



**Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting**

**Held on 30 April & 1 May 2022**

**At Dogs NZ  
Level 1, Tottenham House  
7 Kilkerran Place  
Porirua 5022**

**1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES**

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)**

Brian Harris (BH) President  
Jill Brooker (JB)  
Donna Hailes (DH)  
Phil Johnson (PJ)  
Nigel Trainor (NT)  
Karen Sadler (KS)

Stephen Meredith (SM) (via Zoom)  
Keith Brown (KB)  
Catherine McManus (CM)  
Steve Tate (STT)  
Fiona Hodgson (FH)

**STAFF**

Steven Thompson (ST) – Director Secretary  
Sharon Bosma (SB) – Executive Assistant/Administrator  
Clive Phillips (CP) Treasure / Finance

**WELCOME**

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

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The E.C adopted the agenda and noted additional agenda items:

Moved: BH – Adopted

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

The E.C noted the Conflicts of Interest register.

**EMAIL VOTES**

The following email votes by Executive Council were held in the period 12 February – 13 April 2022:

Promotion of Mark Lawrence to the NZDJA Working Panel. 10 Votes  
Nomination of Janette Bedford to the NZDJA Aspiring Panel. 6 Votes  
Ratification of FY 2022-23 Budget and Scale of Registry Fees.5 Votes (Insufficient to Pass)  
Decline CH&W Dispensation Appeal 6 Votes

Moved: STT; Seconded: PJ Adopted

**DECEASED MEMBERS**

The E.C noted the list of deceased members; Rodney Johnston, Wanganui; Sue Omen, Masterton; Laraine Hilton, Christchurch; Chrissy Thompson, Hawkes Bay; Noel Davis, Christchurch.

**FEBRUARY 2022 / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The E.C confirmed the 26 & 27 February 2022 meeting minutes.

Moved: KB; Seconded: CM – Moved

**MATTERS ARISING FROM FEBRUARY MINUTES**

There were no matters arising.

**ACTION POINTS**

The E.C noted the action points from the 26 & 27 February 2022 meeting.

Moved: BH – Adopted

<b>2. FINANCE</b>
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**FINANCE UPDATE****Treasurer's Report**

- **28 February 2022 Accounts**
- **31 March 2022 Accounts**

Report provided by Clive Phillips (CP)

**February – Operating Surplus for month****February Actual Operating Revenue less than Budget by (\$10.7k).**

AEC (\$7.9k), Dunedin (\$0.7k), Wellington (\$7.6k) and Agility (\$1.7k) all recorded monthly revenues unfavourable to budget.

During February AEC Rent & Benefit Show Income (\$7.5k) less than budget, Dunedin Rent (\$0.8k) less than budget. Wellington rent (\$7.6k) less than budget & Agility Show Levies (\$1.8k) less than budget. The total shortfall, excluding Wellington of (\$10.1k) is directly attributable to Covid-19 restrictions.

Dogs NZ will continue to experience revenue shortfalls over the coming months due to these restrictions.

Dogs NZ HO \$5.4k and Gazette \$4.9k recorded favourable revenue outcomes compared to budget.

February Actual Operating Expenditure favourable compared to budget by \$38.9k.

Dogs NZ head office \$18.5k, AEC \$4.9k and Wellington \$18.5k were favourable to budget.

Gazette (\$1.4k) and Agility (\$3.8k) were unfavourable to budget.

**Actual Year to Date Operating Revenue unfavourable compared to budget by (\$104k).**

Operations with Actual Revenues greater than Budget Revenue Year to date are:-

Dogs NZ head office \$23.8k, Gazette \$23.3k, & Obedience (all regions) \$6.7k.

Dogs NZ head office favourable revenue due to registry, Sundry Income, web advertising & Interest. Gazette's due to Subscriptions & Sales, non-member advertising & Schedule income. Obedience due to increased activities –show entries, benefit show & show levies.

**Operations that unfavourable compared to Budget Revenue for the Year**

AEC (\$23.9k), Dunedin (\$6.8k), Wellington (\$51.9k), FCI (\$21k), NZDAC (\$44.1k), NDOA (\$5.5k), JDT& JDS (\$2.1k), & CGC (\$1.4k).

AEC due to lower car parking revenue, Rent, No Benefit Show nor Dog of the Year. The Dunedin revenue shortfall is due to no Benefit show & low rent income. The Wellington Property revenue shortfall due to a decision not to invoice the annual car parking fees pending a decision on the future of the building -\$8k, plus no Office Rental once head office relocated and lower Non-member rent and no Benefit Show Income due to sale of Building. FCI & NZDAC revenue shortfall due to events cancelled. NDOA shortfall due to Covid impact on event. JDT/JDS & CGC lower revenue again impact of Covid.

Actual Year to Date Operating Expenditure favourable compared to budget by \$269.8k.

**Operations favourable compared to Budget Expenditure YTD**

Dogs NZ head office \$131.5k, AEC \$24.6k, Dunedin \$1.8k, Wellington \$32.8k, FCI \$20.5k, NZDAC \$43.7k, NDOA \$22.9k, CGC \$3k & JDT/S \$3.1k.

**Operations unfavourable compared to Budget Expenditure YTD**

Gazette (\$8.6k), Agility (\$3.2k) & Obedience – all regions (\$2.1k)

**Balance Sheet REMAINS STRONG - Cash and Property rich**

Total cash to end of February \$8.118m, up \$6.455m since end of last financial year (March 2021).

**Summary of Group Financial Results: – Operating Income minus Operating Expenditure**

Monthly Operating Results:- Surplus favourable compared to Budget and Last Year's Actual.

<u>FEBRUARY Month:- Income less Expenditure</u>				
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>		
\$19,147	(\$9,132)	\$2,347		
<u>Year To Date :- Income less Expenditure before Depreciation</u>			<u>Full Year 2021-2022</u>	
<u>This Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Forecast</u>
\$126,392	(\$39,391)	\$165,782	(\$63,573)	\$102,624

**Actual YTD Operating results:-**

- Favourable compared to Budget By:- \$165,782

- Unfavourable compared to Last Year Actual By:- (\$23,768)

<b>Analysis YTD February 2022</b>						
	<b>Number</b>			<b>Income</b>		
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>		<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	
Litter Notification	1,643	1,778	-8%	57,557	62,572	-8%
Registrations	8,328	8,398	-1%	223,471	231,794	-4%
Transfers	6,570	6,011	9%	112,462	112,555	0%
Imports	270	268	1%	25,413	26,121	-3%
Exports	226	161	40%	20,317	16,504	23%
Overall Total	<u>17,037</u>	<u>16,616</u>	3%	<u>439,220</u>	<u>449,546</u>	-2%

### Registry Activity

The table clearly reflects Registry activity is ahead of last year, both in numbers and Income.

### Detailed Operating Analysis

#### Dogs NZ (NZKC):- FAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by \$155.3k

Income \$23.8k FAVOURABLE to budget YTD.

Expenses \$131.5k FAVOURABLE to budget YTD.

#### CGC:- FAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by \$1.6k

#### AEC:- FAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD by \$0.7k

Income (\$23.9k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

Expenses \$24.6k FAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

#### Dunedin:- :- UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD by (\$5k)

Income (\$6.8k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

Expenses \$1.8k FAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

#### Wellington Property UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD by (\$19.1k)

Income (\$51.9k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

#### Gazette:- FAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by \$14.7k

Income \$23.3k FAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

Expenses (\$8.6k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

#### Agility:- UNFAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by (\$4.2k)

Income (\$1k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

Expenses (\$3.2k) UNFAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

#### JDT:- FAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by \$1.4k

JDS:- UNFAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by **(\$0.4k)**

**Obedience(all regions):- FAVOURABLE compared to Budget YTD by \$4.5k**

Club & Show Levies, Fundraising & NDOA Revenue are the drivers for the Favourable result  
Expenses \$22.9k FAVOURABLE compared to budget YTD.

