



*Rocky Mountain
Bearded Collie Connection*

Beardie Works

July 2024



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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, let me know.*

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

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



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From Our President, Nancy Shock, July 2024

I hope all of you have found a good way to be cool this summer. Bear and my mom's cat, Mittens, know that the coolest room in the house is in the Dining Room, the same room that has our window air conditioner in it. Smart puppy and smart kitty.

Thank you to Colleen Fitzgerald Chair and Becky Tupa and Kathy Zeschin for serving on the Nominating Committee this year. Also Thank You to Nan Matthews for organizing the picnic again they year. I heard that you had a wonderful time.

Also, I'd like to Thank Nan for such a wonderful job she does on our Newsletter... the one she produced in April was Extra Special!!!! Well done.

The RMBCC Board of Directors will be having our yearly organizational meeting later this summer. Please let me know if you'd like to coordinate any specific events, serve or chair any of your committees, or have a fun Beardie related idea you'd like us to do.

Take care all and stay cool,

Nancy (and Bear and Mittens-the twins)





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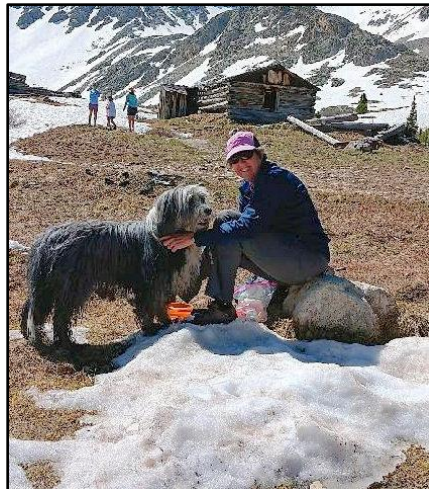
BRAGGS AND WAGGS

Meg Naylor – Pepper



Pepper got her first title! CGC (Canine Good Citizen). Good girl.

Colleen Fitzgerald – Cormac



Well, I don't have any wags, brags or accomplishments but Cormac and I have been enjoying our hikes. This one is up Mayflower Gulch. He got to enjoy puddles and lots of snow.



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BJ Walker – Cooper



This is Cooper on September 15, 2023, when he got his second leg in Rally Novice. He earned his title with a virtual leg in our back yard in April 2024.

Nan Matthews – Skye



Four of the Beardies at our weekly Rally class have earned their CGC this year: Tosh (Jill Floberg); Roy (Olivia Lazarus), Pepper (Meg Naylor) and Skye (Nan Matthews). Congratulations to them all!

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Roy – Olivia and Norm Lazarus BEST OF BREED!!



Roy got his CGC on May 13th at 9 months old.

At the Plum Creek Kennel Club Dog Show **Roy** got **Best in Breed** all three days plus points towards his championship.

Beardies Waiting for Their Turn at Rally Class



Watching while their owners set up a course, the five Rally class
Beardies are ready to go!!



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RMBCC's Annual Summer Picnic Sunday, May 19, 2024



As always, the Summer Picnic is the highlight of the year....particularly for the dogs who run...and jump...and play...and greet their fellow Beardies. The weather was perfect, food tasty, and everyone there enjoyed catching up on how the year was going.



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They've Gone to the Rainbow Bridge

We've recently said goodbye to one of our Beardies, and below are a picture and memories from their owner.



CH PACH2 Meadows' Emerald At Gemineye CD RAE HT FDC AX AXJ MXP7 MXPG MJP6 PAX2 MFP THDN CGC TKI MV

I was so lucky to share my life with EMIE for almost 16 years. We spent so much time together over the years practicing and competing in conformation, agility, obedience, rally and herding. She was a conformation CH, as well as an agility CH twice. She was also awarded the prestigious Master of Versatility award from the BCCA.

EMIE was a sweet girl and a joy to live with. I'll have so many wonderful memories.

Thanks to Beardie friends for their condolences.

Meg Naylor

Fast CAT



Fast CAT stands for Coursing Ability Test. It's a timed 100-yard dash where dogs run one at a time, chasing a lure. No training is needed!

When you participate, you need a person to release the dog, and someone to catch them at the finish.

Dakota is close to finishing her Beginner title, BCAT. It's really a fun activity with your dog, and it's obvious the dogs love it. If you have an interest in participating, just let me know. It would be fun to have a Beardie group get together at an upcoming event.

Here's a photo of Dakota from one of her runs.

Meg Naylor



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AUNT BEARDIE



Dear Aunt Beardie,

Dear Aunt Beardie,

My humans are talking about July 4th like it is something to plan for. Like, they are talking about keeping us safe. Like, safe from what? What should I do?

Sincerely,

Patriot (alias Pat)

Dear Patriot/Pat,

I believe your humans are addressing the 4th of July fireworks that make loud noises. They are working on ways to keep you safe. Your humans may be planning to keep you in a safe place like the house, kennel, or your special safe place. Maybe they plan to turn on music, fans, TV, or use a Thunder shirt. Sometimes I have even used a slug fitting T shirt or tank top to calm my relatives. My grandpa was not bothered by fireworks as a young pup, but as he got much older, he did not like the big booms. Snuggling up to your humans to let them comfort you is a good way to feel safe.

