



Minutes of the Executive Council meeting

Held on 25 & 26 July 2020

At Dogs NZ National Office

**11 Prosser Street
Elsdon
Porirua**

1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)

Brian Harris (BH) President

Jill Brooker (JB)

Keith Brown (KB)

Donna Hailes (DH)

Fiona Hodgson (FH)

Catherine McManus (CM) - Saturday only

Arend van den Bos (AB)

Stephen Meredith (SM)

Lisa Slade (LS)

Steve Tate (STT)

Trina Nichols (TN)

STAFF

Steven Thompson (ST) – Director Secretary

Nicola Wood (NW) – Executive Assistant/Administrator

Clive Phillips – Treasurer (For Budget part of meeting)

WELCOME

BH welcomed the E.C to the meeting at 9am noting it is TN and CM first face to face meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The E.C adopted the agenda.

Moved: LS; Seconded: FH – Adopted

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The E.C noted minor amendments.

JUNE 20 MINUTES / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The E.C confirmed the 20 June 2020 Zoom meeting minutes.

Moved: JB; Seconded: STT – Adopted

2. IMPORTANT ITEMS

FINANCE UPDATE

TREASURER'S REPORT: CLIVE P IN ATTENDANCE

- **AUDITED FY 2019/20 ACCOUNTS**

The following reports were provided by Steven Thompson (ST) via email on 23 July 2020:

Financial Update for June 2020

Solid first quarter of what will be a challenging Year.

June Actuals exceeded Budget primarily due to strong income recorded by Dogs NZ and Gazette.

Membership, Kennel name, Registrations, transfers and Non-member advertising Revenues have held up better than expected during the lockdown period.

While this is encouraging, 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 quarter. The better than expected first quarter results are predominantly a timing issue rather than a strong uplift in overall revenue.

There are also a number of clubs that have not paid their club levies and public liability insurance and this could become a risk area as the year progresses.

Expenses for June were 10% (\$8.2k) greater than budget. There will inevitably be a return to higher expenditure levels and the organisation needs to be careful expenditure is kept in line with the modest revenue stream for the remainder of the year.

While Dog Showing activities are slowly returning it will be an income deficit area for the year. The Government wage subsidy finished in June. Dogs NZ has not applied for the wage subsidy extension.

Dogs NZ needs to be aware the challenges for this financial year still exist.

Our Insurance broker has indicated there is likely to be further increases in our premiums this year. As Insurance costs have become an increasingly large cost item, Dogs NZ will need to reconsider the approach to insuring their assets.

The Capital Expenditure committee recommendations are being presented to the Executive council this weekend. There are some important and significant proposals to be considered. It is important Dogs NZ protects and maintains the value of its key assets. Management and the Capital

Actual Income EXCEEDS budget by \$198.6K for the June Year to Date period

Actual Expenditure OVER budget by \$9.8k for the June Year to Date period

Balance Sheet REMAINS STRONG - Cash and Property rich

Total cash to end of June \$1,553.3k, up \$93.4k since end of last financial year (March 2020).

Summary of Group Financial Results: – Income minus Expenditure

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

June Month:- Income less Expenditure				
Actual	Budget	Last Year	Pre Covid Budget	
\$55,272	(\$39,397)	(\$28,261)	(\$32,919)	
Year To Date :- Income less Expenditure before Depreciation			Full Year 2020-2021	
This Year	Budget	Last Year	Budget	Forecast
\$105,462	(\$83,281)	\$56,498	(\$392,794)	(\$188,972)

Actual YTD results:-

- significantly Exceeds Budget By: - \$188.7k.
- significantly Exceeds Pre Covid Budget By: - \$105k
- Exceeds Last Year Actual By: - \$49k

Registry Activity

	<u>Analysis YTD June 2020</u>					
	<u>Number</u>			<u>Income</u>		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	
Litter Notification	449	456	-2%	17,518	16,067	9%
Registrations	2,006	2,234	-10%	63,485	50,411	26%
Transfers	1,407	1,442	-2%	29,787	26,138	14%
Imports	66	77	-14%	6,269	6,408	-2%
Exports	32	80	-60%	2,426	6,253	-61%
Overall Total	<u>3,960</u>	<u>4,289</u>	-8%	<u>119,485</u>	<u>105,277</u>	13%

Dogs NZ (NZKC):- EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$135.1k

Income \$151.2k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$16.1k) OVER budget YTD.