**Balance Sheet & Cash Flow**

- Cash balances INCREASED \$6.455m since 31 March 2021. Approximately \$6.35m results from Property sale proceeds net of sales commission, legal fees & other costs relating to sale which were deducted at time of payment.
- Debtors \$5k less than at the end of last financial year. There is \$0.5K in the 3 month overdue category and \$0.4k in the Four month and older balances.
- Prepayments \$23.2k (expenses paid in advance)- \$13.9k less than end of last financial year. The \$23.2k is comprised of Sybiz (financial computer system) licence fees for 21/22 year \$1k, Annual Insurance Premiums \$13.2k, a 2talk deposit of \$0.2k of flight travel credits arising from cancelled flights.
- Non-Current Assets reduced by \$382,636 from the balance at 31 March 2021. This is the net movement resulting from the sale of Prosser Street Land, Building and Improvements and current year depreciation charges in the Fixed Asset register.
- Accrued Staff Benefits \$40.8k represents the annual leave owing to staff. This has decreased \$3.1k since 31 March 2021.
- Receipts Received in Advance figure \$135.6k on the balance sheet comprises the total of Receipts in Advance \$64.2k and Deferred Income Sponsorship \$71.5k  
The main items comprising the Receipts in Advance total are:-  
Purina Sponsorship \$71.5k -\$5.5k to be released into accounts this financial year and \$66k will be released in equal instalments in the 2022/23 FY  
Obedience Regions NDOA monies \$21.6k - \$1.6k Nthn, \$14k Centrl, \$6k Sthn to be held until their next respective NDOA event.  
Bequest received by AEC \$30k – planned to be used for capital / R & M projects in 22/23 FY.  
AEC Benefit Show \$11.4k  
FCI Chch Show \$0.7k

**Depreciation**

Depreciation charges of \$809,617.29 were posted to operating expenses over the years the building & building improvements relating to Prosser Street were held by Dogs NZ.

The Club has chosen the accounting policy which is to record land and buildings at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment.

This means that the Club is required to depreciate the buildings annually and creates the situation where the net book value decreases whilst the fair value of the property has increased.

Under the tier-3 accounting standards the Club could have elected to record the land and buildings at fair value. I'm not sure if the Club ever considered that as an option, but often entities like the Club don't go

down that route because of the cost of obtaining independent valuations. And because the buildings are used as part of operations.

If the Club had used this fair value model, this would have meant the unrealised gains would have been recognised each year and then we'd have a smaller gain/loss on sale when the proceeds were realised."

### **Profit on Sale of Prosser Street – Non Operational**

The Profit on Sale of Prosser Street after deduction of written down book asset values and expenses relating to the sale stands at \$5.991 million.

#### **Summary of Profit on Sale of Prosser Street**

Sale price		6,500,000.00
Less:-		
Cost of Land	303,939.00	
Written down Book Value of Buildings	1,801.73	
Written down Book Value of Building Improvements	51,280.26	
Sales Commission & marketing, Legal costs		
Sale & exit expenses	152,344.84	
Total costs		(509,365.83)
Profit on Sale of Prosser Street		5,990,634.17

E.C. discussed the February Financials and the draft March Year End financials which are still subject to audit. NT requested a standard monthly cash flow template format be adopted that can show monthly movement in operational cash flow.

Auditors have raised the issue of fraud risk on accounts that the Treasurer has little visibility or control over. NT proposed that we manage all NZKC accounts via the general ledger. However that would meet resistance from clubs/committees and there was potential better options to resolve the issue.

#### **Motion:**

The Treasurer will report back to the EC in June with a proposal for access/authorisation of all club and committee accounts which are part of NZKC Consolidated accounts

Moved: NT; Seconded: CM - carried

### **Risk Audit & Finance Report**

Report by Ann Coulson, Chair: Risk, Audit and Finance Committee

This report comments on the year to date financial position as at 28 February 2022 and the budget for the year ending 31 March 2023.

The year appears to be ending in a strong position for a very uncertain year. Compliments are due to the Secretary and Treasurer for their handling of the sale of Prosser Street. The effort put into the final clean up did not go unnoticed.

**Budget for 22/23**

There is a requirement for the RAF committee to review the budget with the Secretary and Treasurer before it goes to the Executive Council. This was not done and we received version 1 at the same time at the EC, not leaving us any time for considered discussion before it was presented. Please note this for future years.

We would have preferred a review of the show related revenue once we became aware of the entry numbers at Easter in Christchurch. This was before the changes to the Covid rules, and in our view the threat of future Covid interruptions will be a remote threat. We would have liked to see a far more robust revenue expectation.

Moved: SM; Seconded: FH – Report Received

**FORSYTH BARR MARCH 2022 INVESTMENTREPORT**

ST and CP briefed E.C. on the opening of the Forsyth Barr account and transfer of \$7m of investment funds. Until a decision has been made regarding future venue projects we will continue to adopt a conservative approach to the investment of the \$6m net proceeds from the sale of Prosser St.

**APPROVAL OF FY 2022-23 BUDGET & SCALE OF REGISTRY FEES**

EC discussed budget and scale of registry fees. ST and CP discussed the challenges likely to be faced in the current FY (high inflationary pressure on costs, slowing registry growth) and the importance of regular annual reviews off our Scale of Registry Fees and other revenue rates. STT recommended review of Kennel Name joining fees.

**Motion:**

The FY2022-23 budget and proposed Scale of Fees be adopted.

Moved: BH; Seconded: NT – carried

<b>3. IMPORTANT ITEMS</b>
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**ACOD REMIT & RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

Report by Director Secretary Steven Thompson (ST)

**RE: ACOD 2022 Remits & Recommendations****Background:**

Nomination period for Remits and Recommendations for ACOD 2022 has closed. It is proposed that we host six presentations.

**Remits**

- Remit from Executive Council to remove Rule 14(F) and renumber (G) & (H)

**Recommendations & Discussion Papers**

- We have received no recommendation & discussion papers.



**Presentations:**

- Lower North Island Venue Working Group Presentation (Lisa Slade)
- Forsyth Barr Investment Fund Presentation
- Purina Sponsorship Presentation (Steven Thompson & Miranda Stephens)
- Young Dog Showing (Margaret Wilson)
- Selling a Pedigree Dog (Keith Brown)
- Dogs NZ Health Testing Strategy and Importance of LRL's (CH&W Committee)

E.C. discussed the draft agenda and the wish to add two additional presentations on selling a pedigree dog and Dogs NZ Health Testing Strategy & importance of LRL's. Member & Vet Mike Getting to be invited to participate in the LRL presentation.

Removal of Rule 14(F) to be drafted for the Year Book, and the rationale to be sent out to EC for comment.

**APPROVAL FOR COL MEMBERSHIP FEE****RE: 2023/2024 Fees and Show Levies**

Consumer Price Index change for the year to 31 March 2022 was 6.9% rounded to the nearest 50 cents.

**Membership Fees (Incl GST)**

Affiliated Societies	\$238
Associated Clubs	\$159
Recognized Clubs	\$55
Individual Membership (Includes 2 <sup>nd</sup> member in household)	\$35.50
Joining Fee	\$24.50
NZ Young kennel Club Joining Fee	\$29

**Renewal Fees (Incl GST)**

Membership – NZYKC	\$22.50
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**Rule 8A.3 (Incl GST)**

Gazette Fee	\$55
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**Show Levies (Plus GST)**

Champion Rate I (fee per entry/dog)	\$1.10
(Over 250 entries for Breed/Dog Training, over 250 dogs for Agility)	
Champion Rate II (fee per entry/dog)	\$2.10
(First 250 entries for Breed/Dog Training, first 250 dogs for Agility)	
Open Shows	\$0.60

EC discussed and approved the FY2023-24 scale of fees to be included in the Year Book and ratified at ACOD.

### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS – CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

All nominations discussed by the Executive Council and after voting there will be one life membership and two certificates of appreciation presented in 2022.

### **BREEDER HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS**

All nominations discussed by Executive Council and after voting there was a successful Hall of Fame nominee.

### **CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW LIMIT OF ONE POLICY REVIEW**

The current E.C. policy is to limit clubs to one show Championship show (and at least one Open show) for the period 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023.

E.C has agreed to review the policy once the Government signals re-opening the borders.

The Government has the following staged plan for 2022:

- 1 May: Vaccinated visitors from countries who do not need visas.
- 1 October: All visa categories will reopen.

EC discussed the current show limit policy in light of the recent Government moves to open the borders and the desire of members to get back to a normal show schedule. The effect of the current show limitation on some clubs who not been able to schedule a show for two years was noted.

#### **Motions:**

From 1 September 2022 onwards all Affiliated and Associated Conformation Clubs can hold two championship shows.

Moved: JB, Seconded: FH – carried

On 1 January 2023 Dogs NZ will revert to the published 5 year show calendar which will include Benefit shows.

Moved: JB, Seconded: FH – carried

All Affiliated and Associated Conformation Clubs must continue to run an Open Show. Any exemption must be approved by EC.

