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MEMBER CLUB OF BCA DIV IV

MARCH, 2019

Letter from the Editor ...

My apologies for the late release of the newsletter, my life has been extraordinarily busy of late. As such, this issue will encompass both March and April.

The Ides of March came and went and now Spring is officially here! Hopefully, we will be blessed with beautiful days full of clear skies sunshine ... and no more snow!

Our specialty show is fast approaching, coming up June 27. Please see the show flyer included herein for details. We are always in need of volunteers, so please don't hesitate to reach out to the Show Chair Susan Rohringer if you'd like to get involved. It really is a lot of fun and you learn so much!

Our President Carrie Samuels is looking into our hosting a Canine CPR seminar. This would be an excellent seminar to attend, so please stay tuned for details in the next issue.

This issue has some great information on OFA health testing and the BCA Ambassadors For Health program. If you have questions about how to get started with health testing, please don't hesitate to contact me direct.

Boost the Bulldog and make it a great year!

Susan Rohringer **Newsletter Editor**



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Meeting Dates:
Jan 28
Feb 25
Mar 25
Apr 29
May 27
Jun 24
Jul 29
Aug 26
Sep 30
Oct 28
Nov 25
Dec-no meeting

2019 General



UPCOMING EVENTS ...



Monthly Meeting Schedule

Our general meetings are scheduled monthly at the Westside Community Center, the last Monday of the month. Members and Non-Members alike are welcome!

If you'd like to have something included on the agenda, please contact our club Secretary, Laura Anninos, laurantoes@yahoo.com Westside Community Center 168 W. Bijou Street Colorado Springs, CO 80904

Meetings begin at 6:00 pm

Note: please don't enter the building before 6:00 pm

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I have begun a "Let Me Introduce You To …" section of our newsletter. We will highlight one club member per month with a short bio and a picture or two (or three!). If you would like to be included in future publications, please email me what you'd like to share with our club members, which should include a brief narrative of you and your connection to Bulldogs, and you are welcome to share information about your job, your family, pictures (bulldogs and/or family, limited to 3), etc. I think this will be a fun and interesting way to get to know each other better! Email to: silverdollarsue@hotmail.com

Let me introduce you to ... Carrie Samuels, BCCS President

Carrie grew up in Cheyenne Wyoming and moved to Colorado Springs in 1991. She was blessed with her first Bulldog in 2005, adorably named Maggie Moo. Her Bulldog family expanded with the addition of her second and third Bulldogs, Chloe and Mack in 2014.



Carrie, Mack (on the left left) and Chloe (on the right)

Special mention and thanks to Sid Hoder of HomePort Bulldogs, our 2018 outgoing president, who served this club with dedication and distinction for many years, in several capacities, including President, Vice President and Show Chair. Sid remains active with our events and is our "unofficial" club photographer!



Maggie Moo

Carrie joined the Bulldog Club of Colorado Springs in 2015 and dabbled in the show ring with Chloe and Mack. In an effort to become more involved with the club, she ran for a board position and was elected to Vice President and served in that capacity in 2018.

Carrie is now serving as President for the 2019 term and is looking forward to a fun, exciting and successful year! Thank you for serving, Carrie!







St. Patrick's Day Parade!!!



The Running of the Bulls! (Er, float riding and walking). Our Bulldog crew captivated parade watchers during the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16th. Beautiful weather prevailed for this fun and exciting event. It's great exposure for the club, and ...we got to march right behind the Marines! Thank you to all of the club members for coming out, and for Sherman and Melina for the "float"!







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Who is The Orthopedic Foundation For Animals?

The Mission of the OFA if to promote the health and welfare of companion animals through a reduction in the incidence of genetic disease. They are guided by the following four specific objectives:

- 1. To collate and disseminate information concerning orthopedic and genetic diseases of animals.
- 2. To advise, encourage and establish control programs to lower the incidence of orthopedic and genetic diseases.
- 3. To encourage and finance research in orthopedic and genetic disease in animals.
- 4. To receive funds and make grants to carry out these objectives.

The OFA databases are core to the organization's objective of establishing control programs to lower the incidence of inherited disease. Responsible breeders have an inherent responsibility to breed healthy dogs. The OFA databases serve all breeds of dogs and cats, and provide breeders a means to respond to the challenge of improving the genetic health of their breed through better breeding practices. The testing methodology and the criteria for evaluating the test results for each database were independently established by veterinary scientists from their respective specialty areas, and the standards used are generally accepted throughout the world.

