

RMBCCC Beardie Works February 2021

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BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR: Laura Tappero

While my duties as chair might make you believe I am the bearer of bad news, let me reassure you that I can bring good news also. Especially the good news as it pertains to your beardies accomplishments. But, and this is the biggy. *I can only do this - if you the membership - lets me know.*

We all mourn when we lose our beloved pets or a family member. It's important that to know how much your sadness at this time is shared.

If you have news for me, good or sad, please e-mail me @ Shanaspree@Q.com

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From Our President

Dear RMBCCC Members:

We made it through 2020 – and I am very hopeful that 2021 will start to be a return to something like “normal.” But in spite of Covid, the club held three events last year – all of which were well attended and quite successful.

Sunday, August 30 - Annual RMBCCC Picnic “with a Difference” Wearing masks and socially distanced, we had an excellent turnout for our annual picnic. We brought our own lunches with the club providing refreshments plus some fabulous cookie! The Beardies as always had a grand time running and barking and playing, and the humans loved the chance to interact with friends in person.

We were pleased to present the Annual Special Recognition Award to Norm and Olivia Lazarus.

Saturday, October 17- Herding Instinct Test We couldn’t have asked for a more beautiful Colorado day for the Herding Instinct Test at Carrie Spark’s farm in Elizabeth. Our thanks to Meg Naylor who did a fantastic job organizing, recruiting helpers, and purchasing the very handsome ribbons. And another giant thanks to Elodji and Don Means who invited us all to their home for what was a phenomenal buffet lunch. They truly outdid themselves and must admit everyone went back for seconds...and maybe thirds.

Saturday, December 12 – Howliday Zoom Yappy Hour With the realities of Covid, we decided not to hold our annual Holiday Party and setup a Zoom meeting instead. We had over 20 people join us for a most fun evening. Everyone submitted favorite recipes to share – go to the RMBCCC webpage to download a copy. We asked for fun, silly Beardie pictures and with Share Your Screen we all got to see and hear stories about our wonderful dogs in a variety of settings and poses. And then to top everything off, we had two online, virtual Bingo games with prizes! It wasn’t live...but it sure was fun!

The Board is meeting this month to make plans for 2021, and we’ll send out a calendar shortly. As always, if there is anything - from Zoom to possibly in person – event/class that you’d like the Club to address this year, please let us know.

Thanks!



Nan Matthews, President

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NEED WEB ADMINISTRATOR

After many years of being our web administrator and most recently updating the webpage, Meg Naylor has decided to step down from this responsibility. So, this is a Want Ad to our RMBCCC members to hopefully find someone else who can take over for her.

The administration duties do not take a lot of time, but the key component of the job is being familiar with or willingness to learn WordPress - the program "behind" our web. Meg will be happy to share the duties with anyone interested.

Check out the webpage at <https://rmbcc.info/>

If you're interested, please contact Nan Matthews, nan@themattgrp.com, 303-843-6414.

RMBCCC Annual Meeting Minutes - Aug 30, 2020

The in-person meeting was held at DeKoevend Park in Centennial and commenced at 11:00 am.
Present:

Linda Abramczyk
Kirsti and Brooks Sweeney
Karen Deitke
Laura Tappero
Russ and Janet Kittel
Jan and Greek Taylor
Kim Krueger
Tim and Leise Tetherow

Olivia Lazarus
Terry and Regan Warnick
Jody Martin
Marta Witt
Nan Matthews
Kathy and Jon Zeschin
Meg Naylor and Michael Bain

President Nan Matthews welcomed everyone and asked that they introduce themselves, tell how long they've been in the club and how many Beardies they have.

President's Report

Thanked Meg Naylor for her work in getting the webpage updated and allowing the club to have access in order to make changes/updates when needed.

Updates to Constitution – Nan outlined two issues which the Board is recommending two change in our Constitution. First - Removing the "100-mile radius" for regular members and replacing it with Colorado. Second - changing wording from always mailing proposed changes to the members via the postal service to sending and requesting responses via email. Olivia Lazarus will edit the wording and forward to Deb McAlister to mail out to the members.

New Events

Nan mentioned several possible Zoom or live, if possible, events discussed at the Board Zoom Meeting on

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August 29. Those of interest were: therapy dog information, how to groom your dog, and nose work. The Board will work on moving forward with setting these up.

Treasurer's report

Ending balance: \$9306.25

Herding

Meg Naylor reminded everyone that the herding instinct test will be Saturday, October 17, 2020. She will send notices out in early September. She asked for a show of hands as to whose dogs might be taking the test and for people to help out. It will be only for Beardies. The event will be at Carrie Sparks place in Elizabeth. She indicated that Russ Kittel & Beardie Lexie were willing to give a demonstration! Russ has been competing in herding with his Beardie(s) for a number of years.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am

Respectfully,

Jody Martin, standing in for Deb McAlister

After the meeting was formally adjourned, Nan presented Olivia Lazarus with some fall flowers thanking her for the six years she served as president.

