## 9<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL BORZOI COUNCIL held in Mesquite, Texas. USA 1<sup>st</sup> &2<sup>nd</sup> May 2005

Hosted by Borzoi Club of America with 101st National

## IBC Charter adopted Canada 1995:

Providing the opportunity for Borzoi Fanciers to meet on an international level in order to exchange ideas and information; educating and building a world-wide community of members working together to promote the welfare of the borzoi breed.

## Present:

Sally Stasytis, Lisa Cole, Barbara Binder, Jean Clare, Glynis Allen, Conny Coneryd, Leslie Carroll, Pat Ingram, Kerry French, Dr Michael Martin, Dr James Sillers, Virginia Jones, Shen Smith, Cindi Gredys, Roger Katona, Paul and Diane Spohn, Barbara O'Neill, Helen Lee, Maureen Bardwell, Anne Midgarden, Lorrie Scott, Irina Terra, Ron Frolley, R.Lynn Shell-Whitlock, Paul Moore, Victor Whitlock, Angela San Paolo, Patti Neale.

Apologies:

Kay Sneath, Debbie Carsillo

Meeting opened 9.15am 2 May 2005

Conny welcomed all members attending. Due to the reduction in attendees and members Conny suggested that the office bearers and committee be reduced. In the past the large committee had been utilized for the various sub groups that were decided upon at each meeting.

Dr Jim Sillers moved that there are 5 office bearers for the Board of the IBC, seconded Jean Clare. All in favour

Election of Office Bearers:

President: Conny Coneryd, Sweden

Secretary: Sally Stasytis, Australia

Treasurer: Angela San Paolo, USA

Board: Shen Smith USA

Jean Clare, England

Treasurer's report 2001 -2005 submitted by Deborah Carsillo

Balance as of 25 March 2005 \$4231.55US

Financial members as of Sweden:

Angela San Paolo. USA Deborah Carsillo. USA

Lorraine Groshans. USA Jean Clare. UK

Alma Braybrook. UK Don Braybrook. UK Margaretha Andersson. Swd Annica Milsson. Swd

Brigitta Backman. Swd Jean Leyland-Quarmby. UK

Sally Stasytis. Aust. Kay Sneath. Aust.

Conny Croneryd. Swd Lilemor Croneryd. Swd

Margaret Davis. Aust. Susan Liefors. Swd

Elisabet Jonsson. Swd Kohler Hermann. Swd

The membership present voted to keep the dues for three years at \$30.00 US.

Shen Smith asked that one of the aims of IBC towards the health of the Borzoi worldwide. Discussion followed, the members present were in favour.

Dr Jim Sillers in the past the IBC structure was the discussion of the International Standard. Still to discuss the standard but incorporate mentorship as well - Jean Clare
Anne Midgarden
Virginia Jones

Conny suggested better utilization of the IBC website.

Pat Ingram volunteered Bruce Ingram for the IBC Website, just required a server; Shen Smith offered the use of her server. All present were in favour. Bruce is currently webmaster for Borzoi Canada as well as others

Shen Smith nominated Ginger Jones seconded Lisa Cole for Chairman of Health, those also nominated for the Health Survey committee were Angela San Paolo, Barbara Binder and Shen Smith.

Angela San Paolo suggested that with all the Veterinarians in the group that it would be wise to utilize their services in the Health survey - Anne Midgarden volunteered. All in attendance were in favour of a new Health Survey

2<sup>nd</sup> Health Survey to go out with the Newsletter in conjunction with USA survey members. Volunteers for Health Survey will be called for in each country to assist in collation of surveys.

For the history of IBC, Shen Smith moved that Maureen Bardwell take it on.

A Newsletter to produced, to each country, Borzoi Clubs and issued in PDF format for easier distribution. Submitted as an article to European Borzoi.

Barbara O'Neill offered a page in Borzoi Connection for each issue. Editor to send information to European Borzoi.

The 101<sup>st</sup> National was attended by all those who attended the IBC Conference. It was felt that the National was too long to retain a bigger attendance for the IBC Conference and that in future conferences nominated for USA a Regional Specialty be selected.

Originally the IBC Conference was to be held in October 2004 at Williamsburg in conjunction with a regional speciality, but due to the unfortunate circumstances with Lorraine Groshan's health the IBC Conference was 'shifted' to coincide with the 2005 National.

Angela thanked Shen Smith, Barbara O'Neill & Veni Harlan for all their work towards the conference.

Jean Clare stated that she felt that the IBC Conference should run over a minimum of 2 days.

Members did enjoy the dinners', auctions and the Rodeo was a great deal of fun. The impromptu get togethers mostly in the evenings were a great success, often they can be the highlight of the Borzoi Bonanza at the National/IBC Conference. There is a lot of discussion of Borzoi matters that are very universal with all joining in. This is one the reasons that the International Borzoi Council was formed back in 1981.

Lisa Cole suggested the history of how Borzoi arrived and developed in each country.

Jean Clare suggested at future conferences we continue to have 'Borzoi' people giving lectures who have a better understanding of our chosen breed.

Submissions for the next IBC Conference 2008:

St Petersburg moved Ann Midgarden seconded Ron Frolley South Africa moved Sally Stasytis seconded Leslie Carroll Germany moved Michael McLaine seconded Angela San Paolo Selection: St Petersburg

Germany

South Africa

Irena Terra is  $4^{th}$  generation from St Petersburg, will check on locations in St Petersburg, has suggested the better time is June along with a Borzoi Show, Irina's daughter kistina will assist. Visas etc. All information to be on website as soon as possible.

Lynn R Shell-Whitlock suggested an IBC News Group where only the IBC members can access

All present were enthusiastic to continue the International Borzoi Council and ensure the Conference is held very 3 years. It is important to meet and discuss the condition and future of our Borzoi and other points of interest.

The Constitution not yet ratified.

Recommendations:

Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and 2 Board members
Delete recommendation required from 2 members for membership.
Any other proposals to be received 12 month prior to Conference.

Meeting closed 10.30am