



*Rocky Mountain
Bearded Collie Connection*

Beardie Works
July 2025



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	Awards: Kathy Zeschin Olivia Lazarus	Newsletter: Nan Matthews
	Constitution/Standing Rules: Nancy Shock	Obedience/Rally: Meg Naylor
	Herding: Meg Naylor	Barn Hunt: Olivia Lazarus
	Therapy Dogs/Scent Work: Norm Lazarus Olivia Lazarus	Membership/Insurance/Taxes Meg Naylor
	Condolences: Laura Tappero	

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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RMBCC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you are enjoying your Summer.

I want to thank Nancy Shock our past President for all that she has done for the RMBCC.

We had a fun time at our Herding Instinct on May 23rd. The weather was perfect, and the Beardies enjoyed their time with the sheep. Thank you, Meg Naylor, for organizing this event.

Our next event is our picnic on August 3rd at DeKoevend Park, I look forward to seeing you and your Beardies there. I know Roy can't wait to go.

Our Panda has turned 17 ½ years old and when I think of her Titles and awards she has won over the years her best accomplishment is that we still have her at her age.

I want to send our Get Well wishes to Jill Floberg and Laura Tappero for their continued recovery.

I also wanted Jill Floberg to know we are all thinking of her with the passing of her daughter Kelli.



Olivia Lazarus

APRIL 12, 2025 RMBCC BOARD MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM via Zoom.

Secretary's report, Deb McAlister-The amended minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's report, Karen Deitke-Balance of \$5610.05. Annual dues bring in \$700-\$800 each year. Meg Naylor projected that the club has enough funds for approximately 3 years.

Committee Reports

Picnic, Nan Matthews & Colleen Fitzgerald-the picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 3 at DeKoevend Park. 6301 S. University Blvd., Centennial.

Membership, Meg Naylor-Venmo is now accepted for payment of dues.



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Hospitality, Colleen Fitzgerald-Colleen will investigate having a Beardies & Brew event.

Officers-Membership voted on new officers.

President: Olivia Lazarus

VP/Past president: Nancy Shock

Secretary: Deb McAlister

Treasurer: Karen Dietke

Year 2 of 2-year board seat: Meg Naylor

Year 1 of 2-year board seat: Kathy Zeschin

Year 1 of 2-year board seat: Colleen Fitzgerald

Other Committees

Programs and activities were reviewed and discussed.

The board meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Deb McAlister, secretary

KINDLE INVITED TO AKC AGILITY INVITATIONALS



Kindle, "CH MACH2 Sebring Light My Fire BN RE MXS MJS XF T2B ACT1 CGC TKN" has qualified for the AKC Agility Invitationals to be held in December in Orlando Florida.

Only the top 5 dogs of every breed in the country from the qualifying season of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 are invited to compete.

So thrilled to be competing at this level with Kindle, beyond my wildest dreams!

Karen Deitke

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BRAGGS AND WAGGS

Dana and Chuck Laursen – Jolene



Our 13-month-old baby, Jolene (Lone Star’s “Bless Your Heart”), was awarded her first Major by judge Edna Gonzalez at the Roaring Fork competition held in Castle Rock on Saturday, July 12, 2025. She seems to enjoy the ring, with her first win occurring at the Flatirons competition in Longmont on June 8th. Jolene loves her handler, Lizzy, and has gained a great deal of confidence working with her, Renee Jarrett, and the team at Everything Dog in Loveland. We can’t wait to see her continue to grow and enjoy her time at shows with other Beardies.

Jill Floberg - Tosh



On May 4th Tosh completed her 3rd leg to earn her Rally Novice Title
 We can now refer to her as
 Heartstone The Mist Is In The Air FDC CGC
 TKN RN.

Tosh is owned by Jill Floberg, Celli Jones and her Breeders, Suzanne Easley Buck and Bill Buck.

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BJ Walker - Cooper



See all those toys? And you're sitting on the couch?

Russ and Janet Kittel – Brennah



Brennah and Russ with their BCCA herding certificate.

