Welcome!

Briard Club of America, inc. 2025 Rassemblement®

September 30 & October 1, 2025 Wauseon, OH



The BCA 2025 National and Rassemblement[®] are just about 4 months away, and most of you are making plans. Here is some information that will help you prepare for the 2025 Rassemblement[®]. Minor details on the organization of this event might still be subject to changes, but dates are firm.

General Information

The 2025 Rassemblement® is scheduled for Tuesday September 30 & Wednesday October 1, 2025, and the evaluations will take place at the Fulton County Fairgrounds, Wauseon, OH: A list of hotels will be available on the BCA website.

Our Evaluator-Judge for the 2025 Rassemblement[®] is Mr. Boris Cavaillac from Bordeaux, France. Mr. Cavaillac is an FCI Judge, a breeder of Collies and Shelties, and a long time judge for the Briard. Mr. Cavaillac was instructed to judge our Briards according to our AKC Breed Standard.

Our dogs' evaluations will be scheduled throughout the day on Tuesday and Wednesday, keeping Wednesday mid-afternoon for the Selection. When filling in the entry form, you will be asked to choose your preferred time(s) for the evaluation. In setting our schedule, we will try our best to accommodate your choice. Dogs will be scheduled for evaluation on a first come first served basis, but in no particular order with respect to color, sex, or age.

The following divisions are based on the dog's age on the day of the Selection (October 1, 2025).

- Puppy is for a dog under 12 months (born on or after October 2, 2024).
- Adult is for a dog 12 months and older but less than 7 years.
- Veteran is for a dog 7 years and older (born on or before October 1, 2018).

Notes:

- The only distinction between an **Adult** and a **Veteran** is the entry fee.
- At the Evaluator's choice,
 - a mature Puppy could be evaluated as an Adult, and
 - a young **Adult** dog, under 18 months, could be evaluated as a **Puppy**.
- **Spayed** or **neutered**, as well as **clipped** or **shaved** Briards can be entered. It will be so noted in the Rassemblement[®] book. These dogs will be evaluated the same way as all the other dogs with a possible Selection.

Entry Fees and Rass® Book:

- \$29.00 for a Puppy \$39.00 for an Adult \$29.00 for a Veteran
- Note that entry fees are non-refundable
 Break of \$7.00 for an Early Entry on or before July 14, 2025
- Additional fee of \$15.00 for a Late Entry on or after September 18, 2025 (if space allows)
- Pre-paid copies of the BCA 2025 Rassemblements® Book will be available for \$40.00/book

Important Dates:

- July 14, 2025: Last day for an Early entry fee (with a break of \$7.00)
- July 15 to September 17, 2025: Regular entry fee
- September 18, 2025: Starting day for a Late entry fee (with an additional \$15.00), if space allows
- September 30 & October 1, 2025: Evaluations of our Briards
- October 1, 2025 (mid-afternoon): Selection

Notes for Filling-In the Online Rassemblement[®] Entry Form

The online entry form will help streamline the entry process, cut down on errors, speed up the publication of the 2025 Rassemblement[®] Book, and make it easier for you.

Download Useful Links & Files, or copy and paste the following link in your browser:

https://www.cognitoforms.com/BCARass/UsefulLinksFiles

then choose the link under **Online Entry Form**. The online form is divided into several sections.

- The *General Information* section is only informative.
- The *Owner's* and *Dog's* sections, as well as the *Scheduling & Payment* section, will ask you to fill in or check a few boxes (some are optional, some are mandatory–indicated by *). These are similar to what is asked on an AKC entry form, and these sections will take no time to fill in.
- The *Supporting Material* section might take a bit more time for preparing a digital picture of the dog, scan(s) of the health certificates (if any), and a scan of the pedigree. You could use your phone to take pictures of these documents

Specifically, for the *Supporting Material* section, you will need to submit (upload at the click of a button) the following.

- A recent full body profile picture of the dog. A scanned picture of your dog, preferably in show position, in the form of a jpg file, would be best. It should have a resolution of at least 300 dpi. If needed, a photographer will also be available on site.
- A scanned copy of the **health certificates** (if any), in the form of a **pdf** or a **jpg** file.
- A **3-generation pedigree**, in the form of a **doc**, an **xIs**, or a **pdf** file (unless you are willing to enter the pedigree by hand on the online form). Our dogs' pedigrees have been an important part of the information carried in the BCA Rassemblement[®] books since 1974. They make a useful tool which allows breeders to trace dogs' ancestries.

Note: If you register several littermates, you can share the pedigree. Simply make a note of it (a box is available for comments at the bottom of each section) and give the specifics of the littermate(s).

If need be, **the** *Supporting Material* section could be skipped altogether, while submitting the rest of your entry online. The supporting material could then be sent separately as email attachments to Elise McMahon at: <u>emcmahon@canineheadstart.com</u>

or by regular mail to: Elise McMahon, 125 East Chestnut Hill Road, Montague, MA 01351-9558.

You can even bring your dog's additional information to the site on the day of the evaluation. Alternately, a hybrid method is possible: fill in the pedigree online and send the rest of the material by email, by regular mail, or bring it to the site. In all cases, **we need to have the complete information before the dog's evaluation** (entry form and supporting material), **as well as payment**.

If you cannot access or fill in the online entry form, again, download <u>Useful Links & Files</u>, or copy and paste the following link in your browser:

https://www.cognitoforms.com/BCARass/UsefulLinksFiles

then choose the link under Paper Copy Entry Form.

Print the form, fill it in, scan it (if need be), and send it as above. Finally, you can always call Elise McMahon, (413) 367-0094, to request a hard copy be sent to you. Whichever method you use, **fill in and submit one entry form for each dog**.

The **Scheduling** section is asking you to choose a time, or preferably several possible times, for your evaluation on Tuesday/Wednesday, AM/PM. If you have limited flexibility, please get your entries in early as slot preferences will be on a first come first served basis.

For an online entry, **payment** will need to be made separately, via PayPal or credit card on the BCA website, or by sending a check to the BCA Treasurer (make sure to state what the payment is for). Addresses are with the online entry form. If you use a hardcopy of the entry form, you must include a check with your entry (and the supporting material). Pre-purchase of a *2025 Rassemblement*[®] *Book* (one copy or more) is also available.

Thank you,

The BCA 2025 Rassemblement[®] Team Janis Charbonneau, Gerard Baudet, and Elise McMahon