

Annual Membership Meeting

Lebanon, Tennessee

November 15, 2002 - 6:00 p.m.

The Annual membership meeting of the American Border Collie Association, Inc. was held at the East-West Building of the James E. Ward Agricultural Center in Lebanon, TN. The meeting was called to order by President, Bruce Smart. Patty Rogers, Secretary, presented the proof of mailing of the notice of the meeting by letter from Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens, and Favre, PLLC that stated that 3,682 ballots and notice of meeting were mailed to eligible voters and that 641 ballots were returned casting votes for the election of directors for 2002. This represents a quorum of over 10% of the eligible voters of the Association.

A packet of handout materials had been prepared and distributed and included minutes from the 2001 Annual Meeting. Beverly Lambert made a motion to accept those minutes as presented. Motion was 2nd by Dan Gill. Motion carried.

Bruce asked Leslie Scruggs, a Director, to tally the votes from the members present at the meeting to add to the votes received by mail. These would be presented later in the meeting.

The financial statement was also distributed for the membership. No action was taken on the financial statement.

Bruce then gave the President's update on the activities of the Association this past year. Those events were as follows:

- 2 Dogs accepted in the Register on Merit program
- An auditor was hired
- Increased the registration and transfer fees to \$8 with \$1.00 of that fee going into a National Finals fund
- Expense account policy for the Association was written
- Updated the promotional money allocation process
- Developed 2 brochures – one a general information and one on health issues
- A pilot study began on the Hip diseases on Border Collies
- An advertising policy was developed
- A discussion on ABCA/AKC dual registrations
- Approved a new breeder award for the National Cattle Dog Finals
- Modified the prize money for the Nursery Class of the National Sheep Dog Finals to include the top 30 qualifying runs

Next were committee reports. Don McCaig reported from the Advertising Committee that they had attempted to do more than the routine advertising for the Association. He had asked for nominees for directors in the advertising. Most of the money was spent there and added into cattedog programs. "The Bark" was used to test response from a non-traditional group of potential members, but very little response was received. That ad had been cancelled. Don stated that he would welcome any new ideas for advertising.

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Following is a list of all of the current directors and their addresses:

Larry Burkes

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Afton, TX 79220
(806) 689-2276

Bruce Fogt

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Sidney, OH 45365
(937) 492-2215

Candy Kennedy

P.O. Box 956
Winchester, CA 92596
(909) 926-3900

Donald McCaig

Yucatic Farm
Williamsville, VA 24487
(703) 925-2234

Beverly Lambert

280 Hebron
Andover, CT 06232
(860) 742-5300

Mike Neary

11723 S. 300 E.
Brookston, IN 47923
(765) 563-3982

Robin Nuffer

1082 Cherry Lane
Emmett, ID 83617
(208) 365-7225

Leslie Scruggs

1979 S. Montgomery St.
Starkville, MS 39759
(662) 324-5075

Bruce Smart

889 Main Rd.
Hudson, QC Canada
J0P 1H0

(450) 458-2502

Gary Westbrook

10030 Foxbrook Lane
Benton, AR 72015
(501) 594-5612

Denise Wall

134 Hilton Rd.
Advance, NC 27006
(910) 940-5601

NOTICE OF ANNUAL DUES

Annual membership fees of \$10 are due before January 1, 2003, to be eligible to vote in the business of the Association for 2003. If you have any questions about your membership please call the office at 601-928-7551 or email us at abca@datasync.com. You can also pay for membership by check, money order or \$10.50 by VISA. Lifetime memberships are also available for \$100 by check or money order and \$110 by VISA.

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Mike Canaday said that he would like to thank the Association for the \$2,000 that had already been donated to the 2003 National Cattle Dog Finals and that ABCA would have representation at the Red Bluff Sales and at the Klamath Falls Sales this spring. That money would be well spent and was much appreciated and would include some ads in magazines.

Bruce asked Patty to report the results of the election as tallied by Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens and Favre and Leslie Scruggs for ballots presented at the meeting. Patty read the results as follows:

New Directors for 2003-2006 would be Larry Burkes of Afton, TX; Robin Nuffer of Emmett, ID; Gary Westbrook of Benton, AR and Bruce Smart was re-elected from Eastern Canada.

Bruce stated that there was no other announced business.

Old business was the audit. A copy of the independent audit report was also presented in the packet distributed. There were no questions.

Bruce asked if there was any business from the membership present. There was none.

Bruce said that he would like to open the floor for discussion on the issue of ABCA/AKC dual registration. Much discussion followed from members representing both sides of the issue. Notes of that discussion will be attached to the minutes.

After much discussion, Bruce Fogt made a motion to adjourn. Motion was 2nd by Dan Gill. Meeting was adjourned.

American Border Collie Association, Inc.
Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Other
Changes in Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis
For the Years Ended September 30, 2002 and 2001

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
REVENUES		
Annual memberships	\$ 35,658	\$ 36,263
Lifetime Memberships	17,870	13,160
Registration fees	135,327	120,062
Transfer fees	20,583	17,652
Miscellaneous	14,493	2,880
Investment Income	<u>10,811</u>	<u>17,861</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>234,742</u>	<u>207,878</u>
EXPENSES		
Program Services		
Prize monies awarded	500	24,700
Promotional support to members	11,907	8,350
Research support	38,700	17,450
Trials sponsorship	<u>11,207</u>	<u>20,544</u>
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	<u>62,314</u>	<u>71,044</u>
General and Administrative		
Advertising	1,064	2,430
Annual meeting expenses	796	2,477
Computer and technical support	11,848	47,630
Depreciation	19,114	8,081
Equipment and supplies	2,729	2,872
File storage	474	5,219
Insurance and bonding	1,408	1,208
Postage and delivery	10,753	14,854
Printing and reproduction	5,429	5,420
Professional fees	9,225	1,185
Rent	1,800	1,800
Repairs and maintenance	7	342
Secretarial fees	77,077	80,060
Telephone	5,669	5,769
Other office expenses	<u>3,216</u>	<u>2,384</u>
TOTAL GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	<u>150,609</u>	<u>181,731</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>212,923</u>	<u>252,775</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	21,819	(44,897)
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	419,788	464,685
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ <u>441,607</u>	\$ <u>419,788</u>

