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## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT – FAYE ADCOX

Happy New Year! I hope this Newsletter finds you and your fur babies well. Hopefully 2021 will bring some normalcy to all our lives.

The 2021 National Specialty is moving forward. I have talked to the host club and they will be putting in all the required Covid procedures and our judge has gotten her Covid shots and is allowed to travel. The committees that volunteered for the Specialty last year are moving forward with what needs to be done to reschedule what was planned for last year. The dates are Sep. 18th-21st with the National on the 18th.

Some of you will be getting notice of dues renewal which will come in an email from the club membership email address. Renewal of dues can be done through PayPal or by sending them to the Treasurer. With your renewal packet you will be receiving 2 forms for information: 1. A privacy form - Please let us know what information you want put on the membership list that will be on the website for all other members to see. 2. A form letting us know how you want to receive communication from the club. Please fill out both of these and email them or mail them back. You will also find the same forms in this newsletter. Thank you for your help in this matter.

We are reinstating the membership cards. Every member will be getting one of those in the mail.

Congratulations to all that went to Florida in Dec. and competed.

Thank you to Christine VanVleet for volunteering to be the show chair for the 2022 National Specialty to be held in Lexington, KY. She will be working with me on the 2021 to learn the ropes of what needs to be done. And I will help her for 2022, if necessary, but I am sure she won't have any problems.

We are excited to announce some items we have been working on:

1. A mentoring program for our juniors that is being put together by Erika David and Marlena Mathews.

2. An All-Viking dog show hopefully to be held Sep. 2023 in conjunction with a Viking festival, it will be on the east coast and could serve as our National. This show will include Barn Hunt, Agility, a banquet with a Viking theme, a Viking village with fire dancers, Norwegian sheep and horses, a "VallhowlA" village for booths about the dogs, and a Viking dog parade.

When I have more details I will let you know, it is in the talking stage right now. I have been asked to be on the board.

3. I am in touch with some handlers and am hoping to offer a few virtual seminars for our juniors and adults if they want to join, we will 1st open it up to the junior Buhund owners, then our adults and then open up to other breeds.

Those are some of the things we are working on. Please stay safe. Bring us your ideas and keep being positive. Spring is around the corner.

**Publication  
Schedule**

The NBCA  
Newsletter is  
published  
four times per year:  
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July and October

**Submissions Policy**

We welcome ideas, suggestions and critiques concerning the newsletter. Our submission policy is open, with submissions subject to approval by the NBCA Board of Directors.. Submissions may also be edited for length, clarity, appropriateness and style.

**Submissions Deadline**

The deadline for submission to the editor is the tenth of the month (December, March, June and September) for publication the first week of the following month. Send submissions to:  
Editor: Ann Wood  
benandannwood@gmail.com



Ghost says Merry Christmas  
Submitted by Faye Adcox

**ALERT TO  
FELLOW  
MEMBERS!**

Don't forget to renew  
your membership!  
Membership renewals  
are taken until Feb 28.

Have you and your Buhund earned titles in other venues besides AKC such as UKC, IABCA, AHBA, USDAA, CDSP or any other? Please share your accomplishments & pictures for future newsletters!

Send to:  
benandannwood@gmail.com

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW TITLES!

| <b>TITLE</b>                      | <b>DOG</b>   | <b>OWNER/S</b>   |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Champion                          | CH Blackrose's International Affair                                      | Tameesha VanEtten  |
| Companion Dog                     | CH Hundehaven's Quoisette CD BN  | Catherine Lassesen & Michael Woodson & Mariah D Durham           |
| Beginner Novice                   | CH Norskedalen's Torvig BN   | Michael Woodson  |
| Rally Novice                      | Blackrose's A Love For Mischief RN                                       | Tameesha Vanetten  |
| Farm Dog Certified                | Rose Shadow's Runnin Down A Dream FDC CGC                                | Christine VanVleet & Philip VanVleet                             |
| Master Excellent Jumper Preferred | CH MACH Kyon's Vesle Bon Temps MXS MJC MJP XF                            | Diane Lange  |
| BCAT                              | Rose Shadow's Runnin Down A Dream FDC BCAT CGC                           | Christine VanVleet & Philip VanVleet                             |
| Canine Good Citizen               | Valhasar En Nyfodt Konge CGC   | Kimberly A Camp & Richard Valentini                              |
| Champion                          | CH Blackrose's We Got The Beat For J-Lyn                                 | Jennifer Van Niman & Tameesha VanEtten                           |
| Champion                          | CH Blackrose's Wish Upon A Star  | Tameesha VanEtten  |
| Champion                          | CH Nordlys Simply Complicated  | E Brook Moore  |
| Grand Champion Bronze             | GCHB CH Cloudpointe Drive It Like You Stole It                           | Laurel Denk & Tony Carter & Amelia Eileen McLaughlin & Marc Denk |
| Novice Agility Jumper             | Rose Shadow's Runnin Down A Dream FDC NAJ BCAT CGC                       | Christine VanVleet & Philip VanVleet                             |
| Scent Work Interior Excellent     | Trollheimen's Norse Ari CD BN GN RE FDC CA BCAT SWE FDCH RATCHX CGCA TKN | Donna Manders  |
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| Canine Good Citizen               | Fjordriket You Are Meant To Shine CGC TKN                                | Ms. Mona Aasmul Ph.D.  |
| Canine Good Citizen               | Trollheimen's Axel Bjorn CGC   | Anna Markin  |
| Trick Dog Novice                  | Valhasar En Nyfodt Konge CGC TKN   | Kimberly A Camp & Richard Valentini                              |

