

Please respond in full to the questions stated below. By completion of this questionnaire, you agree to the distribution of this information to the entire membership of the Briard Club of America by insertion into Club publications or otherwise. By agreeing to become a candidate for the Board of Directors of the Briard Club of America you further agree that if elected you (i) will perform the duties of the position to which you are elected with diligence and in good faith and will make decisions that are in the best interest of the Breed and the Briard Club of America, (ii) will use your best effort to attend and participate in all regular meetings which include National Specialties, any Special Meetings, and any conference calls during your term and (iii) in the event you cannot, for any reason, fulfill the duties of the office to which you are elected for an extended period of time that you will voluntarily resign your position.

Name-address-profession Best method members can use to contact you (phone, email, and fax).

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How long have you owned Briards? I purchased my first Briard in 1984 from Nancy Stewart.

When did you join the BCA?

Ron and I joined in 1989

What positions have you held in the BCA and when (office, chairs, committee)?

I have served on the Temperament Test Committee, Specialty Committee, have chaired many Nationals. I was on the board in the early 2000s and have been a director and now Vice President.

What dog related activities do you participate in with your dog? (Conformation, obedience, agility, tracking, herding, therapy, flyball, etc)

We play at many things. I am having fun teaching tricks now. We have competed in conformation, obedience and played at herding.

Have you bred any litters? If so, how many?

No, if I breed, I want to have the time to do it properly. Puppies are a big commitment. When I retire, I plan on exploring the possibility of having a litter.

Are you active in any other dog organizations? In what capacity?

I belonged to the Obedience Training Club of Greater Lansing. I was a trainer and Vice President. While there, I transitioned the club to doing more pet and basic training.

What specific skills, areas of expertise or qualifications could you contribute as a board member?

I am working on my tech skills. I am familiar with AKC rules and regulations. When something needs to be done, I step up and go to work.

What issues do you see facing the Briard that you would like to see the BCA address in the next 2 years?

Briards are becoming scarce. We are on the AKC list of breeds that are in peril.

How do you suggest addressing these issues?

We need to pull together as a club, despite our differences and work to educate and promote the breed.

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Communication. I am currently researching the most effective way to send out information. Our current email program severely limits the quantity of notices we can send out. Watch for some improvement there.

How would you suggest addressing these issues?

The club will need to start paying for an email service. I am working on keeping the website updated.

How much time can you devote to Board activities?

I currently spend about ten hours a week on the club.

Is there anything else you would like to say to the membership?

Let's all work towards making our club a more welcoming and kinder place. We all love Briards. Together we can make the club work for everyone.

I hereby certify that I am a member in good standing of the Briard Club of America and have agreed to abide by the BCA Code of Ethics, and that the information provided herein is true and correct.

Signature: Jami Groce

Date: 04/04/2023

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