

August 04, 2015

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Discussion: Motions:

1. Tax Set Aside....\$7,820 for 2015
2. Officers to make final vote to approve Tax Set Aside expenditure
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4. NSC to change years to be eligible to judge the National after 5 years after completing their first assignment.
5. Send notification to members on Shining Star, GSA, and keeping abreast of Take the Lead information

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

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I would again like to thank each of you that attended the board meeting by conference call. I feel it went very smoothly until the phone line started to act up. I learned one thing from the call, Mike Esch was out of the country and the service we use is not good from out of the United States. I will check and see if there is a number that our DDs from other countries can call. This explains why none of the DDs from other countries have joined us. We had a very good discussion on when we should meet, during the week or on a weekend; after that discussion does everyone still agree that a weekday is going to work the best?

As I stated during the meeting I feel it is still very important that each of us send in our ballot to Janie in case we do not have a quorum at the conference call. We still need to be able to do CCA business.

There have been some questions on what should be going out on Constant Contact; during the next meeting I plan on taking a few minutes to discuss this with each of you so think of how and when we should use this service.

I have made arrangements with the Breed Education Committee to take over interviewing the stalwarts of our breed. They will be starting at Sunnybank this year with an interview of Les Canavan. I would like to thank Patt Caldwell and her committee for taking this on.

I would like to thank each of you for the time and dedication you give to the members of the CCA. I have heard from many members that their DDs are keeping them well informed on the matters of our Club; keep up the good work.

Mike Van Tassell

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Please start considering about your nominations for the Good Sportsmanship Award. More details available in the 'Communique' from the GSA Committee.

We have two groups submitting intents to place bids for CCA 2019. Bid are first sent to the National Show Committee for review before coming to the Board for discussion and vote. Deadline date for the bids is October 31 and will be submitted in the 'Communique' following that date.

CCA 2018 is in the process of selecting their five judges from the Host Club//Zone 2. We will be generating a ballot for voting through the district directors in September, please watch your notices from your district director and vote towards the selections.

For those that may not be aware, our past Bulletin Editor, Donna Walle, has retired but we will be seeing her as the coordinator for the futurity for the Collie Club of KY prior to the National this coming spring, so Donna is still very busy. Thank you so much for serving the CCA. At this time we also wish to thank Lynda Cox from Indiana who has agreed to fill Donna's shoes and keep us on track with our wonderful magazine. Lynda will be the Editor on our September issue of the Bulletin. Welcome aboard!

Calling all owners that might wish to participate in the Shining Star program. Applications to submit the great work you are accomplishing with your collie(s), are on the new CCA website. Take the time to read all details about this wonderful program. The Shining Star Committee is trying to support in the wonderful work these collies are doing in our communities. Please pass this word on to all members and collie people in your areas.

Check the information updates for CCA 2016 KY. Make sure you've made your reservations and checked out the trophy book. Support the show with your donations. I'm sure they will soon be taking reservations for grooming, seating, etc. but don't forget they will also need volunteers as stewards in obedience, etc. and extra hands at their trophy and catalog tables....offer your help, you'll be surprised how much you will enjoy the experience.

The election process is beginning, so please make sure your information is correct. If you received your last Bulletin and the upcoming Newsletter then everything is fine. **If you have moved or even changed your email, the CCA needs to know. You can send your updates to Judy Guthrie, Membership Chair, at ccofamembership@gmail.com.**

Reminder: The premiums have been mailed for our Herding Regionals. This year we only received bids from the west and east coast. Support our two herding regionalsWestern at Fio's Farm, Olympia WA on September 12-13 and Eastern at Scarlets Mill, Birdsboro PA on, September 19-20.

Hope you have enjoyed your summer. Mine has been too full of electrical storms and power outages. But I'm told that is living in Kansas...but where to move?

As ever,

Janie

CCA TREASURER'S REPORT FROM MIKE ESCH

Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2015

ASSETS

Cash and Bank Accounts

Checking	\$19,541.08
Columbia money market	\$14,361.75
Membership Checking	\$3,608.73
National Conformation account	\$97.03
National Performance Account	\$4,449.17
Savings - Banner Blue	\$502.14
Savings 2720 - CCA	\$177.86

TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts **\$42,737.76**

Other Assets

Mergard Trust	\$123,966.93
Inventory of trophies	\$13,291.04

TOTAL Other Assets **\$137,257.97**

Investments

Various Securities	\$204,725.10
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TOTAL Investments **\$204,725.10**

TOTAL ASSETS **\$384,720.83**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

LIABILITIES **\$0.00**

EQUITY **\$384,720.83**

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY **\$384,720.83**

CC of A Income Statement June 2015 YTD

01/01/2015 - 06/30/2015

INCOME

Inc Advertising	\$16,816.78
Inc CCA Loving Cup	\$1,540.00
Inc Donation - General	\$1,000.00
Inc Herding Certificates	\$45.00
Inc Library	\$1,388.95
Inc Material Sales	\$1,720.00
Inc Membership - Renew	\$37,988.87
Inc Sales	\$652.93
Inc Seminars	\$2,965.00
Inc Video Streaming	\$877.50

Interest - Banner Blue	\$0.06
Interest - Bonds	\$2.66
Interest - Mergard Trust	\$29.83
TOTAL INCOME	\$65,027.58