Olivia Lazarus and Kathy Zeschin handed out the plaques for the 2019 awards.

Kathy Zeschin read the submission for the 2019 Special Recognition Award which was given to Olivia and Norm Lazarus for their contribution to the club and presented Olivia with their plaque.

Braggs and Wags

Colleen Fitzgerald and Cormac

We acquired a 4 year old Beardie boy, Cormac almost a year ago. He came to us very well behaved and is quite the charmer as most Beardie's are, but we still thought we should take a basic obedience class with him. At the same time we also moved away from the Front Range and access to many dog trainers that we were familiar with. After a brief search of trainers in the Buena Vista and Salida area we discovered the Ouray Working Dog Club (OWDC) in Salida. www.ouraywdc.org and on Facebook. OWDC is an all-breed, multi disciplinary dog training club. Members train in the sports of IPO (schutzhund) monioring and AKC/UKC and areas of competition including obedience, rally and agility. Although the majority of the clinics focus on the sport of schutzhund, the owner, Marsha Boggs also offers group and private obedience classes.

We started classes last June and at the end of each session Marsha tested our pups per AKC requirements. Once we completed a session we moved on to bigger and more difficult skills. It has been 7 months and we are hooked. Not only have the classes been fun and rewarding but the knowledge we have gained from Marsha on how to "bond" with our dog and be better dog owners is invaluable. We are more confident and also have a more confident dog. Honestly, we thought the class would simply just teach him

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new skills. Never did we realize how much the training would change us and improve our dog's behavior. Again, this is a dog that came to us with some really good behaviors. His attentiveness, willingness to try new things and his ability to want to please has really come through due to the training.

We still go weekly as weather allows. The training area is outdoors with plenty of space to be Covid safe throughout the class. Our group has now progressed to training outside the facility. Our dogs are learning body balance by jumping on rocks and over obstacles. We have been teaching them how to sit under benches and to calmly address other dogs as they walk by. There have been so many skills that Marsha has taught us. She has given us tips on how to be trail safe. She often sends us videos and other resources to support our training. Each week we check in and she addresses specific areas that we ask.

Marsha and OWDC have made our transition- new dog, new house and new community- a wonderful experience. Her love and devotion for all dogs (and owners) is obvious. We can't wait to see what the future holds for us.



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Meg Naylor and Paisley Congratulations!

Wigglesworth Daybar Groovy Kind Of Love RN HT OA NAJ ACT2 CGC TKI

Paisley has found a few things to do during Covid times, albeit some were virtual. She got her Intermediate Trick Title in the spring of 2020, completed her 3 new agility titles during the summer and fall of 2020, earned her AKC Herding Tested and BCCA Herding Instinct Test in October, finished her Novice Rally title virtually in November, and her Canine Good Citizen test in December.



Karen Dietke and Linus Congratulations!

Congratulations to Karen and Linus. Karen Deitke and Linus will be heading to Tulsa Oklahoma in March to compete in the AKC national championships.



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Olivia Lazarus and Luke Congratulations!

GCHB CH Woodsong Tangled Up In Blue RN FDC NA NAJ NF OFP SWN THDX RATO CGCA TKI owned by Olivia & Norm Lazarus. On November 9th Luke got his Rally Novice Title. He did it virtually following the AKC Instructions.



Karen Deitke and Kindle Congratulations!

Kindle earned her AKC Agility Open Jumpers Title and Open Standard Title



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Kathy Zeschin and Merle

Merle (Sebring Mama Tried) got his HIC at the October RMBCC herding instinct test. A big thank you to both Meg for putting together a great event and our terrific judge Carrie who was so helpful and encouraging to this young guy in his first encounter with sheep.



Laura Tappero and Mia

Shanasree Bearded Collies has a new Champion! CH Shanasree's Gift of Life, HIC. She also got her HIC in October.



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Herding Instinct Test - Oct 17, 2020

Our club, the Rocky Mountain Bearded Collie Connection, hosted BCCA Herding Instinct Test on October 17, 2020. Boy, did we luck out with a beautiful Colorado day! The location was Hachita Farms in Elizabeth, CO. Our judge and owner of this beautiful ranch is Carrie Sparks, an experienced judge for both AKC and AHBC.

The Herding Instinct Test is a pass/fail test that assesses that potential herding capability of the dog. The Beardie need not be trained. In order to pass, the Beardie should show interest with confidence in the stock, but not appear aggressive.

Total entry for the day was twelve Beardies. A great entry for our little local Beardie club! Each dog received about ten minutes in the arena with three sheep. We had nine Beardies that qualified, so a seventy-five percent pass rate. For those passing, a certificate was awarded by the Bearded Collie Club of America.