Moved: ST; Seconded: CM - carried

### **Requirement for NZ Judges in Conformation Shows**

E.C. discussed the current requirement of 40% of NZ Judges for Conformation Championship and Open Shows and the issues it was causing some clubs. Any change to this policy still needed to support the development and progression of NZ judges.

**Motions:**

The requirement for 40% of NZ Judges will be removed from 1 September 2022 onwards for all Affiliated and Associated All Breeds Clubs, however there must be at least one New Zealand judge per show. Those judges who already have contracted appointments must stand.

Motioned: SM, Seconded FH - carried

Only Judges who can judge 6 groups or more or are an All Breeds Judge can judge Best In Show.

Motioned: SM, Seconded STT - carried

**NDS 2022 SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT & BUDGET**

2022 NDS Progress Update – prepared by Paul Robinson, BEM NDS 2022 Event Director

Introduction

Since my initial report we have met a further two times. The team met with Brain Harris and Steven Thompson on the 1st of March. Following on from that meeting we have developed a revised budget to take into consideration the financial discussion held that evening.

Budgeting and Finances

A revised budget for NDS 2022 is attached to this report. Given the feedback received from BH & ST the following significant budgetary changes have now been allocated to this revised budget. These changes are -:

1. Entry numbers have been adjusted to an entry level of 800. To enable comparison outcomes with a greater entry we have also included a budget showing an entry of 900 dogs. We have budgeted entries for both the NDS, and Ardmore shows at the lower figure of 800, previously 1100. Stakes entries have been reduced from 200 entries to 160 entries. The Encore (Sunday) show has a reduced entry of 650 entries down from 850 in the previous budget version.
2. We have included a budget line for Live Streaming of the NDS finals day on Saturday now confirmed as \$8614. We believe that this component is an essential component to a modern NDS and therefore have left this cost within the budget. We are no longer seeking funding support from DNZ for this cost.
3. Grooming spaces have been increased from \$20 to \$30 in line with the previous Blenheim NDS. This leaves the direct cost comparison between income and expenditure on this item as a negative cost to the overall budget however the committee belief is that further cost rises will not be achievable. We are currently developing an alternative process for grooming spaces that would enable the grooming marquee to be replaced by the selling of gazebo spaces, on the AEC grounds, which would avoid the significant marquee hire costs. Initial feedback from a wide range of exhibitors we have sought consultation with unanimously support this concept. A further update will be included in my next report and if progressed an alternative budget to support this concept.
4. All prizes for these shows will be based upon a cash and cash concept. Actual costs have been allocated to the revised budget.
5. Judges' accommodation costs have been reduced to a cheaper revised room costs based upon further negotiation and evaluation of alternate venues.
6. Additional grandstand hire has been reduced from 200 seating capacity (4 x 50 people) to seating 150 personnel (3 x 50 people)

7. We have reduced the additional cash sponsorship budget, from alternates to the DNZ Pro-plan sponsorship from 5k to 2K. This figure has been committed by Jayco based upon a previous sponsorship agreement for an Auckland NDS. We continue to seek further external sponsorship but appreciate this will be a challenge.
8. We have added a revenue line for ribbon sponsorship based upon seeking ribbon sponsorship from our membership (40 \*\$25)
9. We have removed the allowance for the transfer of NDS trophies from DNZ, this will be done by travelling members and we have reduced contingency costs from 10K to 5.5K to reflect the firming up of costs and quotes.

With the above adjustments made to the revised budget we are budgeting to achieve a cash positive result of \$1014, essentially breakeven for an 800 entry. Based upon an entry of 900 this figure would increase to \$4327.

### Judges

Following our meeting with BH & ST it was decided that we would not request our visiting panel to book their own airfares and would revert to DNZ making all air travel arrangements in consultation with the NDS 2022 management team. Given the removal of travel restrictions from Australia we are comfortable this travel arrangement will endure for NDS.

ALL NDS judges have accepted their appointments to the Sunday (Encore) show. From the currently booked specialty shows (17) we have agreed contracts with a further two judges attending these specialties to judge the Encore show, giving us a judge for every group.

As previously advised the NDS and Ardmore shows will follow the group placing system and will include the Spey and Neuter classes. Spey & Neuter classes will have Group and Reserve awards, at the group level however for In Show judging we will follow the group placing system (1-4). This will avoid Spey & Neuter class reserves needing to present for BIS judging.

### Marketing and Promotion

The May edition of the Dog World will have a feature article advising members of the NDS timetable and judges and will contain a profile of the NDS 2022 judging panel. It is anticipated that we will provide monthly updates via this magazine as we progress towards NDS 2022.

Agreement has been reached for ST, the DNZ sponsor (Miranda Stevens) and members of our committee Karla Magnus and me to meet on Thursday the 21st of April to discuss the marketing of the event and the launch of a Facebook presence.

EC discussed the NDS Report and budget and noted that the removal of Marque for grooming spaces would have a positive effect on the budget. ST briefed E.C. on the marketing meeting which involved our sponsor Purina. The cost of the live streaming will include a more professional presentation to promote our national show to general dog lovers. Issue of Ribbon Colors to be resolved in national Office.

## **FCI CHRISTCHURCH SHOW REVIEW**

Review discussion on 17 April FI Show at McLeans Island with focus on learnings for Auckland Show 2/3 July.

- FCI Show Booking Programme
- National Office Support / Show Catalogues etc
- Stewards Training

- Ring Writers
- Judges
- Show Management

BH reported on a successful show which included positive feedback from volunteer steward Beth Warman. To improve the recording of judges critiques the use of a voice recording app, linking to tablets will be investigated. The awarding of so many “excellent” ratings was also the subject of comment but this is common in overseas FCI shows.

#### 4. REGULATIONS

##### **REGISTRY REGULATION 6.7 DECISION – CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP/REMOVAL OF ENDORSEMENTS:**

Executive Council considered and approved a recommendation from the Director Secretary for the change of ownership and removal of endorsements using its powers under Registry Regulation 6 .

Moved: NT; Seconded: CM - carried

##### **REGISTRY REGULATION 6.7 DECISION – CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP:**

Executive Council considered and approved a recommendation from the Membership Manger for the change of ownership using its powers under Registry Regulation 6 .

Moved: NT; Seconded: DH – carried

##### **SCENT WORK REGULATION CHANGES**

Report presented by Scent Work Committee:

EC discussed the Regulations presented and JB reported on her discussion with the committee chair that there needs to be recommendations to simplify and maintain qualification standards.

##### **Motion:**

Regulations to be sent back to the Scent Work Committee for review. The revised regulations to be circulated via Email Vote for ratification by Executive Council.

Moved: KB; Seconded: NT - carried

##### **AGILITY REGULATIONS CHANGES**

Report presented by Agility Committee:

**Regulation Changes – the following changes are for July 2022 release of agility regulations.**

5.4.6 Walking the Course

5.4.8.2

11.4.2.4 Obstacles Approved for Use in AD Classes

12.3.4 – Renumbered to 12.3.3

- 12.3.3 Slats
- 13.7.3 Crossover
- 13.7.4 – 13.7.11 - Renumbered
- 16.2 Games Obstacles
  - 16.2.1 Grade C obstacles
  - 16.2.1 Grade C obstacles
  - 16.2.2 Grade B obstacles
  - 16.2.3 Grade A obstacles
  - 16.2.4. Combination obstacles
    - 16.2.4.1
    - 16.2.4.2
    - 16.2.4.3
    - 16.2.4.4
- 6.13 Running Orders
  - 6.13.1
  - 6.13.2
- 7.1.3 Elementary Class and Special Classes at Ribbon Trials
  - 7.1.3.1
  - 7.1.3.2
  - 7.1.3.3
- 5.4.6 – Walking the course
  - 5.4.6.1
  - 5.4.6.2
- 12.2.2 Hoop
- 12.2.6 Long Jump
- 11.1.2.1.7
- 5.2.8 Official Entry Form
- 6.7.2 Removed
- 6.7.3-6.7.4 renumbered
- 9.2.3.2 – Test Manager renamed to Show Manager
- 7.2.2.2
- 8.4.4 Administration
- 10.1.2.6.2 Permanent Exemption – DELETED
- 10.1.2.6.3 – 10.1.2.6.4 – renumbered accordingly
- 11.3.12 Competition by Champion Dogs

**Motion:**

All recommended regulation changes are adopted, subject to the amendment to be made to regulation 6.13.2, and the revised regulation to be presented at the June EC Meeting.