EXPENSES

Advance - Meet the Breeds	\$500.00
Advance - 2016 National	\$5,000.00
Application fees - Regional herding events	\$140.00
Bank charges	\$144.95
Banners - Public relations	\$300.00
Board meeting expenses	\$1,596.93
Bond Insurance	\$359.00
Communication expenses	\$504.00
Computer Repair	\$32.42
D&O Insurance	\$1,607.00
Donation - 501 (c) 3 qualified	\$4,255.00
Mail prep	\$2,749.50
Postage	\$9,134.30
Printing	\$26,293.19
Registration Inserts	\$77.58
Remote Deposit Monthly fee	\$200.00
Rent Storage Room for materials	\$1,045.00
Seminar expenses	\$6,262.18
Seminar registration fee - AKCHF	\$250.00
Show records from AKC - 2014	\$200.00
Site Rentals	\$7,500.00
Supplies	\$5,508.52
Telephone Charges	\$119.74
Travel expenses - AKC Delegate	\$764.54
Trophies	\$3,922.00
Trophy case manufacture	\$767.96
Videos	\$3,265.00
Web Site Hosting Fee	\$239.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$82,737.81
NET CHANGE	-\$17,710.23

CHECKING JOURNAL & CASH RECORD June 2015

Date	Num	Description	Category	Tag	Amount
6/19/2015	3966	VOID			\$0.00
6/19/2015	3967	DPI	Printing	2015 Bulletin	-\$8,789.00
			Supplies	2015 Bulletin	-\$353.00
			Postage	2015 Bulletin	-\$2,163.45
6/19/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$109.12
6/22/2015	DebitCard	Staples	Supplies	Secretary Budget	-\$550.07
6/23/2015	3968	John Buddie	Travel Exp	AKC Delegate	-\$241.18
6/23/2015	3969	Kathy Peters	Postage	Librarian Act	-\$33.67

6/24/2015	DEP	DPI - Via PayPal	Inc Advertising	2014 Bulletin	\$2,200.00
	DEP	Transfer			
6/27/2015	S		Inc Sales	Librarian Act	\$40.00
			Inc CCA Loving Cup	Show Perm&Trph	\$470.00
			TOTAL INFLOWS		\$2,710.00
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			TOTAL OUTFLOWS		-\$12,239.49
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			NET TOTAL		-\$9,529.49

TO: The Board of Directors – Collie Club of America

FROM: Mike Esch, Treasurer

DATE: July 14, 2015

RE: Tax set aside monies - 2015

As a 501-c-7 organization, we are required to pay taxes on non-member net income minus a \$1,000 specific deduction to the extent that our non-member net income exceeds our charitable contributions to qualified 501-c-3 organizations. Normally, non-member income is considered to be our interest income and the income that we receive from the Purina Parent Club Partnership program though it may include any other non-member income we receive in the course of the calendar year.

The Club should “set-a-side” a portion of its income, approximately equal to the non-member income, each year for use as donations to qualified 501-c-3 organizations with a focus on specific area, i.e. collie education, health, etc. and consistent with our Club’s mission. These donations serve to offset the non-member income with the net result of not paying taxes on that income.

The Board must approve each year the creation of a tax “set-a-side” in each calendar year. In addition they must vote each year to donate where those dollars are spent to qualified 501-c-3 groups.

I am expecting approximately \$3,500 this year from interest income, the Purina program and other nominal sources in the normal course of our Club activities. In previous Board votes, it has been approved to donate \$500 annually each to Collie Health Foundation, Collie Rescue Foundation and Tuff Quest as well as an annual donation of \$1 for each CCA member to the Collie Health Foundation. These prior Board votes will total \$3,402 and these donations will be made in June 2015. As part of the 2015 national, \$672.50 (50% of state basket income) has already been donated to the Collie Rescue Foundation. In addition we have donated \$3,750 to Take The Lead, a qualified 501-c-3 organization. In total, I am projecting that in 2015 we will spend ~\$7,820 to qualified 501-c-3 organizations.

Therefore, the Collie Club of America has met its obligation to “cover” its non-member income needs for 2015. Of course, the Board can elect to donate more in the normal course of business in 2015.

While we will not have to vote this year on where the dollars are to be spent, we still need to have a Board discussion and vote on the following items. Here are the two required motions:

1. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to declare and approve the tax set aside treatment of approximately \$7,820 in income for 2015.
2. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to approve giving the Officers the authority to adjust this figure of \$7,820 if there is any unforeseen non-member donation as required to meet our 2015 tax requirements.

Sincerely, *Mike Esch*

The motions are:

1. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to declare and approve the tax set aside treatment of approximately \$7,820 in income for 2015.
2. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to approve giving the Officers the authority to adjust this figure of \$7,820 if there is any unforeseen non-member donation as required to meet our 2015 tax requirements.

Notice of Bidding on CCA 2019

Bidding Club 1

This is to formally let you know we are pursuing a bid to hold the 2019 CCA National Specialty in the **Chicago area**. We have been in contact with the National Show Committee and have received all the National Show Rules and Checklists.

