



# BEARDIE WORKS

MAY 2010

[www.RockyMountainBeardies.com](http://www.RockyMountainBeardies.com)

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN BEARDED COLLIE CONNECTION

RMBCC Board of Directors

Jill Floberg, President  
303-948-0071 brightybeardie@aol.com

Nancy Shock, Past President  
303-940-7961 nashock@juno.com

Jan Schefcik, Vice President  
303-690-6634 jvsbooks@msn.com

Meg Naylor, Treasurer  
303-400-1993 naylorlrmk@mho.com

Elodji Means, Secretary  
303-646-9638 elodji@msn.com

Norm Lazarus, Director  
303-756-6695 nandolazarus@yahoo.com

Russ Kittel, Director  
303-987-1053 kittels1@comcast.net

Nan Matthews, Director  
303-843-6414 nan@themattgrp.com

Newsletter Editor  
Mike Tupa 970 226 6663  
tupamj@aol.com

### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Jill Floberg

Some things just never change, Spring in Colorado should mean warm sunny days, lots of flowers, winter a memory, not so this year. I have wondered if the snow would ever quit. I'm still betting we get a brief flurry by the end of May.

One change that is a constant. Every year we welcome a new board at the June picnic. So this year I transition after three years to past president. It has been a privilege to be your president. I consider it a trust and hope that I have filled it with fairness and always with our wonderful Beardies in mind.

We have come a long way these past years with more and more involvement of members getting out there with their dogs and trying many activities. All the performance events have taken off and become more popular. At every level of ability there is something for all. For some it is just a matter of attending a class every week and never wanting to compete. The interaction with other dogs and owners provides a wonderful social network. Others have competed and we hope that those of you who have earned titles this past year are sending the info to Kathy Thomas. The form

# Talking Beardies

Becky Tupa

What can our wonderful Beardies be thinking? Dog language is amazing. Often they do not actually use their voices, but they quietly walk up and stand nearby looking; giving me "eye" and asking for something. Or, they might ever so lightly touch their nose to my leg. When I ask them what they want they take off for the item of their desire. Often the request involves going to the door to go outside. Other times they wait till I walk near the sink and they stare at their water bowl to indicate they want fresh water. I fill the bowl with fresh water and I am rewarded as they enjoy a cool drink knowing that they successfully communicated their needs.

When they beg to go for a ride they walk to the garage door and wait. They repeat this routine until I understand or until I ask them if they want to go for a ride. Then they get very excited and again head for the garage door. Carri lets me know she wants to go for a ride by going to her toy box to retrieve a toy and carry it to me or to the garage door. Actually, Carrie lets me know she wants just about anything by selecting a toy and carrying it around.

I found a new way to communicate with Carri. Her favorite toy is a laughing Koala. So if I make giggle noises like the Koala, she will bring me that toy.

Then there are the times that I am finished brushing Carri. I ask her to get Maureen for me. She laughs, looking very happy and takes off to locate Maureen. As soon as I hear the two characteristic barks from Carri, Maureen shows up to be groomed. Of course she performs this task with great enthusiasm and lightening speed as though the sheep were at the far end of the pen in danger of getting away. This trick works well when one dog stays outside too long too.

Have you ever thought about the number of words your Beardedie understands? Count them and you will be amazed. Our Beardies know 100's of words. We always get distracted from the counting them by the time we list off 100 words.

All this is what endears us to the breed. They are smart, happy, curious, willing to please, loving, sometimes cuddly, best friends, or even angels in lovely coats.

## President's Message continued:

was provided in the last newsletter. You will receive recognition at the picnic and in the next newsletter.

The picnic this year is in a new location. All the information appears in a flyer in this newsletter. I would like to thank Nan Matthews for her efforts to convince the park that our dogs are well behaved and worthy of having a whole entirely enclosed ball field to run loose on! Mark your calendar for June 19th.

The business of the RMBCC for the remainder of the year will be to have a successful National Specialty, beginning Monday, October 4 with a herding trial in Ft. Lupton and culminating on Friday, October 8 with Best of Breed and an awards banquet in Loveland, CO. All the activities and schedules are listed on the web site [www.bcca2010.com](http://www.bcca2010.com). If you have never attended a specialty, this is your opportunity to see gathered in 1 place over 200 beardies. It is a beautiful site to behold.

With that I say good-bye. Beardedie hugs to all of you,

Jill with

Ch Britannia Berry Berry Nice,  
HSAs, RN, CGC, ROM 6-94/8/08,

Ch Bosque-Tanacort Mystic Mati,  
CGC, 10/99

Ch Britannia One In A Zillion, HT,  
RN, CGC, 11/05

## EDITOR UPDATE

Mike Tupa

Another newsletter, another late issue. Seems that this spring flew so fast that the month of May is now gone. Sorry to all you who hoped to get your issue earlier.

