

New Members and Reinstates –December 2023 for 2024

New Members

USA

District 8 Debra Devan Leaven, 11640 Isle of Palms Dr., Ft Myer FL, 33931, ddebtezza@aol.com

Sponsor: Thomas Coen (MA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Debbie for more than forty years and we have co-bred several ROM producers

Sponsor: Maret Halinen (NY) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Debbie over 35 years and have mentored her and judged several of her beautiful champions over the years. I recommend her highly.

Occupation Retired-from healthcare after 40 yrs.

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I was a member yrs ago and let it lapse. I am an approved judge for collies since July 2000. My judge # is 6043. I have attended several collie nationals.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My original breed is Shelties. I have always admired the collie and have many friends in the breed so I got a beautiful smooth girl and finished her-To & Nioma Coen.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 0 Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Miniature dachshunds and Shetland sheepdogs. (No shelties @ the present time.)

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 3 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? No

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Kennel Club of Buffalo, Ft Myers Beach KC, American Shetland Sheepdog Association (ASSA)

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? I would say I have great people skills, and to entertain-so hospitality.

District 11 Violet Arteaga, 3232 Oconnor Ave, Evans, CO, 80620, 970.301.6617, violet1991v@gmail.com

Sponsor: Janet Baynton (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Violet for about four years. She is a highly responsible person, loves her dogs supremely, keeps them well groomed, does all health testing & is conscientious about who she places her pups with! Violet is a jewel!

Sponsor: Michelle "Shelley" Bergstraser (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 3 yrs. Through shows & Collie Club of Colorado and Facebook friends.

Occupation Groomer (show & pet)

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Continuing education, get to know more collie people, to of course promote our wonderful breed, Collie!

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: My mentor, Jolynne Abdallah. She was a member of CCA for many years and really encouraged me to get more into showing with my collies. Unfortunately she passed away in 2022.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 0 Bitches? 3 Altered? No Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Dobermans, standard poodles, and a mini poodle

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 4 Collie litters? 2

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? Yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Collie Club of Colorado, Columbine State Poodke Club, Rocky Mountain Non-sporting Club, VIP (Versatility In Poodles)

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Social Media, Computer stuff, fundraising, promotions.

District 11 Richard Q. Opler, 10162 Beechwood Dr., Parker, CO, 80138, 303.840.9927,
rqopler@msn.com

Sponsor: Trish Blakely (NM) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Have known Rick for over 20 years. He has a deep love for the collies. He has been supporting to Patrick all this time in taking care of the collies, supervising puppy litters & providing support all of this time.

Sponsor: Jan Baynton (CO) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 13 years—Collie Club activities. Rick is a collie lover for sure. He is a tremendous behind-the-scene supporter of Shalinan Collies. Rick will be an asset to CCA

Occupation Retired

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Support Collies as a breed

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Spouse, Wentworth, 20+ years

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 4 Altered? 0 Do you own any other breeds? No

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 2 Collie litters? 2

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? Yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. None

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Writing, business, financials

District 12 John and Susi Czarnek, 1813 Hunt Ave, Richland, WA, 99354, 830.377.5993,
susiec@icloud.com

Sponsor: Mary Cox (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 9 months, trainer. One of puppy families that's classes w/her.

Sponsor: Linda Ward (WA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 13 mos. Fun match & friend. We met @ a breed show & conversed for a long time. She and her husband are new members of our local club Inland Empire Collie Club

Occupation Dog trainer

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? WE are excited to share our home with a new collie puppy and want to learn as much as we can.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Two reasons really. First my husband attended Texas A&M for undergrad and graduate degrees. Their mascot is a rough collie and has been for many years. Reveille is known as the 1st Lady of Aggieland. Second we rescued a Nenets Herding Laika from a shelter. He has been an awesome dog and became my teaching partner. We realized we wouldn't be able to get another one, out of Russia, we began researching collies and attending collie shows in our

area – fell in love. Incidentally, the breed standards are very similar in terms of temperament. As our Akitas age and show down, we decided to begin our search in earnest, and were lucky to find our girl.
Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Akitas (2), Nenets Herding Laika (1)
Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0
Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Performance events? Yes
Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No
Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. UNTC (trial secretary, retired), LOAL, ABS, IAABC, UW-AABB, PDT-KS, PSRI, APDT, AKC CGC evaluator, temperament eval.
Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No
What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? PC, Apple, word, excel, power point, AA-Project management

Reinstatement

USA

District	Name
District 9	Joy M. Surkand

COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA 2024 NATIONAL SPECIALTY COMMITTEE BIO

Submitted for approval by Jean Framke & Sue Webber

Roxane Jourdain – Scent Work Co-Chair

My name is Roxane Jourdain, I have owned and showed Collies since 2019 and have been a CCA member since 2020. I am also a member of the Collie Club of Austin, for which I have been serving as Vice-President (2021) and am serving my second term as President (2022-present). I am active in both conformation and performance and have titled dogs in Rally, Agility, Herding, Scent Work, Lure Coursing, Fast CAT, and Barn Hunt. I have also been show chair for multiple Collie Club of Austin events, including Agility (4 shows) and herding (1 show). Additionally, I have been serving on the board of the Collie Health Foundation and chair of the CHF Website committee.

I have been training in scent work since 2020 and have been trialing for a little over a year. All 3 of my dogs are trained in scent work, and my oldest collie, CCA versatility award recipient Tini, trials at the Advanced level in all elements. At the trials I have attended, I have volunteered in any capacity I could: timer, hide setter, demo dog, and scoresheet runner. I am familiar with the inner workings of a scent work trial, including the use of apps such as myK9Q or Agility Gate. I would be ecstatic to serve as Co-Chair for the first Collie Club of America Scent Work trial and hope to make it a fun and entertaining experience so that this amazing discipline may continue to be offered at future National Specialties.

Collie Club of America 2024 National Specialty Committee Bio

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Please double checked as I'd with Jean yesterday so please make sure is included for vote.

Donna Darland - Performance Dinner Coordinator

My name is Donna Darland, and I am thrilled to volunteer for the position of performance dinner coordinator for the 2024 Collie Club of America National Specialty.

I have previously been the agility chairman for both the 2019 specialty in Campton Hills and the 2013 specialty in LaCrosse.

My husband and I currently have two male rough collies. We have an eleven-year-old, Boss, who is nearing the end of his agility career after many titles and nearly ten years of showing. Our youngest collie, Quest, five years old, is actively showing in agility and working toward in MACH title. Quest has also started scent work and we are looking forward to earning titles in this venue as well. We also have a six-year-old border collie, Mav'rick. He is showing in agility and tried his paws at disc dog league this year. We have owned collies for twenty-five years. We have titled our collies in agility, obedience, conformation, rally, and herding. We are active in our local collie club, Illiana Collie Fanciers. This club hosts two agility trials each year. We are also active in our local all-breed club, Oshkosh Kennel Club. This club hosts numerous agility trials and run-thrus each year. We are also life members of Glenbard All Breed Obedience Club and still help them with their agility trials.