Jean Framke

furycollies@comcast.net

Kelly Montgomery

kmontgomery59@yahoo.com

Bidding Club 2

Do I need to fill out some form to officially notify you and/or the National Show Committee that the **Central Iowa Collie Club** is planning to submit a bid for the 2019 National?

Thanks,

Nadine Beckwith-Olson

CCA 2018 HOST COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Terry Jennings – Reserved Seating Co-Chair & Vendors Co-Chair

I am currently serving as the Vice President for the American Shetland Sheepdog Association. I have served as a regional director for the ASSA for two terms. I am chairman for the ASSA AKC Sportsmanship award. I have been a member of the ASSA since 1985. I am currently a member of the Central Virginia Collie Club and Central Virginia Shetland Sheepdog Club. I have served as past president and also held other offices for both of these clubs.

This past year our club; the CVSSC, acted as the local participating club for the ASSA National specialty show. It was my responsibility to cook 100 pounds of chicken for bait, purchase flowers and plants for tables and the show ring, and assist with taking inventory of all items for the national. It was also part of my responsibility to get inventory from a storage facility to the show grounds. I helped with trophies and cleanup of the show. As well as stuffing welcome bags and an assortment of other national tasks.

Although I have never been a vendor chair, I am more than happy to help with Judy Guthrie in assisting and running the vendor area and also the chair seating.

Linda Tefelski, Chief Steward 2018 CCA

I have been a member of CCA since 1977 and have stewarded at the 2004, 2010 and 2011 CCAs and been Chief Steward at the 2006, 2008, 2009, 2012 CCAs. I have also stewarded at all breed and specialty shows in Northern California since 2003. I enjoy stewarding and helping the shows run smoothly for the judges and exhibitors.

Carolynne Rose – Obedience Chair

I was a very small child when I fell in love with Collies. I couldn't wait to get off of the school bus and run home to watch Lassie. I had a Sheltie mix growing up but could never seem to talk Dad into a Collie.

When I was older, I found a Collie in the newspaper and begged and pleaded until Dad finally said OK.

We all fell in love with that Tri boy, including my mom, who never liked dogs! It's true, my mom never wanted anything

to do with my first dog, but this Collie captured her heart. And there he was, like it was nothing, laying in the living room where dogs were forbidden! Not this boy, he was special. He was a Collie. My love for the breed had worn off! My Mama was hooked.

A few years later, I moved out of state. How surprised I was one day when I went to the mailbox, and found a birthday card for Captain from Grandma with treats inside!

Not long before that, I met my soulmate, the love of my life. We were inseparable, just like Captain and I. We decided to get married. We didn't have children but wanted a couple more Collies so ours weren't lonely while we were at work.

This year (2015) marks our 25th Wedding Anniversary in September.

Every single day I feel like I am the luckiest girl in the world.

How many people get to live out their childhood dreams? Well, I do every day of my life, with my Lassies and my wonderful husband. Yes.....his name is Timmy!!! ♥

I am also in love with the Sport of agility. I have trained and handled 6 of my collies to Master levels of competition. In between, I have also studied and became a licensed AKC Agility Judge. I absolutely love judging and meeting so many different breeds and handlers. It never ceases to amaze me, what a thrill it is, when a Collie walks up to the start line. I sincerely hope that I have the wonderful opportunity in my lifetime, to have the honor to judge a roomful of beautiful Collies at a National Specialty!

Richella Veatch-Rally Chair

I bought my first collie, a pet that I thought I could show in 1974. She went to one show and won 3rd in a class of 3. I was thrilled to say the least.

I bought my first show puppy in 1975. She was a blue rough bitch. We went to matches and she won a lot. Well, that solidified my love for shows and collies.

I bred my first show litter in 1976 and produced my first Champion. From 1976 until the present I've been involved in show after show and in several venues including conformation, obedience, rally, herding and agility and currently judge collies and collie juniors.

I have taught classes in obedience and rally for years, retiring from training this year, 2015.

As Training Director of Oak Ridge Kennel Club I chaired several Obedience and Rally Trials. As Chair of Obedience and Rally Trials for Tennessee Valley Kennel Club I also chaired several trials. I sit on the obedience, rally and agility committees at Tennessee Valley KC.

In 2013 I successfully chaired the CCA Obedience and Rally Trials. And now I would be delighted to Chair the CCA Rally Trial again. Looking forward to working with the show committee in order to put on another successful and fun CCA.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

This is the Good Sportsmanship Committee sending a greeting to you all. We are gearing up to start receiving nominations for the Good Sportsmanship Award for next year. We would hope to get a good start this year and look forward to reading your letters and stories telling the membership about that special person you think should receive this wonderful award. All you have to do is send a letter describing your nominee and giving reasons why he or she should be honored for their sportsmanship activities.

We hope to get many letters this year and are ready for yours. Start thinking and hope to hear from you soon. You can send your correspondence to Carrie Lenhart at marnuscollies@gmail.com or myself, Joan E Kirkland at Kirkhaven1@verizon.net.

CCA CALENDAR FOR 2016

The 2016 Calendar is at the printer and we expect to begin delivery at Sunnybank. I'm attaching an ad for Collies on Line for sales and the layered photoshop file to create a graphic and link that will fit the CCA website (which incidentally looks WONDERFUL :-))

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Collie Club of America
Calendar

CCA 2016 Calendar!