Moved: PJ; Seconded: FH

<b>5</b>	<b>COMPLAINTS/DISPUTES</b>
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**RE: Complaints & Disputes Report**

**Recommendation for Cancellation of Membership**

Executive Council approved the recommendation from the Director Secretary to use its powers under Dispute Regulations 9 (xi) / 14 (i) to cancel two memberships.

Moved: NT; Seconded: FH - carried

**DIRECTOR SECRETARY REPORT  
REGISTRY ONLINE STATS  
NZ DOGS WORLD / DOG IE NEWS STATS**

Report by Director Secretary Steven Thompson (ST)

**1. Key Strategic Plan Activities – FY 2021-22**

With the Strategic Plan focusing on 5 key strategic priorities which have been incorporated into our annual business plans, my Director Secretary report will focus on what initiatives we have underway to achieve our 10 year goals.

As we enter a new financial year we have a focus on building new membership service delivery models and potential new revenue streams.

***Strategic Priorities: Membership Value/ Support & Empower Clubs***

Our current focus with Purina is.

*Two Year Extension of Sponsorship Agreement*

Our current contract with Purina includes a clause that allows both parties to extend the partnership for another two years. I have written to Purina advising them of our wish to trigger the extension clause and a proposed extension contract will be presented to Executive Council at the June meeting.

*Club Tool Box Project*

We have resolved the club sign-on protocols with POS maker and are now reviewing all the Dogs NZ show guideline documents which we want to load onto the site. We are also completing the sign-off on the creative design templates which are loaded on the site.

*New Members / New Breeders - Kennel Name Edm*

Design briefs for the two new Edm programmes are with the Purina Digital Marketing team in Melbourne and we are working on the IT scope of work to integrate the Edm's into our membership system so they are automatically generated. Our objective is to have these two programmes, together with the club tool box completed by ACOD in June.

*Event Display Stands*

The second Dogs NZ Display stand promoting our three sports (Breed, Agility, Dog Training) has been completed and was launched at the FCI show in Christchurch. It will be on display at ACOD.

***Strategic Priority: Registry Development***

The FCI show Programme build has been completed and was used for the Christchurch FCI show without any major development issues. Focus is now on completing the last of the outstanding registry automation tasks: Frozen Semen and Dog Transfers.

We are working on a detailed scope of work for the new membership automation projects we want to roll out this year. The basic membership system has been transferred to the new web based platform but we have a number of development projects we want to complete to provide a better online service to members and control our mail out costs.

***Strategic Priority: Promoting Canine Health / Effective Advocacy & Strategic Stakeholder relations***

*Government Advocacy*

Jo Murry (Saunders Unsworth) and I are working on updating our Stakeholder Management Plan. Key next steps are:

- Announcement comms re: appointment of new Canine Health & Welfare Officer.
- Introducing half yearly stakeholder reports on our Canine Health & Welfare activities.
- Circulation of our 10 Year Strategic Plan to key stakeholders.
- Securing a date for an update presentation to NAWAC committee.

I have also asked SPCA if we can have a copy of the proposal they presented to the Ministers Office on the regulation of Companion Animal Breeders.

EC discussed the Report and noted the importance of receiving a copy of the SPCA Presentation to the Minister. .

**MEMBERS AND CLUBS REPORT**

Presented by Colleen Begg (CB)

**Annual Accounts**

The annual accounts for all clubs have been emailed on 6 April 2022. There has been a good payment response to date. However, I have received 3 inquiries from clubs who have indicated that they will have difficulty paying the account as they have had no income from shows for the last 2 years (I also suspect that they have no members apart from the committee and 1 or 2 others at the most). I have given the options of downgrading to recognised, combining with another like-minded club – will report further in due course. Unfortunately there are a number of clubs who rely on their show income only and hold no activities outside of 1 or 2 shows annually.

**French Bulldog Society - Recognition**

This club was in contact after the February 2022 Executive Council meeting where EC had confirmed the removal of the club from the list of clubs recognised by Dogs NZ. The club has requested that the decision to remove their recognition be reconsidered. They have since paid the account for the previous year (21/22) in full and have been invoiced for the year 22/23.



**Motion:**

Recommend that the French Bulldog Society be reregistered as a recognised society with Dogs NZ.

Moved: FH ; Seconded: KS – Adopted

**South Island Papillon Club - Disassociation**

At the AGM of the South Island Papillon Club held on 26 March 2022, those present discussed the future of the club and their options. They resolved that -

“since we have too few Papillons to hold Shows or Ribbon Parades and we, and our dogs are getting into the ‘senior’ age bracket, we should close the club and inform the Dogs NZ. Our Treasurer will pay the final expenses and then deal with the remaining funds as required by Dogs NZ. All agreed.”

They further agreed that they would become “just a pet group and continuing on with our activities as usual.” They resolved to set up a Facebook page for the ‘Small and Interesting Pets Club’.

Subsequently, Barrie Keetley, the club’s treasurer, has forwarded the final 2 bank statements and has deposited the full amount of the club’s account of \$2680-07 into Dogs NZ account.

**Motion:**

Recommend that the South Island Papillon Club be disassociated

Moved: NT ; Seconded: FH – Adopted

**Wellington Canine Obedience Club**

This club is a recognised society who undertake obedience and CGC. For a number of years they held very few activities. However, they now have a good committee, trainers, members and, with the support and encouragement of Obedience Central Region, wish to become Associated.

**Motion:**

Recommend that Wellington Canine Obedience Club be associated with Dogs NZ

Moved: KB ; Seconded: KS – Adopted

**South Island Dobermann Club**

The SI Dobermann Club has not been active since 2019 and the club was disassociated in 2020 after the secretary at that time, Helene Street, advised that she had emailed all the current members of the club (11) regarding the future of the club. The club had very few funds and there had been very little interest in the club (perhaps the Government’s decision to ban tail docking may have played a part). They responded confirming that they wished to put the club into recess.

Dogs NZ has now been approached by Lisa Slade wishing to restart this club. She advises that she was the past secretary and committee member of this club from 1990 when she lived in Christchurch. She says “no other member has come forward to pick the club up. I am saddened that this club has not been active for many years and since it was my founding club and also with the breed that is dear to my heart, I would like to re-erect it and bring it back to fruition. I have proven ability to run all breeds clubs and do not want to see a specialty club fall from grace.

E.C. agreed with the recommendation from Membership Manager Colleen Begg that Lisa Slade be given the opportunity to re-establish South Island Dobermann Club

### **Fur Kids – Application To Become A Recognised Society**

An application has been received by Crystal Currie of Alexandra to become a recognised society with Dogs NZ. I originally sent this through to Arend van den Bos for comment as the Chair of Scent Work. They had just hosted Arend for a Scent Work course and Canine Good Citizen Silver and Gold assessment

In support of the application Crystal advises the following –

#### **Nature of Business:**

- Dog Daycare services.
- Educational workshops on various dog sports and activities (for example; ScentWork)
- Community events and training days involving dogs
- Private Training provider of basic and advanced dog obedience, Puppy Classes and Private one-on-one Training.
- Dog Training Assistant to other local dog trainers and behaviourists.

#### **Intentions:**

To be able to conduct Canine Good Basics / Canine Good Citizen Classes and become a registered Canine Good Citizen Society through DogsNZ.

#### **Experience:**

- Private Training provider of basic and advanced dog obedience, Puppy Classes and Private one-on-one Training.
- Dog Training assistant to local canine behaviourist with over 50 years' experience.
- Current Pet First Aid certificate.
- Qualification in "Dog Psychology and Training" attained 2020
- 14-week course in "Dog Obedience and Training Canine Behaviour" attained 2020
- "Level 4 PETbc Accredited Advanced Canine Behaviour Diploma", British College of Canine Studies, *current*
- Sole Charge Owner/Operator of Fur Kids Daycare in Alexandra, Central Otago since 2018 with a strong focus on canine enrichment.
- Canine Good Citizen Foundation, Bronze, Silver and Gold with my dog, "Raemoir Pot of Gold" attained in 2021 through assessor Arend van den Bos.
- Completed many dog obedience and training classes over the years with my dog.
- Committed to ongoing training and study in the field of dog psychology, behaviour and training.

I believe that providing the right training and guidance to dog owners is critical in creating a community of balanced, well-mannered dogs. I believe that 'Canine Good Basics' is a great minimum standard for dog owners nationally and am passionate about encouraging my local community to extend their training and invest in their canine companions. I believe in striving for excellence in canine behaviour and relished the opportunity to train my dog for Canine Good Citizen Gold. I would ultimately love to see more Gold

standard CGC dogs in not only my local community, but also the wider community and feel that becoming a recognised society through DogsNZ would help me to achieve that goal.