What is OFA health testing?

Health testing is much more involved than just taking your pet to the veterinarian for a "wellness check". It is targeted evaluation for specific health conditions by a veterinarian of <u>breeding stock</u>, with tests submitted to OFA for evaluation and inclusion in their databases. The goal is to assist breeders to identify and eliminate specific health problems, which will eventually lead to overall better health in a breed.

The Bulldog Club of America Health Committee has worked diligently with OFA and breeders to establish specific protocols on testing, which tests to be done, etc. At this time, all testing is voluntary and highly encouraged by BCA.





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What tests are available for the Bulldog?

Cardiac Evaluation—a congenital cardiac exam by a cardiologist using echocardiogram is preferred, but not required. A practitioner exam is acceptable. Evaluation is to determine if any heart anomalies present.

Patellar Luxation—a condition where the patella, or knee cap, pops out of place.

Tracheal Hypoplasia—a narrowing or stricture of the trachea, either in whole or in part, which causes difficulties in breathing.

Hip Dysplasia—a degenerative disease of malformed hip joint(s) with a laxity in the muscles, tendons and ligaments which hold the joint together. Thought to be mostly genetic, but can have environmental causes (diet, exercise, etc.) Both OFA and PennHIP evaluations are acceptable.

Elbow Dysplasia—a degenerative disease of the elbow joint(s).

Autoimmune Thyroiditis—the thyroid glands produce hormones which have many effects throughout the body, including but not limited to regulation of weight, metabolism, heart rate, body temperature, reproduction, muscle and skin condition, etc. This test helps identify Hypothyroidism where not enough hormone produced, or Hyperthyroidism where too much hormone is produced. Both conditions can lead to a variety of health issues.

Congenital Deafness—a genetic predisposition to be born deaf. Determined with BAER testing (Brainstem Auditory Evoked Response) which can detect electrical activity in the ear and auditory pathways in the brain.

Hyperuricosuria (HUU) - a genetic propensity to produce urate bladder and kidney stones through a buildup of uric acid in the kidney. Stones can develop in the kidney and bladder, effectively blocking the urinary tract, a very lifethreatening condition. Surgery is often required. A DNA test is available.

Cystinuria—a genetic propensity to produce bladder stones, however with different causation than HUU, where the kidney is unable to process the amino acid Cystine. Over time, the unprocessed cysteine clumps together to form stones which can block the urinary tract, also a very life-threatening condition. Surgery is often required. A DNA test is available.





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What is the BCA Ambassadors For Health Program?

The purpose of the AFH program is to promote the betterment of the Bulldog breed through health testing by recognizing Bulldogs owned by BCA members which have met specific health testing requirements.

The program has four levels of recognition—Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum.

- Bronze—successful completion of any 4 of the eligible certifications.
- Silver—successful completion of any 5 of the eligible certifications.
- Gold—successful completion of any 6 of the eligible certifications.
- Platinum—successful completion of any 7 of the eligible certifications.
- Diamond—successful completion of any 8 of the eligible certifications.

Passing results are required on all tests (passing is defined by OFA and an OFA certificate must have been issued) for the Health Ambassador award. All tests must be submitted to OFA and be part of their public database

What are the Eligible Certifications?

- OFA Cardiac
- OFA Patella
- OFA Thyroid
- OFA Elbow
- OFA Hip
- OFA Trachea
- OFA Hyperuricosuria (HUU) (testing/submission only, status not relevant)
- OFA Cystinuria Type 3 (testing/submission only, status not relevant)

Why should we health test?

The most obvious and easy answer is for individual breeders to use health testing results and data to make better and more informed breeding decisions by removing unsound individuals from their breeding programs, which hopefully will result in the overall improved health of the breed.

The more immediate and pressing answer is that our breed has a bad reputation within the public domain for being very unhealthy. Unhealthy dogs require frequent vet visits, which can be very costly. And ... our breed is in the crosshairs of animal rights groups who would love nothing more than to eradicate purebred dogs, in particular brachycephalic breeds like the Bulldog.