## Flink Avenue

Submitted by Ann Wood

I'll start by explaining why I called this article Flink Avenue. As many of you know the history of our beloved Norwegian Buhunds, you also know about Flink. Flink was the first registered Buhund and was from a Norwegian farm in Gjesdal, Rogaland. No doubt he did his fair share of farm work, including herding. I am reminded of and inspired by him each time I bring Crystal to herding class or herding trials. The farm we go to for training and events is an hour drive for us and a town we go though has a street sign for Flink Avenue!

We are fortunate to have some livestock at home for herding practice. However, training with experienced stockdog teachers has been invaluable. Some of the key points include basic dog training, like reliable recalls, impulse control, loose leash walking, and dependable wait/stay behavior.

Stock handlers have to be aware of the movement of the livestock, the dog, and themselves. It's important to keep walking with the stock, which is harder to do than it sounds! Also, a controlled pause where all three parties stop, often before a change of direction, is an element we practice.

Another aspect important to herding is using the shepherd's crook. It can be used as extension of the handler's arm. When pointed toward the dog's shoulder area (from a distance, without touching the dog) it helps translate the arc the dog needs to make to move the livestock efficiently. The trick for moving stock is keeping the dog close enough to livestock to influence the herd's movement but not so close that the herd panics and moves too fast or scatters. Many factors can influence that fine balance.

Of course, in the fjords of Norway, the Buhunds did the herding on their own! Knowing how smart and instinctual our lovely breed is, this doesn't surprise me. We are so happy with our 3 Buhunds and they enjoy fulfilling their duties as farm dogs, including herding, helping with general farm chores, vermin control, watching for "intruders" or "company" and cuddling in the house!

Below: I'm working with Crystal to get her behind the sheep, but further away. She was approx. 8 feet away from me and the sheep but needed to arc further out. This was one of our HT qualifying legs!



Above: Flink, the first registered Buhund in 1926



For a superb article, go to [https://talknorway.no/norwegian-buhund-viking-dog-with-an-ancient-history/#Flink\\_was\\_the\\_top\\_dog](https://talknorway.no/norwegian-buhund-viking-dog-with-an-ancient-history/#Flink_was_the_top_dog)







Hello Club Members,

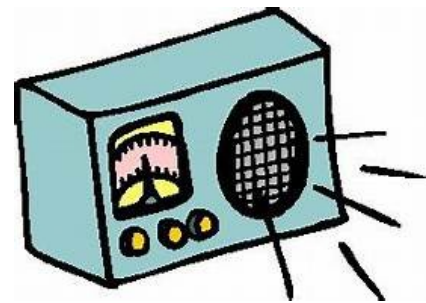
Happy New Year and welcome to 2021. My wish for everyone is to have a safe and healthy year with lots of fun with our wonderful Buhund companions!

With that, it's time to start thinking of our National Specialty. I will, once again, be working with the raffle and would appreciate all the help I can get; specifically, we need raffle items. Baskets seem to be a big hit at raffles and anything that can be bundled together would be great. These items do not have to be Buhund related or even dog related. Please, get creative and help me/us make this a great raffle for our National.

Feel free to email me at [midoglv4@comcast.net](mailto:midoglv4@comcast.net) if you have questions or suggestions. I am receptive to all the help you can provide. I'm looking forward to seeing old friends in Montana and meeting new people. My sincere thanks in advance for all your help; I'm counting on it!

