



**LOWCHEN CLUB OF AMERICA ONLINE BOARD MEMBER  
DISCUSSION JANUARY 2008**

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Cecile Balizet requested conformation of the show chairs and hosts for the 2008 and 2009 LCA Nationals for the report required to be submitted to the AKC. For 2008 chair is Linda Erling- Baker, JoAllyn Beckett and Janette Swindler, hosts. For 2009 Chair is Cheryl Hatchell and host is Donna Jones.

JoAllyn Beckett stated that she has once again attached the Constitution for everyone's review of job descriptions.

JoAllyn Beckett cited an article by Dr. Carmen Battaglia entitled "Breed Dilemmas & Extinction" as having Lowchen on the endangered list.

Whether stationery had been ordered was questioned by JoAllyn Beckett.

Jann Nienhaus brought up reservations about a 2009 World Congress saying Gini Denninger had not answered some pointed questions. Discussion on the pros and cons of the LCA's involvement, feasibility and fiduciary responsibility in such an event was discussed at length. JoAllyn Beckett appointed Jann Nienhaus as chair for a special Lowchen World Congress Exploratory Committee.

Jann Nienhaus reported that Debbie King had contacted her to find out where the boutique items are to be sent. Lyle Harding suggested the cookie jars could be used for trophies and Debbie King suggested the T-shirts might be used for Sweeps prizes.

Althea Smith asked if there was anything going to be done about the Lowchen rescue needed in Ohio.

An unofficial count of membership renewal reported by Glenda Martin noted that 46 members had yet to renew their membership with the LCA. Herb Williams reminded all that applications made after October 1<sup>st</sup> do not pay dues for the next year which would account for some of the non renewal numbers.

Lyle Harding reported the loss of Susa's Charlie Williams to cancer. Discussion followed on how the LCA can best send condolences to remember Charlie.

JoAllyn Beckett called for a secret ballot to be sent to all members to vote yes or no on acceptance of the Breed Standard Revision as written and submitted to the Board by the Breed Standard Revision Committee. She would like a deadline of the end of the first week of February.

Cecile Balizet remarked that only 9 of the 11 ballots had been received for new member applicants Jerry Davis and Karalyn Schultz.

Contract for the 2009 was submitted to the Board from Glenda Martin as received by Cheryl Hatchel. Discussion followed regarding the high cost of staying in Atlanta and it was determined to request that Cheryl search beyond the city limits to keep the cost down and that this be turned over to Janette Swindler as Committee Oversight Chair. Barbara Cecil sent contact information to Cheryl for Erin who is show chair for the Anatolian Shepherd Club that will also be having their National at the Atlanta show.

**END OF JANUARY BOARD MEMBER DISCUSSION**