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There are many who think this is folly and don't take it seriously. The frightening truth is there is a global movement by AR groups to pressure breed clubs and force the enactment of dog legislation and rules that would severely impact breeders through mandatory spay/neuter laws, limits on the numbers of dogs one person can own, the outright banning of specific breeds, mandatory breeding limits, or even change/eliminate breeds deemed to be "critically at risk for health problems". Don't think it can happen? It has and is. In the UK a few years ago, The Kennel Club, the equivalent to our own AKC, caved to pressure by animal rights groups and changed their Bulldog breed standard. It's happening now in Norway, Sweden, Ireland, the Netherlands, and Great Britain where coalitions of veterinarians have organized to petition government intervention in passing new laws to severely restrict breeding practices of the Bulldog. (<u>http://</u> www.vethelpdirect.com/vetblog/2016/05/09/vets-to-end-suffering-ofbrachycephalic-dogs). The mission statement of PETA is to eliminate ALL domestic animals—including dogs and cats. Is this where we want to be in 10 or 15 years? AKC has espoused this will never happen in the United States ... but there are some alarming trends in the AR realm, and who's to say what might happen here in the US?

The AR groups have millions of dollars which they use for cleverly worded, sad and compassionate ad campaigns condemning the breeding of purebred dogs and "unhealthy" breeds. There is tremendous social pressure to "adopt" and "rescue" pets—not seek out purebred dog breeders.

So, how does this relate to health testing? We shoot ourselves in the collective foot by not paying attention to good health in our breed. Our job as Bulldog enthusiasts and BCA members is to protect the integrity and heritage of our breed ... and we must start producing healthier dogs ... prove our advocates wrong ... or we may not have the Bulldog we know and love around much longer. Can you imagine that? A world without Bulldogs? Neither can I. Please give this some real thought, do some research and if you breed, make a commitment and concerted effort to breed quality, healthy animals that benefit the gene pool.

There is NOTHING in our breed standard that says a Bulldog should be unhealthy. Our standard has existed for over 100 years, describes a dog that is healthy, vibrant and strong, able to move in an unrestrained, free and vigorous manner. Its nose should be large with wide nostrils to ensure its ability to

breathe. Let's all do our part to ensure we have this beautiful breed around for another 100 years!

Please visit the OFA at ofa.org and the BCA at bulldogclubofofamerica.org for more information on health testing.

Susan Rohringer

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> All events and judges AKC approved, limited to 100 per event

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Dr. Kesler's Korner



Cesarean Section

There is no more important topic for Bulldog breeders to understand than that of cesarean sections performed on their bitches. In my practice, it is common for me to see how this lack of understanding results in puppy loss and also the loss of the bitch. Understanding the critical components of performing c-sections will allow us to minimize the losses and take full advantage of having strong , healthy puppies. It would seem that the goals of anesthesiology during a c-section are antithetical, that is to minimize the effects of the drugs used so as to maximize the pup's chances and also to provide the bitch a pain-free and safe surgery. Our goal is to optimize the outcome of the surgery for the bitch and puppies.

Changes to the cardiac, respiratory and gastrointestinal systems occur during a normal pregnancy. Add to these changes that the Bulldog presents us with another set of complications, those associated with being brachycephalic. Developing puppies place an increasing metabolic demand on the bitch, including oxygen consumption and increases in heart rate. Pulmonary changes include increase oxygen consumption which results in less ventilation in the bitch. Progesterone levels decrease GI motility and stomach emptying, which increases the risk of aspiration.

Our goal is to counter the negative effects brought on by late term pregnancy. Proper planning and preparation for c-sections is critical for the results for which we are looking. Pre-oxygenation of the bitch will prevent low oxygen levels in the bitch and also increase delivery of oxygen delivered to the uterus. IV fluids help maintain cardiac output and blood pressure allowing us to maintain proper blood flow to the uterus and to maintain heart rates of the puppies. Pain control of the bitch using safe medications is indicated to decrease stress and its associated complications, and allows the use of less anesthetics resulting in less respiratory and central nervous system depression. It should be decided early whether to use an anti-emetic to reduce the risk of aspiration or post-operative esophagitis.

Careful and well thought out planning and preparation of your pregnant bitch's c-section will go a long way to having a successful outcome for the bitch and neonates.

