



Minutes of the Executive Council meeting

Held on 25 September 2020

**At the Brentwood Hotel
16 Kemp Street
Kilbirnie
Wellington**

1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)

Brian Harris (BH) President
 Jill Brooker (JB)
 Keith Brown (KB)
 Steve Tate (STT)
 Trina Nichols (TN)
 Lisa Slade (LS)

Arend van den Bos (AB)
 Stephen Meredith (SM)
 Donna Hailes (DH)
 Fiona Hodgson (FH)
 Catherine McManus (CM)

STAFF

Steven Thompson (ST) – Director Secretary
 Nicola Wood (NW) – Executive Assistant/Administrator

APOLOGIES

Clive Phillips – Treasurer

WELCOME

BH welcomed the E.C to the meeting at 9am.

ITEMS FOR AGENDA**1. Introduction/Minutes**

- Presidents Welcome/Apologies/ General Business - Late items for agenda/Adoption of agenda
- Conflicts of Interest
- Obituaries
- July 25-26 Minutes/Corrections/Confirmation of Minutes

2. Important Items

- Treasurer's Report for July 2020 (Clive P in Attendance)
 - Group Financial Report to 31 August 2020
 - Audit & Risk Report
 - Last 3 month forecast concerns (Discussion)
 - Staff Remuneration Recommendation (Decision Required)
 - Capex Committee update
- Dogs NZ Business Plan 2020-2021 (Late Paper)
 - Covid-19 Update
- Show Programme (Decision Required)
 - Can we sustain the number of shows we currently have each year with the lack of overseas judges? (Discussion)
 - Dogs NZ/NZDJA Sub Committee Meeting Report
 - Show Calendar Working Group Report
- NZ Dog Judges Association
 - Business Plan – Roll Out & Training / Judges Breed Guidance Document
- ACOD 2020
 - Runsheet

3. Regulations (Decision Required)

- Scent Work Regulations
- Registry Regulation 10.16 Russian Toy (Russkiy Toy)
- Registration of Dogs Under Registry Regulation 6.1/6.2
 - Registration of Stud Dog Lowchen litter
 - Registration of Irish & English Setters

- Registration of Anatolian Shepherd Dog
- 4. Lure Coursing (Decision Required – verbal report by B.Harris)**
 - Change the name from Sighthound Lure Coursing Regulations to Lure Coursing Regulations.
 - Change the judge's panel name from Sighthound Judges to Lure Coursing Judges.
 - Set up a sub-committee for the development of Lure Coursing in NZ to be chaired by Carole Tipler.
- 5. Clubs (Decision Required)**
 - Recognition of Central Search Dogs & MOU with Dogs NZ Scent Works
- 7. Office Reports (Read Only)**
 - Director Secretary Report
 - Canine Health & Welfare Officer's Report
 - Club & Membership Manager Report (Decision Required)
 - Dogs on Report
 - NZ Dog World / Dog iE News Report
 - Members Special Rate paper (Decision Required)
- 8. Executive Council Sub-Committee & Committee Reports (Read Only)**
 - Committee Appointments - update
 - Junior Dog Committees
 - Junior Dog Training
 - YDS & JDH
 - Agility Committee
 - Obedience Committee
 - Scent Work Committee (Decision Required)
 - Canine Good Citizen
 - Museum Trust
 - Breed Standards Committee (Decision Required)
 - Forrester Park Committee
 - NZDJA
- 9. Correspondence**
 - Karen McIntyre Letter
- 10. General Business**
- 11. Chairperson Sum Up/Evaluation of Meeting/Next Meeting Agenda Items**
 - Future Dates
 - November 21/22

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The E.C adopted the agenda.

Moved: FH; Seconded: KB – Adopted

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The E.C noted the conflicts of interest register.

DECEASED MEMBERS

The E.C noted the list of deceased members but asked CB to check Sue Neale, Christchurch as AB noted she was on the list last time.

JULY 25/26 MINUTES / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The E.C confirmed the 25-26 July 2020 meeting minutes.

Moved: ST; Seconded: FH – Adopted

2. IMPORTANT ITEMS

FINANCE UPDATE

Treasurer's Report for July 2020

- **Group Financial Report to 31 August 2020**
- **Audit & Risk Report**
- **Last 3 month forecast concerns (Discussion)**
- **Staff Remuneration Recommendation (Decision Required)**
- **Capex Committee update**

Financial Update for July 2020

The E.C noted the financial update for July 2020.

Information Only – Report Received

Financial Update for August 2020

Financial Results

Steady August Month.

August Actuals exceeded Budget primarily due to strong income recorded by Dogs NZ, AEC, Dunedin, Wellington, and Gazette.

Membership, Kennel name, Registrations, transfers and Non-member advertising Revenues have held up better than expected over the first five months of the year.

While this is encouraging please be mindful income such as membership including Gazette subscriptions and club levies were amended for the Covid Budget to be received later in the year with limited activity expected during the first five months. The better than expected results are predominantly a timing issue rather than a strong uplift in overall revenue.

We are flagging that the January to March 2021 quarter has strong budgeted revenue reflecting full normal activity and back loading of membership fees etc.

Some of the revenue recorded during July and August relate to events which either have not taken place or have had to be rescheduled to a later date due to being at Level 2 or 3. This revenue will have offsetting expenses when held or may need to be refunded if event is cancelled.

The re-emergence of Covid-19 community cases in late July is having an adverse impact on these revenue streams. Dog showing activities will definitely be an income deficit for the year.

Expenses in August were less than budget which was a pleasing outcome.

Dogs NZ needs to keep expenditure in line with the modest revenue stream expected for the remainder of the year.

The Government wage subsidy finished in June. Dogs NZ did not apply for the wage subsidy extension.

Dogs NZ needs to be aware the challenges for this financial year still exist and will continue to impact.

Actual Income EXCEEDS budget by \$335.2K for the August Year to Date period

Actual Expenditure OVER budget by \$24.2k for the August Year to Date period

Balance Sheet REMAINS STRONG - Cash and Property rich

Total cash to end of August \$1,563.9k, up \$104k since end of last financial year (March 2020).

Summary of Group Financial Results: – Income minus Expenditure

Monthly Result: - Surplus greater than Budget deficit last year's Actual surplus and pre Covid Budget surplus

<u>August Month:- Income less Expenditure</u>				
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Pre Covid Budget</u>	
\$18,256	(\$48,300)	\$3,844	(\$13,769)	
<u>Year To Date :- Income less Expenditure before Depreciation</u>			<u>Full Year 2020-2021</u>	
<u>This Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Forecast</u>
\$192,694	(\$142,460)	\$99,723	(\$392,794)	(\$44,391)

Actual YTD results:-

- Significantly Exceeds Budget By: - \$335.2k.
- Significantly Exceeds Pre Covid Budget By: - \$169.8k
- Exceeds Last Year Actual By: - \$93k

Registry Activity

	<u>Analysis YTD August 2020</u>					
	<u>Number</u>			<u>Income</u>		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	
Litter Notification	766	741	3%	26,675	26,907	-1%
Registrations	3,871	3,646	6%	105,758	87,308	21%
Transfers	2,613	2,546	3%	51,030	45,602	12%
Imports	130	135	-4%	12,069	12,056	0%
Exports	65	126	-48%	5,043	10,728	-53%
Overall Total	<u>7,445</u>	<u>7,194</u>	3%	<u>200,575</u>	<u>182,601</u>	10%

Dogs NZ (NZKC):- EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$226.3k**Income** \$249.1k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** (\$22.7k) OVER budget YTD.**AEC: - EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$12.7k****Income** \$23.9k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** (\$11.2k) OVER budget YTD.**Dunedin: - :- EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$10.5k****Income** \$13.1k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** (\$2.6k) OVER budget YTD.**Wellington Property EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$15.8k****Income** \$22k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** (\$6.2k) OVER budget YTD.**Gazette: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$50.7k****Income** \$39.4k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** \$11.4k BELOW budget YTD.