With new added features!
Specialty dates, National deadlines,
Whelping calendar and MORE!

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Mail order shipping begins October 15
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or mail check payable to CCA to 2834 Cotten Rd, Sanford, NC 27330
Inquiries to ccacolliecalendar@gmail.com

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Collie Club of America
American Sighthound Owners

Shirley D. Reynolds, Past President
"Linda"
"Sweet"
JANUARY 2016

Elections 2016-2018

Submitted "Willingness to Run" by deadline date of July 1, 2015

President – Mike Van Tassell
First VP – Gayle Kaye
Second VP – Martha Ramer
Treasurer – Mike Esch
Secretary – Jane Clymer
DAL (2016-2022) – no one submitted

Included within packet is the Ballot for the Board to Nominate from the above list of those candidates to run for office on the ballot for National Officers and DAL position open. Write in votes are allowed. Please make sure any nominee is "willing to run" when you nominate. If there are more than two candidates submitted, the top selection of votes will be moved forward on the National Ballot. After this ballot, a candidate can still submit 50 names of CCA members in good standing to support their candidacy. These members in good standing will be verified by the Membership Chairman. The National Ballot for voting will be put in the mail + or – a few days around the November 15th date.

Candidates (2016-2018)

Candidates submitting "Willingness to Run" by the July 1 deadline

Mike Van Tassell (President)

I'm writing to you to ask for your vote to continue as President of the CCA. I believe that every member of CCA should have a voice: the novice and the veteran, the judge and the exhibitor, the person with a passion for conformation, performance, herding as well as obedience or Therapy dogs. **No part will ever be greater than the whole or common good of the club or the Collie with me at the helm as your President.**

I have served the CCA & local clubs in many positions, including CCA President, CCA 1st VP, 2nd VP, DD, 2002 Assistant Show Chairman, 2006 National Show Treasurer and Assistant National Show Chairman. I've also been President and Show Chairman of the Intermountain Kennel Club in SLC, Utah for the last 15 years; Utah Beehive Cluster Chairman; and President & Show Chairman of the Utah Collie Club. I am also an AKC Judge for Collies, Shelties, juniors, Aussies, Alaskan Malamutes; I am currently the AKC Delegate for my all-breed club.

We have accomplished a number of things this term, Constant Contact is up and supplying you with the business of the CCA, the Constitution Committee is working hard to get the revised Constitution ready to be voted on at the next National. The newsletter is going out on a timely manner, shortly it will be sent by Constant Contact and that will be a great savings to the club.

The Breeders Education Committee has taken on the task to preserve the history of our pillars of our Breed. There are many items that we need to still get accomplished and I would like to be your President and see them through.

Many of you have ideas to improve the CCA, and we need to listen and explore these ideas. I will welcome all input on how we can strengthen and improve our Club. I feel we need to elect people that have you the MEMBER, the COLLIE, and the CCA in mind at all times. They need to put their personal agendas on the back burner and have the welfare of the CCA and the Collie in the forefront at all times.

I started in Collies in the early 70s under the kennel name of Cobblecreek. I'm married and have 4 children and 7 grandchildren. "Collies" is something Debbie and I do together, she grooms and I do the showing, feeding, picking up poop, etc. Over the years we've had some great wins, have bred 15 to 20 Champions, co-bred the BOB winner at the 2000 National, and bred the WB and RWD at the 2002 National. As much as the wins mean to us, none of them can compare to the many great friendships we have made over the years.

In closing, **I want you to know that I want to continue be your next President.** CCA officers should work to support the entire membership and the constitution of the CCA. If elected to continue as President, I promise that your voice as a member will be heard. The President and the District Directors are elected to work for **you**. In the CCA every member should count - the novice's vote is just as important as the veterans'. The membership as a whole, supported by me as your President, will decide the direction our Club will take

GAYLE KAYE (1st VP)

I am a 46 year member CCA. Breeder/owner of Chelsea Collies. Current first VP. Judge's Ed Co-Chair, and Chair and/or member of numerous Committees currently and in the past. Editor of numerous projects (Yearbook, Bulletin, LCC and Parader book). Award winning author. Was given the honor of judging Breed and Intersex at the 2013 National.

MARTHA RAMER (2ND VP)

I would like announce my intent to run for the office of 2nd Vice President of the CCA. I have been a CCA member for approximately 38 years. I have bred and owned Collies since 1971 under the Society Prefix. I no longer breed and show Collies. I always enjoyed showing off my dogs at the National. I had some nice wins throughout the years at the National and will treasure each and every one of them.

I have been National Host Show Chair for the National Specialty in 2002 and 2010. I was co- Chair in 1985 and 1991. I was District Director in Southern California from 1990 – 1996. I have been president and most other offices in 2 local

Collie clubs in Southern California. I am currently a member of the CCA National Show Committee with Darci Brown, Roxann Heit and Sue Larson.

I have enjoyed my first 2 years as 2nd Vice President of the CCA and would like to continue in the position. Our current President has begun some very necessary changes – the Communication Committee and the Constitution Committee both of which are making great progress. I feel all the officers work very well together and I have learned a great deal from all of them.