& Stationery (1.8k) and Sundry Expenses – historic Exps (2.7k) are main OVER budget items

AEC: - EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$1.6k**Dunedin: - :- EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$0.1k****Wellington Property EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$4.9k**

Income \$4.5k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses \$0.4 BELOW budget YTD.

Gazette: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$34.4k

Income \$26.6k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses \$7.8k 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 \$5.6k

Income \$1.5k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses \$4.1k BELOW budget YTD.

JDT & JDS: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$0.6k**Obedience: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$0.9k**

Balance Sheet & Cash Flow

- Cash balances INCREASED \$93.4k since 31 March 2020.
- Debtors \$86.6k down from end of last financial year. Receipt of Purina annual Sponsorship main reason for reduction

REMINDER

Dogs NZ is cash rich. Interest rates are at all time low levels certainly compared to the last 50 years.

Interest revenue falling as term deposits are renewed at current market rates.

State of Wellington Roof has reached serious condition. Now experiencing secondary building damage. Feedback from contractors involved with recent repairs and maintenance on Wgtn facility work expressed concern the work done will be comprised by continued water damage from roof leaks.

Failure to address the roof replacement will result in significant future loss of one of Dogs NZ Capital assets.

CP spoke to the Treasurer's report and Financial Schedules to 30 June 2020.

The E.C discussed, noted the reports and thanked CP for all his efforts.

Information Only – Report Received

AUDITED FY 2019/20 ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REPRESENTATION LETTER DATED 25 JULY 2020

CP spoke to the E.C about the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 and the Audit Representation Letter to Deloitte Limited dated 25 July 2020.

The E.C discussed the accounts and noted BH, President of Dogs NZ to sign the Audit Representation Letter.

The E.C thanked CP for his time and effort.

Information Only – Report Received

CAPEX COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

RE: Capital Expenditure Committee Recommendations

On Thursday 9 July the Capital Expenditure (Capex) Committee met with the objective of:

1. Agree on a 5-10 year Capex Strategy for the three Dogs NZ facilities
2. Make a recommendation to E.C. for initial key Capex investment.

Strategy Summary of Current Status Quo

Ardmore Facility

- Asset in best condition due to major capex expenditure past 10 years.
- Limitations in driving non dog income due to resource consent restrictions on use.

- Dogs NZ Clubs wish to preserve facility for dogs' sports in Upper North Island.
- Has major long term land value appreciation.
- GV/Mkt Value \$5.4m.

Porirua Facility

- Lack off ongoing maintenance has led to rapid asset deterioration.
- Has most potential to drive non dog income due to location and lack of consent constraints on operations.
- Will require two stage development programme (roof replacement & event / office space renovation) to maximise the potential of the facility.
- Dogs NZ Clubs wish to preserve facility for dogs' sports in Lower North Island.
- GV/Mkt Value \$4.4m – land value will continue to appreciate due to regional development.

Forrester Park Facility

- Deteriorating facility due to age and standard of construction.
- Own building only – land is leased.
- Limited opportunity to drive non dog revenue.
- Weak dog sport revenue due to low hire fees structure.
- Due to continued restrictions on dog events Clubs do not want to stay at Forrester Park.
- Replacement value of \$640k, depreciated book value of \$37k.

Key Facility Strategy Recommendations

1. *Ardmore Facility:*
Immediate Strategy: Complete waste water & District Plan amendment projects before any further commitment to major projects.
Long term Strategy: Hold asset & maintain capital value.
2. *Porirua Facility:*
Immediate Strategy: Commit to immediate roof replacement project with budget allocation for detailed cost planning for stage two renovations.
Long term Strategy: Hold asset & implementation of two stage renovation programme
3. *Forrester Park facility:*
Immediate Strategy: Negotiate better park access for dog's events with DCC politicians & Officers. Complete required Health & Safety projects
Long term Strategy: Development of 5yr Plan on securing a partner for potential relocation and new site development.