NDOA: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$5k

Income \$4.7k ABOVE budget YTD which was NIL.

Expenses \$0.3k BELOW budget YTD.

Agility: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$11.2k

Income \$3.9k ABOVE budget YTD.

JDT & JDS: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$1.3k

Obedience: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$0.9k

Balance Sheet & Cash Flow

- Cash balances INCREASED \$104k since 31 March 2020.
- Debtors \$89.9k down from end of last financial year. Receipt of Purina annual Sponsorship main reason for reduction

Four month and older balances are \$0.8k NZKC and AEC \$0.1k.

- Prepayments \$80.9k (expenses paid in advance) - \$37.7k greater than end of last financial year. \$75k is the Insurance premium for the 20/21 year.
- Receipts Received in Advance figure \$55.2k on the balance sheet comprises the total of Receipts in Advance \$13.7k and Deferred Income Sponsorship \$38.5k

The main items comprising the Receipts in Advance total are:-

Purina Sponsorship \$38.5k -This is being released into accounts in equal monthly instalments

Obedience Central region NDOA monies \$10.2k - to be held until Obedience Central next hold NDOA (3 yrs)

Wellington Benefit Show Entries from cancelled - to be refunded

ST spoke to the Financials. The E.C discussed, noting ST is presenting a financial report to ACOD tomorrow and will talk about COVID and how it has impacted Dogs NZ budget. The E.C noted their expenses were amongst the NZKC line and without CP we cannot drill down and explain any further if questioned. It was also noted we could continue to use Zoom for E.C meetings in future to reduce costs if revenue soft in the final 3 months of FY. Wellington Carpark allocations and payments were also discussed.

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AUDIT & RISK REPORT

Report provided by Ann Coulson (AC), Chair of Risk, Audit and Finance Committee.

This report comments on the year to date position as at 31 August 2020.

This is the first RAF report for the current financial year. The last five months have been dominated by the performance of the organisation in the Covid-19 environment. Although we are looking better than the budget expected, there are some anomalies in the reported data compared to budget and to the previous financial year.

The Treasurer has provided a comprehensive analysis of the financial reports as at 31 August 2020 and our comments are related to the overall position and the forecast for the remainder of the year.

The budget assumes a return to greater dog activity for the period January to March 2021, and the forecast has not been reviewed to suggest that may not be the case. Executive Council members should by now be very aware that anything can happen to change revenue expectations and we therefore urge constant reviews of expenditure.

The RAF committee will require a project management plan for the Capital Expenditure approved for the Wellington building to be included as part of the financial reporting each month. This is a major capital expense and should not be allowed to go over budget. It will be a test case for all future capex projects, and we expect there to be a review of the construction documents including contractual obligations and liability insurance if required.

The Audit Report notes that the Financial Policies have not been formally signed off and distributed. I repeat comments we have made earlier that we cannot expect people to follow the policies if they don't know what they are. The RAF committee are also tasked with overseeing the update (and possible rationalisation) of the bank signatories – another long awaited action. We look forward to participating in both these actions.

Well done to the team so far – but keep alert for the next shock.

The E.C discussed and noted the report. The E.C requested CP to follow up in regards to the financial policies. STT questioned whether we would be looking at re-forecasting the budget for the first 3 months of next year? ST noted that all expenditure was coming under close security and a key focus was on maximising registry income for the remainder of the year.

Moved: KB, Seconded; JB – approved
Financial Reports Received

LAST 3 MONTH FORECAST CONCERNS (DISCUSSION)

The E.C discussed the last 3 month revenue forecast concerns in conjunction with the Finance reports.

Information Only – Report Received

CAPEX COMMITTEE UPDATE

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Capital Expenditure Committee Update

1. Capex Maintenance Projects for FY 2020/21

- The Auckland Waste Water project is under way and with close communication between both the Auckland Management Committee and Dogs NZ Treasurers we are confident that the project will be delivered within the current \$37k budget.
- Forrester Park is about to start work on the Electrical Compliance & Lighting LED projects project which has a \$16k budget.
- Wellington venue blinds project has been completed and we are sourcing quotes for the National Office Heat pumps project which has an \$8k budget. Depend on future rental income for the current financial year we may delay this project until April 2021.

2. Wellington Roof Replacement Project

- We have retained the services of architects to prepare a report on the options we have for the design and materials for the replacement of the roof.
- We have had onsite inspections with representatives from material suppliers and roof installers and there a number of options for the Architect to consider in his report.
- Once we have the report, the recommendations will be considered by the Capex Committee and Audit & Risk Committee.

ST spoke to this report. ST & CP have discussed architects options but will go back seeking further information. Once done a recommendation will go to the Capex and Audit & Risk Committee for approval. ST emphasized it is a big project.

The E.C discussed and noted the report.

Information Only – Report Received

DOGS NZ BUSINESS PLAN 2020-2021 (LATE PAPER) COVID-19 UDPATE

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

The E.C discussed the Dogs NZ Business Plan / Covid Update 2020-2021 document.

The E.C noted the business plan.

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SHOW PROGRAMME (DECISION REQUIRED)

- **CAN WE SUSTAIN THE NUMBER OF SHOWS WE CURRENTLY HAVE EACH YEAR WITH THE LACK OF OVERSEAS JUDGES? (DISCUSSION)**

The E.C discussed the Show Programme and whether or not we can sustain the number of shows we currently have each year with the lack of overseas judges.

- **DOGS NZ / NZDJA SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**

Minutes of the Judges meeting that took place on Friday 28 August 2020 along with an APPENDIX 1 - A Proposal for NZDJA Judges Application Criteria Changes to assist with alleviating the shortage of NZ Judges in the future were provided by the Dogs NZ / NZDJA Sub-Committee.

SM and STT spoke to this report. TN asked why a NZDJA does not have an appointment on the E.C?

The E.C discussed and noted report accepting the changes put forward by the Judges Association in Appendix 1 of their submission.

BH summarised this agenda item with the following options:

- Option 1: Withdraw Benefit Shows for all (except NZKC properties) from a date after we have accepted schedules already – 1 April to 31 March 2022
- Option 2: Every Club only gets one Champion Show and they also have to run one Open Show. They keep their Benefit Show.
- Option 3: All Conformation Clubs to have One Champ Show and minimum of one Open Show from 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022. Reduce NZKC properties to 2 Benefit Shows only. Note, this is to be reviewed September 2021 for the period 2022- 2023.
- Option 4: Do nothing – stay as is

All E.C in favour OF Option 3 - carried

The E.C agreed we will take option 3 to ACOD and consult with clubs to get there feedback in time for the November EC meeting before ratifying a decision. ST will work on the communication to members with the working group.

SM thanked STT and NW for their preparation and time for the 28 August meeting.

Report Received

- **SHOW CALENDAR WORKING GROUP REPORT**

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

The E.C noted the report.

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NZ DOG JUDGES ASSOCIATION

- **BUSINESS PLAN – ROLL OUT & TRAINING / JUDGES BREED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

The E.C discussed the Business Plan – Roll Out & Training Judges Breed Guidance Document provided by the NZ Dogs Judges Association.

The E.C noted they support the adoption of the Judges Breed Guidance document and we look to support it financially on evidence of a budget.

The E.C queried what Clubs this document was distributed to. ST to arrange for it to be advertised in DogiE News and the Dog World magazine for publicity. LS will provide the wording from a CH&W point of view. The NZDJA will be notified.

Discussion was held on some breeds not being correct in the document. LS advised to get in touch with Karen McIntyre or Pam Douglas so they are aware.

Report Received

ACOD 2020 RUNSHEET

The E.C discussed and noted the 134th Annual Conference of Delegates runsheet. BH advised AB is to present the Obedience Dog Committee Remit.

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3. REGULATIONS

SCENT WORK REGULATIONS

Amendments to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

The following Regulation changes sought are to correct a current anomaly which prevents official Dog NZ Scent Work Qualifications from being cross credited between Dogs NZ and recognized Societies with who a reciprocal qualification agreement has approved.

The Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee seeks from Dogs NZ EC, approval for the following amendments to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

7.4.1.1 Novice Container Search – Essential Cedarwood Oil ~~or other Essential Oil approved by DNZ for societies with who a reciprocal recognition of qualification exists.~~

8.1.1.2 All competitors must attest that their dogs have been adequately imprinted

on the approved Essential Cedarwood oil scent. This will generally involve multiple scent imprinting sessions ~~(as outlined in the Dogs NZ Scent Imprinting Guidelines)~~ prior to the day of the trial. Competitors should seek guidance from the organisers of the scent imprinting sessions, experienced competitors or Scentwork judges to determine whether their dogs are sufficiently imprinted to compete in a container search.

11.2.1.3 Scent aid. Only the approved Essential Cedarwood Oil is to be used in

Novice Container searches. Scent sample is to consist of approximately one eye drop placed on a sterile cotton pad, being a circle of approximately 6cm diameter or a square with sides of approximately 5.3 cm, or on a cotton bud.

AB spoke to this report. The E.C discussed in conjunction with agenda item 5. Support for the regulation changes was not approved, but AB is to go back to Central Search Dogs and request they apply to become a Recognised Society.

Report Received

SCENT WORK REGULATIONS

Regulation 4.3

AB spoke to Regulation 4.3 for Scent Work.

4.3 Scent Work Trials held by registered Dogs NZ societies are recognised scent work trials. All other scent work trials are unrecognised. Scent work trials pursuant to these regulations.

The E.C discussed and approved regulation 4.3, noting also to renumber the regulations.

Moved: AB, Seconded; SM – approved
Report Received

REGISTRY REGULATION 10.16 RUSSIAN TOY (RUSSKIY TOY) BREED STANDARD CHANGE: LANDSEER

RE: Breed Standard Update & Proposed Registry Regulation 10.16

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

1. Background:

At the July Executive Council meeting, the Breeds Standard Committee made a number of recommendations regarding the Landseer (European Continental Type) and Russian Toy dog.

Executive Council has asked Breeds Standards for clarification on the Russian Toy recommendations and the Committee has an update recommendation on the Landseer dog

2. Russian Toy Terrier:

We have recommended the adoption of the FCI Standard but not to permit the interbreeding of smooth and long coats. With one Standard and two coat types this will cause some problems with the Registry.

ANKC have created two Standards which only differ by Coat type, both of these Standards reference back to the FCI Standard No 352. If we did this here then the varieties would have to be separated for showing. This would be the same as the Chihuahua and registry regulations would be drafted in a similar fashion.

Recommendation:

- We recommend that we adopt the FCI Standard but separate them as the ANKC have done.
- This will ensure that interbreeding is **not** allowed.
- That the following Registry Regulation be adopted:

Moved: SM, Seconded; STT – approved

10.16 Russian Toy (Ruskiy Toy)

From January 1st 2021 interbred Russian Toy (Ruskiy Toy) (including those registered in any other country in the World) will not be registered.

A smooth-haired dog bred from Long Haired parents may be registered as a Smooth Coat, and a long Haired dog bred from Smooth Coated parents may be registered as a Long Haired.

Once a registration has been made on a Breed Register it cannot later be changed to another Register irrespective of its coat at a later date.

- That submissions be sought via advertisement in the NZ Dog World.

Moved: SM, Seconded; STT – approved

3. Landseer (European Continental Type)

It has been pointed out that our recommendation to adopt the FCI Standard for this breed has a small problem in that the Standard calls for:

Dewclaws: They are objectionable; they should be removed as soon as possible after birth.

Recommendation:

- It has been agreed that this sentence be deleted from the Standard.

The E.C discussed and noted the report.

Moved: LS, Seconded; CM – approved
Report Received

REGISTRATION OF DOGS UNDER REGISTRY REGULATION 6.1 / 6.2

- **Registration of Stud Dog Lowchen litter**
- **Registration of Irish & English Setters**
- **Registration of Anatolian Shepherd Dog**

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

Executive Council is asked to rule under Registration Regulation 6.1 and 6.2 for the following three applications. The powers of the Executive Council are set out below:

“6. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL POWERS

- 6.1 The Executive Council shall decide any dispute arising from any registration or application for registration.
- 6.2 The Executive Council may, in exceptional circumstances but without stating its reason, approve the registration of any dog upon payment of a Special Registration Fee

notwithstanding that there has been no or only part compliance with the normal requirements for registration hereunder."

Litter of Lowchens whelped 16 January 2020

The owner of a female Lowchen (and member of Dogs NZ) who has had a litter of 3 bitches on 16 January 2020 has sent in the litter notification form and applied to register the three puppies. The owner of the stud dog (and member of Dogs NZ) has refused to sign the litter notification form claiming that she had not received the full payment of the agreed stud fee. Administration advised both parties to take the matter to the Disputes Tribunal.

The breeder of the puppies did so and Dogs NZ have been provided with a copy of the order made on 13 August 2020. Neither party is appealing the decision of the Disputes Tribunal.

- (a) The owner of the stud dog claimed that the stud fee was \$2,500 or \$300 plus a pick of the litter. The owner of the dam claims that the fee discussed was \$300 (which she paid) and disagrees that there was any other conversation regarding the stud fee. Disputes Tribunal stated that there was insufficient evidence that the contract was for \$2,500 or \$300 and a puppy so dismissed the claim of the stud dog owner for further payment.
- (b) The breeder requested that the stud dog owner sign the litter notification however the Disputes Tribunal stated that they have no jurisdiction to make that order because the order is not able to be enforced.
- (c) The stud dog owner also said that her stud dog may not be the sire of the litter as there was only a slip connection witnessed.

The Disputes Tribunal ruled that the puppies were born within the time frame expected from the mating and that it would be up to the owner of the stud dog to pay for DNA testing if she disputed the litter.

Recommend that the Executive Council accept the unsigned litter notification and register the three Lowchen puppies from this litter upon receipt of DNA profiling that proves this stud dog is the father.

Moved: BH, Seconded; SM – approved

Application to Register an Imported Irish Setter and English Setter

An application has been received from a new member, who has immigrated from South Africa, to register an Imported Irish Setter and an imported English Setter that have been issued a 5 generation Certified Export Pedigree each by the National Field Trial Association – South Africa. This organisation was founded in 1945 and registered Irish Setters, English Setters and Pointers. They have 5 of clubs under their auspices and hold field trials.

The owner of these two dogs wishes to be able to register his dogs to compete in Field Trials in New Zealand.

See below the extract from NZKC Rules

6. FIELD TRIAL MEMBERSHIP

Without prejudice to the right of any person to apply for and be granted full or NZ Young Kennel Club membership under Rule 5 or 6 respectfully hereof,

- (a) Subject to the approval of the Executive Council any person who is a financial member of the New Zealand Gundog Trial Association either directly or through membership of a club affiliated to the New Zealand Gundog Trial Association is deemed to be a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club.

- (b) Membership granted hereunder shall confer on such member the rights and privileges set forth in Rule 4(d)(i) 5, 6 and 7 and the right to be appointed to the Field Trial Judges Panel and to take part at any Championship Field Trial but no other rights and privileges save the right to transfer a registered dog.

Recommend that these two imported dogs be registered with Dogs New Zealand.

*The E.C noted that this recommendation be put **on hold** until BH talks to the Gundog Trials Association.*

Application To Register Anatolian Shepherd Dog Frozen Semen from Bison Aslanda Goutte Noire (USA) without 3 Generation Pedigree

An application has been received to register frozen semen from an Anatolian Shepherd Dog by Ana Goddard. She advises:

"I am writing in regards to the acceptance of NZ Bison Registration.

"First I would like to apologise for having purchased unregistered semen, I did so with the clear promise (No Contract) of full AKC and ASDCA three generational registration.

