

# BCCA AZ Tales

January 2024, 107th Edition

**WELCOME**

**2024!!**

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BCCA AZ website:

[www.bordercollieclubaz.com](http://www.bordercollieclubaz.com)

Facebook: Border Collie Club of Arizona

# UPCOMING BCCAZ EVENTS

## Fun things to do with our friends!

**Fun Days** at Iron Spoon Ranch: January 7,  
February 4, March 10, April 7, May 5

**Annual Meeting/Fun Day/Election:** January 7th, 2024, Iron Spoon Ranch

**AKC Conformation:** Specialty on February 2, Phoenix

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

**AKC Scentwork:** February 24 & 25, Glendale

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

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

AKC Fetch trial in the “works” for February! That means the February fun day has been moved to February 4th. Hopefully, the same day as the Fetch trial!

**\*\*\*\*\*February 10 and 11th:** AKC Herding Seminar

See more information below about this great opportunity to learn and understand AKC herding.

***Pre-Registration is required!!***



Please Join Us:

# BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF ARIZONA

## NEW YEAR FUN DAY!

### Sunday, January 7th

8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Meeting/Election @ Noon

Bring the dogs and enjoy the following activities with them!!!

**Herding Challenges:** Duck/Geese Puzzling Maze  
(pair contest)

Point/Time Contest on Sheep

**AKC Fetch Course Practice:** Novice/Int. Review,  
Adv./Retriever Set up for practice behind blinds.

Bring treats and items to retrieve (ball, bumper, toy). Directed Retrieving instruction.

**White Elephant Gift Exchange:** Bring a wrapped or unwrapped gift.

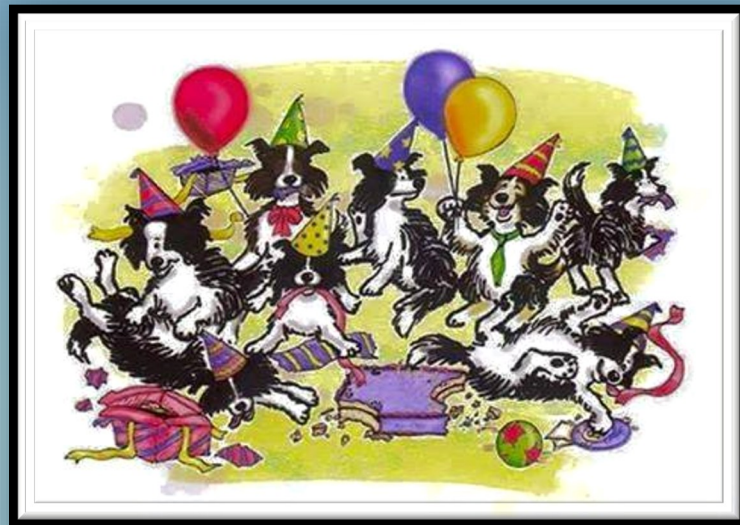
**New this year:** earn points with your dog by doing teamwork games, tricks, competitions to decide the order of choosing from among the gifts.

**BBQ LUNCH** (hamburgers/hot dogs)

**Bring something to share:** a side dish (last name A-N) or dessert (last name M-Z);  
sides/dessert for 4-6 people

Location: Iron Spoon Ranch—7040 W. Baseline Rd., Laveen

(NE Corner of 71<sup>st</sup> Dr. and Baseline Rd.) Parking along east side of 71st Dr.



# BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF ARIZONA

presents

## AKC HERDING SEMINAR

for Judges and Handlers

Saturday, February 10, 2024



The program will be presented by Robin Penland-Elliott,  
AKC Herding Representative

- ◆ Open to **\*\*ALL\*\*** who have an interest in herding.
- ◆ A discussion of the AKC Herding Regulations, scoring and judge's view points, along with what is expected of handlers, dogs, and livestock at each level.
  - ◆ A great educational opportunity to enhance our knowledge of herding.
- ◆ Fulfills continuing education requirements for AKC judges and prospective judges.
  - ◆ Each attendee will receive a seminar kit.
- ◆ On Sunday, February 11th we will hold a mock trial limited to 15 runs.
- ◆ Robin will judge and share practical application of the AKC rules during the runs.

Check in daily at 7:30. Water will be available. Lunch will be provided each day.

Location: Iron Spoon Ranch

7040 W. Baseline Rd., Laveen, AZ (NE Corner of 71<sup>st</sup> Dr. and Baseline Rd.)

Parking along east side of 71<sup>st</sup> Dr.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION BELOW:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

AKC Judge # \_\_\_\_\_ Prospective Judge? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

I would like to run a dog on Sunday in the mock trial. (Limited to 15 dogs.)