At the end of the instinct tests, we had our fellow experienced herding RMBCCC member, Russ Kittel, do a demo for us with his Beardie, Lexie. This gave those interested in continuing with herding an idea of what can be done, with instruction and dedication.

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As luck had it, Don and Elodji lived only a few minutes away from our herding site and they invited us over for lunch after our herding event. Many thanks to the Means' for treating us to a yummy lunch!

For those that did not pass the HIT, it often takes a couple or more times for a dog to "turn on", so be sure to give it another try. The club will certainly look at having another Herding Instinct Test in the future.



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Dear Aunt Beardie,

Lately, our people stay at home with us almost all of the time, but they seem too busy to play with us. I do not understand why they don't want to play with us all day, even when I keep bringing them my toys and ball to ask for a play time.

Sincerely,
Wanda Playmor

Dear Wanda,

My people are at home with us too. They sit at their desks almost the entire day. At first, I thought they stayed home all day to play with us but my person kept saying something about "work." My person showed me how to find my "place" next to her where I am to lie down while she works at her desk. (I convinced her to put a cushion on the floor at my "place"). Now I am showing the little ones how to stay at their "place" until our person is ready to take us outside or play with us.

Sincerely Yours,
Aunt Beardie

Dear Aunt Beardie,

Me and my big sister mostly understand what our people tell us to do at home. But sometimes when we go for a walk or to our favorite pet food store, they wear covers over their mouth and nose and I cannot understand what they are saying to us. (It sounds like muffruffwuumff.) I just cock my head and wonder what they are saying.

Sincerely,
Kandi Hearmenow

Dear Kandi,

I know what you mean about the muffled words coming from under your people's face covers. I need to listen very carefully too. And I tell my little ones to watch our people's body language and listen to their tone of voice. Most of the time, our people use a happy, light hearted tone of voice when something fun is about to happen. If you use your understanding of your people's routine, watch their body language, and listen for the tone of voice, you will get better at understanding what they are trying to say.

Sincerely Yours,
Aunt Beardie

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BEARDIE MINUTE

by Mike Tupa

Well, time for another minute of my thoughts on Bearded Collies, humans and that interaction we all have come to enjoy.

This past year we have all come to know our Beardie better while working at home or just quarantined from the spread of a pandemic disease. And I have some thoughts to share, probably not original thoughts but worth considering at this time. First let's think about how 2020 looks and affects our dogs and then consider what it means to us.

Dogs are creatures with great empathy (no news to our readers) and their awareness of our concern over the virus spread, masks, vaccine's, along with the political confusion earlier this year have us cuddled with our dogs and remaining home more than normal. That morning trip to the coffee shop means we remain in the car for them to deliver it to us. Weekly trips to the grocery store also means we remain in the car waiting for the store to return with the groceries. All this we are wearing masks, keeping contact to a minimum and washing our hands all the time.

Our dogs get more hug time, more treat delivered games and no dog shows or classes. For them it certainly means less dog-dog socialization and a closer bond with us humans. But I think it also means they get a chance to teach us new activities.

Last summer our Beardie, Abbey, started an evening "game" of roaming the house to see what is out of place and if it is "not supposed to be there" she will pick it up and bring it to one of us. Papers, magazines, trash, water bottles, gloves, anything. Like she's cleaning an already clean house keeping it to her standards. Of course, we trade those items for a little bit of kibble and maybe that's what she has taught us to do. And maybe that's what these past 9-10 months has produced. Humans learning to give treats to dogs in trade for cute doggie "tricks."

I do wish that we could speak the same language. She's barking if someone is at the front door, if the squirrel runs the back yard fence, if she's feeling frisky, if I'm walking down the stairs, or if I pick up my wallet and keys to go for a drive. She's on it, barking to tell me something. I don't understand why she's barking or what she's saying but eventually we move on and she's part of the activity. Another is a low wine at the door which I know means "time to go out." At night a fluff, scratch and staring directly into my face means "time to go out" and I dutifully bundle up to take her out.

I have a feeling that if this quarantine lasts much longer, I will have figured what her 12 bark "paragraph" is telling me and maybe we can cut it down to 6 barks. For now, I'm happy she shares. (I've been thinking maybe it's a form of herding... she's driving me to get my shoes on, grab the keys and go for a Pup-a-chino from Starbucks.

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What have I learned from this closer time with Abbey? It's that she needs human closeness as well and seems to grow closer because of it. Whether it's cuddled up in the bed at night or snuggled on the couch to watch the evening news. Our girl has us convinced that not only do our activities happen with her but always happen because of her. I kinda like this arrangement.

Oh, before I forget, my phone has an app that watches the front steps and when someone comes to the door or just passes by on the walk my phone will vibrate a bit. Well, Abbey now knows that when the phone vibrates to that special sequence, she is bark-bark at the door even before the doorbell rings. Maybe I should get her a phone of her own?

