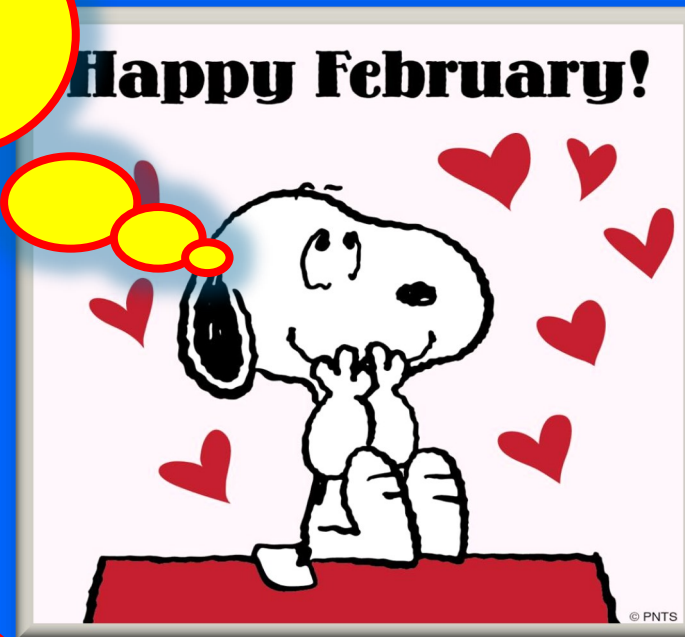


BCCAZ Tales

February 2024, 108th Edition

**1st AKC Fetch Test in
Arizona on
February 4th!**

**I can't wait to have fun
earning my Novice title!!!!**



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BCCAZ website:

www.bordercollielclubaz.com

2024 Officers/Board:

President: Anita Easley

Vice President: Tammy Gosnell

Secretary: Dalaine Wood

Treasurer: Ron Paul

**Board Members: Mary Chessik, Barb Gates,
Cindy Meadows, Nancy Parks**

UPCOMING BCCAZ EVENTS

Fun things to do with our friends!

Fun Days and AKC Fetch Tests at Iron Spoon Ranch:
February 4, March 10, April 7, May 5



AKC Conformation: Specialty on February 2, Phoenix

February 10 and 11th: AKC Herding Seminar, Laveen

AKC Agility: February 16-18, CSpot Win, Phoenix

AKC Scentwork: February 24 & 25, Glendale
— (cancelled)

AKC Agility: March 15-17, CSpot Win, Phoenix

AKC Herding: April 25-28, Dewey
B Course on sheep, geese, cattle (4 trials,
Thurs. & Fri.); A Course, sheep, geese, cattle
(Sat. & Sun.)



FUN DAY, FEBRUARY 4TH

Iron Spoon Ranch

8 am-10 am: *Day of Entries* taken for the 2 AKC Novice Fetch tests. (Bring entry form found in premium or some will be available at check-in, check or cash of \$20.)

Testing begins at 9 am in the two duck arenas. Remember to bring your fetch item.

Herding practice will be available for Open dogs in the back field.

Also, pens on the east side can be used for practice.

Fetch practice with two blinds will be set up in the main arena.

General meeting at lunch time.

Fetch premium can be found at the AKC Calendar of Events page or on the club website under the Calendar/Events page: www.bordercolliclubaz.com



Location and Directions to Iron Spoon Ranch:

June Huddleston and Linda Bruzda
7040 W. Baseline Road, Laveen, 85339

(North side of Baseline Rd.
between 67th and 71st Avenue.)

(Parking on the west side along 71st Ave.)

Gail Chadwick:

“Taryn, Livie Clare and I spent last weekend in Tucson. Taryn had some beautiful runs at the USDAA Regional in Tucson this weekend. I think this is the best she and I have ever run in a trial. She Q'd in local STP, ran clean in all her team runs (until a major “oops” in team relay) and showed some truly impressive distance. She got every contact correct and never missed a weave entry.”

“What a wonderful teammate she is!” 💜 💙 ❤️

“Can't leave out my best girl, Livie Clare, who will be 11 years old in March.

We participated in the Veterans Showcase at the USDAA Regional in Tucson and I just saw the final results yesterday. As usual, we were one place off the podium, less than 2 points behind the 3rd place team. 4th place out of a stellar group of 13 veteran dogs in the large dog category. She is slowing down, but is still my agility rockstar!”

“Our beautiful Livie Clare got her AKC Preferred Agility Champion PACH title today! What a special and wonderful journey this has been. Through her speedy, headstrong and super sassy ways, she has taught me so much about this sport we both love.”



Scott Hauert:

“Cocoa sez: “Wait — whahh — you mean if I just tell you where I smell something, I get a treat!?! Where’s this game been all my life, Dad?!?”