I purchased this from Heidi Krol, whom I believed at the time, to be a reputable breeder in the USA, under the belief that the registration for Bison was currently being processed with the ASDCA. Having had many numerous issues in acquiring anything further information from Heidi over the past 7 months, I looked for resolve, so I made contact with the president of ASDCA, Mr Ed Collins, I was informed this week that to date they have not received any hard copies or paperwork in regards to the dog Bison Aslanda Goutte Noire. Ed Collins also asked AKC if they had received anything and they had not.

I was told by Heidi that the Dam of Bison "Fantosh" held a 5 generational pedigree and that she had all Fantosh info with her submission, she had claimed to know the breeder of Fantosh, I tried to get more information from her on breeder or parents of Fantosh, but she has never given this information.

I was lucky to at least receive a picture of Bisons french registration which I will attach for you (copy received).

I also have his microchip number so I can at least match the semen to his pedigree.

6 years ago NZKC approved registration of my bitch from Czech Republic; she only had one pedigree on the sire side. I have never bred an unregistered litter of Siberian Huskies or Anatolian Shepherd Dogs and certainly did not intend to. Besides from being devastated over the circumstances I find myself in, and confused as to why Mrs Krol would profess to have applied for this several times with ASDCA, she has also used Bison over her Import bitch from Scotland (Sunlion Kennels) but has leased this bitch to someone else to have the litter, which leads me to even more confusion over the whole issue so I decided to make this application in the hopes that we can move forward here in NZ with the breed as being one of two breeders here, and providing this bred to the public some of whom would like to show there pup, as I would also like to, having kept two males from this outstanding litter.

If the acceptance of Registration is given for Bison, the puppies I have on the ground now would actually have two generations on sire's dam, full on sire's sire side, and full on Dam's side, Dam to the litter is my NZ CH Kuvana Atari Mountain Palace.

The puppies from this litter are of excellent stature, type, and nature, and are typical of correct Anatolian Shepherd Dog breed.

I do see on the registration that the dam Fantosh has an 'excellent' hip rating also 'Excellent Rated' by FCI All Breed Judge. Irkos sire of Bison also has excellent hip rating. I have provided a copy of Bison Hip and Thyroid as well (received)."

Note there have been no litters of Anatolian Shepherd Dogs registered with Dogs NZ in the last 2 years.

Recommend that the frozen semen from the Anatolian Shepherd Dog Bison Aslanda Goutte Noire (USA) be registered with Dogs NZ.

The E.C discussed and has requested CB to go back and request proof of Heidi Krol sending the frozen semen to Anna Goddard and that the micro-chip number ties in on the pedigree, shipping details, vet details etc. The E.C also noted that this was the second time that dispensation of some sort has been sought and that it should not be repeated.

Moved: SM, Seconded; JB – approved

Report Received

4. LURE COURSING

- **Change the name from Sighthound Lure Coursing Regulations to Lure Coursing Regulations.**
- **Change the judge's panel name from Sighthound Judges to Lure Coursing Judges**
- **Set up a sub-committee for the development of Lure Coursing in NZ to be chaired by Carole Tipler.**

Verbal report provided by Brian Harris (BH).

BH spoke to this item.

The E.C discussed and agreed to the recommendations:

1. Change the name from Sighthound Lure Coursing Regulations to Lure Coursing Regulations.

Moved: FH, Seconded; CM– approved

2. Change the judge's panel name from Sighthound Judges to Lure Coursing Judges

Moved: KB, Seconded; STT– approved

3. Set up a sub-committee for the development of Lure Coursing in NZ to be chaired by Carole Tipler.

Carole has asked to defer this recommendation noting once they have the Committee established they will come back to the E.C with a program and a list of judges.

Report Received

5. CLUBS

RECOGNITION OF CENTRAL SEACH DOGS & MOU WITH DOGS NZ SCENT WORKS

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

This issue has arisen from a situation within Dogs NZ Scent Work and therefore the context of this discussion will be around that state of affairs.

However, it may also have a potential to apply to similar situations in the future, and discussion should likewise consider potential precedence's being established.

Scent Work was first presented to the Dogs NZ Dog Obedience Committee as a potential new code to be adopted by Dogs NZ two years ago, by Central Search Dogs (Wellington NZ).

While it was initially met with limited support, sufficient progress was made to launch Scent Work as an unofficial Dogs NZ activity in June 2019. This was achieved by Central Search Dogs hosting a training seminar/workshop to encourage Dogs NZ Scent Work participation and recruitment of Dogs NZ Scent Work Instructors and Judges.

In September 2019, the Dogs NZ EC decided to adopt Scent Work as a new official code. Among other administrative matters, this required the formation of a Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee, Scent Work Regulations, and an established plan of developing official Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials along with an education programme.

Establishing a Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee involved offering Central Search Dogs, Scent Sports Association of New Zealand (SSANZ), and Sonja Needs (Australian National Kennel Council Scent Work Representative/Advisor) a position on the committee. Central Search Dogs and Sonja Needs accepted, whereas SSANZ declined.

Using the talent now established, it was initially agreed to follow the criteria already established by Central Search Dogs regarding Search Trials. However, in doing so, the committee received some criticism over the choice to continue using Essential Clove Bud oil as a target scent due to its toxicity. This prompted considerable research which established that Essential Clove Bud oil was indeed mildly toxic to dogs and, that there were a substantial number of safer alternative Essential oils available.

Given that there is a maximum of four Essential oils used in Scent Work Trials, four of the considered canine safe variety were chosen and ultimately submitted to the Dogs NZ EC for official endorsement.

As a result, Central Search Dogs reviewed their own practice of using Essential Clove Bud oil, but decided to continue its use for their own Scent Work Trials while at the same time respecting and honouring Dogs NZ decision to use alternative oils for their Scent Work Trails. Furthermore, in the interests of further developing and maintaining a close liaison between CSD and Dogs NZ, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was agreed upon to acknowledge each other's qualifications, despite the use of different oils.

This same arrangement is also anticipated for future liaisons with Australian Scent Work Society's.

Recently, a Dogs NZ Obedience Society (Selwyn Dog Training Club), made a declaration that they would commence Scent Work training, using SSANZ as their Scent Work instruction provider. This action initiated a review of the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations, in order to ensure that any qualifications gained at Scent Work Trials conducted by this Obedience Society under SSANZ Guidelines, would not be recognized by Dogs NZ. Principally because SSANZ also has a lengthy history of being disparaging of Dogs NZ Scent Work at their own seminars and through social media.

The Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations were found to be quite robust regarding the ability to discount qualifications that were not achieved in Scent Work Trials conducted under Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations. However, an anomaly was discovered in that it did not allow for the recognition of qualifications gained at Scent Work Trials conducted by Society's with who we have a Memorandum of Understanding, such as Central Search Dogs.

Some simple adjustments of the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations allow for this to happen, and these amendments will be tabled for Dogs NZ EC endorsement. However, in order to prevent other Scent Work organizations (such as SSANZ) with who Dogs NZ does not have a MoU to plead equivalent rights, there is a requirement for Dogs NZ to recognize those Society's with who they have an MoU for the purpose of cross qualification.

This could be done in one of two ways:

Endorse such Society's within their already existent process of "Recognized Society", or
Establish a new category, such as "Approved" or "Acknowledged" Society's.

AB spoke to this item in conjunction with agenda item 3. Scent Work Regulations.

FH noted they would have to be a Recognised Society. AB questioned what a Recognised Society is? The E.C discussed and noted Central Search Dogs would have to apply as per Dog NZ Rules and Regulations. AB to provide Central Search Dogs with the correct paper work advising they need to be a Recognised Society to run recognised shows and until they are our assessors cannot assess their trials.

Report Received

6. OFFICE REPORTS

DIRECTOR SECRETARY REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

1. Key Relationship & Reputation Activities

UK Kennel Club / Cambridge University Partnership

With the key UK Kennel staff back from August leave we are waiting on receiving the RFG document mentation so that we can start arranging the training of our two Chief Accessors. I am also waiting on The Kennel Club to include our requested NZ data privacy clause in the final contract which is sitting with their lawyers.