Regards,  
Christine VanVleet

*Stay tuned...*



*...more details about  
our National  
coming next  
Newsletter!*

# NBCA News

## JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP MENTORING

NBCA is developing a junior mentoring program. This program will be run by Erika David and Marlena Mathews, two successful former juniors. Our juniors will be invited to join this program where they will be mentoring new juniors with the help of Erika and Marlena. Erika and Marlena are developing a program where they will help the juniors with mentoring and will pair the new juniors with one of our established juniors. We are excited to get our juniors involved in this program.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Donna Anderson  
Henry Baker & Cassandra Childers  
Sally & Ray Bazzell  
Kimberly Camp  
Debra Christensen  
Renee & Eric Claypool  
Kipp Dawson  
Chester & Mirabelle Dawson  
Joy & Richard Fowler  
Wendi Frayne  
Monica Grimm  
Ruth Hacker & Chris Hood  
Marie & Gary Harrity-Smith  
Jason Knipe & Katie Pena  
Jennifer Kowalski & Danielle Heider  
Janet Kurman Hesselbarth  
Mark & Hallie Maier  
Evelyn Pfeiffer  
Joshua N Rose  
Janet & Niel Schueller  
Teresa Simpson  
Jennifer & Tammy Van Niman  
Elizabeth Walsh & Kayellen Walsh Maden  
Geraldine Walther & James Blevins



### **Sandyhill's Spunky Bowser 2005-2021 Submitted by the Foley family**

Bowser was a noble Buhund. He defended his family, worried about us, made sure all of us got out of bed to go school and work and most importantly, wished for an opposable digit.

We gave Bowser a mythical voice. His voice was always serious, serving as the conscience of the family. If he had that missing opposable digit there was no limit to what he could have done. Alas, he accepted his limitation nobly and unconditionally cared for his family.

When Bowser was born, his mother would not nurse him. Jan Barringer (Grandma Jan to us) fed Bowser and seeded the roots of his devotion to fine women. Bowser was devoted to Fran, enjoyed their power walks, attacking the front door whenever the USPS came—to protect Fran.

Like all Buhunds, Bowser was very intelligent. When his herd started leaving for college, it distressed him—he was happiest when all five of us were at home so that he could resume his job of getting 5 of us out of bed. If there was a silver lining to COVID, it was that there were 4 of us in the house from March to July (our 24 year old lives in Virginia) which came closer to his normal. While Bowser was gradually fading post Labor Day, he still had the energy to attack the front door when the mail came through the mail slot. After New Years, Bowser stopped barking (a Buhund who doesn't bark?), wasn't able to hold food down and told us it was time to meet Grandma Jan, his fellow Buhunds and all who he loved in a better place. You know the rest of the story.

Like many Buhund owners, we have owned other dogs. While we had 2 Buhunds previously, Bowser was the finest dog/Buhund we were lucky enough to call our own who demonstrated what it meant to be noble.



NBCA Annual Meeting

November 8, 2020

Location: Online Zoom Meeting

Called to Order: 2:07pm by Faye Adcox (President)

Roll Call Done—Diana Gilgenbach called names

Attendance: Mona Aasmul, Faye Adcox, Richard Adcox, Donna Anderson, Eileen Clarke, William Dodd, Andrea Cubbage, Donald Cubbage, Ben Daniels, Kipp Dawson, Valina Dawson, Ted Dawson, Gayle Garbush, Mary Ellen Georoff, Alexander Georoff, Diana Gilgenbach, Cory Gilgenbach, Tina Hamblin, Tom Hamblin, LaDonna Heider, Joel Heider, Tracy Kelly, Christa Kenyon, Ted Kenyon, Marti Kincaid, Jennifer Kowalski, Michael Kravitz Carolyn Winje, Diane Lange, Mark Maier, Hallie Maier, Cathy Mazzotta, Ellen Yacknin, Kay Schertzl, Robert Schertzl, Janet Schueller, Niel Schueller, Autumn Stensen, Octavia Stensen, Jennifer Van Niman, Pat Vanden Heuvel, Tameesha VanEtten, Lynn Latchaw, Christine Vanvleet, Carol Walsh, Geraldine Walther, James Blevins, Ben Wood, Ann Wood, Michael Woodson, JoAnn Wright-Godfrey, Zarin Godfrey, Eileen Yacknin

Presidential Address: Done by Faye Adcox

Treasurer's Report: Report from October 12, 2019- October 30, 2020 Read by Tina Hamblin

Motion made by Diane Lange; 2nd Lynn Latchaw

Motion: Both the 2019 and 2020 Year End Annual Treasurer's reports, detailing all income and expenditures for said years and accompanied by copies of monthly bank statements associated with the 5 NBCA Checking and Savings accounts (With Account numbers blacked out), be posted to the members only section by no later than January 31, 2021.