Capital Expenditure Committee Recommendation to July Executive Council Meeting

1. That \$500,000 (+ gst) budget limit be allocated for immediate Porirua Facility roof replacement project and detailed cost planning for stage two office – event renovations.
 - i. Capex Committee to appoint a structure engineer to complete detailed design/consent plans and project management services.
 - ii. That 3 Roof replacement quotes are sourced based on detailed structural engineer plans.
 - iii. Capex committee to select preferred contractor.
 - iv. Audit & Risk Committee to review project costs & approve preferred contractor.
 - v. Application to be made for funding support from Lottery Grants Community Facility Fund by deadline of 26 August.
 - vi. If more than \$500k required for project – to be brought back to E.C. for approval.
 - vii. Objective is to have roof replacement project completed by Easter (1 April 2021).
 - viii. Impact on Dogs NZ cash reserves: will decrease to \$1.033m.

- ix. Expenditure can be funded out of \$765k in term deposits.

STT spoke to this report.

ST noted the Capex Committee recommendation is that the E.C. make an initial key Capex investment of \$500,000 for replacement of the Porirua Exhibition Centre roof.

Moved: LS, Seconded; FH – approved

The E.C noted that the second stage of the project would be a re-fit of the entire Porirua Exhibition Centre. The E.C noted that if there was money left over from the \$500,000 approved expenditure the Capex Committee can come back to the E.C with further recommendations to fund the planning for stage 2 redevelopment.

Report Received

ACOD 2020

• MEMBERSHIP FEES & SHOW LEVIES

RE: 2020/2021 Fees & Show Levies

1. Recommendation:

That the following Fees and Show levies be adopted at ACOD 2020.

CPI Change for year 31 March 2020 was 2.5%. All fees rounded to nearest 50cents.

Membership Fees: (all incl GST)

Affiliated Societies	\$219.00
Associated Clubs	\$146.00
Recognised Clubs	\$51.00
Individual Membership	\$33.00
(Includes 2 nd member in household)	
Joining	\$23.00
NZYKC	\$26.50

Renewal

Membership NZYKC	\$20.50 (incl GST)
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Rule 8A.3

Gazette	\$50.50 (incl GST)
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Show Levies (plus GST)

Championship Rate 1 (over 250 entries for Breed/Obedience, 250 dogs for agility)	\$1.90 per entry/dog
Championship Rate 2 (over 250 entries for Breed/Obedience, 250 dogs for agility)	\$0.95 per entry/dog
Open Shows	\$0.50 per entry

The E.C discussed, noting we will advise ACOD that CPI change be implemented next year. The E.C also noted, Scent Work Trials to be included in Show Levies at \$1 per entry.

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- **SOCIAL MEDIA DISCUSSION PAPER**

RE: Social Media Policy & Dispute Resolution Discussion Paper for NZ Dog World / ACOD

Background

In November 2019 meeting Executive Council asked the Director Secretary to develop the following detailed amendments to the Social Media Conduct and Discipline & Settlement of Disputes Regulations to provide "greater teeth" to our enforcement of the Social Media Code of Conduct.

In June 2020 the Director Secretary presented a number of recommendations to Executive Council to update and strengthen the current enforcement of the Social Media Code of Conduct. The Executive Council discussed the proposals and agreed they are not prepared in the current climate of membership disputes to make a decision on strengthening the Social Media Code of Conduct with recommended changes to the Disputes Regulations.

Executive Council requested that the Director Secretary prepare a discussion paper for member feedback via Dog World submissions before ACOD where it will be presented for a decision by delegates.

Discussion Paper

Dogs NZ members have a choice regarding social media behavior and disputes.

- We can either decide that policing social media is not a core business of Dogs NZ and that any disputes regarding social media behavior between members is best resolved in the civil courts.
- Or we can decide that there should be a minimum code of behavior for Dogs NZ members on Social Media and it should be enforceable by our Disputes Regulations.

If it is the view of members that policing social media is not any business of Dogs NZ then we will withdraw the Social Media Code of Conduct and only take steps under of Disputes Regulations to protect staff from harassment or abuse.

If members still wish to have a minimum code of behavior for Dogs NZ members on Social Media then we need to be prepared to make the following proposed changes to our Social Media Code of Conduct and Disputes Regulations.