Hopefully the information contained isn't too late. Be sure to COME TO THE PICNIC on the 19th. It's always such a fun time with other club members and their dogs. Contact Nan for specifics. Food is always wonderful, and it is a great time to learn about what YOUR club is doing.

AND, If there is anyone out there who wishes to undertake the newsletter (in your own way) let me or Nancy know. I'm happy to help but I do feel that we need someone who can keep it on a regular schedule better than I can.

Happy Summer to you all.  
Editor, Mike



## *Dear Aunt Beardie*

Dear Aunt Beardie,

My lifelong best Beardie friend, Buddy has suddenly started doing this strange thing extending his neck while gasping and snorting forcefully. It sounds like he is sneezing backwards! It is down right scary when he does this. After a short time, he quits and he is fine again. Is there anything I can do for him? Is it dangerous? He is not a smoker, and no one in our house smokes either. Should I be worried, or will he get over it? We have had the same people since we were just pups together.

Buddy's Girl

Dear Buddy's Girl,

I cannot be sure, but your description sure sounds like the condition often called "reverse sneezing". The medical term describes it as a "pharyngeal spasm". Folks say it sounds like the dog is inhaling sneezes. My vet says the dog typically appears normal before and after the episode. She said it can be caused by various irritants like household chemicals, cleaners, perfumes, or even viruses. Although it is typically not dangerous, she said you should make sure your people take Buddy to the vet to find out if there is a cause that needs treatment.

Dear Aunt Beardie,

I got to tell you, that I just love to bark! I bark at stuff outside. I bark when I want to go outside and I bark when I want to come inside again. I bark when my people come home each day. I bark at other dogs when my people walk me. I just love to bark, but my people say it might disturb the neighbors. They want me to stop barking, but I don't know how to stop.

Can you help?

Sincerely,

Bar Kathon

Dear Bar,

Well, dear I sure can sympathize with your love of barking. Many Beardies share your enthusiasm for barking. Some Beardies love to show their enthusiasm for life by barking. It is a genetic trait we use for herding and other times when we must alert others. There is no twelve-step bark-o-holic program that I know of. But there are some things your people can try. This one worked with my dear little Fluffy. They might have you sit or down immediately when they come home so that your thoughts are on a task rather than barking, while they greet, and pet you. Then, when you obeyed the sit or down command, your peeps have something to praise you for instead of barking back at you to be quiet. Maybe it would work if you taught your peeps to shake hands or "give 5" at those times when you feel like barking. This will occupy your thoughts on something other than barking. Maybe you could show your excitement by bringing them your favorite toy. Some folks use a bark collar; a devise that helps "remind" you not to bark. Aunt Beardie is not a big fan of those collars, and most dogs quickly learn that they can bark when the collar is off. They have not learned to react in a different, positive way. But the collar is an option if things get critical. If your peeps can help you show your Beardie enthusiasm in quiet ways, you may forget about the need to bark.

Yours Truly,

Aunt Beardie

# Herding Instinct Test News

May 1st, 2010

After having snow, sleet, rain, clouds, wind, you name it for Colorado in the spring, we had an absolutely beautiful day—warm, little or no wind, sunshine, --- we were lucky.

So Nan Matthews with her Carly, Kim Krueger with Tallulah, Elodji Means with Simon, Kathy Thomas and Jill Floberg with Greyson, Ruth Jeram and Jo Parker with Monica, Nancy and Forest Newman with Gryphon were all ready to go mid-day with Cathy Balliu as our judge as always. We are so lucky to have her after her tough winter with her health.

Kim's Tallulah, Elodji's and Don's Simon, Kathy's and Jill's Greyson passed with great interest and we hope that they will continue with more herd-

ing fun in the future. For Nan and her Carly, Ruth and her Monica, and Nancy/Forest and their Gryphon, will have to try again to see if a second time might be the charmer.

Next time for the herding instinct will be at the BCCA National Specialty, Oct. 4th , 2010 but there will only be 8 slots available and will be done after the regular AKC herding trial.

Renee Jarrett –herding chair



# 2010 BCCA Specialty Core Committee Meeting 4/25/10

Submitted by Meg Naylor

Committee Members Present: J. Floberg, M. Naylor, N. Shock, L. Tappero

Guests: R. Kittel, N. Matthews, N & O Lazarus, Jan Schefcik

Dinner amounts in Planning Guide: Nan says they need to be changed slightly. Working with Jill. We'll probably need to honor any registrations/payments we get in before it's changed.

