

GUIDELINE FOR THE SHOW CHAIRPERSON OF AN MBC SPECIALITY

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Per our Constitution, an MBC Specialty can only be held in the states of Wisconsin, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana & Michigan. MBC functions will not be scheduled to conflict with Borzoi Club of America's functions. Date & location of specialty shows are voted on at the general membership meeting. Ballots to decide on Breed & Sweepstakes judges are mailed to all members.

Any member who provides hospitality or transportation for any judge may not show at that particular specialty under that judge.

Note that the MBC show chairperson may want to form a committee to divide up the following tasks, or at least have a second person serve as trophy chairperson.

The MBC show chairperson for an independent MBC specialty is responsible for many details of the show, such as locating a suitable show site, getting a show secretary, ordering ribbons for the show, doing the show premium, making hotel reservations for the judges, transporting the MBC ring gates from storage to the show site & setting up other equipment, such as trophy tables, needed to put on the show. The name of the show secretary should be provided to the MBC board for their approval, at least 12 months ahead of the show. Contracts can only be signed by an MBC officer. The MBC corresponding secretary will send the contacts to the Breed judge and to the sweepstakes judge, voted on by the MBC members. The MBC corresponding secretary will send the application to the AKC, at least 18 weeks ahead of the closing date (per AKC rules), but the information needed for the application and for the AKC disaster/emergency plan must be provided by the MBC show chairperson. The entry fee for regular classes will be \$27 at MBC independent specialty shows.

When the specialty show is a designated specialty with an all-breed kennel club show or hound group club show (the host club), the MBC show chairperson shall provide the name and contact information of the host club's chairperson to the MBC corresponding secretary, at least 18 months ahead of the show date. For designated specialties, the MBC corresponding secretary shall contact that host club chairperson to request that the host club hire the breed judge, voted on by the MBC members. The MBC corresponding secretary will send a contact to the sweepstakes judge, voted on by the MBC members. The MBC show chairperson shall find out the deadline for getting the trophy list in the premium, and who in the host club to give the trophy list to. The MBC show chairperson shall provide the name of the hotel the host club is having their judges stay at, to the MBC sweepstakes judge. MBC reimburses the sweepstakes judge for one night at the hotel. The MBC show chairperson shall arrange for trophy tables to be next to the borzoi ring.

Members are asked for a trophy donation once a year, with their dues notice. Trophy pledge money is to be used strictly for the purchase of trophies and shall be placed in a general trophy fund to be divided equally between the 2 specialties for trophy purchases, with any excess money going back into the trophy fund. Operational moneys for an independent specialty will come out of the general fund. Receipts must be given to the MBC treasurer for reimbursement.

If the specialty offers Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes, limit the number of get to be shown with stud dog and brood bitch at four, hence the number to be shown would be at least 2 and not more than 4. MBC will allow up to 4 Awards of Merit to be given at the discretion of the Judge at any MBC specialty show, and these awards are not given to BOB, BOS, WD or WB.

The trophy list shall list the donor names alphabetically. Any member donating trophy funds before November 1st, of each year shall have their names published on the Trophy Donor page of both specialties for the following year. At our specialties, BOB will get a 3" club medallion, BOS will get a 3" club medallion, WD & WB will each get a 1 1/2" club medallion. For Puppy sweepstakes and veteran sweepstakes, the best in sweeps & the best of opposite sex sweepstakes winners get a 1 1/2" MBC logo medallion. \$175.00 from general funds can be used for the mounting and engraving of the BOB, BOS, WD, WB and the Best in sweeps and sweepstake (Puppy & Veteran) medallions given at each specialty. Challenge trophies can be offered at our specialty shows.

The entry fee for the MBC sweepstakes at independent specialties shows is \$16 for puppy & veteran classes. If the specialty show is to be held with an all-breed show, the all-breed kennel club may set the entry fee for sweepstakes. The following information should be in the premium: "Puppy Sweepstakes: 35% of entry fee for club expenses. The remaining entry fee (65%) to be awarded First place – 40%, Second place – 30%, Third place – 20% and Fourth Place 10%. Classes to be offered for sweepstakes are 6-9, 9-12, 12-15 and 15-18 months, for both males and females. No champion of record may be entered. All puppies must be entered in a regular class at this show at the regular entry fee. Best Puppy and Best Opposite Sex (BOS) puppy shall be awarded. Veteran Sweepstakes: 35% of entry fee for club expenses. The remaining entry fee (65%) to be awarded First place – 40%, Second place – 30%, Third place – 20% and Fourth Place 10%. Classes divided by sex and age: 7 to under 9 years, 9 to under 11 years and 11 years, and older. Dogs entered in veteran sweepstakes need not be entered in a Regular class. Dogs may be neutered and bitches spayed (but may not enter another class) but must otherwise be sound. Best veteran and BOS veteran to be awarded."

The MBC show chairperson shall provide the information about the specialty to the MBC webmaster, and to the MBC Bulletin editor to get publicity for the show, at least 4 months ahead of the show's closing date. After the show, the MBC show chairperson is responsible for getting a marked catalog of the specialty to the Archive Committee Chairperson. The MBC show chairperson is responsible for getting a marked catalog of the specialty to the MBC Bulletin editor, unless the results can be copied from the show's website (such as infodog.com).