: Tammy Brown (IL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 years from, breeding & showing

Sponsor: Mary Surdyski (IL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 years I know thru dog shows and friendship

Occupation: Owner/work from home jewelry, & gems

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? As a breeder, I would like to continue to grow my involvement in the breed, & help to preserve this breed for future generations

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: my mom had a collie as a child, & watching Lassie made me fall in love with the breed.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 5\* Bitches? 5\* Altered? 3 \*note: mostly young hopefuls – 3 are puppies & 2 are co-owned

Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 4 Collie litters? 4

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. none

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Some network marketing / sales

**OH** Deborah Brooks and Betsy Nesselhaut (junior), 6206 Center Rd., Valley City, OH, 44280, ulamauna@frontier.com

Sponsor: Sue Wyglendowski (OH) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Betsy since she was 8 yrs old. She has assisted me at dog shows & comes from a dog show family.

Sponsor: Virginia Mehr (OH) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Betsy since she was very young. She's the granddaughter of my friend Debbie Brooks

Occupation Groomer

Junior's Name: Betsy Nesselhaut Junior's DoB: 1-20-00 Junior's AKC# 56148768001

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? My granddaughter owns the Collie. She shows him in Regular class and specifically wanted him for Juniors.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Judy Adams

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 0 Altered? 0 Do you own any other breeds? She has Cardigan Welsh Corgi's

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 Collie litters? none

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events?

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. She is a member of the Cardigan regional & National Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Betsy is an awesome artist

**Note from Deborah Brooks:** I am joining so my granddaughter can be a junior member. I have Cardigan & Pembroke Welsh Corgi's. Have been breeding & showing for over 30 years & am also an AKC judge.

**NJ** Bill Petercsak and Robert Chumar, 321 Second St., Trenton, NJ, 08611, 609.393.9809, petercsak@comcast.net  
Sponsors for Bill Petercsak

Sponsor: Marjorie Tuff (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Bill for many years and he's a member of Central Jersey Collie Club

Sponsor: Mary Alice Enright (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Bill about 3 years. He is a member of good standing at our local collie club

Sponsors for Robert Chumar

Sponsor: Marjorie Tuff (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Robert for a good long while. He belongs to my collie club, Central Jersey Collie Club.

Sponsor: Mary Alice Enright (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Robert approximately 3 ½ years. He has a good eye for a dog. I feel he will be a very good person for the CC of A

Occupation State of NJ--fiscal

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Love of the breed and interested in showing

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Had my first collie when I was young and loved them ever since.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 1 Altered? 3 Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA?

**VA** Carrianna Glenn, PO Box481, Dinwiddie, VA, 23841, 804.469.4660, caelwood@aol.com

Sponsor: Judy Guthrie (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Carrianna is a very serious breeder of collies, paying attention to health issues first and then conformation. She was a member of CCA and was Secretary for herding events during the 1998 National. I am proud to submit my sponsorship of Carrianna M. Glenn who I have known for 20+ years.

Sponsor: Dorothy V. Jennings (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Approx: 30 years. Met Carrianna through Ralph & June Zink when they joined the Central VA Collie Club. The last litter I had was co-bred with Carrianna. Two of the litter have finished championships (rough) collie and three others are well on the way. Carrianna is very dedicated to the collie.

Occupation: Nutrition Associate

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Have been breeding and sowing collies for over 20 years. Enjoy attending CCof A events.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Began in collies in 1979. My mentors were Ralph & June Zink, Shenmoor Collies

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 4 Altered? 0 Do you own any other breeds? Yes, terriers

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 Collie litters? 1

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. President-Central Virginia Collie Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Presently a UKC All-Breed Judge and ASCA Judge & Bench show Judge. Would love to help with judge's education.

**VA** Winifred and Michael Ryan, 1546 Greate Rd, Gloucester Point, VA, 23062, 804.642.4628,

Sponsor: Joyce Dowling (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 2 yrs- dog shows

Sponsor: Betsy Bradshaw (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 yrs. They have purchased two puppies from us and are wonderful collie lovers

Note from District Director Proud to have these 2 people join CCA

Occupation

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Expanding our associations in the collie community, increasing our knowledge of collie issues including health.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: We both grew up with collies, so our dogs since childhood.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? No

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: none Collie litters?

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? No Performance events? No

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Chesapeake Collie Club – Hospitality Chair

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Computer (both of us), Winnie is PhD with training in both natural & social science, Michael has MS in science

**WA** Heidi and Gary Webster, 14751 N Kelsey St. Suite 105, # 394, Monroe, WA 98272, 206.909.2476, autowoman@me.com

Sponsor: Ann Ferguson (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Four years mutual friendships & fellow members of Collie club of Washington. Would be wonderful members of the CC of A

Sponsor: Mary Griffith-Russell (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Have know Websters for 15+ years. Very enthusiastic supporter of Collie, contributor to all thing "collie". Active in conformation & performance events.