Dr. Rick Kesler, DVM Royal Canin SSV



20 Principles of Breeding Better Dogs

by Raymond H. Oppenheimer

- Remember that the animals you select for breeding today will have an impact on the breed for many years to come. Keep that thought firmly in mind when you choose breeding stock.
- 2. You can choose only two individuals per generation. Choose only the best, because you will have to wait for another generation to improve what you start with. Breed only if you expect the progeny to be better than both parents.
- 3. You cannot expect statistical predictions to hold true in a small number of animals (as in one litter of puppies). Statistics only apply to large populations.
- A pedigree is a tool to help you learn the good and bad attributes that your dog is likely to exhibit or reproduce. A pedigree is only as good as the dog it represents.
- 5. Breed for a total dog, not just one or two characteristics. Don't follow fads in your breed, because they are usually meant to emphasize one or two features of the dog at the expense of the soundness and function of the whole.
- 6. Quality does not mean quantity. Quality is produced by careful study, having a good mental picture of what you are trying to achieve, having patience to wait until the right breeding stock is available and to evaluate what you have already produced, and above all, having a breeding plan that is at least three generations ahead of the breeding you do today.
- 7. Remember that skeletal defects are the most difficult to change.
- 8. Don't bother with a good dog that cannot produce well. Enjoy him (or her) for the beauty that he represents but don't use him in a breeding program.
- Use out-crosses very sparingly. For each desirable characteristic you acquire, you will get many bad traits that you will have to eliminate in succeeding generations.
- 10.Inbreeding is a valuable tool, being the fastest method to set good characteristics and type. It brings to light hidden traits that need to be eliminated from the breed.

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- 11. Breeding does not "create" anything. What you get is what was there to begin with. It may have been hidden for many generations, but it was there.
- 12.Discard the old cliché about the littermate of that great producer being just as good to breed to. Littermates seldom have the same genetic make-up.
- 13.Be honest with yourself. There are no perfect dogs (or bitches) nor are there perfect producers. You cannot do a competent job of breeding if you cannot recognize the faults and virtues of the dogs you plan to breed.
- 14.Hereditary traits are inherited equally from both parents. Do not expect to solve all of your problems in one generation.
- 15.If the worst puppy in your last litter is no better than the worst puppy in your first litter, you are not making progress. Your last litter should be your last litter.
- 16.If the best puppy in your last litter is no better than the best puppy in your first litter, you are not making progress. Your last litter should be your last litter.
- 17.Do not choose a breeding animal by either the best or the worst that he (or she) has produced. Evaluate the total get by the attributes of the majority.
- 18.Keep in mind that quality is a combination of soundness and function. It is not merely the lack of faults, but the positive presence of virtues. It is the whole dog that counts.
- 19.Don't allow personal feelings to influence your choice of breeding stock. The right dog for your breeding program is the right dog, whoever owns it. Don't ever decry a good dog; they are too rare and wonderful to be demeaned by pettiness.
- 20.Don't be satisfied with anything but the best. The second best is never good enough.



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Bulldog Club of America

(BCA)



Are you a BCA Member?

The Bulldog Club of America (BCA) is the parent club for Bulldogs within the American Kennel Club. It represents the interests of all bulldog clubs in the country and, as with parent clubs for other breeds, serves as the owner and defender of the breed standard of its breed in the US for all AKC registered Bulldogs. BCA is the definitive source of Bulldog information in the US.

History

The Bulldog Club of America is a member club dedicated to protect and promote the Bulldog breed. When sports like "Bull baiting" and "dog fighting" were outlawed in England, there were a few men who felt the Bulldog should not be allowed to disappear. They formed a group which eventually became The Bulldog Club. As English immigrants made their way to America, they brought their beloved Bulldogs with them. A few dedicated Bulldog fanciers formed The Bulldog Club of America. The club was legally established in 1890 and was one of the first breed clubs to become a member of the (then) new American Kennel Club (AKC). As membership in the BCA began to spread across the country, the organization was reshaped. In 1950 the two-tiered National Organization of today was formed. The main objective of the reorganization was to guarantee representation to all bulldoggers in all areas of the country. The BCA government is patterned in part after our National government. BCA National officers form the Executive branch. The country is divided then into eight geographical areas called Divisions. A Council composed of representatives (Councilors), elected by BCA members in each of their respective Divisions, form the Legislative Body. Each Division has a similar structure, Division officers and a Board of Governors to carry out the work of BCA within their geographical boundaries. National officers are elected for two years and the responsibility rotates numerically through the Divisions... The result has been a great success.