Discussion regarding finances: Nancy put together an example of the breakdown in BCCA vs. RMBCC money. The example compared 2004 to 2010 for easier understanding. Also attached was a copy of the contract.

Everyone is encouraged to review the Planning Guide on line. Of importance; communicating "½ of the hotel bill will be charged for cancellation after Aug 20th".

Ribbons – This still needs to be completed. We need someone knowledgeable on Nationals to coordinate and talk to all committees/Candy/ BaRay.

Web needs "Site seeing & Tours". Mike Tupa would be good at this.

Bathing stations & shampoos/conditioners: Espana reps Stacy Collins & business partner Michelle have spoken to Jill and volunteered shampoo and conditioner for our bathing stations, as well as samples for our cooler "give away" item. Several of us have used these products and really like them. Jill has a bunch of Coat Handler shampoo/conditioner left over to use. Decision was made to offer both at the bathing station – they are not competing with each other. Espana may want to add a flyer/coupon in with their sample.

Cooler sample shown by Laura – blue with zipper & side water pocket. Will have black "2010 Through the Years" printed on it. Costs; \$3.85 + 50 cents shipping each. \$45 one-time set-up fee. Probably will order 350 or so; will place one order after master registrations come in. Will have Espana sample, clicker, gecko dog toy, human treat, maybe Celestial Seasoning & other stuff as Laura gets it. Maybe Budweiser beer bottle/can. Dog food samples will

be offered separately. Folder will have tickets (Nan doing), name badge, info like maps and weekly events schedule. Folder and cooler will be given at same time (2 per family limit on cooler) at registration table. Registration table/booth at ES Hotel on Sun, Mon, Tues and The Ranch Wed, Thurs, Friday.

Jill had samples of the raffle items and she has the "colored tickets" organized. \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Jill's planning on sending some tickets out to Regional clubs. She had the sculptures of the black and brown beardies. Brown beardie will be donated to auction. Beige tickets – 4 different items, BCCA/RMBCC. Deadline Sept 1 and drawing Sept 2.

Blue tickets – RMBCC raffle for black beardie sculpture. Drawing at Awards Dinner

Red tickets – RMBCC raffle for stained glass that Jill's sister is working on.

RMBCC raffle winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony.

Note: We owe Jill's daughter and sister for all of the work that they have done for us with their artistic contributions.

Jill showed the certificates that will be given to those that have donated at certain levels (14er's, Crufts, etc). \$3200 in Sponsorships received thus far. National Capital, N. CA, FL, Great Lakes club donations and several generous individual sponsorships. Wine bottles for regional auction sent to MI to promote sales.

Rescue/Therapy Parade & Ads -

Rescue never had to pay for ads in the past; this was supplemented by Parade of Titleholders. Both Rescue and Therapy do not have to pay for ads this year. Approx costs are ribbons \$5 each, \$15 per page ad, \$5 gift (\$25 total each). Catalog profits should help pay for costs. Forms/jpg's go to Laura by July 1st.

Nan showed us the centerpiece for Awards table; \$25 each. Jewelry box with tile/beardie. Individual "gifts" at table are silver bookmark with ribbon/paw/dog saying. A couple dollars each.

Auction –

Meals priced at \$25 to promote participation. Jill thinks the auctioneer is not charging. Silent auction will run at 1 hour intervals during regular auction. Elodji/committee will determine if items are right for

regular auction or silent.

Art contest – All digital. Gretchen has info on website with clever categories.

Logowear –

Meg showed the blanket for sale; will bring to the picnic. Michele ok'ed the embroidery picture for website, so Meg will ask Karen to put it on Logowear page. Will ask Maryann to announce logowear on BDL a couple more times before Aug 15th deadline. Meg will also contact Michele for a Beardie Works ad for logowear. Jill said that we might want some logowear for sale at the herding trial; has been successful in the past. General/Ranch set-up on Monday.

Agility – Jill reported that Helen says one ring is sufficient. Included competition is Standard, Jumpers, Fast, and the relay race. Helen has arranged the equipment and just has the electronic timers left to rent. Jill will ask if Helen would be able to come to one of our meetings for a report.

Premium lists – Kathy T. has worked hard on the lists,

as well as AKC communication.

Post card – Still planning on sending out a “reminder” postcard via regular mail. Would like the logo included and maybe reminder for upcoming deadlines sent to all BCCA members. Probably mail in mid-July.