MPI / NAWAC

After consultation with Canine Health & Welfare we have submitted feedback on The National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (NAWAC) 'Societal Cost Benefit Analysis Tool' which will help NAWAC fully considered the wider perspective of societal costs and benefits associated with the use of animals in exhibition, entertainment and encounter (3Es – which cover dog showing and sports).

This is the start of a series of consultations with MPI/NAWAC on this important piece of legislation which will have an impact on our activities.

Strategy Committee

I am organising the next workshop of the Strategy Committee which we will hold in November. The first workshop Facilitator, Denise Church has provided a comprehensive report on the workshop which will guide our second meeting.

2. Key Revenue Activities

Purina Sponsorship Programmes

We have completed the three surveys of our breeders, new members and new puppy owners. The findings of surveys have been incorporated into our sponsorship programmes and I will be attending a one day workshop with the Purina Marketing team in Auckland to plan the programme role out which I would like to have completed by the end of the year.

The key survey findings will also be published in a series of articles in the NZ Dog World. A presentation on the Purina partnership programmes and member surveys will be delivered by the Purina Sponsorship team at ACOD 2020.

Registry Database

Online Litter / Puppy Registrations 3 Day Turn-Around Service:

We are now able to direct import both online litter notifications and dogs registrations into the registry system has eliminated the constant processing backlogs which used to stretched up to 3 weeks. As more members move to our online registration system I am hopeful that being always up to date and a minimum 3 day processing time for all correct online registrations will be the new normal.

Sue Connor and the IT/Registry team are concentrating tidying up of minor glitches in the system and the next key focus will improving the registration of frozen semen and dog transfers.

Unregistered Dogs Campaign:

Attached is report from Sue Connor on the recent 2 year outstanding dog registration programme. Once the two year deadline has expired I will be bring to Executive Council in April 2021 a list of recommended Kennel name suspension of any outstand 4 plus litter registrations.

Registry Structure Proposal Paper

I will be bringing to the November Executive Council meeting a proposal paper to restructure the current three level registry system. As we worked alongside members to develop the online registry systems it has become clear that our current registry system is confusing and does not give a clear and relevant understanding of

Key Future IT Projects

While our show programme is operating on a reduced schedule I have placed a hold on any further work on the Online Show Programme unless we have any emergency patch work that is required.

The building of the Neutered Dogs regulations into the Show Programme was a huge allocation of resources and I want the IT team to focus on new projects that has greater potential for future revenue growth such as

- Automation / Digitisation of Membership & Registry documents and processes
- Dog Online Training Booking System: DPS payment system and roll-out to clubs.

The E.C discussed and noted the Director Secretary report.

Report received
Information only – Received

CANINE HEALTH AND WELFARE LRL REPORT

Report received from Dr Becky Murphy (CH&W Officer).

Canine Health & Welfare Officer Report to Executive Council September 2020

Prepared by Dr Becky Murphy

a. *NAWAC Societal Cost Benefit Analysis Tool – Animals in Entertainment, Encounter & Exhibition*

Submissions were sought from NAWAC on their Tool to assess the societal cost and benefit of individual activities involving animals. This submission document was sent out to over 18 groups including Agility, Obedience, NZ Sled Dogs, Assistance dogs.

Feedback was gratefully received from the Agility group and utilised in the final preparation of the Dogs NZ submission. The submission was made available to CHWC for several days and following no comments, was submitted in its original format.

There will be another round of consultation whereby NAWAC will engage stakeholders to help decide how to determine the actual animal welfare impact of the activities to the animal.

All of these different facets will be considered to determine NAWACs recommendation to MPI as to the impact of each activity on an animal's welfare, and if its cost outweighs its benefit to society (i.e. if it should it be allowed to continue)

b. *Respiratory Function Grading Scheme*

We are fortunate that Dr Kat Crosse has agreed to become the RFG Chief Assessor with support from Dr Richard Jerram, both small animal specialist surgeons with Kat having a particular skill in brachycephalic dogs. This appointment is strongly supported by Dr Jane Ladlow which is crucial to its success.

We are still waiting on the paperwork from the Kennel Club to finalise the agreements. As soon as this is done we will work with Kat and Richard to begin appointments of Regional Assessors.

c. *LRLs*

Staffordshire Bull Terrier

There was considerable membership feedback in particular concerning the validity of the PHPV eye exams. The point of contact member has requested we stall advertising of the LRL until the Clubs sort out the final list of tests. Support is provided from the Office to help with this.

Pugs

The final submission from the two Pug Clubs was not received as expected in June however we have been notified that the Clubs have now agreed on the tests: BOAS (RFG Scheme, or WBBP chamber), DM and PDE and the survey date will be advertised accordingly.

German Shepherd

Seems to be more progress with this however CHWC have still not received a submission from the Clubs.

Samoyed

A zoom meeting was held 08 SEP 2020 as requested by the Club. This was a Q&A session where a large list of questions was covered off. This is in the very early stages however is encouraging to see more uptake of the LRL scheme.

d. *Meeting with ANKC – Huge Gent, Karen Hedburg*

Brian and I attended a Zoom meeting at the request of Hugh. The ANKC is considering joining the RFG Scheme and wanted to ask some operational questions from Dogs NZ perspective. It was

interesting to hear of the difficulties they have had with the WBBP chamber and reinforces our good decision to hold its purchase for the time being. The meeting was ended with a promise for both organisations to continue this collaboration moving forward.

e. *Accredited Breeders Scheme*

There was minimal feedback to the proposed updates in health tests. These will be amended as advertised.

The E.C discussed and noted the report. SM advised the current status of the Stafford Terrier LRL. LS noted the CH&W Committee are not aware of the RFG appointments and if this announcement/communication can come from the Dogs NZ National Office to her so that she can inform or at least provide input along with the committee. ST to send LS the draft communication.

Report received
Information only – Received

CLUB MEMBERSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

CLUB REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 2020 MEETING

Annual Club Subscriptions

These were emailed to all clubs on 1 May 2020, reminders were emailed on 21 July 2020 and through the post on 21 August 2020.

The following All Breed Clubs have not paid their Annual Subscription. They have all been phoned and emailed again on 10 September 2020.

Whanganui Kennel Society

Whanganui Kennel Society have advised on 11 September that the club has insufficient funds to pay the full account as they have not been fully paid by other clubs for expenses incurred last year as well as a small membership. They have advised they will pay the annual subscription. The travel equalisation levy will be paid after their championship shows in January 2021.

The E.C discussed and noted if they don't pay by the end of the month their championship show in January 2021 does not go ahead. The E.C noted this would apply to all Clubs.

The following clubs have not paid their annual subscription:

Hamilton Dog Obedience Club
Poverty Bay Kennel Society
Auckland Bulldog Club
Sighthound Field Coursing Club
Central Chihuahua Club
Lagotto Romagnolo Club
Bichon Frise Club
Horowhenua & Kapiti Toy Dog Club
Non-Sporting & Utility Dog Society
Wellington Working Dog Club
South Island Dobermann Club
St Bernard Club

Tokoroa Dog Training Club
Southern Siberian Husky Club
Bouvier des Flandres Club
Southern Bulldog Club
Chow Chow Club
Central Districts Working Dog Association
East Coast Hound Association
Manawatu Toy Dog Club
Whanganui Toy Dog Centre
The Beagle Club
Swedish Vallhund Club
Auckland Canine Agility Club

The Bouvier des Flandres Club has not paid their annual subscription either however this club has just gone through a complete change of committee and still finding their feet although they have received reminders.

I have been contacted by three other clubs on the list of unpaid clubs who may no longer be able to continue as member clubs. Two are in the process of holding special general meetings and 1 in talks with another club about combining. Will update in due course.