EC discussed the application for a recognized society and believe that it does not meet requirement of Society as in our rules. The applicant needs to form a club and reapply, or sell service to local club.

Moved: NT ; Seconded: FH – Adopted

### **The Molosser Club – Application for Association**

The Molosser Club would like to make application to become Associated to Dogs NZ.

In support of their application they have attached a copy of their bank statement, their latest magazines, constitution (which is a standard constitution), and letters of support from the Great Dane Club, The United Bull Breeds Association, Leonberger Club and The Dominion Bullmastiff Club

### **BACKGROUND**

The concept of the club was first mooted between three friends in September 2019 when they realised there were quite a few breeds who did not have a club they could belong to, and that many of them fell under the umbrella of the molosser group. As two of these friends are also founding committee members of the United Bull Breeds Association, they realised that a multi-breed club could and should be, extremely successful. The United Bull Breeds Association is to be considered the Gold Standard in how a club comprising of many different breeds should be run and so, using their format as a template, planning to form The Molosser Club began. The idea behind the new club was also discussed with Dogs NZ President Brian Harris and Director/Secretary Steven Thompson and they were favourable in their response.

Canvassing amongst breed owners showed there was an appetite to start a new multi breed club and so in early 2020, it was decided to start the process of forming a new club. Unfortunately, the outbreak of COVID and subsequent lockdowns meant this was not revisited until February 2021. In March the same year, keen representatives of the breeds were approached and the first meeting to elect officers and adopt a Constitution was held on 27 March 2021. Planning for club events began and with committee members in Auckland, Lower Nth Island as well as in the South Island, group walks were held throughout New Zealand in an effort to raise awareness of The Molosser Club and what we do. These proved to be extremely popular, with walks being held in Auckland on 13 June, Taranaki on July 4<sup>th</sup> and in Christchurch on 1<sup>st</sup> August.

These public walks were used to generate our membership which is currently sitting at 11 family memberships and 8 singles. Our first club newsletter was produced in November 2021 and a The Molosser Club Facebook page was created in February 2021 and has 177 members throughout New Ze We also began our fundraising starting with a raffle for a portrait by well known animal artist Suzy Kirkcaldy. Towards the end of the year, we held a breeds book auction and produced a calendar with our breeds and these were sold on line. These fundraising efforts, along with our membership has given us a healthy bank balance of \$2,2267-32 as at 31 March, with which to start holding events.

Planning also began on holding regional Match Parades, however these plans again stalled as COVID again hit the country. This now meant that all dog shows were to be put on hold while the country recovered and so our plan to go through the motions of holding ribbon parades, open shows and working towards championship shows could no longer be done.

Dogs NZ also received a letter from the Mastiff Breeds Association which is not in support of the application.

E.C. discussed all if the club was to be established a number of other Molosser breeds will be need to be included. Discussion on the importance of communication with other clubs and a pathway that starts with recognition and running ribbon parades before reaching association status.

### **Motion**

Application of recognition is deferred until E.C receive letters (or evidence of request) from all of the breed specialist clubs of the relevant breeds, at which time the application can be resubmitted.

Moved: STT ; Seconded: JB – Adopted

### **DOGS ON REPORT**

Report by Colleen Begg

#### **Sandyridge Perfect Criminal 03110-2020 Rhodesian Ridgeback owned by P Boyes**

This male Rhodesian Ridgeback has completed the required 6 observations. The endorsement has been removed from Dogs NZ records and the owner advised.

#### **Wispa Ob/9060 Border Collie owned y N Machen**

This female Border Collie is on report for rushing at another dog at South Canterbury Dog Training Club's Championship Agility Event on 19 March 2022. All witnesses reported that the other dog was not the aggressor and did not react to the behaviour of her dog.

Owner has been advised of the 7 day stand down and the dog's records have been noted. Agility Committee have been advised and will be arranging the observations.

#### **Little Miss Roackabillie OB/7422 Poodle X Fox Terrier owned by K Nicol**

This female Poodle X Fox Terrier has been placed on report after it was involved in an incident with another dog at Napier Dog Training Cub's Championship and Agility Event on 19 March 2022.

The owner of the other dog had her dog on a lead and was walking back to her club's tent when the dog rushed at them in an aggressive manner.

Owner has been advised of the 7 day stand down, the dog's records have been endorsed. The Agility Committee have been advised and will be arranging the observations.

#### **Mavquade Itsadundeal RN Boxer owned by S McDonald**

This female Boxer is on report for attacking a dog and exhibiting aggressive behavior towards another dog on separate occasions at the same Championship Rally-O held by Tararua Allbreeds Dog Training Club on 19/20 February 2022.

The first incident the dog lunged at a Pomeranian outside the ring. The partner of the owner held the dog above his head, the Boxer continued lunging and jumping causing scratches on the person's arms. The dog was not injured apart from a large clump of hair from the other dog in the mouth of the Boxer.

The second incident the Boxer growled at another dog with no connection made.

The dog has been suspended from exhibition for 2 months, required to advise of any training undertaken and an application to be made in writing before the dog can compete again. Obedience Committee have been advised.

**CH Accolade No How Can Do ADXS JAX SNB 02382-2014 Jack Russell Terrier owned by N Beketova**

This male Jack Russell Terrier Dog is on report for an incident at Gisborne Dog Training Club's Championship Agility and Jumper Event on 7 June 2021 where the dog was involved in an attack on another dog outside the ring.

The dog was placed on suspension for 2 months from taking part in any event or show.

The dog has been taking part in training classes held by Counties Dog Training Club for the past 6 months. This has been confirmed by Allan Rohde the instructor for Counties Dog Training Club.

Permission has been given for her to enter events. Agility Committee have been advised to arrange observers

Report Received

**PRESENTATION BY ZOOM FROM JORDAN COULSON RE: NZ WORKING DOGS CLUB APPLICATION**

Jordan Coulson applied to have his NZ Working Dogs Club affiliated with Dogs NZ in May 2021. It was declined by E.C. because of concern about the practice of training bite work.

Jordan joined the meeting by zoom and made a presentation on why he wants to establish a Working Dog Club in NZ and represent NZ at the FCI Worlds. E.C. discussed the presentation and ST/CB is to go back to Jordan with guidance on the pathway to form a sustainable club (or join a local club and offer his training services) and a recommendation that he starts with introducing BH/Tracking ports programmes before introducing any Sleeve Work.

It was also recommended that Jordan be invited as a guest speaker to the December Dog Training Conference.

<b>7. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE &amp; COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>
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**BREED STANDARDS REPORT**

Report from the Breeds Standards Committee

**1. New Breeds**

The ANKC have recognised two new indigenous breeds. It is normal practice for us to recognise these breeds also as our judges will encounter them when judging in Australia. It is also possible that we will see these being requested to be imported to New Zealand.

These breeds are:

- Murray River Retriever – Gundog Group
- Australasian Bosdog – Non-Sporting Group

The Group noted is the Group which the breeds are included in in Australia

**Recommendation 1**

That the two Breeds be recognised by Dogs NZ

**Recommendation 2**

That breeds be placed in the Group indicated above.

**Recommendation 3**

That the NZDJA be requested to conduct an Open Book examination for all judges who are qualified to judge the Groups the new breeds are placed in.

Moved: KB ; Seconded: SM – Adopted

## 2. Belgian Shepherds

The committee considered carefully the submissions received on this matter.

There is no strong reason not to accept the FCI standard as this is the country of origin and development. In addition, our closest neighbour, the ANKC, also uses the FCI standard.

We consider the current ruling regarding the interbreeding of varieties is still valid and we propose that this be continued. As a reference we refer to: <https://www.bsdcq.com/intervariety.html>

**Recommendation 5**

That the FCI Standard No.15 for the Belgian Shepherds be adopted.

**Recommendation 6**

That Disqualifying Faults in the FCI Standard be changed to Very Serious Faults

**Recommendation 7**

That Dogs NZ confirm that if this change to the Standard is adopted this will not change the current Registration Regulations relating to crossbreeding of the varieties of Belgian Shepherds.

Moved: FH; Seconded: KB – Adopted

## 3. Welsh Corgi

A submission was received from the Wellington Welsh Corgi Club that the titles for the breeds - Welsh Corgi (Cardigan) and Welsh Corgi (Pembroke) - be altered to that of Cardigan Welsh Corgi and Pembroke Welsh Corgi.