Everything Dog LLC – Dog Training in Loveland Coming Soon!

Hi RMBCC Members:

I was asked to write up an exciting news item coming up soon. I have been a member of this club for lots of years and happy to see you all are still a part of a great club.

I have been doing dog training classes up here in Loveland for over 9 years and the place I was doing them closed. So, four other women (that were and are clients and now good friends) decided that Northern Colorado needed to have a "dog mecca" center. The closing pushed us into hunting a new place which we are doing right now in the Loveland area.

The name of our business is **EVERYTHING DOG L.L.C.** We are finishing up our logo, website, deciding on classes, filing with the state and federal government. Hopefully, I will be able to share where our place will be soon.

With four instructors we will be offering lots of classes -- Puppy Manners/STAR, Beyond Puppy , CCG and advance levels, Tricks , Rally signs and Rally drop in , 4 levels of Conformation (the 4th one is for the mental requirements in the group rings --- when we have shows again), Impulse Control levels 1 and 2, Parkour, training from Sue Alsbey, Scent, Nose work , Farm dog, Massage, Eric Salas methods, help humans understand how dogs think, emotional intelligence for both parties, how dogs learn,

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cooperative care at the vets and groomers, dancing with your dog, beginning obedience BN through a CD.

Plus, we hope to have health seminars, grooming seminars, breed matches, kennel meetings, renting our facility to work a dog, drop in rally and conformation and if we have outside room, we would like to offer nose work, farm dog (even getting titles), general scent work, barn hunt and maybe even dock diving == this is depending on if we have enough outside area.

So, I hope to give out more information once we are set up in the Loveland area.

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In Memory

Freedo Rieseberg



Freedo Vernon Rieseberg went home to Jesus on August 2, 2020. He was born January 29, 1939 in New York City, to German immigrants Otto and Kaethe (Stoever) Rieseberg, who had narrowly escaped the Hitler regime. As a first generation American, he was named for the FREEDOM they had fled to America for.

He became a “man of the West,” moving to Colorado in 1964 with a wife and young daughter. He loved to collect and trade firearms, favored Arabian horses, and was involved with breeding, raising, and showing dogs of various breeds for decades. He had a pilot’s license and flew small planes, often to his cattle ranch in Montana. With the cowboy spirit, and fiercely independent, he was multi-talented and mostly self-employed. He also worked at IBM, and Ball Aerospace before building his own machine shop and working independently as a tool and die maker. He no doubt has built parts that went to space.

Most recently Freedo was active in the Green Mill Sportman’s Club, Flatirons Kennel Club, Boulder Elks Lodge, and the IBM Toolmakers monthly lunch. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to these, or one of his favorite charities, the St. Labre Indian School in Ashland, Montana, and the St. Joseph Indian School in Chamberlain, South Dakota.

Freedo and Betty were married November 29, 1980. Betty had been involved with the Bearded Collies also for several years and they continued the legacy begun by Freedo years earlier with his second wife. In 2000 they were presented with the Founders Award from the Dogs of the British Isles, and remained very active in the Flatirons Kennel Club for many years.

Born November 25, 1935, Betty (Myers) Rieseberg went home to Jesus January 9, 2016. She is survived by her daughter, Linda (Boston), son-in-law Noel, and grandson Nick.

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Freedo is survived by his daughter, Dawn (Creason), three granddaughters, all their husbands, seven great-grandchildren, and many friends. He is preceded in death by wife Barbara (Hagen), both parents, granddaughter Andrea (Urmann), brother Reinald, wife Betty (Myers), and countless friends..

In case anybody still wants to send a donation to one of the Indian schools, the acknowledgement should be sent to me at 349 Marwood Rd, Cabot PA 16023.

Happy trails ...

Dawn R Creason
Shoebox Bookkeeping
Voice/Text 724-991-2992

CH Woodsong Doris Daring RA HSAs FDC NA NAJ CGCA TKI ROM VX



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2010 Bearded Collie Top Dam 2013 Ryan Award Novice A JWW Agility
May 16, 2004 – November 19, 2019

Doris was our first Bearded Collie and our first show Dog. We had such wonderful adventures taking her to shows in several states and getting a chance to visit many National Parks. Doris loved staying in

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hotels and having bacon and eggs for breakfast. She loved showing and all the attention she received. She loved applause. She received 3 group placements before receiving her championship.

After finishing her championship Norm took her sheep herding. Norm couldn't keep her out of the ring with the sheep. She loved sheep herding. At 3years old we bred her, and she had a litter of seven puppies 4 of which got their championship. She went on to compete in many other sports such as Rally, Agility, Trick Dog, and Barn Hunt. What a great life we shared with her. She is missed by us and will be forever in our hearts.