The E.C suggested the list be published on DogiE news as a reminder so other club members are also aware and it may give them the opportunity to pick that club up. It would be a shame to lose the speciality clubs if someone else is willing to pick these up.

German Shepherd Advisory Council

Application received from the President of this club to apply for associated club status. They state in their application.

"We believe we have proven ourselves as a Specialist Breed Club of integrity, sincerity and with the Health and Welfare of the German Shepherd breed always our dedicated main aim and objective.

Since our founding in 1974 we have made many improvements to our breed by our members participating in all the schemes made available for them. One of these is the improvement we have made by advice, selective breed improvement and information, in the reduction of the Hip Dysplasia scoring and the lowering of the condition. We have managed to lower the mean average from high scores in the past to a world average of 18. This average could be reduced even more in NZ as the average is 11.4 (2019). The cutoff point/score here in NZ for the GSDAC Breed Surveying scheme is 16, with a score no more than 8 on either hip. We would like very much to be able to lower this even more in the near future.

Recently we have introduced the Zap 1 Test to our many schemes available to our members. When we have suitable instructors, we will bring this Zap test. Some GSD clubs are already doing this.

Also we have offered a strong support towards LRLs both verbally and by an application letter to the Canine Health & Welfare Committee. Unfortunately we have not been accepted, possibly due to our standing/status. Therefore, another reason why we should be elevated to the same standing and recognition as the other German Shepherd clubs in New Zealand. We would then be able then to offer our genuine support to Dogs NZ and the LRL program by becoming an Associated Club.

The GSDAC would be considered as one of the leading Specialist Breed Clubs here in NZ. We have initiated breed improvement programs long before most other clubs, even to a point of where other clubs are following our example and dedication to improvement."

The club has 65 financial members plus 5 life members and 3 honorary members, a committee spread throughout NZ and bank account. Their AGM was held in August by Messenger.

They advise that Zap 1 is a general socialisation test for dogs 9 to 13 months although they have plans to extend the age and to anybody who is interested regardless of the breed.

This club is currently a recognised service club and as such cannot currently hold ribbon parades. They pay an annual membership and public liability fee.

Recommend that they be approved as an associated club.

BH spoke to this item. The E.C discussed and noted CB to write to all the other German Shepherd Clubs stating that we have been asked by the Advisory Council for Club approval status so they

can formally run shows and comment whether they are in favour or not. CB to advise the Advisory Council about Dogs NZ actions.

Moved: BH, Seconded; SM– carried

Queenstown Dog Agility

Application received from Queenstown Dog Agility Club to be associated with Dogs New Zealand. This club was recognised in 2017.

The club has provided a copy of the officers (all members of Dogs NZ) committee and membership, an outline of their training, list of their instructors, list of their equipment. They further advise that they have held an agility ribbon trial annually for the last three years and have one scheduled for November 2020. If granted associated status they have plans for an Agility Championship Show in March 2021.

They say "We are collectively very enthusiastic about advancing the enjoyment and availability of dog agility in our areas".

The Agility Committee are in support of their application as Fiona Hodgson can confirm.

Recommend that this club be associated.

Moved: FH, Seconded; KB– approved

Benefit Shows

Have contacted

- Nelson KA – received a copy and filed in the club's file
- North Canterbury KA – who are providing a copy of their lease
- Waimakariri KA – Mandeville Sports Club are working on providing a letter regarding the hire of the grounds (Waimakariri KA are part of Mandeville Sports Club)
- Forrester Park (not Waikouaiti KA) have been contacted to provide budget for benefit show

FYI - Have heard that there are discussions at club level about holding Benefit Shows in 2021. One club has already requested that their approved scheduled date be deferred to later in the year with another application due to be received in the next week or so.

The E.C noted the Club Membership Management Report for September 2020

Report received

DOGS ON REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

CH Weissenberg The Phantom 04926-2016 Weimaraner owned by A Porter

This dog has now completed 6 observations prior to lockdown. Owner has been advised and endorsement removed.

AUST & NZ CH Neilros First Edition (Imp-Aust) 7100030488 Dalmatian owned by D Abernethy & A Tabrett

This male Dalmatian has now completed 6 observations prior to lockdown with no problems reported. Owners have been notified and the endorsement removed.

NZ CH & AUST GRAND CH Hotwyr Ice Ice Baby (Imp-Aust) 2100408148 German Wirehaired Pointer owned by T Bank and F Ellis

This female German Wirehaired Pointer is entered at the upcoming (hopefully) NZ Dog Judges Assn – Christchurch branch Open Shows and the Purina Pro Plan Forrester Park Exhibition Centre's three Championship Benefit shows.

Observers have been appointed.

Benson OB/8940 Springer Spaniel/Poodle owned by H Winch

This male Springer Spaniel/Poodle has been placed on report after the Test Manager at Mount Maunganui Dog Training Club's Championship Jumpers Events on 2 August 2020 advised that the dog bit an exhibitor on the leg and arm outside the ring. The bites did not draw blood or leave marks as the exhibitor was wearing heavy wet weather gear at the time. The owner of the dog apologised to the exhibitor.

This is the first incident under the new Show Regulations and under level 3 the dog is suspended for 2 months. Agility will be arranging for observers as well as helping with the required dog assessment and training.

Report received
Information only – Received

NZ DOG WORLD / DOG IE NEWS REPORT

Report provided by Derek Johnson (DS).

NZ Dog World

As the uncertainty of COVID-19 continues to have an impact on the country, and the dog world, so it continues to affect *NZ Dog World*.

We have had a couple of 'normal' issues, both in size and content since the last report, with August and September reaching a reassuring 64 pages plus covers.

However, the necessity of ascending the Alert Levels, particularly in Auckland, is bringing us back to a cycle of cancelling/postponing shows. This is reflected in the schedules at the back of the magazine, the updates we share in *DOGIE News* and the decreased event coverage in the magazine.

Nevertheless, our sponsor and advertisers continue to support us, in one case upping their ad buy (for the coming October issue) and in others taking one-off ads, with a couple of short series of smaller ads in the offing.

Our delivered copies remain stable with a small variance month on month – 4,003 issues in July, 4,010 in August and 4,001 in September.

Contributing members continue to be our lifeline in terms of content, and we thank them. Members are also to be commended for the continuing supply of photos, illustrating the diversity of breeds in New Zealand that we are able to deploy on the magazine's cover.

Dogs New Zealand Facebook page

The Dogs New Zealand Facebook page is now an established part of our communications pipeline.

It continues to offer a first point of contact for non-members, and we daily field queries about 'designer' breeds and rescue puppies in addition to approaches from potential new members approaching dog ownership and related sports with seriousness.

For some members, the Facebook messaging system seems to be the most convenient way for them to contact head office; this is not its function, but messages are redirected where possible, and members nudged as to which channel is correct for their query.

DOGiE News weekly newsletter

DOGiE News continues to be a well-read part of our communications pipeline. Its weekly delivery keeps our message timely, boosted by our ability to send out extra newsletters as and when determined by events.

Our campaign to reduce 'bounces' has been modestly successful. Including the 'out of office' replies we are bound to receive, the number of non-existent email addresses seems to be down, to around 130. We'll continue to track this number.

The 'open rates' for the newsletter have peaked at 74% during the last couple of months, but haven't been lower than 65%.

Report received
Information only – Received

MEMBERS SPECIAL RATE PAPER

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST) and Derek Johnson (DS).

Recommendation

Special on-off member rate for December 2020 issue of NZ Dog World.

Ad Size	Members Promotion Pricing	Discount on 2020 Commercial Rate
Double Page	\$750	72%
Full Page	\$375	77%
1/2 Page	\$200	80%
1/4 Page	\$100	81%
Strip Ad	\$100	82%
Banner Ad	\$100	77%

The E.C discussed and agreed to the special one-off member rate for December 2020 issue of NZ Dog World. The E.C noted for this to be advertised and requested this be an annual promotion.