Don has updated us on current accounting. Everybody is being reimbursed quickly.

Nancy is sending out an e-mail with instructions for our corner rooms at the hotel. It's been a challenge, since you can't necessarily deal directly with the Loveland desk. Jill and Nancy are also working to resolve the rooms all being booked for the last two nights and the waiting list/cancellations. There are approx 800 nights booked.

The Ranch should all be re-built by the county fair in August. We anticipate a few changes and will need to meet there after it's done.

Next meeting May 23rd or before the picnic on June 19th.

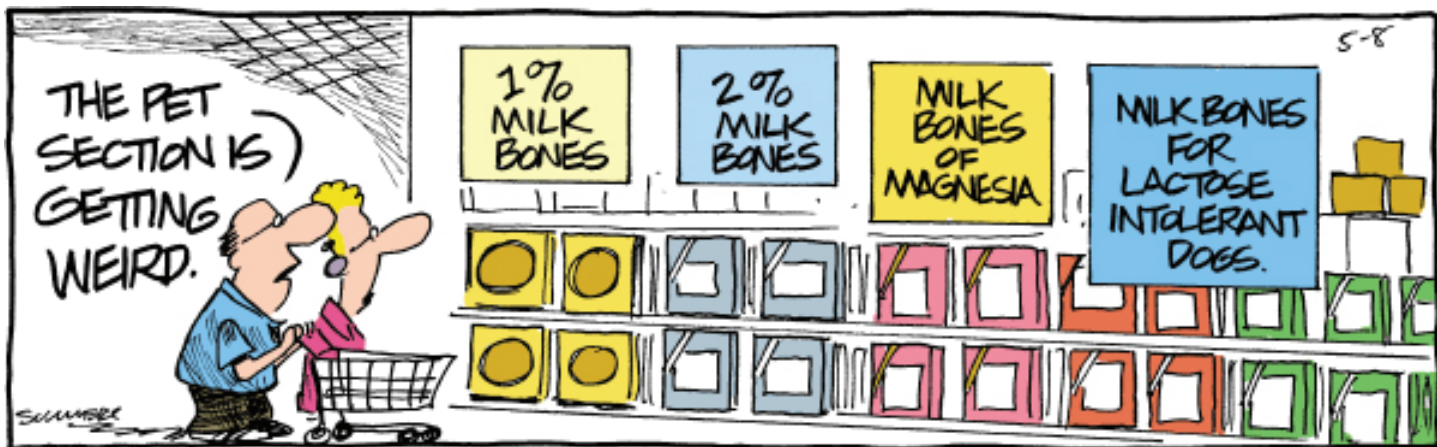
---

## NEW IDEA:

Hi Mike -

In the next newsletter would you please put out a request that we are in need of a responsible puppy sitter for our three beardies - either leaving the dogs with someone or having a person stay at our house for a few days. The exact dates haven't been determined - this is for future reference.

Thanks so much  
Norm and Olivia Lazarus  
303-756-6695



# RMBCC BRAGGS

and Waggs.

Luke finished yesterday (Saturday) at the Denver show and is now a champion, becoming the second from Doris' litter.

Luke achieved back-to-back group 4 placements on the 3rd and 4th of April at the Scotts Bluff, Nebraska show.

Norm and Olivia Lazarus



Ian, Ch Summit's No Strings Attached CD RAE3 PT, owned, trained, and shown by Kathy Thomas, has received from the BCCA the distinction of being the Top Rally Advanced dog in 2009.

Audra, Ch Sherwood Cool Sequel at Summit CD RE HT, was designated (in a tie with another bearded dog) as the BCCA Top Obedience Novice dog for 2009. Audra is owned by Kathy Thomas, Jenny Smith, Jill Floberg, and Kim Raleigh, and trained by Kathy.

Maureen, Ch Sherwood Sweetheart BeauChien CD RN PT, became the third bearded bitch to be awarded the ROMRX (registry of merit rally excellent). This designation is given to bearded bitches that have at least 5 offspring who have earned a total of 10 or more rally titles. Maureen is owned by Mike and Becky Tupa and Kathy Thomas. We thank all the owners of Maureen's puppies that have shown them to earn rally titles.

