January 16, 2014

Included: New Members & Reinstates
Updates/Reminders CCA 2014
Library of Champions – Pre-Sale
Breed of the Year Survey Results
End of the Year Reports
Results – previous Communique’
Results – Ballot Election – DD and National Officer and DAL

Vote: New Members & Reinstates
Proposal from Re-Alignment Committee

Discussion  Motion – cease publication of the Newsletter
Discussion ways of doing business
Volunteer to work with Mary Kummer

Collie Club of America, Inc.
2014 National Specialty
“A Collie For All Seasons”
April 5-12, 2014
Eastern States Exposition, Big E, W. Springfield MA

Meeting Notices – held during the National

CCA Annual Meeting on Tuesday night, April 8, 2014 at the show site prior to Welcome.

CCA Board Meeting on 30 minutes after judging and before the Invitational on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. Exact locations within the show site will be announced as more information is available.

Dues Renewals

If you have not received your notice please contact Membership Chair, Lori Montero at CCofAMembership@gmail.com. Please note that PayPal is available for your use.

President’s Message
Sunday, January 12, 2014

I would like to welcome the new board members and the new officers.
Janie will work with these new folks to get them on the DDlist. I will try to partner the new DD’s and also the new officers – please take time to help them get started.
This board has several things to finish and would like to get any loose ends tied up so the next administration will have a good start.
Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.-- If it was easy, it wouldn't be a challenge, it would be routine.

I called the 2 Presidential candidates and asked if they wanted me to present the Newsletter motion - they both know about the motion.
One thought that someone would make recommendations to cut newsletter issues but keep it until it is done.
The other doesn't know why we should get rid of the newsletters as today we have many members who are not computer savvy.
I am not putting up the motion.
Realignment - both would like to have some type of realignment - anything that would mean less board members etc. So there is a motion to work for realignment so it can be presented to the membership.

Pati

Friday, January 10, 2014
Hi all
After much todo about this motion to get rid of the Newsletter - TODAY - oh yeah today - we get some things for the newsletter - most of it I didn't know - so am sure there are others who didn't know either.
Without this Newsletter - wow - just would be a messier national.
Same problem will occur when we need to put out info in the late summer early fall - the Bulletin won't be out until mid to late October. We will need to announce trophies open to be pledged and dates in the Newsletter - as we need to get all the trophies pledged and many members ask for days off and others make plane reservations.
I called the 2 Presidential candidates and asked if they wanted me to proceed - they both know about the motion - one thought that someone would make recommendations to cut newsletter issues but keep it until it is done.
the other doesn't know why we should get rid of the newsletters as today we have many members who are not computer savvy - that would include several on our board -- Janie has to work with 2-5 of them every month or so to get attachments or how to vote etc.

Realignment - both would like to have some type of realignment - anything that would mean less board members etc. So help me with the wording - not some binding thing but a vote by this board to see if this is an idea to pursue. Such as Move forward to reduce the size of the board --- this accomplishes 2 things - gets ideas moving and if there is a huge fuss- whoever is the new President won't get killed - it will be done or not done.

Secretary’s Message
Thank you to all those participated in the election process. Your voting results are included within the Communique’. Welcome all new Board members. As many have already been notified, the bid for CCA 2017, was selected for Sacramento, California. The dates of March 18-25, 2017, at the Cal Expo – The Pavillion. Congratulations and thank you to all for your bids and your participation in the process.
The updated information on CCA 2014 is within, so please check the information and the closing dates for registration. They need volunteers and those are all CCA members. Be a part of the National, help even for short periods of time to give booth folks a relief, help at the trophy table, hand-out armbands, be a runner for a cup of coffee, it all matters. See you soon in Springfield.

Janie

Mike stated he did not a treasurer’s report ready for this month.
Because the Bulletin was held up by Christmas mail - or held hostage by the Post office ---many members are just now receiving their Bulletin. Please share this with members *****Notice Deadline extended until January 20, 2014

Library of Champion Volume VIII - update

$45.00 for Members - $50.00 for Non-Members
(Additional shipping charges for foreign destinations)

Send checks made payable to: Collie Club of America,
in US funds to:
Collie Club of America
Karen L. Anderson
1968 Travislah Ct
Batesfield, CA 954

The prices quoted are pre-printing prices. These prices will increase when the book goes to the printer and no further orders will be accepted. Your order must be received by January 9, 2014.