I'm retired from working and from breeding Collies; therefore, I have the time to devote to the CCA. I feel I have a lot offer. I enjoy working with others and look forward to helping in any way I can. The CCA is one of the largest and oldest Parent Clubs. We need to be a leader in the canine community. These times are difficult for dog fanciers with animal rights people fighting us every step of the way.

I hope you will consider me when making your choice this year for 2nd Vice President. Please feel free to email or call me with any ideas or questions you might have. I'll be happy to listen to and consider any of your suggestions or thoughts on any topic that is important to you.

JANE CLYMER (Secretary)

I joined the CCA in 1976 after obtaining my first collie. Over the years, my family moved to various parts of Missouri and then to Kansas, giving me the opportunity to meet many CCA members and work for several dog clubs, all-breeds and specialty, in positions from Show Chair to President. Upon my moving to Kansas, I decided to only join specialty and national clubs. I have breed and loved the collie while raising my children in to the fine adults that they have become. Presently, I belong to the two specialty collie clubs in Kansas and a Kansas based Keeshond Club, my other breed besides National Clubs for both breeds. Along with my family, the dogs have expanded my world of knowledge of animals and friends. My love for both is deep and treasured.

I have served as your secretary since 2006 and on the CCA Board since 1994. Meeting members at the National, through emails and the phone while working for the CCA has been a wonderful way for me to know collie lovers from all over the world. In 1995, I joined the Membership Committee and continue to work closely with them today. The years have brought many questions from members and pet owners alike and finding the answers from our various volunteers working on committees or listening to answers from old time members of our breed of our Club it has been a wonderful learning experience. I wish to thank all of those that have assisted over the years to continue to make this a Club of distinction and honor. Thank you for this opportunity to say thank you for allowing me to serve as your secretary. If you wish, I will be willing to run for another term.

MIKE ESCH (Treasurer)

I have been a Collie Club of America member since 1978. I was President for the CCA from 2000-2004 and have been Club Treasurer for the last eleven years.

I work for Church & Dwight, Inc., a mid-cap consumer product company. Our brand names include Arm & Hammer, Trojan, Nair, Oxiclean, Close Up, Pepsodent, Simply Saline, Orajel, First Response, Trojan, Spinbrush and Xtra among others. I am responsible for the world-wide supply chain. I manage a \$1.3 billion dollar budget with a headcount of 3,115 people across 12 plants and 9 countries. I am responsible for setting budgets, managing assets and working to provide excellent service for our customers.

I have been show chair for three CCA Nationals and show treasurer for five other CCA Nationals. I am licensed to judge Collie and Shelties and am a lifetime member of the Central States Collie Club. I judged Bitches at the 2013 CCA National.

I would love to be your Treasurer for another 2 years.

AFTER THE DEADLINE SUBMISSION

Submitted after the deadline but would like consideration for position as DAL as a write in on the ballot.

By means of this email, I am notifying you of my decision to run for the Director at Large position for the term of 2016-2018. Use the bio you have on file, if one is needed. As I have stated before, I think it is very important for the Membership Chairperson to have a presence on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Guthrie

Since 2005 I have served as the Collie Club of America's Assistant Secretary of Show Permissions & Trophies. . . In a few weeks, I will be handing that job over to Kathy Drabik of Virginia. I feel confident that Kathy will continue in my footsteps of having 100% of the CCA clubs report their specialty shows to the parent club as required by AKC. Also, as I have done, work with our Loving Cup supplier and to continue to ship, on a timely manner, a beautiful cup free of defects.

In April of 2014, I took over as Chairperson for the CCA Membership Committee. We went right to work on reworking the Application for CCA Membership form. This form and a new reinstate form were approved by the EC in December 2014. Now that we are moving toward reduction of the board and DD's having more territory – I believe this form should be revamped. There are plans in the works to have that done by years end. There are plans to have the database updated by years end.

As I said in my resume of 2014, I believe the Membership Committee is the heartbeat of our club. That is why I believe the chairperson of this committee should sit on the board and what better way than to be a Director at Large. The definition of a DAL is one that takes on a special job at the President's request. Our Constitution defines the DAL position as representing the broader interests of the entire Club Membership. As your Membership Chairperson, I have not hesitated to pick up the phone and speak directly to our members. Many have expressed surprise that someone from the CCA thought enough about their membership to speak to them one on one.

During the transition of the board reduction, I believe that the CCA will need someone that possesses my business sense and skills – I work daily using Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher. Not to mention I have run several companies that had up to 10 employees work with me. At present, I own and rent out a 7000 sq ft office building and I have an antique/visual merchandise business that I run.

I hope that with my business experience coupled with already having served the CCA in several positons you will approved me to fill the Director at Large position.

FROM THE DESK OF: JUDY GUTHRIE – MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

On July 23, 2015, I sent each District Director an excel sheet that includes the members in your state. Would the following people please check your computer on that day and email to let me know you received the list and can open. If for some reason you cannot open, I will be happy to supply you the information in another format. The DD's that I have not heard from: Susan Kaelin-KY; Susan Martin-ME; Thomas Cartier-MA; Carolyn Foreman-NE; Kris Provenzano-NH; and James Holiday-SC.