Kathy Thomas

## Litter Listing by Al Bielski

Date of Birth: May 25, 2010

Breeder: Al Bielski and Ann Witte

Location: In Denver, contact Al at 303 458-5917 or waytome@comcast.net

Litter: Litter of eight (Yea, Dr. Beatty)

Six are available; two brown and white

females, two black and white females, and two black and white males

Sire: Artisan Shadows at Sunrise (OFA - good)

Dam: Artisan Summer Sky O'Cynamen (OFA - Excellent)



# Dogs Domesticated in Middle East, not Asia

Study based on genetic comparisons between 900 dogs and 200 wolves

By Steve Gorman  
Reuters

updated 3:45 p.m. MT, Wed., March. 17, 2010

LOS ANGELES - From French poodles to German shepherds, domestic dogs likely trace most of their ancestry to the Middle East, as opposed to East Asian origins suggested by previous research, a genetic study reported on Wednesday.

The findings, published in the online edition of the scientific journal *Nature*, support an archeological record that closely links the domestication of dogs in the Middle East with the rise of human civilization there, scientists said.

“It’s significant because this is where civilization developed, and dogs were part of that,” said Robert Wayne, professor of evolutionary biology at the University of California, Los Angeles, and a senior author of the study.

The region, often referred to as the Fertile Crescent, includes much of modern-day Iraq, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan — “the same area where domestic cats and many of our livestock originated, and where agriculture first developed,” he said.

The study is based on genetic comparisons between more than 900 dogs representing 85 breeds and over 200 wild gray wolves — the closest living wild relative of dogs — from around the globe, including North America, Europe, East Asia and the Middle East.

In the most extensive such analysis to date, scientists used molecular genetic techniques to examine more than 48,000 markers from across the entire genome — or DNA sequence — from each of the animals included in the study.

What they discovered was the vast majority of dogs share more unique genetic markers with gray wolves from the Mideast than with other wolf populations. A kinship to European wolves also was found, but to a lesser extent, Wayne said.

One notable exception was the finding of a close genetic link between a small number of East Asian

dog breeds and wolves from China, suggesting some intermingling between the two.

But the new research contradicts an earlier genetic study suggesting a close ancestry of all dogs to wolves from East Asia and China. That analysis was based on comparisons between a single, small DNA sequence taken from mitochondria — tiny structures outside the nucleus of living cells that carry their own genes — rather markers from entire genomes.

The newer research was far more comprehensive and “is much more consistent with the archeological record,” Wayne said.

“We know that dogs from the Middle East were closely associated with humans because they were found in human burial sites” there, he said. In one famous example, the remains of a puppy were found curled up in the arms of a human skeleton.

But the earliest bond between people and “man’s best friend” was probably more often a love-hate relationship that persists in parts of the world to this day, and helps explain a cultural ambivalence toward dogs in the very region where they likely originated.

The archeological record of dogs dates back 31,000 years to the remains of a Great Dane-like specimen found in Belgium. The first Mideast dogs appeared 12,000 to 13,000 years ago.

Although agriculture and animal husbandry go hand in hand, the first people to domesticate dogs from wild wolves probably were nomadic hunter-gatherers, who were followed at a distance by canine interlopers in search of scraps.

That relationship likely matured over thousands of years “to the point where these proto-dogs were living in close proximity with humans,” and were often more of a nuisance than they were companions, Wayne said. “Eventually dogs provided protection, an early warning system, maybe even helped out with the hunt, and then eventually, even closer in, provided companionship,” he said.

While some dog breeds have ancient histories, 80 percent are modern varieties that have evolved since the explosion in dog breeding during the Victorian era, Wayne said.

Copyright 2010 Reuters. Click for restrictions.

© 2010 MSNBC.com



# Here in this house...

I will never know the loneliness I hear in the barks of the other dogs "out there".  
I can sleep soundly, assured that when I wake my world will not have changed.  
I will never know hunger, or the fear of not knowing if I'll eat.  
I will not shiver in the cold, or grow weary from the heat.  
I will feel the sun's heat and the rain's coolness,  
and be allowed to smell all that can reach my nose.  
My fur will shine, and never be dirty or matted.

## Here in this house...

There will be an effort to communicate with me on my level.  
I will be talked to and, even if I doubt understand,  
I can enjoy the warmth of the words.  
I will be given a name so that I may know who I am among many.  
My name will be used in joy, and will love the sound of it!

## Here in this house...

I will never be a substitute for anything I am not.  
I will never be used to improve peoples' images of themselves.  
I will be loved because I am who I am, not someone's idea of who I should be.  
I will never suffer for someone's anger, impatience, or stupidity.  
I will be taught all the things I know to be loved by all.  
If I do not learn my lessons well, they will look to my teacher for blame.

## Here in this house...

I can trust arms that hold, hands that touch...  
knowing that no matter what they do, they do it for the good of me.  
If I am ill, I will be doctored.  
If scared, I will be calmed.  
If sad, I will be cheered.