Some of my Beardie family like to play ball in a quiet place like a basement to distract from the noise outside. Maybe you can bring your ball to your humans to “suggest” they play ball with you. Tell your humans to do whatever makes you feel safe when the big boomers disturb the peace on the days surrounding the very loud holiday.

In Aunt B’s experience, July 4th is a high anxiety day and night for dogs and dog loving humans. But the days before and after the holiday are just as unnerving. There is always someone who shoots off an early boom or two before the big day.

And in Aunt Beardie’s neighborhood, the unaware humans must feel the need to shoot off the leftover fireworks for several days after July 4th. My advice, Patriot, is do not be fooled by the seeming peace and quiet after the holiday. Tell your humans to continue keeping you and your pup friends safe and aware of the potential surprise boomers. Head for your safe place. Bring a toy to your humans to play a game to distract from noise.

My advice for your humans is the same; be aware of the surprise boom-bangs. Anticipate and be present and comforting for the Beardies, whatever it takes.

Sincerely,

Aunt Beardie



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2023 AWARDS

Karen Dietke

MACH Sebring Light My Fire BN RA MXB MJB XF ACT1 CGC TKN

Agility FAST Excellent – 2023
Master Bronze Jumper – 2023
Master Agility Champion - 2023
Rally Advanced - 2023

PACH2 Linus CD BN RAE OA OAJ MXP7 MXPS MJP11 MJPC PAX2 MFP T2BP THDN CGC TKI

Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 10 – 2023
Master Century Jumper Preferred – 2023
Master Agility Excellent Preferred 7 – 2023
Preferred Agility Champion 2 – 2023
Preferred Agility Excellent 2 - 2023
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 11 – 2023
Master Gold Agility Preferred - 2023

Colleen Fitzgerald

CH WindFiddler's Still Crusin TKA CGCA CGCU

Advanced Trick Dog – 2023

Jill Floberg

Heartstone The Mist Is In The Air

BCCA Herding Instinct - 2023

Kim Krueger

Risa Spindrift Fairy Dust HT FDC NAJ ACT1 ACT1J TKN

Versatility Award – 2023
Novice Agility Jumper – 2023

Risa Caramel Frappuccino RA PT FDC OA AXJ NJP NF TKN

Novice Agility Jumper Preferred – 2023
Open Agility Jumper Preferred - 2023

Olivia and Norm Lazarus

GCHB CH Woodsong Tangled Up In Blue RN FDC NA NAJ OFP SWN THDD RATO CGCA TKI HIC VX

Andrew Award 2022 - 2023

Molly McNamara

Orion's Starfire RI PT BCAT SWA RATN TKA BN-V VHMA VSWB FITG VX

FIT Dog Bronze - 2023
Rally Intermediate – 2023
FIT Dog Silver – 2023
FIT Dog Gold - 2023



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Scent Work Interior Advanced – 2023
Scent Work Buried Advanced – 2023
Scent Work Container Advanced – 2023
Scent Work Advanced - 2023
Novice Barn Hunt - 2023

GCH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander CD BN RE HSAs FDC SWN SENE CGC TKI ATT VSWB FITG

Companion Dog – 2023
Scent Work Interior Novice – 2023
Scent Work Exterior Novice – 2023
Scent Work Buried Novice – 2023
FIT Dog Silver – 2023
FIT Dog Gold – 2023
Scent Work Container Novice – 2023
Scent Work Novice – 2023
Scent Work Exterior Novice Elite - 2023

Mccrystal Moonlark Of Orion RE HT FDC CGC TKI ATT BN-V VHMA VSWB FITG

FIT Dog Bronze 2023
FIT Dog Silver – 2023
FIT Dog Gold – 2023
Rally Excellent – 2023
Farm Dog Certified - 2023

Nan Matthews

Rose of Skye Isle

BCCA Herding Instinct – 2023

Meg Naylor

CH Wigglesworth Gemineye Thanks 4 Masking FDC OA OAJ OF CGC TKN

BCCA Herding Instinct - 2023
Champion – 2023

CH Wigglesworth Daybar Groovy Kind Of Love CD RM RAE HT FDC AX AXJ OF ACT2 CGCA TKI

Agility Excellent – 2023
Companion Dog – 2023
Rally Advanced Excellent – 2023
Rally Master – 2023
Agility Fast Open - 2023

Gemineye Spice of Life

BCCA Herding Instinct - 2023

Nancy Shock

Gemineye's Joy Of Hermosa Mtn RI

Rally Intermediate – 2023



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Becky and Mike Tupa

CH Britannia Abbey Road BN RA FDC SWN CGC TKP

Beginner Novice – 2023
Scent Work Container Novice – 2023
Scent Work Interior Novice – 2023
Scent Work Buried Novice – 2023
Scent Work Exterior Novice – 2023
Scent Work Novice – 2023
Rally Advanced – 2023
Versatility Excellent Award - 2023

B.J. Walker

Shanaspree N Brynmar Gift Of Skydanz CGC TKP

Trick Dog Advanced - 2023
Trick Dog Performer - 2023

Terry & Reagan Warnick

Hearthstone Raise The Flag Trooper

BCCA Herding Instinct – 2023

Marta Witt

Shanaspree's High Hopes

BCCA Herding Instinct – 2023