Only a limited number of books will be printed over the pre-sale number. Cost for that limited number of books will be: $65.00 Members & $60.00 Non-Members.

Latest Update & Reminders  CCA 2014

The 2014 CCA National is just weeks away! The committee is working hard to put on a great show.

Make sure to check out www.collieclubofamerica.org for deadlines and updates to the show.

Catalogs: Check out the CCA website for details on Catalog Ads and Catalog Pre-Sales. We also need volunteers to help sell show catalogs.

Grooming: Reservations are now open and each space includes a gallon of water. Shavings must be reserved ahead of time with the grooming space reservation.

Jackets For Juniors: For a community service project, we will be collecting show clothes for juniors. There will be a drop-off table Tuesday-Thursday and Juniors will have an opportunity to select free outfits on Friday and Saturday. Check out the CCA website for details.

Live Streaming: Dog Show Video Pros will once again offer live streaming for those who can't travel to this year's show.

Merchandise Sales: We will have a great assortment of items for sale featuring the show logo. Check out the CCA website for details.

Seminars: On Tuesday April 8, 2014 we have 3 Seminars - Rose Chandless Handling Seminar, Breeder Education, and Judges Education. Check out the CCA website to reserve your spot. We will also be providing a number of free seminars during the week at the conformation venue. Stay tuned for details!

State Baskets: Don't forget that all proceeds got to a great cause! We hope to receive a large assortment of baskets!

Top Ten Fundraiser: We have a unique playing card fundraiser to fund our Top Ten night held on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. Check out the details on the CCA website, on www.colliesonline.com or contact Candy Ardizzone at ardizzonefamily@Verizon.net

Trophies: We still need pledges for the performance trophies. Please contact Russell Petter, Trophy Chair, at russpetter@mac.com

Vendors: We had a change of vendor chair - please contact Rick Lingenfelter at glenorka@aol.com if you want to reserve a spot.

Volunteers: We need help with things such as ring stewarding for obedience, giving out arm-bands and setting up the conformation venue on Tuesday morning. Any time at all is appreciated, even just an hour or two. Please contact the Host Chair Laura LaBounty at specialcollies@msn.com or call 603-352-8597 to volunteer.

Welcome Party: Plan to gather at 6pm on Tuesday, April 7, 2014 at the main conformation ring for an evening of rip-snorting Fun and Games. Musical Chairs, Simon Says, Relay Races and more! Lots of prizes. Oh, and the catch is that all
games are played with a Collie Partner! Be prepared to have your sides aching from laughing so hard. Cash bar and light snacks. The food vendor will be open until 8pm Tuesday night. We need a volunteer to run the music for this evening.

**For Premium Lists:**
- Agility Secretary: Paw Print Trials contact www.pawprinttrials.com
- Herding Secretary: Ann-Marie Ely contact 860-285-8180 or raegsd@juno.com
- Conformation/Obed: MBF contact www.infodog.com

**Local Attraction:** Need a break from the show? Take a ride 30 minutes north of the conformation venue to Deerfield, MA the home of the Yankee Candle Flagship store - you won't be disappointed!

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**Judges Education and Breed Education Seminar Information for CCA 2014**

**Judges Education Seminar - Chairs - Gayle Kaye & John Buddie**

The Judges Education Seminar is open to currently licensed judges who have applied or will be applying to judge Collies as well as prospective judges who have applied or are in the process of applying. Classroom portion, AKC testing and hands-on are included in the program. Ringside mentoring will also be available throughout the week of the show.

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the "Carriage House" of the Big E Center, West Springfield, MA, 1:00 PM. The fee, payable to Collie Club of America, will be $25.00.

For a reservation or more information please contact Darci L Brown, dbhappyhr@hotmail.com or 413-498-5006

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**Breed Education Seminar - Chair: Patt Caldwell, pcaldwel@gmail.com**

The CCA Breed Education Committee is pleased to announce its panelists for the 2014 CCA National Breed Education Seminar, "Today is Tomorrow's Past," Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the "Carriage House" of the Big E Center, West Springfield, MA, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM. Come share the thoughts, insights, and experiences of past CCA judges: Les Canavan, Carole Stanley, Mike Esch and Carl Williford.

These more recent National judges will discuss questions presented by our chairperson, Patt Caldwell. The presentation will include the panelists' personal observations on exceptional collie virtues respective to breed impact. A PowerPoint presentation of the dogs will be shown concurrent to the presentation. Time will be provided for audience questions. A light continental breakfast will be provided.