The committee considered the submissions received and could not find any good reason to change it stance from our report of 7/7/21.

We therefore recommend:

**Recommendation 8**

That the request be denied, and no change is made to the names of the Welsh Corgi breeds.

Moved: KB ; Seconded: FH – Adopted

#### **CANINE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Report from Fiona Hodgson (FH) CH&W Chair

The Canine Health and Welfare committee has been dealing with quite a few applications for dispensation to the BCOC which is disappointing and seems that there has been some assumption that dispensations are automatic. An article for the DogWorld will focus on explaining why they are not and help people understand.

We have developed a veterinary certificate form which has been uploaded to the website and info on it will go into the next DogE News.

We are now 2 months into our “voice” being heard in the DogWorld which hopefully will encourage conversations and engagement with the breeders.

The Canine Health and Welfare Officer position is being advertised now and by the time the EC meeting comes around there is likely to be an update.

Lauren will be leaving us and we will greatly miss her when she finishes up, so there’s a lot going on at present.

E.C. discussed the importance of progressing the LRL Scheme and taking a more active stance to encourage more breed and specialty clubs to propose LRL for their breeds. FH and ST to work on a presentation for ACOD and invite vet Mark Getting to be involved in the presentation.

Moved: JB ; Seconded: CM – Adopted

Report Received

#### **DACHSHUNDS LRL’s**

Report from the Canterbury Dachshund Club

Thank you for your response to the proposal put forward by our Club for LRLs in Dachshunds.

The proposals were put out to our members for their input. A final decision was made at our AGM at Easter.

Several written submissions were received, and these were read at our AGM.

The members present unanimously agreed to accept the draft proposals but have two requests prior to them being finalised by Executive Council.

1. That the implementation date for each of the breeds be changed to 1st January 2023
2. That the proposals are advertised in the Dog World for any feedback from the other

Dachshund Clubs and breeders who are not members of our Club.

Report Received

## **DOG TRAINING COMMITTEE**

Report from Karen Sadler (KS) Chair of the Dog

### **1. Dog Obedience Committee Meetings**

A meeting was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022 via Zoom

### **2. Nominations & Elections for Deputy Region Representatives, Central Rally-O Rep. and DTC rep on Rally-O Committee.**

So we have had a number of changes as Karen Magorian has stood down as the deputy region Rep for Northern but Ruth Thorburn has agreed to take on this role and the committee is pleased to welcome her back on board. Also sadly due to health Lyn Clearwater has had to step down as southern region Rep, so Pip Hoskins will now step up to fill this Role and we will call for another Deputy for the southern Region.

### **3. National Dog Obedience Assembly**

NDOA will be at Ardmore over Labour weekend 2022. The organising committee is now underway with this but there are concerns with the money they have in their account compared to the money they have been told they can spend. We have this problem every year and I believe this needs to get sorted and I ask the EC that we could have a meeting with the treasurer and the Director/secretary to get this matter once and for all sorted so the NDTA does not show as a loss on paper.

### **4. Judge Appointments and Promotions**

The following people have been approved for appointment or promotion on the judges' panels by the OJA and the Dog Training committee:

Cushla Fitzwater : 906321 Working Trials UD panel.

Liz Jupp: 087679 Beginners/Novice champ panel.

Karen Turner 094835: Rally-O Novice panel.

Moved: BH; Seconded: KS – Ratified

### **5. April Voting is now underway**

### **6. Rally O**

Sub Committee is now full with a Rep from each region. Colleen advised that Renee Evans was the only nomination from Central, so we are now pleased to welcome Renee onto the committee. So the committee now is:

Jo Millar – Southern

Ruth Thorburn – Northern

Renee Evans – Central

We are looking forward to working with this committee to promote Rally-O.



**7. Domestic Dog Training conference proposed dates now 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022 venue to be confirmed**

Camp Kaitoke is an option.

Friday night stay till Sunday after lunch. Meals would be provided.

Bunk type accommodation. Own bedding required. Dogs will be permitted during practical activities.

The Conference Room and gymnasium will be available for use.

Club reps, subsidised by their clubs, could attend. All clubs would be charged the same fee as for previous courses. DogsNZ could also provide a subsidy.

CGC could combine with the DT Conference. If combined each club should send one CGC rep and one Domestic DT rep. Others could be willing to pay their own way to attend and would be welcome.

Training topics and techniques would be included.

Canine first aid;

Reading canine body language;

How to avoid conflict between dogs;

Dog training principles;

Learn scientific terminologies.

Canine Nutrition and how this could affect behaviour. (Purina)

CGC / CGB

We are still looking at other topics.

DogsNZ for funding of \$8000 is in the current FY budget and Dog Training Club of the year. Would be awarded at this event

**8. Dog Trainers certification system:**

Dog Training Committee want to get this up and running and are happy to work with Dog Trainers association NZ and companion animals to do so.

**9. CGC Proposed changes need to be sent out to all assessors and CGC clubs.**

**10. Working Trials**

Anita Pearless has taken over from Karen Wilson as Southern's second representative on the Subcommittee.

2022 Trials dates for all three regions will be sent to Colleen Begg at DogsNZ to ensure their calendar is correct, making it easier to enter trials results.

The Subcommittee is currently focussing on the judging panel and how we can strengthen this. We have a number of potential new judges and we are working on supporting current judges to progress to WD and TD panels.

**11. Wellington Canine Obedience Club have applied to change of status to championship obedience society.)**

**12. Dog Training committee Will be looking at trick training as a new sport.**

**13. NDTA Central Region We are still looking for a suitable venue.**

14. Wainuiomata club has advised Dogs NZ that it has been dissolved so it needs to be removed from the list of clubs on the website (and in the Dog World when the clubs are next listed)..

E.C. discussed the report. KS to work with the National Office on the budget for the Dog Training Conference and bring back to E.C. KS/ST to discuss CANZ Dog Trainers Association NZ are looking to apply for recognised status. Casual entry to Obedience shows to follow Breed show precedents.

Report Received

**Letter from Chair of Scent Work**

E.C. discuss the letter and the potential future structure for the sub-committees and Dog Training

**SCENT WORK COMMITTEE REPORT**

Report from Arend van den Bos Chair of Scent Work Committee

**1. Scent Work Committee**

Following Dogs NZ EC endorsement of Shiree Brockie's appointment to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee, Shiree has proven herself to be a substantially valuable addition.

**2. Scent Work Committee Administration**

In keeping with a now established pattern of having Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meetings through Zoom, there have been two committee meetings since the last EC report. These occurred on 20 February and 3 April.

These meetings have largely dealt with:

- ❖ Correcting an incorrect insertion of an obsolete Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 10.5.1 into the current Regulations, which the committee appreciates that EC has recently endorsed a rectification for. Sadly, there still appears to be some lack of understanding by some participants and therefore a slight rewording (maintaining the same intent) is being presented to the EC as part of the Scent Work Regulation Changes/Additions sought as part of the EC's Regulation section of their meeting Agenda.

Rectifying the original intent of Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 6.3.1. Appreciation is expressed to the Dogs NZ EC for allowing this matter to be dealt with urgency (outside the usual presentation for Scent Work Regulation Changes/Additions at the April and November EC meetings). Scent Work participants have now been informed of the appropriate criteria required to attain a Novice Scent Work Title.

- ❖ Applications from a variety of Dogs NZ Societies to host Qualifying Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Trials.
  - Canterbury Kennel Association (2/3 July 2022) – [Approved](#)

- Gisborne Dog Training Club (4<sup>th</sup> June 2022) – [Approved](#)
- Nelson Districts Kennel Association (26/27 November 2022) - [Approved](#)
- Otago Canine Training Club (3/4 December 2022) - [Approved](#)
- ❖ Applications for Promotions/Appointments on the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Panel.
  - Jim Wyeth. Excellent Container. (Promotion)
  - Jim Wyeth. Advanced Interior; Exterior & Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Jo Searle. Excellent Container. (Promotion)
  - Jo Searle. Advanced Interior; Exterior & Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Shiree Brockie. Excellent Container. (Promotion)
  - Shiree Brockie Advanced Interior; Exterior & Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Lyn Clearwater. Excellent Container. (Promotion)
  - Lyn Clearwater. Advanced Interior; Exterior; Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Arend van den Bos. Excellent Container. (Promotion)
  - Arend van den Bos. Advance Interior; Exterior; Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Karen Magorian. Advanced Container. (Promotion)
  - Amerillis Farmer. Novice Interior and Vehicle Panels. (Appointments)
  - Jo Miller. Novice Interior Panel (Appointment)
  - Barbara Nolan. Novice Container (First Appointment)

EC endorsement is sought for the above promotions/appointments.

