

# Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee Minutes for 3 April 2022

Commenced 7:30pm

1. **Roll:** Arend van den Bos (Chair), Lyn Clearwater, Shiree Brockie, Carol Dayman
2. **Apologies:** Jo Searle, Sonja Needs
3. **Minutes of previous meeting** Minutes of the previous meeting (20 February 2022) were recorded as being received and accepted. **Shiree/Lyn.**
4. **Matters Arising from previous Minutes:**
  - A closing of the Novice Container Scent Detection Award the loophole existent in Regulation 6.3.1 was endorsed by the EC at their meeting on 26/27 February 2022.
  - A reworded draft of Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 was accepted and shall be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.
  - Jill was absent from this meeting so a check regarding on-line entries for Novice Containers remains required. It does appear however that the issue can be partially resolved through using the Obedience on-line entry system.
  - As Jill was absent from this meeting, the issue concerning permanent numbers being assigned to participants remains to be discussed.
  - Jo Miller has been approached with a request to be able to use the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation questions she has authored placed on the Dogs NZ Scent Work web page. Jo has agreed for this to happen.
  - As Jill was absent from the meeting, relevant questions from the Dogs NZ Show regulations concerning Scent Work Judges were not tabled. Matter deferred to May Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meeting.
5. **Report from EC meetings**

There not having been an EC meeting since the last Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meeting, there was nil to report.
6. **Email votes**

Nil matters of urgency were voted on subsequent to the last Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meeting.
7. **General business**
  - a) **Qualifying Scent Work Trials.**

Applications from the Otago Canine Training Club, (for 3/4 December 2022); Gisborne Dog Training Club (for 4 June 2022); and Nelson District Kennel Association (for 26/27 November) were tabled and approved.
  - b) **Judges Promotion Endorsements.**

Applications for promotion of Jim Wyeth; Jo Searle; Shiree Brockie; Lyn Clearwater and Arend van den Bos onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Excellent Containers Panel was approved.

Applications for promotion of Karen Magorian onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Advanced Containers Panel was approved.

Applications for Appointment of Jim Wyeth; Jo Searle; Shiree Brockie; Lyn Clearwater and Arend van den Bos onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Advanced Interior; Exterior and Vehicle Panel was approved.

Application for Appointment of Amerillis Farmer onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Novice Interior and Vehicle Panel was approved.

Application for Appointment of Jo Miller onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Novice Interior Panel was approved.

Application for First Appointment of Barbara Nolan onto the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Novice Containers Panel was approved.

All approved Applications shall now be forwarded to Dogs NZ EC for recommended endorsement of Promotion(s)/Appointment(s).

c) **SW Reg 5.3.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 5.3 was submitted to correct an inadvertent omission concerning the recognition of already approved Novice Scent Work Classes.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

d) **SW Reg 5.4.6.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 5.4.6 was submitted to correct a grammatical error.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

e) **SW Regs 6.3.2; 6.5.6; 6.5.7; 6.5.8; 6.5.9.**

Additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations 6.3.2; 6.5.6; 6.5.7; 6.5.8; and 6.5.9 were submitted to enable Titles and Awards to be earned following the introduction of Advanced and Excellent Scent Work Classes.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

f) **SW Regs 7.7.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 7.7 was submitted to ensure that considered additional information a Dogs NZ Scent Work Judge should state during their pre-Trial briefing is ensured.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022ddditional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations 6.3.2; 6.5.6; 6.5.7;

g) **SW Reg 7.8.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 7.8 was submitted to enable Societies hosting a Scent Work Trial a more flexible running order to ensure smoother running of the Scent Work Trials.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

h) **SW Regs 8.2.1.2; 8.3.1.2; 8.4.1.2.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 8.2.1.2; 8.3.1.2; 8.4.1.2. was submitted to correct a grammatical error.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

i) **SW Regs 8.6.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 8.6 was submitted to enable the introduction of the Advanced Interior Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

j) **SW Regs 8.7.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 8.7 was submitted to enable the introduction of the Advanced Exterior Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

k) **SW Regs 8.8.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 8.8 was submitted to enable the introduction of the Advanced Vehicle Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

l) **SW Regs 8.9.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 8.9 was submitted to enable the introduction of the Excellent Container Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

m) **SW Regs 9.3.**

An amendment to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 9.3 was submitted to enable participants to have a less restrictive searching pattern without being penalized.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

n) **SW Regs 11.4.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 11.4 was submitted to facilitate the introduction of the Excellent Container Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

o) **SW Regs 11.6.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 11.6 was submitted to facilitate the introduction of the Advanced Interior Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May 2022.

p) **SW Regs 11.8.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 11.8 was submitted to facilitate the introduction of the Advanced Exterior Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May.

q) **SW Regs 11.10.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 11.10 was submitted to facilitate the introduction of the Advanced Vehicle Search Class.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May.

r) **SW Reg 11.14.**

An additional Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 11.14 was submitted to regulate that a copy of the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations should always be available at any Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial.

Proposed Regulation change was accepted and shall now be forwarded to the EC as part of the Regulation changes package to be decided upon at their meeting on 30April/1 May.

s) **Mimic Distractions.**

A clarification was sought as to what constitutes a mimic distraction. An explanation was offered and accepted.

t) **Additional patterns for Advanced; Excellent and Masters Containers.**

Arend submitted five additional patterns which could be utilized in Advanced; Excellent and Masters Container Scent Work Classes to complement the three already available. All five patterns were (enthusiastically) endorsed.

**A.P. Arend to draft amendments to current Scent Work Regulations and present back to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee for changes to occur (following EC endorsement).**

u) **Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Annual Conference.**

Arend gave a review of the current status and arrangements for the Annual Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Meeting to be held in Wellington on 30 April 2022.

He advised that having the meeting in April created a large number of issues regards the ability to discuss Regulation changes with Scent Work Judges prior to their needing to be submitted to the EC. It was decided therefore to re-establish these meetings in March of each year.

In keeping with the original intent to circulate these meetings throughout the country, it was decided to have next year's meeting in Christchurch.

v) **Off Lead Searches.**

A question was raised as to whether we would be permitting off-lead searches in the future.

Arend has said he would explore whether this opportunity existed Internationally and report back to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee.

**A.P.** [Arend to investigate whether an off-lead search option is provided by other International Kennel Clubs that have a Scent Work Division, and report back to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee.](#)

**8. Next meeting:**

- a) Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022
- b) Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Finished 9:15pm.