**Number of Dogs Registered
as of November 12, 2002**

State	No. of Members	Dogs	\$ Paid Out	\$ Available	State	No. of Members	Dogs	\$ Paid Out	\$ Available
AL	77	6535	\$2650.00	\$617.50	NJ	33	657	\$95.50	\$233.00
AK	6	327	\$150.00	\$13.50	NM	38	2007	\$865.00	\$138.50
AZ	56	1982	\$350.00	\$641.00	NY	73	3547	\$332.00	\$1441.50
AR	129	7374	\$3307.00	\$380.00	NC	184	6781	\$2935.00	\$455.50
CA	128	9997	\$4215.00	\$783.50	ND	7	1128	\$0.00	\$564.00
CO	92	4623	\$2025.00	\$286.50	OH	157	5107	\$1562.50	\$991.00
CT	24	789	\$377.00	\$17.50	OK	172	9667	\$4100.00	\$733.50
DE	4	27	\$0.00	\$13.50	OR	37	3488	\$1250.00	\$494.00
DC	0	4	\$0.00	\$2.00	PA	91	4417	\$1726.50	\$482.00
FL	97	2422	\$750.00	\$461.00	RI	2	94	\$3.50	\$43.50
GA	116	5908	\$2788.50	\$165.50	SC	78	2023	\$760.00	\$251.50
HI	1	9	\$0.00	\$4.50	SD	21	2602	\$1090.00	\$211.00
ID	39	2756	\$900.00	\$478.00	TN	147	9588	\$4593.50	\$200.50
IL	82	4756	\$1940.00	\$438.00	TX	542	23145	\$10385.00	\$1187.50
IN	92	4350	\$1795.00	\$380.00	UT	19	1629	\$400.00	\$414.50
IA	43	1941	\$470.00	\$500.50	VT	8	517	\$8.00	\$250.50
KS	55	4481	\$1880.00	\$360.50	VA	148	4873	\$2042.75	\$393.75
KY	147	6969	\$3237.50	\$247.00	WA	51	2979	\$1265.00	\$224.50
LA	93	5143	\$50.00	\$2521.50	WV	25	756	\$0.00	\$378.00
ME	13	1171	\$41.50	\$544.00	WI	80	2967	\$1161.50	\$322.00
MD	28	1934	\$714.50	\$252.50	WY	15	1204	\$350.00	\$252.00
MA	22	1477	\$349.50	\$389.00	AB	38	4080	\$800.00	\$1240.00
MI	55	2172	\$1035.00	\$51.00	BC	19	1416	\$700.00	\$8.00
MN	31	2370	\$650.00	\$535.00	MB	6	271	\$0.00	\$135.50
MS	71	6029	\$2785.00	\$229.50	ON	43	5428	\$1960.00	\$754.00
MO	399	14647	\$6915.00	\$408.50	NF	0	0	\$0.00	\$0
MT	28	2376	\$938.00	\$250.00	SK	9	1213	\$491.00	\$115.50
NE	39	1502	\$475.00	\$276.00	QC	7	1178	\$0.00	\$589.00
NV	17	1365	\$200.00	\$482.50	NB	1	108	\$0.00	\$54.00
NH	20	686	\$134.50	\$208.50	Other	25	1130		

GRANT REQUESTS ACCEPTED

Grant applications are accepted by the Association every year for funding of special events, research projects, 4-H dog projects and others. The deadline for grant applications is January 15, 2003. A grant application form must be completed and returned to the office by the January 15 deadline. Applications are available upon request from the office.

**www.
americanbordercollie.org**

PROMOTIONAL REQUESTS DUE FEBRUARY 15 and JULY 15

Money is available to members of each state for use in promoting the Border Collie. These requests are funded twice each year with the deadlines for requests being February 15 and July 15.

We need a written request from a member that includes the nature of the request, how it will promote the Border Collie in your area, how many people will be involved, date of the event(s), name and address of the club or organization (if any), and name and address of the member making the request. Please be specific with details of the event and amount requested.

Following is a list of the amounts available as of November, 2002. These figures of course change daily, but it will give you an estimate of the amount of funds available for each state. All requests will be reviewed by the Board of Directors.

ABCA

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Perkinston, MS 39573

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abca@datasync.com

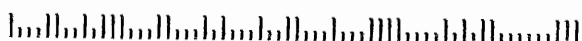
Website:
www.americanbordercollie.org

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New Application On-Line

A new application form is available online at www.americanbordercollie.org. This form can be printed from the website. The form can then be mailed to ABCA, 82 Rogers Rd., Perkinston, MS 39573, with proper signatures, supporting documents and fees as in the past.

The form can be duplicated for your use. Please be sure that original signatures are on the applications when submitted for processing.

Check Your Label for Membership Info!

If your mailing label (above) is not correct, please notify the office.

Also, please notice that the label indicates the last year our records show that your annual dues were paid, as on the sample below.

INDICATES LAST YEAR PAID

JOHN DOE
82 Rogers Rd.
Perkinston, MS 39573

→ 2001

If You Owe Annual Dues -- Mail Them Now!