\*\* Question Raised on Changing Vote on a Motion—Robert's Rules Approves voting changes up until the voting called to end. (Referenced Robert's Rules Handbook)

Motion put to vote via Chat/Audio: 19 yes/ 21 no

Motion Not Approved



Ted Kenyon Accepts Treasurer's Report as is; 2nd Geraldine Walther

Put to Vote Poll/Audio: yes/ no/ 14 Abstain

Treasurer's Report Approved

Secretary's Report: 2019 Minutes Read By Diana Gilgenbach

Minutes approved by Carol Walsh to Approve Minutes; Seconded by: Niel

Schueller

Put to Vote Via Chat/Audio: 23 Yes/ 6 No/ 14 Abstain

Results of 2020 Board Election: Will be presented Via Email the Week of

November 13, 2020 after results reported and picked up from 3rd

Party Michelle Wood.

Motion made by Tameesha VanEtten; Amended by: Valina Dawson; 2nd:

Diane Lange

Motion: The 3rd Party Individual, Michelle Wood, will open the envelopes with address information, remove the inner blank envelope. Then enable video and count the ballots but the vote on the ballot will not be revealed. The final count will be returned to the NBCA, certified and notarized, and results will be reported as per the NBCA by-laws.

Motion Put to Vote via Chat/Audio: 23 Yes/ 22 No

Motion Passes—3rd Party will be contacted after the meeting

By-Law Committee Report: Presented by Ted Kenyon

Still Investigating Stage. Looking and Speaking with other clubs on what

they have done or are doing to update our Bylaws.

Updates to Include: Better outline for holding virtual annual Meetings

No Suggestions have been made at this time

Raffle Report: Christine VanVleet had to leave meeting for prior commitment so this was skipped.

New Business:

Motion by LaDonna Heider

Motion: To Rearrange new Business to have Membership Application  
moved to first business.

Motion Put to Vote via Chat/Audio: Passed with no Argument

Membership Application Denial:

Motion By LaDonna Heider; 2nd Ellen Yacknin

Motion: To Allow Joshua Rose, the denied NBCA Applicant, to enter the Zoom Meeting  
and appear during the portion of the NBCA meeting that the applicant is being  
presented to allow the membership to hear from him.

Motion Put to Vote: 21 yes/ 23 no

Motion Doesn't Carry

2nd Motion made by LaDonna Heider; 2nd Cathy Mazzotta

Motion: To Overturn Joshua Rose's membership denial made by the NBCA  
Board.

Motion Put to Vote via Poll: Motion Passed

2021 National Specialty: Being Held at Montana Show originally planned for 2020

Will be considered and celebrated as 10th anniversary since this year  
cancelled.

2022 National Specialty:

Monkey Survey Done for Location: Lexington, KY

2nd Option, only if above doesn't hold show: Kalamazoo, MI

Chair Person needed for this show—No volunteers

Faye will put together details on what chair person must do and ask  
for a volunteer in the newsletter

Versatility Awards:

VNB Gold (265 pts): Jasmine Tata and Sameer Prasad

Dog: Trollheimen Cara Finna

VNB Bronze (80 pts): Ann Wood

Dog: Zodiac's Regal Krupnik

VNB Bronze (100 pts): Mona Aasmul

Dog: Rose Shadow's Magic Moonlight Rocker

Anything Additional...:

2 Motions Made by Debra Christensen as meeting began

Motion 1: NBCA hire a neutral Notary Public who has no affiliation with the NBCA or any of its members to receive and count ballots for 2020 NBCA Board member election. The results to be sent via email to all members at the same time. Or offer electronic voting.

This motion was covered and voted to do video poll tally by the 3rd party previously hired and have her certify and notarize results prior to NBCA receiving them.

Motion 2: NBCA promote our breed, Norwegian Buhund, by encouraging members to record their dogs in the Breed Archives.

This Motion was agreed by all to have Debra Christensen send more information on this and how to proceed with this via email to the Board. This will then open discussion by all members on how to proceed.

Meeting moved to be adjourned by Faye Adcox; 2nd by Christa Kenyon

Adjourned at 5:21pm

## **PRIVACY INFORMATION**

NBCA is committed to ensuring your privacy and making sure that only the information you want shared will be shared with its members. Please fill out the following and email it to the Secretary of NBCA Diana Gilgenbach: [membership.nbca@gmail.com](mailto:membership.nbca@gmail.com)

I would like the following available for NBCA members

- Name only
- Mailing address
- Email
- Phone Number
- All of the above
- None of the above

How would you like NBCA to communicate with you for notices of meetings, receiving the Newsletter and other communication?

- Email
- Mail