Only offered to Saturday attendees.

Please circle class:    Started    Intermediate    Advanced

Checks payable to **BCCAZ**: \$35.00 per person includes both days.

**Registration deadline: Thursday, January 25**

Mail to: Anita Easley, Box 1541, Gilbert, AZ 85299

Questions? aeasley2@cox.net (480-244-2924)

**Last Herding Mock Trial for 2023 at Iron Spoon was on December 17th—  
we learned about ASCA and practiced the D Course.**

**We have had great participation for all three mock trials. You have been super!  
Linda Tunick took some wonderful photos. Sure do appreciate her!**



[Lindatunickphotography.com](http://Lindatunickphotography.com)





**More photos of all three mock trials can be found at: [Lindatunickphotography.com](http://Lindatunickphotography.com)  
Plus, lots of other fabulous pictures!**



## Gail Chadwick:

“After a 3 year long quest, Taryn and I made it to the top of our "mountain"! Last night at the year end ICE Banquet, we were awarded the silver buckle for High Combined Overall Sheep and Geese by an Owner Handled team. Thank you to PSR Stockdogs and the series sponsors for the hard work of fielding four 3-day trials and providing this opportunity for a high level goal for us.

Thank you to Taryn's breeders, Melinda Rae and Lori Pope for choosing the most perfect dog for me and to Cindy Meadows for stellar coaching, training and friendship. Taryn, of course, cares nothing for scores, prizes or buckles...she just goes out and tries her very best every single time we step into the arena. She brings the joy to this most challenging dogsport.”





**Dan and Mimi Nila:** “On Sunday, December 17th ICE had their eleventh annual awards banquet for 2023. The awards are given to dogs who have participated in the four AHBA trials during the year. Scores are accumulated and awards are given out in a variety of categories. There were over 60 awards given this year, 91 dogs competing, 14 different breeds, and a total of 981 runs!”

“ICE – Instinct – Connection – Enjoyment founders, Dawna Sims, Megan Sims Kennedy and Lisa Goss present the awards to each recipient.”

“It was an honor for Team Nila girls Zuni, Selah, and Promise to each receive awards. And it was a special honor for Batgirl to receive a belt buckle for High Combined Geese. This was for her cumulative score over the four trials.”