Also, please keep reminding your members how important it is for us to have current information on each member. As we get closer to voting and dues renewal deadlines, we want to make sure each member receives their ballots and renewal forms. Member information corrections should be sent to Sue Kuechenmeister of AL – ckuke@centurytel.net

As always, I am just a phone call away if there is anything that you need to share about the members of your state. I can be reached at (804) 241-2295 or email: ccvagurl@aol.com

Thanks,
Judy Guthrie

NEW MEMBERS AND REINSTATES –JULY & AUGUST

New Members

USA

AK Margaret Nelson, 10121 Middlerock Rd., Anchorage, AK, 99507, 907.346.1921, susitnashelties@gmail.com

Sponsor: Lotta Headman (NY) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5

Sponsor: Leslie Jeszewski (MN) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 years, her collie has a BIS, and I'm leasing him.

Occupation Real Estate

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I exhibit and own collie, both rough & smooth

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Courtney Dowling and her beautiful bitch Dreamy.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 2 Altered? 0 Do you own any other breeds? Shetland Sheepdogs

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 2 Collie litters? 1

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. Shetland Sheepdog & America Shetland Sheepdog Assn

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? None

CA-N John and Elaine Bell, 17849 Ranchera Rd., Shasta Lake, CA, 96019, 530.275.5245, ebell5245@chartere.net,

Sponsor: Cindy Weiner-Robinson (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have been showing for Elaine for almost a year now. Extremely wonderful family and they are great newcomers to our breed.

Sponsor: Leslie Rappaport (OR) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Elaine and John now have their second smooth collie from me. Their first is now 9 yrs old and their new boy is 15 months old now. They have been wonderful owners and their interest in the breed has grown over the years. They will be a real asset to the CCA!

Occupation Business owners-Industrial & Construction Supplies

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? We love Collies and have owned one or more at a time for over 40 years.

We want to promote and protect the breed and further its acceptance as a breed of merit.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: John got his first dog at the age of 18. We love the friendliness, stability, and loyalty and companionship of every dog we've owned.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? - Altered? 2 Do you own any other breeds? Yes, McNabb – 1 bitch, altered.

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? No (not yet)

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? We are merchants; we can help with things in the area of planning events, locating volunteers, setting up/tearing down, acquiring donations of prizes for events or raffles, referring people for Collie Rescue (we have had over 4 rescued collies of our own over the years and visited homes desiring to adopt rescued collies to determine their suitability).

CT Dennis and Suzanne Rembiesa, 4 Northfield Rd., Enfield, CT, 06082, 860.763.1406, srembiesa@cox.net

Sponsor: Judy Virchow (CT) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have know Dennis for 10 years. We are members of the South Windsor Kennel Club.

Sponsor: Helen Campbell (CT) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Dennis for 10 years. We are both members of the South Windsor Kennel Club

Occupation Capacity Planner (Dennis); Sr. Systems Analyst (Suzanne)

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? To increase ability for networking with people familiar with the breed to participate in Collie events to help promote the breed

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Had seen collies owned by Judy Virchow, Helen Campbell, & Mainstay Kennels. Paul from Mainstay had introduced us to Galatean & Riverrun Collies from which we obtained our first collie.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 0 Altered? No Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Shetland Sheepdogs

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 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. Therapy Dogs International, South Windsor Kennel Club, Western Shetland Sheepdog Club – Dennis-Corresponding Secretary, Sue- Recording Secretary

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? Public events (Pet Expo, Eastern States Expo (Big E), computer programming, photography hobbyist

FL Karl and Susan Volk, 13333 Bay St., Sebastian, FL, 32958, 772.388.3908, karl_k@usa.com

Sponsor: Micha Elliot (FL) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 6 months, sold them a collie.

Sponsor: Paula Ford (SC) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I know Micha Elliot and they are clients of hers.

Occupation: Retired

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Because we love the breed and want to best for them. To have access to current information & materials.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Aquired first collie from Virginais Sandridge about 1970... Had collies ever since. We were CCA members in past years.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 2 Altered? 1 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? 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?

GA Rachel Foster, 1125 Oregon Trail SW, Marietta, GA, 30008, 770.422.9403, rfoster@bellsouth.net,

Sponsor: Monique Williams (GA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 year @ collie club meetings/events

Sponsor: Yvonne Evans-Wynn (GA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Known her through Collie Club of Georgia for past year.

Note from District Director: Ms. Foster purchased her present collie 3 years ago from CCA member Allen Dills (GA). She has provided a (unreadable)ing secure home. She is a contributing member of CC of GA. She works her collie in nose/scent work.

Occupation: IT Project Manager

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I am interested in promoting the breed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: I conducted an extensive breed search before selecting a companion pet and found collies to be the best breed for me.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 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? No Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Collie Club of Georgia

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? Numerous skills; organization; leadership

NC Christine and Michael Sanderson, Victoria Sanderson (junior member), 2510 Rolling Meadow Dr., Raleigh, NC, 27603, 919.961.6116, csanderson629@nc.rr.com Junior's dob May 13, 2002; AKC# 17362210003

Sponsor: Kathy Moll (NC) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? For seven years. They have 3 collies from me and one other from my line. Net through Collie Rescue of the Carolinas, and herding. Helping Vicky w/handling in juniors.

Sponsor: Pamela Brown (NC) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 7 years - through collie rescue & showing their collies & rally training & handling class & just being friends.