**Seminar Cost:** $35 in US funds, payable to CCA
- **Juniors with an adult:** Free - must be registered
- **Juniors without an adult:** $15 - must be registered

**January 1, 2014 – March 1, 2014**

*No late reservations will be taken or canceled after this date.*
Please include your name, address, phone number, and email address.

**Send reservations to:**
- Patt Caldwell
- 8616 Howe Road,
- Wonder Lake, IL 60097

For additional information or questions: pcaldwel@gmail.com, (815) 653-2037 between 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. CST
Breeder of the Year Surveys
From Breeder of the Year Committee

The statistical results of the latest BOY survey taken by members to guide the Breeder of the Year committee in its deliberations. I am including two attachments.

1 = the results of the first survey taken last September/October and originally reported to you on October 26, and 2 = the results of the newest one question survey which closed December 31.
Both are in PDF format.

CCA Breeder of the Year Survey 1 Statistical Results-October 2013

Below are the results from the 288 members who took the BOY survey - originally reported October 26, 2013. N = 288

1. Should the CCA continue to have a Breeder of the Year Award?
   Yes - 85.36%
   No - 14.64%

2. Should the BOY award include:
   A separate award for roughs & smooths - 63.74% OR
   A single award with varieties combined - 36.25%

3. Should BOY be awarded by a committee review of available public records or should members apply and provide documentation for this award?
   Review of records by a committee - 34.69% OR
   Application process - 5.9% OR
   A combination of the two processes - 59.41%

4. Have you ever won a past CCA BOY award?
   Yes - 41 respondents
   No - 239 respondents

5. Importance of including Conformation to win -
   Important 93.77% ;
   Not Important 1.10%
   Neutral 5.13%

6. Importance of including Health Checks to win -
   Important 80.59% ;
   Not Important 5.86%
   Neutral 13.55%

7. Importance of including Performance to win -
   Important 78.23%;
   Not Important 9.23%
   Neutral 12.55%

8. Importance of including Collie-related Public Service to win -
   Important 58.14%;
   Not Important 9.93%
   Neutral 31.99%

9. Importance of a combination of Conformation and Performance to win -
   Important 74.91%;
   Not Important 8.49%
   Neutral 16.60%
10. Importance of a combination of Conformation, Performance & Health Checks to win -
   Important 75%;
   Not Important 8.08%
   Neutral 16.92%

11. Importance of a combination of Conformation, Performance, Health Checks & Collie-related Public Service to win -
   Important 62.59%;
   Not Important 11.48%
   Neutral 25.93%

CCA BOY Survey 2 final report – January 3, 2014
This report shows both results from the online survey plus the tallies of the responses received directly via e-mail. No votes were received via regular mail.

Responses to survey questions
   Total online survey respondents = 280
   Total responses sent to me = 57

   Total responses - N = 337

A. An annual award to the breeder, in each variety, who produces Collies with combinations of achievements in all of the following: conformation, performance and service, in that order of importance, in one (1) calendar year. These collies may or may not be owned and exhibited by the breeder and/or others.
   Online survey responses: Actual number = 87 = 31.07%
   Responses sent directly via e-mail = 13 = 22.80%

   Total responses to option A - N = 100 = 30%

B. Three separate annual breeder of the year awards, for achievements in each of the following areas: 1) conformation 2) performance 3) service in one (1) calendar year. These collies may or may not be owned and exhibited by the breeder and/or others
   Online survey responses: Actual number = 100 = 35.71%
   Responses sent directly via e-mail = 28 = 49.12%

   Total responses to option B - N = 128 = 38%

C. Replace BOY with Lifetime Achievement awards based on number of conformation champions (likely, 25 or more).
   Online survey responses: Actual number = 35 = 12.50%
   Responses sent directly via e-mail: = 2 = 3.5%

   Total responses to option C - N= 37 = 11%

D. None of the above; no award or awards are needed. (By majority vote of the Board in 2011, there is currently no award available.)
   Online survey responses: Actual number = 58 = 20.71%
   Responses sent directly via e-mail = N = 14 = 24.56%

   Total responses to option D - N= 72 = 21%
Public Relations Committee Report:

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 is developing a one-stop Public Relations Resource Center for the CCA website. This will be a linked page that CCA members/clubs can access for resources and ideas for planning their local events, i.e., Scottish Festivals, Meet the Breed, Collie College, etc. Banner Sets like those used at “Meet the Breeds” at Eukanuba are being explored as a check-out item for Collie events. An on-line Video Library with short educational topics on YouTube that may be viewed by the public with links from the CCA website is also being explored as well. The CCA’s presence in social media, i.e., Facebook will be developed. The Committee lost two members due to personal events, we have several volunteers offering to serve on this committee if we are selected by the New president to continue.