Moved: LS, Seconded; BH – approved
Report Received

7. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE APOINTMENTS (DECISION REQUIRED)

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: 2020/21 Sub Committee & Committee Appointments**1. Updated Committee & Sub Committee List**

Attached is the updated list of committee and sub-committees members as at September 2020.

I have received confirmation from the following Committee Chairs regarding new committee appointments that they would like E.C. to ratify:

2. Ratification of Breeds Standards Committee Appointments

- Gary Carleton
- Sue Chaytor

3. Ratification of Canine Health & Welfare Committee Appointments

- Peter Boyes
- Dr Lorelle Barrett

4. Ratification of Museum Trust Committee Appointments:

- Pip Hancock

5. Ratification of Young Dog Showing

- T Keyah Fowley
- Donna Abernathy

The E.C discussed and noted the 2019/20 Committee and Sub-Committee members. ST to update and distribute the letters accordingly.

Moved: STT, Seconded; AB - ratified

Report received

JUNIOR DOG COMMITTEES

- **JUNIOR DOG TRAINING**

Report provided by Ceri Tarry (CT).

Not a lot to report for Junior Dog Training apart from we are still planning on holding Camp in Christchurch in January 2021. The entries for this open soon and forms and deposits are due back 31st October 2020. We will have an indication of numbers then. As to fundraising for next years camp there has been close to none due to Covid, but hopefully everything will be back to the new normal soon and some raffles at shows etc. can take place.

The E.C discussed and noted the Junior Dog Training Report.

Information only – Received

JUNIOR DOG COMMITTEES

- **YDS & JDH**

Report provided by Margaret Rayner (MR).

A meeting was held in Wellington 01/08 and 02/08/2020 in conjunction with the 4 Championship shows.

Attendance:

Jill Brooker and Keith Brown

Elza Maulder; Debbie Hull; Lisa Sutcliffe; Margaret Rayner

Matters discussed

A big push for the name change

Introduction of a Mascot for our group to distinguish us from JDH

Jill and Keith both in favour

Jill to take to Executive meeting for approval

This is a MASCOT and in no way will replace any Major sponsorship

Maybe get the kids to name him/her?

When core flutes are changed can we get him/her as well??

Two new people in the lower South Island – T Keyah Foley and Donna Abernethy

Both are known to each other and both have come highly recommended from Keith Brown

Donna was in attendance and we spoke to her regarding her responsibilities etc.

Heats will start again as soon as Championship shows start again.

The first ones locked in at the moment are:

Taupo; Taranaki; East Coast Ladies

We will try and run fun events and training groups at any open shows if and when they start up again.

The E.C discussed and noted the YDS and JDH report.

Information only – Received

AGILITY REPORT

Report provided by Fiona Hodgson (FH).

The Agility Committee had a Zoom meeting at the end of August where a Covid Show planning document was developed which offered ideas to clubs who need them when events end up in Level 2 rather than the planned Level 1.

Some ideas include regional only entries (and enforced scratchings and refunds to achieve that) or planned regional shows where only those in specific areas are permitted to enter. Other ideas around swapping classes being programmed at different times to prevent more than 100 competitors being on the grounds at once are also covered.

The driver behind the document is to give clubs a way forward other than absolute cancellation. Agility has different issues to breed shows – plenty of judges at present – just too many people entered to run the shows under Level 2 as they would normally be run.

Agility is also currently running a Survey (thank you to the office for setting this up for us) on the retention of the collapsible tunnel. This is due to finish at the end of September.

Otherwise, a few shows ran through July and early August but most since have been cancelled. We are hoping that the second blip with Covid is just that and we get back to some shows very soon.

The nominations for AC election are open. 3 of the current 8 members are planning to stand again. These close at the end of September with the current AC term ending effectively 1 December.

The E.C discussed and noted the Agility report.

Report received

OBEDIENCE REPORT

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB)

1. Dog Obedience Committee Meetings

There has been no face to face Dog Obedience Committee Meeting since the 29 February/1st March, and with the postponement of the 2020 ACOD, the next is scheduled for 27th September.

Communication between Dog Obedience Committee members has all been conducted electronically.

2. August Discussion Papers.

Two Discussion papers have been distributed to all registered Dog Obedience members at the beginning of August. These containing the following items to be discussed as potential remits to be voted upon in October:

Obedience: ~ Manner of exiting from the ring.
~ Eligibility to compete in Beginners.
~ Alteration of Ribbon Trial criteria.

Rally-O: · Change of size of distractions used in weaves.
· Emphasis of no "Down" in Rally-O Encore.
· Amendment of DOR's 25.15.10 and 25.15.11 concerning Recalls.
· Lowering of the qualifying score for Rally-O Excellent to 98%.
· Additional Rally-O Advanced/Excellent/Encore stations to be introduced.

3. Annual Supply of Obedience Regulations for Obedience Judges.

Obedience Judges Association has been informed of the EC's decision not to support an annual distribution of the Dog Obedience Regulations to Dogs NZ Obedience Panel Judges.

4. Future Obedience Shows at the NDS.

Following the decision made at the July EC meeting, the Dog Obedience Committee have been informed that any such future events are to be on an invitation and cost neutral basis only.

5. 2021 Domestic Dog Conference.

Following the July EC meeting, the matter of a Domestic Dog Conference is currently on hold, pending further discussion with the Dogs NZ Director/Secretary concerning the future and make up of such conferences.

The E.C discussed and noted the Obedience Report.

Moved: FH Seconded: JB - adopted

SCENT WORK REPORT

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

1. Scent Work Committee Meetings

Subsequent to the last EC Meeting, all administrative matters requiring to be resolved before being able to host official Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials have been dealt with. This included the:

Establishment of an official **Dogs NZ Novice Container Scent Work Judges Panel**.

Instituting an annual Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges licensing fee.

Establishment of a Dogs NZ Entry levy for Scent Work Trial entries.

2. Appointment of Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges

One application to become a Dogs NZ Scent Work Judge has been received by the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee and approved. EC endorsement for:

[Lucy Sandford-Reed](#)

is now sought for appointment onto the Dogs NZ Novice Container Scent Work Judges Panel.

Moved: AB, Seconded; KB - approved

3. Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Website

The Dogs NZ Scent Work website has been updated to include the Judges Panel approved at the last EC meeting, inclusion of all official forms used for Dogs NZ Scent Work, and updated calendar.

4. Scent Work as a Cost Centre.

Clive Phillips has been in contact with me to progress the establishment of Dogs NZ Scent Work being a separate entity and establish the ability for members to pay online for Dogs NZ Scent Work activities.

In the interim, Dogs NZ Scent Work activities will be recorded under the "Sundries" account.

5. Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work" workshops.

Due to Auckland being raised to COVID-19 Level 3, planned workshops for September 5th & 6th, which were almost fully subscribed, has been postponed till December 5th & 6th. At the time of writing this report, almost all who had been previously registered have indicated a desire to attend the postponed workshops.

6. Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials.

The Rotorua Dog Obedience Club have reported to me that they have successfully trained one class in preparation for Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials and are about to commence with a second.

Following this, they are hoping to run a "fun" Dogs NZ style Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial as a precursor for an official one in December of this year.

7. Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

Following an email from the Selwyn Dog Training Club stating they were going to commence Scent Work instruction following a private organization that does not have Dogs NZ recognition or have reciprocal arrangement with, a review of the Dogs NZ Regulations was undertaken to ensure that Dogs NZ Scent Work qualifications could not be attained through such clandestine endeavors.

With respect to qualifications, the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations were found to be airtight, however, the review did reveal an anomaly concerning the use of alternative oils to that authorized by Dogs NZ for their Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials by Scent Work Societies with who Dogs NZ do have a reciprocal qualification arrangement with.

To accommodate this, the following alterations, approved by the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations, is requested to be approved by the Dogs NZ EC.

These have been set out in the "Regulations" section of the EC Agenda.

8. Dogs NZ recognition of approved Scent Work Societies.

In addition to alterations being made to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations to accommodate cross credited qualifications, it is sought by the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee that Central Search Dogs (Wellington) be recognized as an approved Scent Work Society with who cross accreditation of Scent Work qualifications has been established.