Proposal One

- Proposal that we adopt the changes outline in the attached Dogs NZ Social Media Code of Conduct document which further define what is social media and what constitutes acceptable / unacceptable behavior.

Proposal Two

- Proposed Changes to the Disputes Regulations

2. GROUNDS FOR COMPLAINTS

- (a) A complaint may be laid against any member or society who:
((X)) Is in breach of the NZKC/Dogs NZ Social Media Code of Conduct

3. LAYING A COMPLAINT

- (c) Complaints must be in writing and set out
 (ix) **Contain an actual copy of the post (i.e. screen shot) if it relates to a breach of the Social Media Code of Conduct.**

9. PENALTIES

- (a) The penalties that may be imposed under these Regulations include all or any of the following:
- (xv) ***If found in breach of Social Media Code of Conduct the imposition of a fine of \$200 may be fixed, payable to the New Zealand Kennel Club.***

Proposal Three

- Proposal that we do not adopt the Dogs Queensland policy of an exemption clause in the payment of compliant fees for Social Media complaints, due to the volume of complaints we receive for member behavior on social media.

The E.C discussed and asked ST to add a paragraph about the cost and include a visual aid i.e. flow chart, along with where complaints could end up.

The E.C noted the Social Media policy will go in the August Dog World and any feedback received will go to ACOD for discussion.

Carried

ALLOCATION OF NDS 2021

Steven Thompson (ST) circulated this paper on 22 July 2020.

The NDS 2020 organising committee have provided comments in the MOU document for consideration by EC which included -:

1. Agreement to run the Group 1,2,3,4 system at group and In Show level as requested by EC,
2. Acceptance that all EC would attend and their costs will be budgeted as a part of the event and,
3. Acceptance that all EC would be allocated tasks to assist with the management of the event.

The E.C discussed the attached Expressions of Interest – National Dog Show document and the comments the Auckland team has made.

BH spoke to this item noting the MoU can be amended accordingly.

The E.C discussed and agreed that The Auckland Committee be appointed as the management committee for NDS 2021 in Auckland.

Moved: FH, Seconded; LS – approved

The E.C discussed and noted minor amendments within the MOU doc.

FCI WELLINGTON 2021 REVISED SHOW DATE APPROVAL

RE: FCI Show Schedule 2021 – Change of Date for Wellington Show

Recommendation:

That an application be made to the FC I to transfer the FCI CACIB Show approved date of the 12 June 2021 to 11 September 2021.

The E.C noted this was discussed and approved at the last E.C meeting.

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3. CLUB MATTERS

BENEFIT SHOW APPROVALS

- **DOGS NZ PROPERTIES**
- **ADVICES / NCKA**
- **APPLICATIONS**

DOGS NZ PROPERTIES

Purina Auckland Exhibition Centre
 Purina Forrester Park Exhibition Centre
 Purina Wellington Exhibition Centre
 Marlborough Kennel Club (Museum Trust) - approved
 West Coast Kennel Club (Museum Trust) - approved
 Waikouaiti Kennel Assn (Forrester Park Exhibition Centre) – approval subject to supporting documents.

The E.C noted that Dogs NZ owned properties (Auckland, Forrester Park and Wellington Exhibition Centres) do not need to come to E.C for approval.

Moved (Dogs NZ owned properties only) – ratified

ADVICES (OWN PROPERTY)

Canterbury Kennel Association - approved
 Wairarapa Kennel Association
 Marlborough Kennel Association
 Manawatu Kennel Association
 Southland Kennel Association
 Nelson Kennel Association – approved, subject to sighting the lease, nor can they use the benefit show money to pay for the helicopter
 North Canterbury Kennel Association (letter for discussion) – approved, subject to viewing the current lease and noting that while we support the concept of a memorial show, the funds raised from a benefit show must be used for improvement/maintenance of facilities
 Waimakariri Kennel Association – approved, subject to sighting the lease

The E.C noted properties are entitled to one show each.

Moved (ALL subject to sighting the lease, as per the above) – ratified

APPLICATIONS

Horowhenua Kennel Association - approved
 Gore & Districts Kennel Association - approved
 Central Hawkes Bay Kennel Society - approved

Director Secretary to remind future applicants of the Benefit Show protocols (including application deadlines) which are also published in NZ Dogs World. A reminder to applicants that Judges travel expenses are not to be put against the benefit shows.