Submitted by, Linda Mabus, Chair

Judges Education Committee

We had a good turn out for our National seminar. Fifteen people attended and five of those stayed for the entire week of mentoring. Thank you to Tom Coen for presenting and Darci Brown who assisted him. Thank you to those exceptional breeders who supplied all the dogs for the hands-on part! We had quite a few top ranking dogs and a past National specialty winner that participated in that part of the event.

Through the year, the Committee mailed out about 10 judging packets to new judges and another 7 were handed out at shows. We send out packets to all new judges applying for Collies. Speaking of this, I would like to thank Darci Brown for all of her hard work in keeping our materials up to date and organized, and sending the materials to new judges!! I know that is a huge amount of work!

We continue to get great feedback on the Vignettes that were sent out to all AKC judges.

Submitted by
Gayle Kaye
Co-Chair
Committee Reports Committee

Our CCA has a long and successful tradition of exceptional volunteers who have agreed to take on various areas of responsibilities necessary to keeping the “inner workings” of our club current and vital. Without this group of dedicated people, our club would grind to a halt.

The work of all these committees is considered so important, that the Board has approved a change in procedure, the will include requiring bi-monthly reports from each committee.

Since this is an election year and there will be changes, the reports will begin after the installation of new officers.

There will be a special email address for all reports to be sent, along with a shortened form to use if wanted. Your CCA Board has approved a committee (of one, currently) to collect these bi-monthly reports from all CCA committees.

As soon as the site is set up, I will send all information to the committee chairs.

If you have questions/suggestions, please feel free to contact me:
Marion Johnson
Email: raincrow@centurytel.net
Ph: 636-228-4728

SPECIAL NOTE:
TO ALL CURRENT COMMITTEES;
ALL END OF YEAR REPORTS NEED TO BE SENT TO MICELLE ESCH-BROOKS FOR THE 2013 YEARBOOK.

Thank you in advance, for your cooperation.

Marion Johnson, Chair

Constitution Committee 2013 Report

The Committee has been holding meetings via telephone conference calls in order to exchange ideas on how to best modify those sections of our Constitution and Bylaws that are in need of clarification.

At present we are waiting to see if the Board of Directors will be voting to change the number of Directors, in which case, a number of changes in the Bylaws will be required. Our next meeting will be held after the Board’s decision is made known to us.

Members of the Committee:
Emily Berkley
Nancy McCue
Lenell Nix
Jennifer Weiner
Helga Kane, Chair

National Show Co-Chairs and Committee

The National Show Chair has made some changes over the last 2 years. We have become the National Show Committee. The National Specialty requires very experienced people involved to organize and Host the show. This annual event has grown in the last 10-15 years and has added additional events during that period.

Darci Brown, Martha Ramer, Sue Larson and Roxann Heit have joined forces to help the Host Chairs with their show. Darci and Martha have both been Host Chair and/or co-Chairs of several National Specialties. Sue Larson is our Performance expert. She participates in agility, herding, obedience and rally and has chaired both local and National trials. She also
participates in conformation which gives her the picture of the National. This helps the chairs work cohesively with each other. Roxann has chaired multiple Top 10/20/Invitational events with great success. She also has been Host co-chair and will be Host co-chair again in 2015.

Some changes give more responsibility to our committee. This relieves the Host Chair of many things that should be decided by a more experience group. We plan on running a report in the Bulletin during 2014. We want the membership to have more insight into what exactly goes on to bring this important event to fruition annually. Hopefully this will create interest in some of you to work on a National committee. We will welcome your input on anything you feel compelled to comment on. Look for our articles this year!! See you at the next National!!