The E.C discussed and noted the Scent Work report.

Report received

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

Report provided by Lucy Sandford-Reed (LSR).

Having taken on the role of CGC Committee Chair at the end of July, I am still getting a feel for the role.

Currently the Committee is made up of:

1. Lucy Sandford-Reed Chair - Christchurch
2. Anne Evans
3. Christine Nielson – Paeroa
4. Irma Harris – Wainuiomata
5. Jan Dean - Nelson

Rachel Rae – resigned effective from 30 August.

Janice Kirk will continue to maintain the Canine Good Basics Register.

Once I have assessed the skills required for the Committee to meet its objectives, I will look to recruiting another 2 members. Ideally there needs to be representation from the Auckland area and the lower South Island.

Tasks on Hand

The Committee has agreed to a review of the CGC Manual. Arend van den Bos has agreed to complete this task.

Arend van den Bos has also agreed to take responsibility for analysing the CGC "fail" forms to develop a resource for Assessor and Instructors.

A Terms of Reference for the CGC Committee is being developed by the Committee and will be submitted once it has been finalised.

Conference 2021

The CGC Conference scheduled for 25 July 2020 was cancelled due to uncertainty following the Covid-19 Lockdown.

There has, as I understand it, been discussion about combining the Domestic Dog Training Conference and the CGC Conference in 2021.

It would be helpful to have some indication re conference plans early so that planning can commence.

The E.C discussed and noted the CGC report.

Moved: JB; Seconded KB: - adopted

Information only – Received

MUSEUM TRUST

Financial Reports for the year ended 31 March 2020 provided by Keith Brown (KB).

The E.C discussed and noted the Museum Trust financial report for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Moved: KB; Seconded FH: - adopted

Report received

BREED STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Report provided by Martin Hewitt (MH).

The committee considered this matter by email.

1. Airedale Terrier

We have received a request via the Director/Secretary from Janice Parr and David Price to adopt the current UK Standard of the Airedale Terrier.

The Kennel Club Standard is the Country of Origin Standard.

The submission requests the change as the new Standard reflects recent changes to the breed i.e. tail docking, and colour is more correct than NZ standard.

Recommendation 1: That the current UK Standard for the Airedale Terrier be adopted.

Recommendation 2: That a notice be placed in the Dog World advising that if no objections are received this change will be implemented.

Moved: JB; Seconded: FH - approved
Report received

FORRESTER PARK REPORT

Report provided by Anne McLachlan (AM).

1. It is good to see the majority of our regular tenants & users back using the hall again, although we have lost one of our regular tenants.
2. Due to Dogs NZ now holding their own nose work classes our long-established professional scent trainer has decided to remove himself from teaching his regular pet dog clients as he doesn't see any future in keeping his classes going so he has, reluctantly, resigned his tenancy of the hall.
3. The return to COVID-19 level 2 restrictions 3 days prior to our Benefit Show weekend has been very difficult for FPMC with some very difficult & rapid decisions having to be made regarding the future of the event. I am very proud of the way the committee dealt with it, in particular Simon Monson & Donna Hailes. They did an exceptional job & had the show rescheduled for 3rd & 4th October by the end of the day so competitors had as much notice as possible about the outcome. As time was of the essence for those travelling long distances it was recognised that we had to work quickly.
4. We have now rescheduled the Benefit Shows again so as not to affect Clint Hoeben's memorial service. They are now scheduled for the 17th & 18th October. If they can't be held then they will be cancelled with significant loss in revenue for Forrester Park.
5. The Health Day held on 22nd August was well received & supported although we had fewer dogs than last year for eye testing.
6. The Terms & Reference document for Forrester Park was discussed & accepted. Unfortunately during the ratification process we had 2 members decide not to continue on the committee which leaves us actively looking for 2 new members. I was sorry to have to accept Wayne Grant's & Andy Reeves' resignations as they were very valuable members of FPMC.
7. A new fridge has been purchased & the new LED lights & electrical compliance should be under way very soon. We are very much looking forward to the new lighting system & the upgrading of the electrical system to compliance level.
8. The annual test & tag of electrical equipment will be done at this time too.
9. We are in discussion with the DCC regarding the locking of the entire park. The DCC contracted security firm now expect the last people to leave the hall to ensure the park is cleared of everyone & then lock the gate when they leave. This is not our job nor is it our tenant's job. We are currently awaiting feedback.

The E.C discussed the Forrester Park report. DH noted the edited report in the Year Book and the E.C agreed that AM ought to have been informed.

Moved: DH; Seconded: AB - carried
Report received

NZDJA JUDGES RATIFICATION

The following email was received from Debbie Hull, Secretary of NZDJA for E.C approval.

The following people have passed their theory exam in Christchurch. Could you please circulate for approval then be placed immediately on the appropriate Judges panel.

Claire Trevelyan –Toys
 Anna Ancell - Hounds
 Lavina Diamanti - Hounds
 Sarah Abrey - Gundogs
 Charmaine Hoeben - Terriers
 Jan Brownlie - Utility making her All Breeds
 Robynne Trainor - Non-Sporting

The E.C discussed the above names and ratified appointments.

Moved: BH; Seconded: CM – ratified

BH requested an All Breeds badge be presented to Jan Brownlie. BH noted this is the last All Breeds badge Dogs NZ has. The E.C agreed for CB to order more All Breeds badge.

NZDJA LETTER RE.WEBSITE LISTINGS

Letter dated 29/07/2020 received from Debbie Hull, Secretary of NZDJA regarding issues around Judges Website Listings and their wish to work with the DNZ webmaster to implement some suggested changes to the design and layout of the DNZ Judges listings, more along the lines of NZDJA or ANKC.

Once completed they would like to remove the judges listings from NZDJA site and have a link to the DNZ listings. They would also like to undertake to put in place a check process from our end to ensure the DNZ listings are accurate.

BH spoke to this item and advised he will speak to the NZDJA tomorrow, noting how there can be no immediate progress in this area due to the focus of the National Office IT team on Registry upgrade work and the requirement to build an FCI show programme for 2021.

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8. CORRESPONDENCE

KAREN MCINTYRE LETTER

Letter dated 14 September 2020 received from Karen McIntyre about DogiE News (4 Sept) – Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The E.C discussed and noted Karen McIntyre's letter.

BH noted we will no longer advertise SPCA and that actions have been put in place so there will be no repetition.

JOHN PERFECT LETTER

Letter received from John Perfect.

The E.C discussed and noted John Perfect's letter. The E.C advised Dogs NZ would reply to John Perfect's letter saying thank you it was tabled and noted at the E.C meeting.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

BH asked the E.C members if they had any other General Business to discuss.

TN asked about CB's new member notification email and questioned how do we know if they belong to a Club? The E.C requested a note to go in DogiE news about the list of Club members. The E.C also noted the registration of Frozen Semen be promoted in DogiE news.

NZDJA/Dogs NZ meeting – the E.C noted we need to acknowledge in writing to NZDJA that there was an agreement in the past for CB's time and to date this time has not been invoiced to NZDJA. Dogs NZ agrees that payment for past work will not be sort, however, moving forward CB's time will be charged for one set of exams per year. The E.C noted BH will speak to Ray Greer and confirmation of this decision would be sent in writing to NZDJA.

FH queried the Interislander discount. ST will investigate and come back to the E.C.

The E.C discussed Domestic Dog Training and CGC.

10. CHAIRPERSON SUM UP / EVALUATION OF MEETING / NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITESMS
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BH thanked the E.C for today's meeting.

The E.C noted the next E.C meeting will take place 21/22 November 2020 in Christchurch to allow for the presentation of All Breeds Judges / Life Member badges.

BH closed the meeting at 4:20pm on 25 September 2020.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2020/2021 term)

21/22 November	Face to Face (Christchurch)
February 2021	tbc