Occupation

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? We would like to further our education on collies. Our daughter is involved in Jr. Showmanship.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Kathy Moll and Jean Smith

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 2 Altered? 1 Do you own any other breeds? Yes, 1 rescue English Shepard, 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. 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? Microsoft Excel Certified Database skills

OH Judith Quinn, 2495 Seminary Rd., Heath, OH, 43056, 740.928.1572, ted@quinnssupply.com

Sponsor: Judy Walburn (OH) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 years

Sponsor: Susan Wyglendowski (OH) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 3 years - showing

Occupation: Own business

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I love the collie and have all my life and want to support the breed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Watched "Lassie" movies as a child & didn't get one until I married 50 years ago (1966). My husband had a collie & loved them also and still does. Have had Collies for 50 years.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 1 Altered? No 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?

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? Love to type & help promote the breed.

Note: I was a member of CCA in 1980's, but didn't keep it up to date (showed horses). Smooth 1 Champion bitch, breed Judy Adams.

SD Iva Rahlf, 109 13th St. NW, Watertown, SD, 57201, 605.270.1776, mistygab@hotmail.com

Sponsor: Vickie VonSeggern, (WI) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Met Iva via Collie rescue about 5 years ago. She is very devoted to our breed

Sponsor: Nancy Parsons (SD) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Do not know applicant personally, but is highly recommended by Vickie VonSeggern

Occupation Certified Pharmacy Technician

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I have loved collies for as long as I can remember. I have had collies for over 25 years. I want to support good and reputable collie breeders. Involved with rescue for 15 years.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: As a child, watching Lassie, then reading Lad A Dog. Got my first collie when I was 30 yo - waited a long time. Very interested in collie health, learning about shows, and good breeding.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? Altered? 5 Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Sheltie, Toy Aussie, Maltese, Pommeranian, most are rescues
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? 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? Not sure what I can do to help.

VA Bill and Judy Holland, 833 Earl of Chesterfield Lane, Virginia Beach, VA, 23454, 757.481.5998,
bholl64579@aol.com

Sponsor: Joyce Dowling (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 20 years. Collie events & Club member/worked with on the 1998 National

Sponsor: Robin Isbell (VA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 6 years as friends and membership in Chesapeake Collie Club

Occupation Retired

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? To be involved with the breed and keep abreast of collie health issues.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: First pet was a collie and have loved the breed my entire life.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 4 Altered? 5 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? No

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Chesapeake 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? Event Planning, Convention Facilities Management, Computer.

MOTIONS

From Mike Esch and seconded by Jane Clymer.

1. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to declare and approve the tax set aside treatment of approximately \$7,820 in income for 2015.
2. I make a motion for the Board of Directors to approve giving the Officers the authority to adjust this figure of \$7,820 if there is any unforeseen non-member donation as required to meet our 2015 tax requirements.

From Jackie Caruso and seconded by Martha Ramer.....7/14/2015

I make a motion that the CCA secretary, or an appointee of the secretary, maintain a spreadsheet, starting with the motions made in July 2015 (as per attached sample tracker), to keep track of motions and their resolution. This motion tracker is to be updated with each communiqué and provided to the board in every communiqué. It is also to be placed in a file accessible to them.

From Ed Degner and seconded by Martha Ramer on 7/10/2015

I move that the national show rules be amended that an AKC approved judge, CCA member in good standing be eligible to judge the national specialty 5 years from the date of their first assignment

RESULTS – Vote via phone on July 9, 2015

Total Board Members: 51

Total Attending: 36

Those not attending: **18 not attending.** Randy Smith, Joann Romero, Jackie Caruso, Paula Clairday, En Harriet Chang, Susan Kaelin, Mary Lee Oliphant-Wood, Susan Martin, Marion Johnson, Laura Langham-Satoodeh, Katie DelGrosso, James Holliday, Betty Abbott, Joanne Huff, Jane Armatys, Nancy Anstruther, Hiroshi Tojo, and John Geddes.

COMMUNIQUE' June 17 – MINUTES OF MEETING – to call for vote on Ballot items closing July 9, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Van Tassell at 7:02 MST. A roll call was done with 37 members on the call. The President asked if we needed to read the minutes. The secretary said they had been posted in the Communique'. He then asked for a motion to approve was needed to Mike Esch....and he replied no. The President then mention we would be asking for abstain voting before the voting to approve/disapprove on the voting procedure. The Secretary was asked to read each item before it was voted upon.

1. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates (unpaid longer than one year and less than five years) from Membership.

A. Carrisa Nowinski, CA N	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
B. Sandra Nowinski, CA N	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
C. Ian Patrick Rajczi, CA N	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
D. Dawn Thornton, MI	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
E. Ronald J. Sherr, NJ	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
F. Ashley Rae Williams Schnurer, Canada	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
G. Randolph E. Jackson, NC	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
H. Karen C. Jackson, NC	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
I. Irene Clark Lackman, PA	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__
J. James S. Lackman, PA	A. Approve __32__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __4__

Abstain: On all candidates: Nadine Beckwith-Olson; Jan Storm; Emily Berkley; Isabel Ososki

A question was asked by Carolyn Foreman if all the proposed applicants had been approved. The President stated that all had gone through the membership process providing a bio about themselves, and recommendation from 2 sponsors and a DD. Janie mentioned that she had received a note from Judy Guthrie just before the meeting with a word doc to strengthen the application in light of the proposed changes of a reduction of the board to 15 members and; therefore, needing a more detailed application format. The President said we will discuss this later.