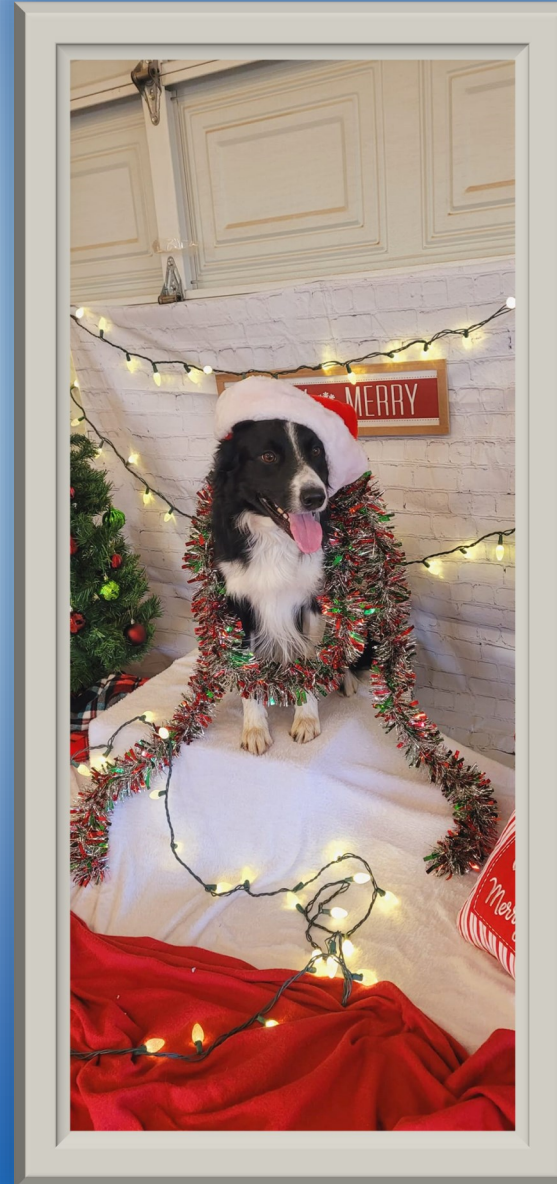
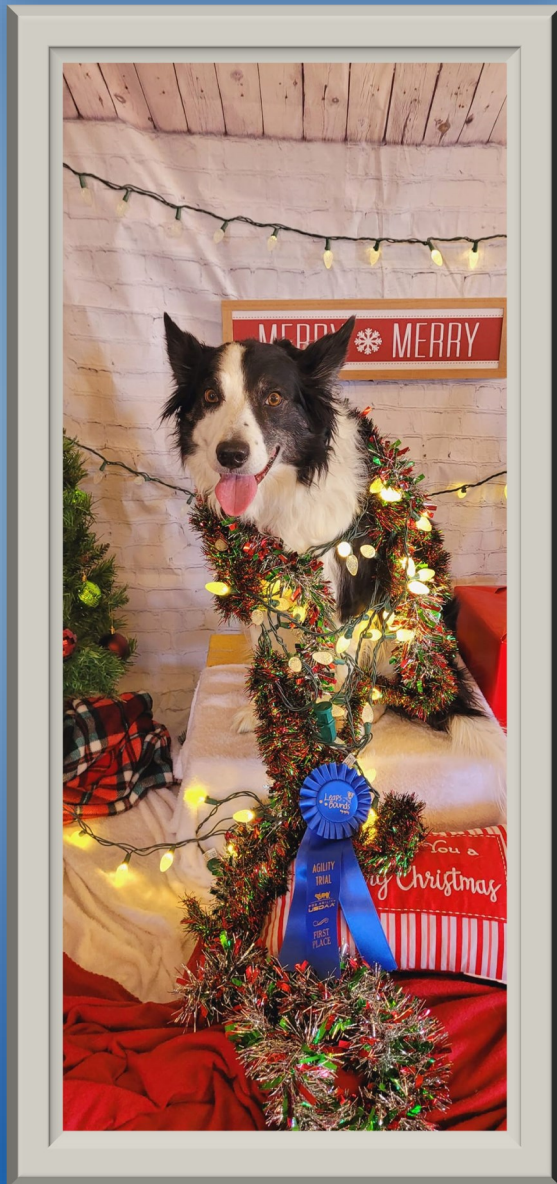
“The final award of the night is the Tom Tierney Memorial Award. Mr. Tierney was instrumental in the career of Dawna Sims. Therefore, it is a very prestigious award. Past winners, in the seven years we have attended, include two-time winner German Shepherd *Rach*, two-time winner Border Collie *Evan*, Border Collie *Scout*, and Australian Shepherd *Sookie*.”

“This year it was a privilege, and honor, for *BC Batgirl* to receive the Tom Tierney Memorial Award. Batgirl is the first owner-handled winner of this award.”



**Mary Chessik:** “Pirate still has it! He Q’d in both of his classes today in Vets. He had a talk with me and told me he is not ready to retire! He dragged me into the ring...ready to go! The heavens open and Angels 😊 sing when we run. PS: Pirate told me I rather do a whisky turn to the weaves!”

“Jaime played today at the Starter Advanced USDAA. He Q’d in Gamblers and did really well in the other classes. He is one special dog!”



**BCCAZ WELCOMED THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS  
DURING 2023!**

**Diana Abramson, Maggie & Dave Adams, Diane Barnes,  
Jessica Brown, Michael & MaryLou Telekesy  
Welcome back Mary Thompson and Linda Tunick**

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!  
HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON AT CLUB EVENTS!!**



# Border Collie Club of Arizona Meeting

Sunday, November 12, 2023

Iron Spoon Ranch, Laveen, AZ

Roll Call: 19 members, 2 visitors

Meeting CTO: 11:40 a.m.

Report of President: October minutes approved, no changes

Report of Secretary: New Membership application from Diane Barnes—approved

Report of Treasurer: Ron: Balance is being maintained/written reports available

## Standing Committee Reports:

Agility — Mary (absent)

Conformation/Scenwork — Barb: Scenwork Trial December 16 & 17 Apache Junction, Conformation Specialty (February 2) will also have The Legacy Class. Scenwork Trial February 24-25, Glendale.

Herding — Cindy M: April 25-28 Herding Trial, 2 days of B Course, 2 days of A Course all stock

Obedience — Nancy (absent)

Unfinished Business/Action items: ASCA Mock Trial on December 17th. Good participation and practice at the AKC and AHBA days.

Remember January 7th for the annual holiday party and general elections meeting.

Spring general meeting dates/fun days: February 11 (now changed to Feb. 4th), March 10, April 7, May 5

## New Business:

Trying to set up an AKC Herding Seminar this spring, possibly for 2 days.

Will also hold a Novice level Fetch test when the program becomes available.

Adjournment: 11:50 a.m.



# **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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> 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:** \_\_\_\_\_