“Her first time at Handler Discrimination in an AKC Scent Work trial. She’s enjoying retirement from herding with a second career in scent work.”



Mary Chessik:

Happy Birthday to my Pirate!

Seven wonderful years!!



Craig Baker:

“Happy New Year! One of our goals for 2024 was to enter in the MSSA (Mountain States StockDog Association) trials this year. Time and points are the name of the game in these trials.”

“First off was a trip to Texas on Saturday, January 13th where the chocolate sisters had the experience to trial in a covered arena. In the AM Lizzy struck gold and finished her run in 4:44, 16 seconds to spare, with 24 out of 27 points for a first-place finish. Maggie took 2nd with her run in 4:19 with 21 out of 27 points. In the PM, Lizzy placed 2nd, 1 second behind the first-place dog, she managed 26 out of 27 points on this run. Maggie placed 3rd with 24 out of 27 points. Their handler was very proud of the girl's performance on only 3 head of sheep in a very large rodeo arena.”



Craig:

“Our Second MSSA trial was on Saturday, January 20th at the Art of the Cowgirl in Queen Creek run by Robin Brown from Idaho. This event was on cattle, and these cows were right off the pasture. The chocolate sisters ran in the Novice division with 14 other competitors from all over the western part of the US and Canada. Lizzy managed a 5th place finish and Maggie a 9th place finish. We were not able to complete the 6 tasks, in the allotted 6 minutes, but I was very happy the first 3 tasks went well. We even managed a shed, our first ever on cows. I believe there were only a handful of teams in all divisions that managed to secure all the points on that task. Thank you so much to Anita, Cindy, Scarlett and Mason for hanging around to watch and support us on our new venture into the MSSA, it was greatly appreciated!”





Craig: "Lizzy is serious in this one!"

Border Collie Club of Arizona General Meeting Minutes

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Iron Spoon Ranch, Laveen

Roll Call: 18 members, 6 visitors

Meeting CTO: 12:00

Report of President: November minutes approved

Report of Secretary: (Dalaine) No new membership requests

Report of Treasurer: (Ron) Submitted report

Standing Committee Reports:

Agility (Mary C.) absent—President shared positive comments from our first trial with CSpot Win. Successful, pleasant, and smooth! Next trials: February 16-18, March 15-17

Conformation/Scent Work (Barb) Absent February 2nd Specialty. Legacy Class will be offered again. December Scent Work trial was successful/profit; next trial Feb. 24-25th. (Since this meeting the Feb. trial is cancelled.)

Herding (Cindy M.) April 25-28th trial. Two days of B Course double trial each day, 2 days of A Course all three stock on A and B. Next November 2 days of D Course.

Obedience (Nancy) Nothing new to report

Unfinished Business/Action items:

Election of 2024 officers/board: President: Anita Easley; Vice President: Tammy Gosnell; Secretary: Dalaine Wood; Treasurer: Ron Paul; Board Members: Barb Gates, Cindy Meadows, Mary Chessik, Nancy Parks.

Membership dues by end of January

AKC Herding Seminar February 10-11.

New Business:

AKC Fetch test is February 4th. A new level of testing will be added each month. HELPERS NEEDED!

Traditionally we have donated to Arizona Border Collie Rescue (\$1500). Tammy made a motion, 2nd by Mary, to continue this donation. Membership passed this motion.

2024 fun day/mtgs: February 4, March 10, April 7, May 5

Adjournment: 12:25 p.m.

Reminder:

2024 BCCAZ dues are now past the renewal deadline.

If you want to maintain your membership, please send the renewal form as soon as possible, before your name is removed from the membership list!

PLEASE send me a picture of you with your dogs for the newsletter!

Share your wonderful dogs (present and past) with fellow members!

Help others learn who you are!!

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BORDER COLLIE CLUB of ARIZONA

Membership Renewal

Mail the application with membership fee to BCCAZ:

Anita Easley, Box 1541, Gilbert, AZ 85299

Questions? aeasley2@cox.net

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: \$20 Individual _____ \$25 Household (2 Adults/same address) _____

\$10 Junior (Under 18 years of age) _____ \$15 Affiliate (nonvoting) _____

(New memberships approved after October 1st will carry over through the following year.)

I AGREE: To support and abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the AKC and the Border Collie Club of Arizona, and to strive to fulfill the Mission of the Border Collie Club of Arizona.

Applicant's Signature: _____

2nd Applicant's Signature (Household): _____

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Applicant Name: _____ **Occupation:** _____ **Birth Month:** _____

2nd Applicant Name: (Household) _____ **Occupation:** _____ **Birth Month:** _____

Address: _____ **City** _____ **State** ____ **Zip** _____

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____



Happy Valentines Day *I Love You*