The E.C noted DH will send the Judges booked list out to the E.C.

Moved: LS, Seconded; KB – approved
JB opposed

APPLICATION FOR THIRD CHAMPION SHOW

- Central Shetland Sheepdog Club – approved subject to special judge coming from Australia
- Nelson District Kennel Club – declined permanent 3rd show as granted 2 benefit shows subject to sighting lease

4. REGULATIONS

REGISTRY REGULATION PROPOSAL

RE: Dog Registry Compliance with BCOC / Litter /Puppy Regulations

1. Background:

In a report to the November Executive Council meeting, Sue Connor outlined the need for change to our Registry Regulations so we can register pedigree goods that have been in breach of our LRL, BCOC or Colour regulations on the Restricted register III with Lifetime endorsements. A copy of the proposal document is attached.

At the November meeting Executive Council asked the National Office to draft changes to regulations to enable all pedigree dogs with LRL/BCOC/Colours endorsement to be moved to Registry III.

2. Proposed Regulation Change Recommendations

Registry Regulation 5.3.3

Current:

All dogs registered on Part 111 are to be endorsed “Not to be bred from”, “Not to be shown” and “Not eligible for an Export Pedigree”

Proposed:

All dogs registered on Part 111 are to be endorsed “Not to be bred from”, “Not to be shown” and “Not eligible for an Export Pedigree” **or show either of the following endorsements “LRL/BCOC breach does not meet the LRL or BCOC requirements of Dogs NZ - Life Time” or “Colour breach does not meet the requirements of Dogs NZ Standards – Life Time”**

Registry regulations 12 Endorsement

Proposed:

12.2.5

“LRL Breach – Does not meet the LRL requirements of New Zealand Kennel Club.” BCOC Breach – does not meet the BCOC requirements of Dogs NZ.” “Colour Breach – does not meet the requirements of Dogs NZ Breed standards.” These endorsements can NEVER be lifted.

3. Next Steps

- Move any current & future LRL/BCOC Breach pedigree dogs to registry 3 (with the standard endorsements)

- Create 2 new endorsements: LRL/BCOC & Colours to identify these dogs and indicate that they cannot be moved to Registry 1.
- Notify members of the change via letter (current breeders of pedigree dogs on Registry 2) and NZ Dog World 2. Long Term Fix
- Propose to Executive Council a long term restructure of our current Registry System to future proof for growth and registry compliance

The E.C discussed and approved the proposed regulation changes as set out above.

Moved: STT, Seconded; BH- approved

REGISTRY REGULATION PROPOSAL

RE: Proposed Service Fee for Requests for Dispensations: Frozen Semen and Accredited Breeders Scheme

Proposal by Lauren James (CH&W Admin).

1. Background:

Health test dispensations are often required for frozen semen used by Accredited Breeders or LRLs. In some cases the dogs are deceased, others may have been exported or are elderly.

Recommendation is that we should charge a service fee when a breeder requests a health test dispensation in order to register a litter.

2. Rationale

In 2019 health test dispensations issued from June to December totaled 19 including a number for multiple tests. This year a further 10 have been issued to date and a further 26 have been requested, including a number for multiple tests.

Since 2013 frozen semen has been required to be registered with Dogs NZ. A total of 1,113 collections has been registered, some of which are multiple collections for individual dogs but registered by different members. Frozen semen was also included in the Registry prior to formal registration. Some breeders do not register their frozen semen until they have live puppies.

Current Eye Certificates are required for most breeds in the Accredited Breeder Scheme and also for the Labrador LRL. A lifetime eye certificate is required for Rottweilers. The Eye Certificate is the most requested dispensation but there are other tests which would not have been applicable when the frozen semen dogs were alive. The Elbow Dysplasia Scheme was introduced in the UK in 1998 so there are frozen semen dogs who would not have been x-rayed.

Dispensation requests are likely to continue particularly when further LRLs come into effect such as German Shepherds and Pugs.

There are other tests such as hemivertebrae, patella luxation, BOAS, cardiac, BAER, which cannot be carried out on frozen semen. DNA tests can be carried out on frozen semen but sometimes a result is not achievable. Whenever a new DNA test is added to an LRL or to the Accredited Breeder Scheme a dispensation would be required unless frozen semen could be tested.

