



*Rocky Mountain
Bearded Collie Connection*

Beardie Works
July 2026



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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 @ ltappero@myctl.net



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RMBCC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you enjoyed the 250th 4th of July. We did our annual visit to the Cherry Creek Arts Festival.

We watched the fireworks on TV and listened to them going off all evening in the neighborhood.

We had our Board meeting on June 28th.

I enjoyed seeing the club members at the Picnic in May, I know the Beardies has a lot of fun.



Olivia Lazarus
President

2026 RMBCC BOARD MINUTES – June 28, 2026

The Zoom meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

The minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's report, Karen Dietke: Current balance: \$5276.05

It is renewal time for members. Colleen and Karen Dietke met a potential member in Fairplay earlier this spring.

RMBCC picnic: this year there were 12-13 members who met at DeKoevend Park with their dogs.

Newsletter: deadline is July 10.

Holiday luncheon: Colleen Fitzgerald will reserve at Chuy's the second week in December.

Dog shows: Deb McAlister asked where to find listings of dog shows. There is a website named infodog where information can be found.

Miscellaneous: A question about the prevalence of screwworm was raised. It has been found in southern New Mexico.



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Specialty contribution: In the past our club donated \$250. It was moved and passed to donate the same amount this year.

Next board meeting: September 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb McAlister, secretary

BRAGGS AND WAGGS Molly McNamara



From L-R in the photo...

Maeve (McCrystal Moonlark of Orion) finished her Rally Advanced Excellent (RAE) title at the Denver trial in May.

Delilah (Orion's Different Kind of Danger) traveled to California and was awarded Best Puppy in Sweepstakes and Winners Bitch/Best of Winners at the NCBCF specialty. She also recently finished her Rally Novice title!

Astrid (Orion Across The Universe From Highlander) came out of retirement at almost 12 years old and got her ACTJ1 agility title and a double-Q towards her RAE title.

Sorsha (Orion's Starfire) was awarded Best of Breed at the NCBCF specialty! She also recently finished her grand championship, DCAT title, and 4 Scentwork titles.

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Kim Krueger – Daisy



Daisy (Risa Nonesuch Wildflower RN TKN FDC) got her Farm Dog Certification.

Virginia Mitchell- Dexter



Here is a picture of **Dexter** being our church's mascot. He is sitting in front of their recent Humane Society donation drive. He's such a sweet boy and sat still for the shot - a difficult task for a young Beardie. Since then, he's been a regular visitor to the church, so they made him his own an in-and-out sign. Folks like to stop by the office to spend time with him.

Dexter's almost two years old. He likes people though a little shy when meeting new ones and is very gentle with children. He loves his walks and zoomies, jumps with excitement when he meets another dog and is a big lap dog. He will fall asleep across John's bigger lap to have Beardie dreams. He also loves eating ice cubes and absconds with our clothes.



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Becky Tupa – Abbey



Abbey (CH Britannia Abbey Road BN RA FDC SWN CGC TKP) earned a new AKC FIT DOG title. At 13, Abbey and I love our "park dog" walks.

Karen Deitke – Rosie



Rosie attempted Rally for the first time at the Roaring Fork trial in Novice B. She surprised me with a score of 99, 1st place and highest score of the group! Missed one point due to her handler taking her in the ring on a tight leash!

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Olivia and Norm Lazarus – Roy



Roy got a Group 2 on July 11 at the Roaring Fork Dog Show.

Remember, if a dog was your teacher, you would learn things like:

- *When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.*
- *Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.*
- *Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.*
- *Stretch before rising.*
- *Run, romp and play daily.*
- *When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.*



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2026 Annual RMBCC Picnic



The weather was a bit challenging and the group smaller, but our 2026 Picnic on May 17 was a lot of fun for the humans and definitely the Beardies.

Got two tents up, dogs chased frisbees and each other, had brief Board meeting, tasty lunch and gave out the 2025 Awards to the members in attendance.

Then just as the rain started around 1:00, we packed everything up and headed home after another wonderful get together of the club.