## Here in this house...

No matter what I look like, I will be considered beautiful and thought to be of value.  
I will never be cast out because I am too old, too ill, too unruly or not cute enough.  
My life is a responsibility and not an afterthought.  
I will learn that humans can almost, sometimes, be as kind and as fair as dogs.

## Here in this house...

I will belong.  
I will be home.

- Author unknown



***This year the annual picnic's designed for the DOGS – a totally enclosed grassy ball park to run and play and be a BEARDIE!!!***

**RMBCC Summer Picnic  
DeKoevend Park in Centennial  
Saturday, June 19  
11:30 am – 3:00 pm**

RMBCC will provide the main dish and bottles of water, and we would like everyone attending to bring a salad or dessert. There is only one table under an enclosure near the ball park, so we will need additional folding tables and chairs for the humans. It would be nice to have a few tents for shade. *[Please let Nan or Jan know what you are able to provide.]*

We have permission from the South Suburban Rec Center to use the enclosed baseball field for our picnic and have promised to leave it just as we found it. Please bring plenty of water for your dog, pooper scoopers and LOTS OF TOYS!

We will set up a fun agility course with jumps and weaves and a tunnel to let the dogs try their stuff.

**Directions**

6580 S. Vine Street, Centennial, CO 80122. Nearest cross streets are Arapahoe Road and University Boulevard. South Vine Street is the first light west of University. Bank of the West on the South corner – Post Office on the north. Turn on Vine at the Post Office, follow the road until you see the South Suburban Ice Arena on your right. Pull into the parking lot and go to the east side. Take the path across the Highline Canal and down a little hill – picnic area will be on your right – ball park directly in front.

Please RSVP to

Nan Matthews, [nan@themattgrp.com](mailto:nan@themattgrp.com) , 303-843-6414 or

Jan Schefcik, [jysbooks@msn.com](mailto:jysbooks@msn.com), 303-690-6634

# Specialty Pages

Click: <http://bccca2010.com/>

## A & A: Fabulous Fashion Finds for 2010

“Through the Years” fashions have changed, but some things like BCCA National Specialty Logowear never goes out of style!

Want to know what’s in for 2010? Visit <http://bccca2010.com/logowear.html>

- Denim shirts
- Hoodies
- Vests
- Sweatshirts
- T-shirts
- Sport shirts
- Baseball caps
- Stocking caps
- Barn coats
- Jackets

Don’t forget to accessorize with blankets, scarves, tote bags, and duffels!

The stunning logo, designed by Chet Jezierski, complements all of these items, allowing you to make a fashion statement where ever you go!

Fashion Police for the BCCA,  
Maryann Szalka

**WANTED !** for the Specialty

START SAVING YOUR PLASTIC BAGS  
(the ones that your newspaper comes in)

SAVE OLD TOWELS  
(ones you can donate for the bathing station  
at the Specialty)

SEE YOU AT THE  
RMBCC PICNIC

Be sure to come. Always a fun time.  
Mike



May 2010

There are times I have come to believe I take on too much of too much. My appointments get jumbled, moving three meetings for one field trip to a half hour meeting and then adjusting other meetings and assignments so that I can accommodate the moved appointments. I leave work worried about work I've done and the work I should have completed.

And then I come home and there are my Beardies with their "Hi There! Let's go outside, run, and sit in the sun!" There is no "Where you been?" "You are late!" "You forgot us." just the excitement of the "now" and the "what can be."

We learn a lot from our parents, spouse, and friends but I am coming to believe that I have learned a lot from my Beardies. Over the years we have had a number of dogs, mostly Beardies. From Rachel (OES) to Kelsey to Dylan to Givins to our new companions Carri and Maureen. And then there are all the dogs of friends who re-enforce the lessons taught to me by my dogs.

There is a saying that, "We can't control the past or the future. We can only control the moment so make it the best moment we can make." (or something like that) I can't remember who is credited to that bit of wisdom but I do believe my dogs live in the moment. There is no regret for an error of the past and no anticipation of some future reward or punishment. Just to make the moment the best it can be.

Whether it is a trip to the corner store, a walk around the neighborhood, relaxing in the backyard sun, chasing a ball, or a day spent asleep waiting for the garage door to open (or so I believe they are waiting), they are ready for that moment to be grand. I've told you about how they seem to know that getting into the car with luggage can mean a 14 hour trip to the farm. Once on the freeway they curl up and fall fast asleep. At the gas stops they seem to remember the grass or gravel they "hit" months before and after 13 hours and 50 minutes asleep in the car, 10 minutes from the farm, they know it's time

to get up, shake their coats and be ready to run around the buildings, through the orchard, and look for that squirrel that was there 8 months earlier. The "now" of 14 hours in the car and the "now" of a run on the farm are all the same. Events accepted for what they are. Events accepted as easily as hopping back into the car and curling into a ball for a short trip to the lake cabin or the 14 hour return to Colorado.