I believe that it is timely to consider charging a service fee for these dispensations to cover the cost of staff time in processing dispensation as we do with other Registry Services.

3. Recommendation to Executive Council

There is provision in the Registration Regulations to charge an administration fee. Registration Regulation 3.5 states "*The Director/Secretary may charge an additional administration fee on any individual application where additional processing is required by the Registry*".

The fee recommended for a health test dispensation is \$50 + GST.

This is based on an average cost of \$35 for an Eye Certificate plus administration cost (time, printing).

The E.C discussed and agreed to charge a health test dispensation fee of \$50 + gst.

Moved: STT, Seconded: FH – approved

REGULATION ALTERATION REQUIRED TO CLARIFY THE ORDER OF JUDGING AND EASE THE FLOW OF DOGS THROUGH THE RING

Regulation 6.1.7 All Breed Shows Neuter Class

At any All Breed club Championship show, neuter classes may be run at the discretion of the club.

- Classes 18 (18a) when scheduled will be judged after ~~Best Dog (bitch) and Reserve~~ the conclusion of all age-group of breed classes for each breed.

The winner class 18 (18a) may be awarded a Neuter Challenge for each sex and will be judged subsequently for Best and Reserve Neuter of Breed ~~which will be judged after judging all other age groups of breed.~~

The same format shall apply at Group and In Show level.

A Reserve Best Neuter in Group and Reserve Best Neuter in Show may also be awarded at the club's discretion.

Classes 18 and 18a may only be run at All Breeds Championship shows.

The E.C discussed and agreed to the alteration of regulation 6.1.7.

Moved: LS, Seconded: KB – approved

5. OFFICE REPORTS

DIRECTOR SECRETARY REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

1. Key Relationship & Reputation Activities

UK Kennel Club / Cambridge University Partnership

Dogs NZ has agreed to a licence agreement to adopt the Respiratory Function Grading System (RFG) as our preferred grading and assessment scheme for Brachycephalic Obstructive Airway Syndrome.

The joint media statement was forwarded to our key strategic stakeholders (MPI, NAWAC, NZVA, SPCA etc) and has been well received. Pugs, Bulldogs and French Bulldogs Clubs were briefed on

the scheme via Zoom meetings by the Chair of CH&W Lisa Slade and our CH&W Officer Becky Murphy, prior to the public announcement of the scheme.

Further information on the roll-out of the scheme will be provided to the brachycephalic clubs as it comes available.

MPI / NAWAC

The National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (NAWAC) is developing a 'Societal Cost Benefit Analysis Tool and is seeking stakeholder input into its design and use. The Tool is intended to be a systematic thinking aid to ensure that NAWAC has 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), and can demonstrate this in a transparent format.

We have been asked to provide feedback on the Tool by 24 August 2020.

2. Key Revenue Activities

Purina Sponsorship Programmes

Current focus of the Purina Sponsorship programmes are:

- Breeder, New Members & New Puppy owners survey's which will help shape our breeders support packs, new puppy owners packs and new membership recruitment.
- New Puppy owners Edm brief to Purina Agency
- Club Tool Box kit brief to Purina Agency
- Venue signage production

The Purina Sponsorship team will deliver a presentation on the future of the Purina – Dogs NZ partnership at ACOD 2020.

Registry Database

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

We completed the final tweaking of the new online puppy registration the system based on members feedback and automated the transfer of ownership process.

This has allowed us to announce to members on 17 July that we will offering a 3 day turn-around for all.

Our objective is to have the system and office support services at a stage that we can offer a 3 day turn-around for all online registration services in early July.

Unregistered Dogs Campaign:

We are currently operating a dual registration system with Litters that still under the old 2 years to register scheme and the current new 6 months registration deadline.

Before we close off the old 2 year system (in May 2021) we want to contact breeders that still have un-registered dogs to complete the registration process. We have a short list of 55 breeders with litter of 4 or more unregistered dogs that I have written to asking for them to complete their registration.

Once the two year deadline has expired I will be bring to Executive Council a list of recommended Kennel name suspension of any outstand 4 plus litter registrations.