Moved: SM ; Seconded: CM – Adopted  
KS abstain

- ❖ Enabling on-line entries through Dogs NZ to be established. Currently on-line Scent Work entries are being handled through the conformation entry system which does not permit sub-Classes to be recognized. It is believed that the on-line system employed for Obedience entries would rectify this issue.
- ❖ Investigation of the ability for Scent Work members to have a dedicated participant number for the purpose of entry and catalogue listing in the same (or similar manner) as Dogs NZ Agility.
- ❖ A plethora of Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation Amendments/Additions. Those which were passed by the Dogs NZ Scent Committee (unanimously) have been presented in the Regulations Section of the EC Agenda. Much of those presented are required to adopted to accommodate the introduction of Advanced Interior, Exterior and Vehicle Classes as well as Excellent Containers. There are also some adjustments sought to the way Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges are promoted and appointed.

### 3. Scent Work Committee Voting

With the now establishment of regular Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meetings, there has been no need to conduct electronic voting.

All Dogs NZ Scent work matters requiring to be voted upon are now dealt with at committee meetings and voted upon then. If further discussion is felt to be required, the matter is deferred until a subsequent committee meeting.

All Scent Work Regulations additions and changes presented to the EC for endorsement have been unanimously approved.

#### **4. Appointment Of Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges**

The Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee is currently processing six Promotions (five being currently presented for EC endorsement) and twenty-eight applications for Class Appointments (nineteen of which is currently presented for EC endorsement). This includes one first time appointment.

#### **4. Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials.**

Concurrent with the expeditious growth of Dogs NZ Scent Work, there has become a greater demand from a diverse number of Dogs NZ Societies wishing to host Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials.

Since the last report submitted to Dogs NZ for their February EC meeting, there has been one Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials hosted. Between the time of writing this report and the EC meeting in April, there will have also been an additional two Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials hosted. These being:

- Otago Canine training Club (5/6 March 2022)
- South Canterbury Dog Training Club (9/11 April 2022)
- Southland Kennel Association 17/18 April 2022)

#### **5. Dogs NZ Scent Work Training.**

With the exception to the Central Region, following on from the success of *“Introduction to Dogs NZ Scentwork”* workshops in all other parts of the country, many Dogs NZ Societies and its members have now introduced Dogs NZ Scent Work Training groups.

As new Scent Work Classes and Levels are continued to be introduced, it is envisaged that courses will need to be introduced to provide greater guidance for instructors.

Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges are already required to undertake some form of formal instruction as a pre-requisite to being promoted or appointed on the Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges Panel.

An on-line Dogs NZ Scent Work Course, on a par with those offered by other International Scent Work Trainers, is also currently being developed.

Difficulty with establishing Introduction to Scent Work workshops in the Central Region has largely been due to a perceived reluctance by many various clubs and individuals being resistant to the adoption of Dogs NZ Scent Work. Favouring instead an alternative national scent work organization.

#### **6. Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges.**

Currently, there are seventeen Dogs NZ Novice Scent Work Panel Judges. Two of these have yet to receive a first appointment to judge at a Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial.

Following on from the very successful and well attended inaugural Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges conference held in Wellington in March 2021, another conference is to be held in Wellington on 30 April 2022.

It is expected that these conferences will now be held annually, in various locations throughout New

Zealand. Christchurch is currently being considered for the 2023 conference.

It is of especial note that these conferences are attended by Dogs NZ Judges entirely at their own expense. This includes their travel and accommodation. Yet, there was an 87.5% attendance last year, and a similar attendance number (if not greater) is expected again this year.

## **7. Dogs NZ Scent Work Members.**

Following the introduction of further Dogs NZ Scent Work Classes and Levels in June 2021, there has been an exponential growth of participants.

Usually under this heading I indicate the number of persons registered on the Dogs NZ Scent Work Register and what percentage of those are Dogs NZ Members. Sadly however, due to an administrative glitch, the entire Registry was wiped from the files. Currently this is slowly being restored and it is hoped that more accurate numbers can be reported in the next Scent Work report. However, anecdotally, it can be reported that there has certainly been an increase of members on the register from the four hundred and thirty reported in the last report, and that there has also been (due to the incentive to gain recognizable Dogs NZ Awards and Titles) an increase in the number of Dogs NZ membership.

Moved: PJ / STT - carried  
Report Received

## **CANINE GOOD CITIZEN COMMITTEE**

Report from Arend van den Bos Chair of CGC Committee

### **CGC Committee meeting**

Zoom CGC Committee meetings were held on Sunday January 30<sup>th</sup>; February 29<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March. Matters discussed included:

- Resignation of Renee Evans from the CGC Committee.
- Appointment of Merenia Donne to the CGC Committee.
- Reconstruction of the current CGC Webpage.
- CGC Manual Review.
- Applications for appointment from:
  - Patricia Sauermann-Wehde to become a CGC Assessor.

### **CGC Committee appointments**

Renee Evans has submitted her resignation from the CGC Committee expressing her inability to commit as fully as desired due to an over-commitment in other areas of her life.

Renee has failed to attend any CGC Committee meetings since her appointment four months ago. However, a letter of thanks was sent for her initial expressions of enthusiasm.

Following endorsement by the Dogs NZ EC at their meeting in February, Merenia Donne has been formerly appointed to the CGC Committee and been a very active (and positive) contributor to the Committee as well as the CGC programme.

## CGC Webpage Reconstruction

Some initial drafting has been done towards a revision of the CGC webpage by Arend van den Bos and Merenia Donne. However, due to higher CGC priorities, this project has not been able to be advanced as quickly as was desired. It remains a project that will continue to be worked upon as time and personal commitment allows. This is most likely to occur following a conclusion of the CGC Manual revision.

## Revision of the CGC Manual

On behalf of the CGC Committee, I wish to thank the Dogs NZ EC for their endorsement of the proposed changes for the Foundation and Bronze Exercises submitted to them for their February meeting.

Their recommendations to retain the “Controlled walk through people and distractions” and “Meeting a stranger and their dog” exercises at a Foundation level is acknowledged, as is the recommendation to replace the Stay exercise with a Café Style exercise. However, through this report I do wish to address a couple of points which may otherwise, I believe, potentially lead to an erroneous belief. It was stated in the report provided to me from the Dogs NZ Executive Administrator concerning the outcome of the EC’s discussion regards CGC that *[KS said that the dog training committee would like to say these changes have not had correct consultation. KS also spoke of her concerns about the removal of 2 items in Foundation. These are crucial elements at foundation level as it is all about the dog’s temperament.]*

Firstly, aside from the fact that there appears to have been discussion between only a small selected and limited number of Dog Training Committee members, CGC has NEVER been administered by the Dog Training Committee. Yet the implication in the statement made makes it clear that KS does not believe this and is unethically using her position as a political lever.

Secondly, the accusation (or implication) that the preceding process had not undergone correct consultation is entirely fallacious. The EC should be well aware, given that they requested it, that the entire process included consultation with everybody involved in CGC. This initially included an opportunity for the CGC Committee and ALL CGC Assessors to make comment on the proposed changes. It is interesting that those now most vocally opposed to change never made any comment previously when such opportunity existed. What was initially presented to the EC was based entirely upon the feedback that was received from the CGC Committee and CGC Assessors. Subsequently, at the EC’s bequest, greater response was requested from ALL who were (or had been) involved in CGC by way of public submissions.

Regrettably there is a belief among some (very vocal) CGC Assessors that they have the absolute right to negate/ignore the CGC Committee and/or Dogs NZ EC to solely determine the directions of CGC. What is forgotten is that the CGC Assessors role is primarily one of upholding policies, not creating them (to suit own desires).

Thirdly, there was no intent to “remove” the “Controlled walk through people and distractions” and “Meeting a stranger and their dog” exercises (as implied in the response). It was merely suggested that since they were already covered, albeit in a slightly lesser manner at Foundation level, that they would be more appropriately transferred to a slightly higher Exercise level. This would also establish greater equality of the number of Exercises between the two levels.

However, as afore said, the decision of the EC is accepted and acknowledged. What is not, is the apparent misuse of authority to potentially bias the EC into making their decision.

At the June meeting E.C. will have the opportunity to review (and hopefully endorse) recommendations for final two CGC Levels.