I recently saw a bumper sticker that read "I Believe in Dog." A lovely sentiment and the German Shepherd in the back seat of that tiny Honda left a God lesson statement regarding the importance of a Dog in his life. It was a statement and a reminder that his dog was worth the sacrifice of half his car's carrying capacity.

There's a lovely commercial on TV with a young Beardie looking out the back window, wind blowing his hair, the look of joy in his face. Those of us with dogs understand that look. We see it every day when we come home. Acceptance and anticipation for what we humans have to offer for the moment. I think the Ad Agency who developed that commercial saw a lovely captivating dog. Those of us with dog experience saw it and understood why the Beardie was laughing.

So in the glory of the moment I think of my Beardie and what she would do at one of my long boring meetings. "Make the most of the moment," she would say.

Thank you, Dog, for that reminder.

If you are still talking about what you did yesterday, you haven't done much today. ~Author Unknown

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN BEARDED COLLIE CONNECTION  
MEMBERSHIP ROSTER, MAY 1, 2010**

Linda Abramczyk (A)  
40410 Fathom Dr.  
Steamboat Spgs, CO 80487  
970-879-5633  
Abramczyk747@msn.com

Mark & Gloria Beaty (R-J)  
4304 Mesa Verde Dr.  
Greeley, CO 80634  
970-515-5800  
MBeaty2@hotmail.com  
Glow51@hotmail.com

Marcie & Allen Beecroft (A)  
231. W. Oraibi Dr.  
Phoenix, AZ 85027  
623-582-0191  
mbeecroft@q.com

Tammy Begler (A)  
131 Kona Trail  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
719-321-0165  
tbegler@msn.com

Jan Berger (R-I)  
838 Stony Mesa Place  
Castle Rock, CO 80108  
303-814-3909  
JanB@14k9.com

Al Bielski (R-I)  
4058 Shoshone St.  
Denver, CO 80211  
303-458-5917  
waytome@comcast.net

Joyce Ann Burgett (R-I)  
4 Martin Lane  
Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113  
303-806-6447  
winberle@comcast.net  
Kennel: Winberlee

Doug and Pat Clark (A)  
8279 W. Calhoun Dr.  
Littleton, CO 80123  
303-979-2240  
pat\_clark@juno.com

Jill & Dean Floberg (R-J)  
6421 W. Morrairie Place  
Littleton, CO 80128  
303-948-0071  
brightybeardie@aol.com  
Kennel: Tan-A-Cort

Candace & Daniel Hepner (R-J)  
13650 Silverton Dr.  
Broomfield, CO 80020  
303-499-8520 (P)  
Woodsong5@comcast.net  
Kennel: Woodsong

C. Renee Jarrett (R-I)  
450 Green Mountain Dr.  
Loveland, CO 80537  
970-667-8293  
razchaunce@aol.com  
Kennel: Mik-Ren

Ruth Jerum (A)  
PO Box 596  
Springer, NM 87747  
575-483-2674  
Kennel: Blu Chip

Donna Johnson (A)  
PO Box 101  
Fort Peck, MT 59223  
406-698-0528  
mtbeardie@yahoo.com  
Kennel: BeauChien

Russ & Janet Kittel (R-J)  
2290 S. Holman Circle  
Lakewood, CO 80228-5936  
303-987-1053  
kittels1@comcast.net

Kim Krueger (R-I)  
5708 Rainbow Creek Rd.  
Sedalia, CO 80135  
720-308-2216  
grendeldog@att.net

Olivia & Norm Lazarus (R-J)  
6715 E. Villanova Place  
Denver, CO 80224  
303-756-6695  
oandnLazarus@yahoo.com

Jody Martin (R-I)  
PO Box 973  
Georgetown, CO 80444  
303-569-3187  
JMartin973@aol.com

Nan Matthews (R-I)  
2687 E. Fremont Place  
Centennial, CO 80122  
303-843-6414  
nan@themattgrp.com

Patricia McDonald (A)  
130 Keister Lane  
Duncansville, PA 16635  
814-317-7233  
chelsicbeardies@aol.com  
Kennel: Chelsic

MaryLou McLeod (A)  
1662 Haywood Rd.  
Perkiomenville, PA 18074  
215-234-4215  
hayewood@comcast.net  
Kennel: Haywood