Club Objectives, As stated by the founders

To maintain a standard of excellence for the guidance of breeders, owners and judges.

- To improve the breed through encouragement of effort directed toward approaching to the degree of excellence as set forth in the Standard of the Bulldog Breed.
- To stimulate interest in competitive public showing of Bulldogs.
- To further interests of the breed.
- To work for the general good of breeders, owners and exhibitors of Bulldogs.







Bulldog Club of America

(BCA)



How is BCA Structured?

BCA is a national organization, structured in a manner similar to that of our national government. The Club is governed nationally by a representative Council and National Officers. The country is divided into eight (8) geographical areas called Divisions, Each Division elects one Councilor for every 50 members in their Division. These councilors then represent their respective Divisions in the Council meeting held annually at the National Specialty, where the business of the club is conducted.

The Divisions of the Club are as follows:

Division 1. Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Division 2. Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Division 3. Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada.

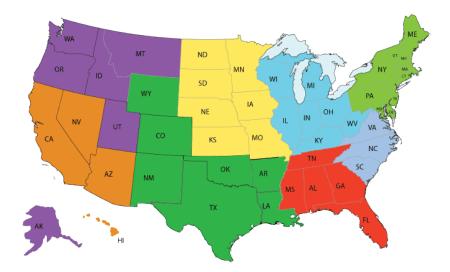
Division 4. Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wyoming.

Division 5. Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

Division 6. Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Division 7. District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

Division 8. Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi and Tennessee.



Please visit the BCA website at www.bulldogclubofamerica.org where you can find tons of information about the breed, activities, the BCA National Show, etc.

The breed needs your support! If you wish to become a member, please contact Susan Rohringer at silverdollarsue@hotmail.com.

Helpful Tips for better health ...



How unattractive for your Lady Bulldog! How will she ever find that handsome stud with nails looking like this? Eeeeek! Let's take it from this ...



Don't forget the importance of regular nail trimming for your Bulldog!

... to this! Now, doesn't this look much nicer and ever so much prettier? Your FAB bitch will surely be strutting her stuff and feeling fine!



Foot health is paramount to the Bulldog, particularly because they carry so much weight and mass, a "large dog in a short body". The foot is the foundation of the frame. If you have a faulty foundation, the frame can fail.

Nail length affects more than just foot health, and can cause issues up the entire length of the leg. Long nails cause the dog to walk on the rear of the pads, which leads to misalignment and improper positioning of the pastern (called being "down in the pasterns"), which affects the middle and upper leg bones, and ultimately can also affect the shoulder and/or hip.

Not only can the bones be misaligned, but the tendons and ligaments can be, as well, which can often lead to stiffness, discomfort, and painful limping or cause actual strains.

Nail trimming can be accomplished with a guillotine-type nail clipper or with a nail dremel. Many much prefer the dremel as it allows for precision trimming with less risk of cutting the quick.

Proper nail length should never be overlooked or considered unimportant! Pamper your pooch with regular pedis!

WHO SAYS BULLDOGS CAN'T JUMP?

And run, and weave, and climb and ...



Bea Page's girl Moxie

Even if you don't recognize it by name, you have probably seen an Agility competition. Designed to demonstrate a dog's willingness to work with his handler in a variety of situations, agility is an athletic event that requires conditioning, concentration, training, and teamwork. Dogs and handlers must negotiate an obstacle course while racing against the clock.

Agility is a great form of exercise for both dog and handler, and a fun way to bond. And you don't have to compete to enjoy agility. Taking an agility class offers many other benefits. But many people start the sport just for fun, only to get bitten by the agility bug and become lifelong competitors!

Here are some high flyin' Bulldogs within the agility sport ...



Jennifer Wolfgang's boy Sully



Alexandre Parkov's boy Junior

Though they are definitely capable of many sports, before you attempt to do agility with your Bulldog, it is highly recommended you have your dog fully health checked by a veterinarian to be sure they are healthy and in good condition. This would include paying particular attention to the heart, patellas and trachea, to make sure they can safely enjoy their sport.