### **Annual CGC Conference**

An email has been sent by the Dogs NZ Director/Secretary to me to consider the possibility of a joint Obedience/CGC Conference in November 2022. A response expressing a willingness to explore this option has been returned.

### **CGC Assessment Advertising**

At the request of members of the CGC Committee, all Dogs NZ registered CGC Societies have been written to requesting them to advertise intended CGC Assessments being conducted, on the Dogs NZ CGC webpage, to address the considerable number of queries made by those seeking to have CGC Assessments done.

### **CGC Administration**

It was sad to hear of Nicola's departure from Dogs NZ. Nicola had been remarkable in dealing with a code that appears to have been placed under her charge with very little guidance available to assist her. It is an area Nicola and I had begun to work on by way of creating a CGC Executive consultancy group (as referred to in my last report). It is hoped that this ability will be able to continue with Nicola's replacement.

An email was received from Furkids requesting knowledge of the outcome, following the EC's February meeting, regarding their application to become a recognized Dogs NZ CGC Society. Sadly, it appears that their application somehow "slipped through the cracks". It is personally felt imperative that Dogs NZ look favourably towards recognizing organizations such as Furkids as registered CGC Societies in order for Dogs NZ to be further identified as an organization that takes responsibility for encompassing the widest (ethically) possible representation of canine ownership, conformation and training. Endorsement for Furkids would be a win situation for all.

Moved: CM / STT - carried  
Report Received

### **AGILITY COMMITTEE REPORT**

EC Report by Chris Richardson Agility Chair

Not a lot to report this time around, it's nice that things are starting to head toward some form of normal again.

We have some regulation changes that we would like ratified. Summary of changes is below.

Once ratified I will send our final working copy of the full regulations with all changes through to Stephen.

There will be a further set of regulation changes that we will have ready for your next meeting, but these won't come into effect until January 2023.

Currently the show rules prevent agility from holding championship events on the same weekend as ACOD. Historically however there has been one club that has held their show that weekend and has done for several years with verbal ok.

**Motion:**

The AC would like to ask for a permanent exemption and change to the show regulations to be able to run championship shows on this weekend for the club that has held it previously, and for any club that already has a championship show scheduled on the weekend that ACOD is if ACOD is moved, as it was this year.

Moved: PJ; Seconded: FH - carried

Judges – Our 2 newest trainee judges Heather Warren and Steph Butler both sat and passed their exams and have started to arrange probationary appointments in the coming months.

**Motion:**

The AC would like to ask EC to approve the promotion of Misha Baxter from the Ribbon Trial panel to the Agility Panel. Misha has had no negative reports during her time on the ribbon trial panel, and has the support of the Judges Subcommittee and the AC.

Moved: PJ ; Seconded: KS - carried

Moved: PJ ; Seconded: KB - carried  
Report Received

## **NZDJA REPORT**

### EXAMINATIONS:

We have virtually reverted back to our pre-Covid regulations as of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021. A year of activity under the Covid regulations have served their purpose, in that with two intakes in that year and a compressed ribbon and open show panels has delivered us more judges and created a whole new level of interest. Also we could see the Covid restrictions coming to an end. The North Island lockdowns saw us having to arrange for 3 practical examinations to facilitate our members who had passed the second intake written examination.

Whereas in my last report I had predicted about 25 applications for 2022, up from our normal number of 15. The final count was 55 for promotion and 5 for their practising certificate. We don't have the luxury of a paid office behind us and the cross checking and referencing for that number was a huge task, and we devoted an extra day from our February f2f meeting to make those determinations. We were delighted to see a large number of ex junior handlers `make applications, but somewhat disappointed in the quality of the applications across the board is progressively getting worse. We even had a senior judge send in her application on an email as opposed to our application form where there are clear guidelines on the requirements. Clearly her earlier applications were accepted and must have been on that form.



Based on those applications and the very good pass rate in the written we have had to transport candidates to the SI practical's to even out the numbers.

The written papers went through a very thorough checking process this year, and an improved marking sheet system that saw zero commentary on questions and the marking was completed in record time.

#### ON-LINE TRAINING:

At our annual conference last year a presentation was done by Amanda Calman on the progress to date. It included a teaser test of about 6 questions, showed the ease of answering them and then getting an answer back instantly. It was wholeheartedly embraced by the floor and off we went to further it. There were two major defections to our on-line sub- committee in Amanda and Fiona Hodgson, but enough knowledge has passed hands for us to load the examinations into Noodle. We did however get carried away with ourselves in the way that these questions could be written, and subsequently gave ourselves a bigger task with the in-putting. With the new breeds open book examination we will revert to more of a true/false approach in future until we grow our dexterity on the more up market type questions.

Wire Haired Slovakian Pointer has gone out to all judges licensed for Gundogs as a new breed open book examination.

There are several more open book new breed examinations in the pipeline. Historically there has been about one new breed per year, the last two years has seen about 10. We have to be mindful about the fact that the open book new breed examination is only valid for one year, as next year's written embraces it. So the effort in women hours has to reflect that.

Modules 1 & 2 for all aspiring judges will be online in the next week or so. Module 4 will be about 4 weeks later that, and Module 3 the latter half of the year. The aspiring judges have 12 months to complete these 4 modules.

All of these open book and modules for aspiring will save us a lot of "secretarial" type work in the background, and moves NZDJA forward into a more electronically based organization.

It is hoped that the written examinations for 2023 will come from our database of questions with an annual refresh of new questions.

#### COMMITTEE:

Unfortunately we had a resignation from our board in that of Mrs. Kathleen Hardwick. Under our constitution the next highest NI ranking person was Mrs. Linda Strongman who served on the board prior to my involvement. Subsequently Linda has been able to find her feet very quickly. We are currently under a vote for half of the current board, and those positions are VP, Treasurer with two board members from the NI & one for the SI. Those results are unknown at this point in time.

The committee continues to work well, with some of the workload being quite high with the various projects we have undertaken this year.

#### GENERAL:

With the Covid restrictions being eased the judging scene will revert back to what it was two years ago. It is pleasing to see there are some sort of protection for our judges at all levels, the one to show its head early is the high number of open shows that are now on offer. We all look forward to this degree of normality.

Moved: KB; Seconded: FH - carried  
Report Received

### **JUNIOR DOG TRAINING**

Report by Polly Catlin-Maybury (Chair)

The new committee is working well together and we have particularly active junior reps this year. Fundraising activities are ongoing, as always, with various online auctions and JDT show in the pipeline. We are doing some work around what the JDT mission statement and strategic direction could look like and also what more we could offer our members in terms of upskilling and training support. A logo competition is being announced in the May issue of DW, with a view of turning the overall entry into an official JDT logo to supplement the Dogs NZ one. This could be used on merchandise as a potential revenue stream. So exciting things ahead.

Moved: FH; Seconded: KS – carried  
Report Received

### **YDS Report**

Verbal report by JB on fund raising progress.

<b>8. CORRESPONDENCE</b>
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E.C. discussed correspondence from Owen Dance re: Ukraine donation and NZDAC committee with invite to NZDAC 2022.

E.C. discussed the letter but do not think is the responsibility of Dogs NZ to donate members money to the Ukraine fund as it will set a precedent to donate to all international crisis funds and instead we encourage members to continue to make individual donations to the FCI fund promoted in Dog iE news.

<b>9. GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
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#### **Specialty Breeds Clubs running an All Breeds Ribbon Parade**

Rule 9A does not allow speciality breed clubs to hold shows for more than one breed. ST to write letter

#### **ACOD Weekend Combined Meeting:**

Agility / Dog Training committees to come back with agenda – Take the Lead programme potential discussion item.

#### **Show Containers**

Needs to be placed on blocks to avoid moisture damage of contents. ST to arrange with Carltons.

**Take the Lead**

Have received nomination for Conformation people. Important to launch to conformation / training. ST / Purina to come back with Launch plan.

**2023 NDS / FCI / Benefit Shows**

Expression of interests to organise NDS / FCI shows 2023 to be placed in June NZ Dog World. Dog Training / Rally-O have expressed an interest to be involved in the 2023 NDS show.

Nominations for 2023 Benefit Shows to be called for and appropriate lease documentation to be attached to submissions.

**Registry Regulations**

LRL regulations to be in separate appendix. FH to bring a proposal back to E.C. with recommended regulation changes.

<b>10. CHAIRPERSON SUM UP/EVALUATION OF MEETING/NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS</b>
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**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2021/2022 term)**

24 June, Wellington

23-24 July

17-18 September

19-20 November

BH closed the meeting at 1.40pm on 1 May 2022.