Don & Elodji Means (R-J)  
P.O. Box 1947  
Elizabeth, CO 80107  
303-646-9638  
demeans@msn.com  
Kennel: Donalea

Robert & JoAnn Morris (A)  
600 E. Hopkins, Suite 304  
Aspen, CO 81611  
970-920-3343  
robertmorris@sopris.net

Pam Morton (R-I)  
3160 E. 165th Ave.  
Brighton, CO 80602  
303-452-8734  
pammorton6@aol.com

Meg Naylor & Michael Bain (R-J)  
7838 S. Zeno St.  
Centennial, CO 80016  
303-400-1993  
naylormk@mho.com  
Kennel: Gemineye

Helen O'Connor & Gail Wall (R-J)  
1104 E. Ivory Dr.  
Pueblo West, CO 81007  
719-564-6264  
beardie@rmi.net  
Kennel: Westwind

Jo Parker (H)  
712 Independence Dr.  
Longmont, CO 80501  
303-678-8221  
parcana@juno.com  
Kennel: Parcana

Linda Peters (A)  
4627 First Street Dr.  
Greeley, CO 80634  
970-353-9282  
ljvhp@comcast.net

Michael T. Pottow & Rita Sturm (A)  
716 Don Gaspar  
Santa Fe, NM 87505  
505-989-8684  
mtpottow@catronlaw.com  
Kennel: Mystic

Albert & Kathy Reed (R-J)  
11290 Fairfax Ct.  
Thornton, CO 80233  
303-450-5309  
Kathy\_Reed25@msn.com

Francis & Peggy Reed (R-J)  
458 Lorraway Dr.  
Castle Rock, CO 80108-9066  
303-660-2345  
peggyb2345@msn.com

Jennifer Sanders (R-I)  
250 Bridle Dr.  
Woodland Park., CO 80863  
719-659-3439  
beardiegirl@gmail.com

John & Jan Schefcik (R-J)  
5790 S. Hannibal Way  
Centennial, CO 80015  
303-690-6634  
jvsbooks@msn.com

Kay Schulz (R-I)  
8155 Pontiac  
Commerce City, CO 80022  
303-219-6644  
kayschulz1@gmail.com  
Kennel: Kayne

Nancy Shock (R-I)  
6759 Ingalls St.  
Arvada, CO 80003  
303-940-7961  
nashock@juno.com  
Kennel: Hermosa Mtn.

Laura Tappero (R-I)  
303 S. Broadway, Suite B-506  
Denver, CO 80209  
303-638-9274  
Shanaspree@aol.com  
Kennel: Shanaspree

Kathy Thomas (R-I)  
1007 S. Summit View Dr.  
Fort Collins, CO 80524  
970-482-2117  
beardies1234@msn.com  
Kennel: Summit

Judi Thorup (R-I)  
1000 Engleman Place  
Loveland, CO 80538  
970-669-5227  
jtngt@aol.com

Mike & Becky Tupa (R-J)  
325 Leeward Court  
Fort Collins, CO 80525-3123  
970-226-6663  
tupamj@aol.com  
becky2pa@aol.com  
Kennel: Amherst

Betty Jo Walker (R-I)  
1472 Cassin Ct.  
Boulder, CO 80303  
720-350-4133  
beardiel23@gmail.com  
Kennel: Brynmar

Janine Warheit (A)  
145 River Springs Dr.  
Seguin, TX 78155-0177  
830-557-5600  
Figments@earthlink.net

Jennifer Wentworth & Mark Stevens (R-J)  
1244 Lipan St.  
Denver, CO 80204  
303-877-5913  
jenwent@yahoo.com

Marta Witt (R-I)  
11955 E. Ford Dr  
Aurora, CO 80012  
303-341-6174  
beardies@q.com  
Kennel: Ballistic Beardies

Janet & Russell Wood (R-J)  
3465 S. Otis Court  
Lakewood, CO 80227  
303-716-0339  
JWoodGardener@gmail.com  
Greyowl.co@gmail.com

Sally Yerger & Jerry Gordon (R-J)  
915 Rainlilly Lane  
Boulder, CO 80304  
303-546-0697  
Sallyyerger@comcast.net

Lynn & Vince Zagarella (R-J)  
1620 Stagecoach Circle  
Elizabeth, CO 80107  
303-646-9838  
bisbubby@aol.com  
Kennel: Ragtyme

Kathy & Jon Zeschin (R-J)  
58 Cherry Hills Farm Dr.  
Englewood, CO 80113  
303-789-3523  
Kathy@zeschin.org