Dear Aunt Beardie,

My Uncle Brownie came to live with us recently and he is a huge beggar at the dinner table. My Beardie family is not allowed to beg, and we do not like it that Uncle B gets the tasty morsels when we don't. But Uncle B gets by with it when he sits by the little human who drops food on the floor. Uncle B waits patiently for each bit to drop and even sometimes paws at the little human for more. We need some help here, Aunt Beardie.

Sincerely,
Anita



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Dear Anita,

Oh, those clever opportunists! You and your Beardie family probably feel like using your herding skills to herd Uncle B away from the little one's place at the table during dinner. However, your humans might think your creative action is too much chaos especially during their dinner.

Your humans will need to teach Uncle B and the little human about forbidden begging. They might make a special food dispensing treat for Uncle B and place him in his kennel to distract him during meals. Maybe he can progress to "down" on his rug away from the table during meals perhaps using a distracting treat at first. It may take time to train and enforce table manners and break the habit. It might also take a few different training methods before Uncle B gets the message.

And by the way, the little human must be encouraged not to drop tempting morsels on the floor. Little humans should develop good manners too, once they are old enough to understand and cooperate.

Sincerely
Aunt Beardie

2025 Awards Earned by RMBCC Members

Kim Krueger

Risa Spindrift Fairy Dust RA HT FDC OA OAJ ACT1 ACT1J TKN VX

- Rally Novice – 2025
- Rally Advanced – 2025
- Open Agility – 2025
- Open Agility Jumper – 2025
- Versatility Excellent Award – 2025

Risa Caramel Frappuccino RE PT FDC OA AXJ OJP NF TKN

- Rally Excellent – 2025

Risa Rocking the River RA HT FDC NA NAJ ACT2 CGCA CGCU TKN VX

- Rally Advanced – 2025
- Versatility Excellent – 2025

Jill Floberg

Heartstone The Mist Is In The Air RN FDC CGC TKN

- Rally Novice - 2025

Meg Naylor

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

- Rally Novice - 2025



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CH RACH Wigglesworth Daybar Groovy Kind Of Love CD RM3 RAE3 HT FDC AX MXJ XF ACT2 CGCA TKI MV

- Rally Championship – 2025
- Master In Versatility – 2025

Gemineye Spice of Life RN AX OAJ XF CGC TKI VA

- Rally Novice – 2025
- Open Agility - 2025
- Agility Excellent - 2025
- Open Agility Jumper - 2025
- Agility FAST Novice – 2025
- Agility FAST Open – 2025
- Agility FAST Excellent – 2025
- Versatility Award - 2025

Karen Dietke

CH MACH3 Sebring Light My Fire BN RE MXG MJG MXF TQX T2B ACT1 CGC TKN

- Master Agility Champion 2 – 2025
- Master Agility Champion 3 – 2025
- Master Gold Agility – 2025
- Master Gold Jumper - 2025
- Agility Master FAST Excellent - 2025
- Triple Q Excellent - 2025

Sherwin Rosy Outlook NA NAJ

- Novice Agility - 2025
- Novice Agility Jumper – 2025
- BCCA HIC Certificate – 2025
- The Standard Award Novice B - 2025

Molly McNamara

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

- Scent Work Interior Advanced Elite – 2025

Sorsha

- Novice Canicross Dog Title - 2025

Orion's Different Kind Of Danger STR TKN VHMP

- AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy – 2025
- Trick Dog Novice – 2025
- Virtual Home Manners Puppy – 2025

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

- Scent Work Exterior Novice – 2025



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Olivia Lazarus

Sherwin Mint Condition FDC CGC TKN

- BCCA HIC Certificate – 2025

Russ and Janet Kittel

Sherwin Plum Dandy PT

- AHBA Junior Herding Dog Title – 2025
- AHBA – JHD-g – 2025
- BCCA HIC Certificate - 2025

Susan Clark

Arin's Ciara Colleen

- BCCA HIC Certificate – 2025

Colleen Fitzgerald

- *Ragtime What The World Needs Now TKP*
Trick Dog Performer - 2025