Occupation: Sales

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Promote the breed

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Love Collies

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 1 Altered? Yes Do you own any other breeds? No

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? Yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Collie Club of Washington, Overlake Collie Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Marketing/Graphic Design

**WV** Rebecca Epperly, 147 Oak St., Daniels, WV, 25832, 304.575.0890, ratherberidin12@gmail.com

Sponsor: Michelle Bergstraser (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Purchased a puppy from me 1 ½ years ago and we've become friends.

Sponsor: Janet Kaufmann (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 ½ years owns a very successful dog sired by m dog

Occupation Civil Engineer

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? To help promote the collie breed: become more active in doing so.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: A friend growing up always had collies & I grew to love them & want one of my own from her.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? Altered? 1 Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Member & secretary of the Beckley West Virginia Kennel Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Good with a lot of different aspects of computers such as Word, Excel, Adobe, Photoshop

**VA** Tami O'Connell, 1414 Tartan Lane, Hampton VA, 23663, 757.851.0104, tami77@cox.net

Sponsor: Dolly B. Wright (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Tami and I have known each other for over 5 years. We both belong to Merrimac Dog Training Club, have taken dog classes together, and Tami has taken a couple of duck herding classes from me.

Sponsor: Kathy Moll (NC) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I've know Tami for 3 years. She owns a smooth sable male to show in conformation and performance. She has taken excellent care of this collie.

Occupation: American Greeting Card merchandiser

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? It will allow me to stay informed of collie events. Also allows me to meet collie people and how everybody is doing in the collie world. I really enjoyed the CCA bulletin September 2015.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: I grew up with 3 rough coolies (Tri, Sable, Blue merle). I showed the blue merle in conformation & junior handling. Decided to go back to my original breed that I love.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 now. Have owned 3 in the (past, 2 males, 1 female). Bitches? Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Flat Coated Retriever (Raina), 7year old & rescue Whippet, Arrow, 12 yrs old

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Merrimac Dog Training Club, held board position. I teach pup obedience and puppy agility.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? I get around the computer though I would need to see what would be need to see if I could do. I use to be a vet tech and groomer.

**WA** Megan Delzell-Peterson, 24012 N Madison Rd., Chattaroy, WA, 99003, 509.251.4311, megdelzell@gmail.com

Sponsor: Sharen Hunley (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? One year – purchased/co-owned a collie. Joined collie club – herding activities.

Sponsor: Suzanne Schwab (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 year – member of local club, trains her collie to work sheep with me.

Occupation: Farmer

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I enjoy the education enrichment and information the CCA has available. I enjoy being part of a bigger picture for bettering the breed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: I spent a year researching breeds and got started in a mentorship w/collies.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 3 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Australian Cattle dogs/Border collie cross (neutered).

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Secretary of Inland Empire Collie Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no  
What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Photography and Graphic Design  
Bachelor's degree (BFA)

## Reinstatement

### USA

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Why do you want to be reinstated as a member of the CCA? To be supportive of breed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Judy Guthrie & Marianne Sullivan; 1<sup>st</sup> collie was just a pet, but all others have been active performance dogs.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Shetland Sheepdog

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? No Performance events? Yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet?

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No'

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA?

## Motions

**1/3/2016 a motion was made by Emily Berkley and seconded by Jackie Caruso**

### Special Award

To all:

Last December the American Kennel Club named John Buddie the 2015 American Kennel Club Breeder of the Year. The press release about the award stated:

"John Buddie was presented with the *2015 AKC Breeder of the Year* award for his Tartanside Collies at the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship on Saturday, December 12, 2015. The annual award honors those breeders who have made an impact on their breed and dedicated their lives to improving the health, temperament and quality of purebred dogs."

It seems appropriate, therefore, that the Collie Club of America offer its own special award to John Buddie for his impact on our breed. **For that reason I offer the following motion:**

I move that the Collie Club of America provide a special "LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT" award to John Buddie at the 2016 Collie Club of America National Specialty in Louisville, KY in March 2016. The award will honor John Buddie for his lifetime involvement with Collies, his longstanding membership in the Collie Club of America and because he was named the 2015 Breeder of the Year by the American Kennel Club.

During the phone meeting on 1/7/2016 Gayle Guthman made an amendment to the motion and it was seconded by Nancy Anstruther. The motion was to include awards to be given as recognition to the Jeszewski's and to the Coen's for their AKC recognition accomplishments.

It was agreed that this would be taken to the Board for vote in the next Communique' with a 2/3 vote requirement.