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A Sherwin Reunion—
(R to L) Roy, Mom Kindle,
Brennah and Rosie.

Karen Deitke – Rosie and Kindle



Rosie passed the BCCA
Herding Instinct test!

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Rosie got Reserve at the Roaring Forks Kennel Club show...soooo close to that 4pt major!



And here's Kindle in her fun run with the sheep!

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Meg Naylor – Pepper



Pepper had fun earning her Farm Dog title at the recent Rottweiler trial! She passed with flying colors and came home with a pretty pink rosette ribbon.

Susan and Roger Clark – Teagan



We were so proud to watch Teagan; our 4 year old Beardie herd successfully for the first time. We were sure she'd run the other way when she saw a sheep, but the herding instinct definitely kicked in. Wow!



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Dear Aunt Beardie,

My sister (we call her Licky Lou) is addicted to licking my humans' faces and it annoys them. Why does she lick faces so much and how do we control it? Why can't she just wag or laugh or offer a paw like the rest of us?

Sincerely,
Bo

Dear Bo:

Oh, it is so sweet when the little ones show their enthusiasm, happiness, or affection by "kissing" their humans' faces. But when that behavior continues into their teen or adult years, the lick-face can be annoying. When puppies naturally lick the muzzle of their mom it may be a request for food. Pups may lick the other dogs to show "respect," or it may be an invitation to play. My grown-up Auntie Kate always enthusiastically licks the face of her breeder, (who calls her "Kiss Me Kate"). Her breeder was her first human connection and there is a strong bond. Anyway Bo, let us try to help your humans acknowledge Lou's enthusiasm, respect, request, or whatever it is and modify her behavior.

Your humans might try accepting a tolerable lick or two, acknowledging Lou and then work to change the behavior. They can teach Lou to sit, offer a paw, or do some darling little trick for a training treat. Beardies are always happy to learn a new game. Lou will learn quickly that there is a pay-off if she controls her licks while still obtaining the human connection she desires. It should be fun for the Beardies, for Lou and your humans.

Sincerely,
Aunt Beardie

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RMBCC 2025 Herding Day



Skye



Meg and Dakota

Thanks to all who came to the RMBCC's herding day! The weather couldn't have been more perfect. A special thanks to Roger Clark for the amazing pictures that he took and shared with us.

There were a total of 10 herding runs, including the Fun Runs. Four dogs became BCCA Herding Instinct Certified (HIC).

Registered Name and Owner

- ❖ Arlin's Ciara Colleen - Susan Clark
- ❖ Sherwin Mint Condition - Olivia & Norm Lazarus & Karen Deitke
- ❖ Sherwin Plum Dandy - Russ & Janet Kittel
- ❖ Sherwin Rosy Outlook - Karen Deitke

After herding, we headed over to The Tailgate in Parker and had breakfast on the patio with our Beardies. Such a fun day for us!



Kim and Sprite



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RMBCC's Annual Summer Picnic

Sunday, August 3, 2025

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

DeKoevend Park, Centennial, CO

A park for Beardies to run and play

We are meeting again at DeKoevend Park – our favorite place for the annual picnic. After lunch we will have a short annual meeting and present the 2024 awards.

The club will provide a deli tray with rolls and condiments. Everyone is encouraged to bring desserts or salads and whatever refreshment you would like.

If you have a portable tent or awning, please bring it for shade. Do include a chair for seating, plenty of water and of course poop bags for your dogs.

DO REMEMBER WE ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO PARK NEXT TO THE BALLFIELD

The Park Ranger will ticket your car if it's in a restricted area.

So, follow directions below and park at the South Suburban Ice Arena.

Directions

6580 S. Vine Street, Centennial, CO 80122. The nearest cross streets are Arapahoe Road and University Boulevard. South Vine Street is the first light west of University. BMO bank on the South– 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. You will see the ballpark and set-up area directly ahead.

RSVP by July 25th to Colleen@Fitz1.com