National Show Committee

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**New Members and Reinstates –January 2014**

**USA**

**GA** Kristy McTaggart, 2043 Ewing Estates, Dacula, GA, 30019, (949) 433-7071, kristymctaggart707@gmail.com, Sponsors: Barbara Hash-O’keefe & Linda Hash-Davis

**IL** Lynne Foster, 608 Nora St., Farmersville, IL, 62533, (217) 227-4540, frostfiredals@yahoo.com, Sponsors: Bonnie Cary & Kelley Courtney

**IN** Joni L. McConnell, 607 Conner Creek Dr., Fishers, IN, 46038, (317) 869-5958, mcconnell.joni@gmail.com, Sponsors: Karen Weber & Mary Jane Anderson

**KY** Cindy Guenther, PO Box 204, Campbellsburg, KY, 40011, (502) 648-0534, woodedfarm@aol.com, Sponsors: June Morris & Melanie Adkins

**MN** Theresa Thomas, 14905 Crow River Dr., Rogers, MN, 55374, (763)-442-9943, theresaT@Q.com, Sponsors: Leslie Jeszewski & Cheryl Sulewski

**PAE** Denise Perkovich, 143 Silver Mark Dr., Factorville, PA, 18419, (570) 945-5344, perkjemari@aol.com, Sponsors: Ellen Russell & Diane Eramo

**WA** Katherine Harker, 4720 NE 269th Ave., Camas, WA, 98607, (360) 907-9280, romanydog@gmail.com, Sponsors: Ellen Marie Stuart & Jacqueline Francesconi

**WA** Mary Griffith-Russell, 1134 N. Cambrian, Bremerton WA, 98312-2881, (360) 377-3056, marygrussell@aim.com, Sponsors: Deborah Gates & Marie Markovich
Tie votes shall be decided according to Article VIII, Section 2.

**SEC. 2. VOTING.** Election of officers and directors shall be by ballot in accordance with Article III, Section 13. Only members whose dues are paid and who are in good standing with the Club, shall be eligible to vote.

In case any election of officers or directors should result in a tie vote, the election shall be decided by drawing lots at the annual meeting. A tie vote for the office of Delegate shall be decided by a disinterested party drawing lots in the presence of the President and/or Secretary.

**Tellers Committee Report - December 29, 2013**
Final-round balloting Results for District Directors Present were Rein Laik, Jennifer Laik, Judy Bandlow.
(Judith was present but sick, and didn’t take part)

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|                | Susan L. Martin  | 9   |
| MARYLAND       | Bob Kelly        | 3   |
|                | Carolyn Lenhart  | 23  |
| MASSACHUSETTS  | Andrea Nelson    | 20  |
| MICHIGAN       | Carole Stanley   | 36  |
| MINNESOTA      | Patricia A. Jung | 15  |
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The Tellers’ Committee met Saturday, January 11, 2014. Present were: Rein Laik, Judith Laik, Jennifer Laik, Judy Bandlow, Alene Evans.

Results are attached, and also sent in a separate email with voting results in the body of the email.

**President:**
Lori Montero 432
Mike Van Tassell 662
Write-in:
Pati Merrill 1
John Buddie 2

**First Vice-President:**
Gayle Kaye 805
“Butch” Schulman 230
Write-in:
John Buddie 2

**Second Vice-President:**
Lenell Nix 345
Martha Ramer 678
Write-in:
Gayle Kaye 1

**Treasurer:**
Mike Esch 1031
Write-in:
Laura Rizzo 1

**Secretary:**
Jane Clymer 618
Kathy Moll 461
Write-in:
Les Canavan 1

Director-at-Large
Hildegard “Hildy” Morgan 563
Barbara Schwartz 528

There were 1103 ballots.

Respectfully yours,

Judith Laik, Tellers’ Com. Sec.
Total Voting: 54
Not Voting: Joann Romero, Mary Catoir, Liza Dunkle, Katie DelGrosso, Vicki Loucks, Debbie Price, Shirley Perry, Hiroshi Tojo. As of 1/13/14 ballots arrived from Katie DelGrosso and Hiroshi Tojo

1. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates from Lori Montero, Membership Chair.
   A. Approve ___52____ B. Disapprove ___1____ C. (I) approve all except____________________ D. Abstain ___1___

2. The President presents for vote the bid presented for CCA 2017.
   ___10___ A. Boise, ID (dates March 25 – April 1, 2017 at the Idaho Exp – Exposition Center)
   ___43___ B. Sacramento, CA (March 18, 25, 2017 at the Cal Expo – The Pavillion)
   ___1____ C. Abstain