He then asked if anyone disapproved of an applicant....no response. Pat Jung asked if we had enough to make a quorum to approve since we had four abstains....the President said we did. Abstains are not a vote. Ed Degner asked if anyone had any reason not to approve anyone on the panel? John Buddie said he felt we should rely on the application process as he had always done. The President then asked if everyone approved? Everyone agreed to approve. He asked if anyone disapprove and there was not. He declared all new members approved.

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

A. Approve __36__ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

The President asked if anyone wished to abstain? No response Disapprove? No response. He then declared that the item passed unanimously.

3. The President presents for approval Lynda Cox, IN, as the new Editor for the Bulletin. Her resume is within the April Communique'.

A. Approve __36__ B. Disapprove _____ C. Abstain _____

The President asked if anyone wished to abstain? No response Disapprove? No response. He then declared that the item passed unanimously.

The President asked if there was any other discussion on items. The secretary mentioned that the new membership form seems to ask for more detail recommendation for the sponsors and the district director. That Judy Guthrie felt that since we were moving toward a reduction of board members, we would need the application to provide more details about our applicants and from their sponsors. And yes, the board would have to approve of any changes before the form implementation. When the membership committee completes their review the form will come to the Board for discussion and approval.

Nadine Beckwith-Olson asked a question on procedure regarding the disclosure of how district directors vote. Presently, disclosure has been left to the directors to share with members or not, but since the phone voting has begun the result reporting tells who was not present to vote and it explains the voting down to including who abstains on a vote. This had been included in the previous set of results that were reported in the Communique'. Tom Cartier asked about making the meeting recording available or at least a transcription. Jan Storm responded that she presents to her district the issues for vote and voting according to their recommendations. Sue Kuechenmeister said she did the same. Emily Berkley responded that yes, her vote to abstain was included on the result of the last vote in the Communique'.

The President asked if there was anything else. Hildy Morgan asked a question regarding the phone meetings and if we had a date set for them to be listed in the next Communique'. The secretary asked if the board agreed with the closing date of the ballot and the phone meeting to be the same. Martha Ramer asked if we are sending a hard copy and only counting the phone meeting vote, then why are we being asked to return the hard copy? The secretary mentioned that only 24 hard copies had been received this voting cycle and that it was not enough for a quorum. The President stated that as far as he'd been advised by the Constitution Chair, we should be doing business to match NYCL with the phone meeting, but if we don't have a quorum for the phone meeting and we don't ask that hard copies are submitted then we can't do business at all. This issue will change once we have a reduction of the Board with a small group to meet via phone or skype. The secretary asked if the Board wanted to continue with a 21 day allowance between sending the Communique' and voting...no one seemed to have an opinion. Peggy Darington asked if we could do the phone meeting on a weekend rather than during the week. This was discussed with issues brought up of members being away from home such as dog shows and not easy use of a cell phone or it being dependable. Melinda Sunnarborg asked if proxy voting was allowed presently so that she could submit Peggy's vote for their members. The President stated that no proxy voting was not allowable at this time. Nadine Beckwith-Olson asked regarding sending votes/hard copy via fax...and the secretary said she does not have a fax. Discussion followed regarding the mailing expenses and the secretary mentioned to not send overnight priority to her as her post office does not offer this service. The secretary did mention that she has retained all voting submitted to her since taking office in 2006.

Emily Berkley brought up the issue of the passed motion that all incoming DD's should be notified that something should be stated regarding our usage of the phone meetings to all new prospects wishing to run for district director. This followed with Donna Walle mentioning that our by-laws had been in the past reviewed by several attorneys and we had been told if we all agree we could use email as our way of voting. Mike Esch stated that when the original issue of this was suggested by the AKC that they were indicating that pin numbers be assigned and then you signed in to vote....not the straight mailing of your ballots via email. The President stated again that we will continue as we are but should submit the hard copy as a back-up for voting procedure in case we don't achieve a quorum with our phone meetings. The President then asked again if we wished to change to a different day of the week.....and it seemed that all agreed we would continue with Thursday evenings.

Then we came back to the issue of a statement or something of notification to members wishing to run for district director and notification of this change in procedure to phone meetings. The secretary mentioned we could update the director's guide and she could put a statement on the nomination form, but the President mentioned we can not ask them to sign a statement of agreement as this would not be in alignment with our present Constitution.

It was at this time the phone connection became very static. Mike Esch mentioned we should all mute our phones when we are not speaking. Carolyn Foreman asked if we will be receiving the Communique' via the new email program Constant Contact? The President stated that Lenell Nix had notified him that we are down to approximately 50 bounces, etc. on the email addys. And felt it was a good probability that we would be sending the Communique' via the email program this time. The secretary mentioned that tonight's sending of the Herding Regional Premium was a good test run. Because the static was getting worse it was decided to close the meeting.

The President called for adjournment. The motion to adjourn came from Martha Ramer and John Buddie at 7:46 PM MST