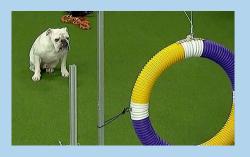
Ikuko Jone's boy Boo



Tracy Bradley's boy Maverick

YES THEY CAN: RUDY, THE ROCKSTAR OF AGILITY AT THE WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB SHOW:

An agile <u>bulldog</u>? A Bulldog has recently proven that athleticism can come in the most unexpected forms. Rudy the Bulldog, owned/trained/loved by Debbie Perkins, charmed the audience at the Westminster Kennel Club agility contest in <u>New York City</u> after he was spotted flying over jumps and bounding through tunnels. Videos of his performance has been viewed over a million times! What a great ambassador for our breed!











Interested in getting your Bulldog off the couch and doing performance sports? Contact April Paulman, DVM, chair of the newly formed BCA Performance and Civic Activities committee: <u>apaul-</u> <u>man@hotmail.com.</u>





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> FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: ZENA WOLF ZTWOLF@UCDAVIS.EDU F

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BCCS General Meeting February 25, 2019

Meeting called to order 6:18pm

President's report

No King Soopers update yet

Introduce guest, Anastasia - invitation from Sid

<u>VP report</u>

St Pat's parade 3/16/19, need for decorations, more info to come on staging. Please don't arrive earlier than 11:30am, requested secretary send out info as soon as it comes in

Questions about porta potty accessibility

Secretary

Minutes approved from last meeting by the board Send out club roster to general population for corrections, bring to March meeting

Treasurer report—report given by Dee Anne Jordan.

Social secretary No report

<u>Newsletter – Susan Rohringer</u>

Newsletter went out today Include updates for next meeting date

Show update – Susan Rohringer

Accept PayPal as method of payment for this year's show. Discussion ensued. Susan R to get more information on potential costs to the club.

Ask to move the deadline for entries to 9pm MST from 6pm MST. Discussion ensured. Tabled for future discussion.

Committee help needed.

Old Business

Judge needed for B Match on 8/25/19.

New Business

Educational presentation on sign language with your dog, could it be held at PubDog? Or Johnson's kennel/training facility? Meeting adjourned 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Anninos BCCS Secretary

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

President's report (Carrie)

King Sooper's balance is at \$2575 (as of last update on 2/23/19). Carrie hasn't received any information regarding the program changing.

Treasurer's Report (DeeAnn)

Club insurance premium is coming up to be paid. Premium is about \$600.

Secretary's Report (Laura)

Minutes from February's Board and General meeting approved.

Laura shared information regarding change in Royal Canin account manager now being Terry. Laura will reach out to see if they are willing to donate food samples or coupons for specialty show.

Laura received information regarding annual dues for Colorado Federation of Dog Clubs.

Passed around club roster for updates to member information.

Newsletter Editor (Susan)

Newsletter will be out within the week.

Show Secretary Report (Susan)

All show approvals from AKC have been received.

Kelly will be doing trophies again. Cost is \$900, DeeAnn has provided a deposit to Kelly for \$400. Cost includes trophies for judges.

Sara is confirmed for ring steward.

As our show is close to July 4th, Carries suggested we keep with the Red, White and Blue theme, everyone agreed. Betty Fisher is confirmed for ribbons for the show.

Susan to reach out to Skibinski for show photographer.

PayPal account is set up for entries/donations for show or other club needs.

With using new show software, DeeAnn is stepping aside as Show Secretary. Laura Anninos to be show secretary for this year.

Erik has offered to print catalogs for us again.

Sid will provide judges hospitality and arrange dinner for evening after the show.

There is a Division 4 show in OK the same weekend as out specialty. Will need to see how it impacts entries.

Vice President's Report (Sherman)

Sherman shared inventory of club trailer. We have plenty of red, white and blue decorations. There are 8 trophy mugs (made by Kelly) and our t-shirt inventory is low. Discussion about having a clearance sale on existing t-shirt inventory.

Old Business

St. Patrick's Day parade was a success... waiting to hear if we won the canine division. Carrie is working to schedule Lou for an education seminar on canine CPR.

New Business

DeeAnn made a motion to dedicate our specialty show to Andy Rohringer. Motion unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Anninos BCCS Secretary