Key Future Projects

Our National Office focus for the remaining months of 2020 are:

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

Purina Wellington Exhibition Centre

We have appointed Mark Nunn as our new Facility Manager/ Caretaker for the Purina Wellington Exhibition Centre. Mark is an experienced venue operations manager who has practical home handy man skills and will be a valuable addition to the National Office team.

We have expanded the Job Description beyond the old caretaker role to provide us with a broader skill base for providing support to Dogs NZ Management Team with contract management, annual planning and budget supervision tasks. The role is still part-time with 18 hours per week.

As we are about to embark on a series of major upgrade projects for the facility it is important that we have a stronger set of "hands on skills" to help fully realise the potential of the Wellington Exhibition Centre.

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 July 2020

Report provided by Dr Becky Murphy (BM).

a. Respiratory Function Grading Scheme

After the confirmation from EC that the RFG Scheme should be adopted for use in New Zealand, the next big task from my perspective is the appointment of the Chief Assessor.

Dr Kat Crosse and Dr Richard Jerram, both small animal specialist surgeons, have expressed interested in this role. They are to be contacting Dr Jane Ladlow directly so that the commitments can be explained in full to them. Once this is done, I hope that we have these two options to consider moving forward.

Stakeholders have been notified by way of dissemination of the joint Dogs NZ / UK Kennel Club press release. Feedback has been very positive.

There will be an article published in the August and September DW editions and the press release will be published in the next NZVA CAV e-CAV newsletter with a further write-up in the VetScript to follow once a Chief Assessor has been appointed.

b. LRLs

Staffordshire Bull Terrier

Submissions have been sought by publication in the August Dog World

Pugs

A final submission from the two Pug Clubs has been received for publication in the August Dog World. Tests include BOAS (RFG Scheme, or WBBP chamber), DM and PDE.

c. Judges Health Scheme

This has gone out for submissions, the CHWC will work with the NZDJA to address any issues that may arise through this process.

d. Accredited Breeders Scheme

Submissions have been received for 9 breeds to change health tests. These will be notified for submissions in the August DW.

LS spoke to the CH&W report. The E.C discussed and noted the report.

Report received
Information only – Received

RFG BUSINESS PLANNING UPDATE

Report provided by Dr Becky Murphy (BM) and Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: RFG Scheme Update

Licensing Agreement

We have reached agreement on the licensing agreement with the UK kennel Club which gives Dogs NZ the sole license to operate the RFG scheme in NZ. It is a continuous license term with both parties having the right to terminate with 30 days' notice.

There is no licence fee payable but we are expected to meet all costs of deliverables and training. The licence agreement also does not allow us the right to grant any sub licence so we will be the sole operator of the scheme in NZ.

Operational Planning

The next key tasks are:

- Receiving all training manuals, materials and forms from the UK Kennel Club.
- Selection of a NZ Chief Assessor (currently we have two candidates that we are in discussion).
- Training of the NZ Chief Assessor by Jane Ladlow, Cambridge University
- Refinement of a commercial model / business plan that covers Dogs NZ costs in implementing the scheme and incentivise Vet Clinics to sign up for assessor training and offer the testing programme to their breeder clients.
- Setting up a dispute / appeals system to manage any issues between vet assessment and dog owner.
- Data transfer protocols with UK Kennel Club / Cambridge University.
- National roll out of assessor training to vet clinics.
- Continued education of Dogs NZ Breeders on the scheme.

We have a number of conference calls scheduled with the UK kennel Club and Cambridge University to progress these tasks and will report back to executive Council on progress at the September Meeting.

The E.C discussed and noted the report.

Report received

MEMBERS / CLUB REPORT

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

CLUB REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL JULY 2020 MEETING

Annual Club Subscriptions

These were all emailed to clubs on 1 May 2020. The Affiliated All Breed Club accounts did not include the Travel Equalization Levy as, at that point, it was not known if it would be possible for ACOD to proceed. With the new date of 26 September 2020 set for ACOD, accounts have now been sent to all Affiliated All Breed Clubs for the Travel Equalization Levy only at the rate confirmed at the Executive Council meeting in February 2020.

Reminders will be sent to all clubs shortly.

The Shetland Sheepdog Club

Application received from this club to reduce its status from associated to recognised specialist breed club.

They advise "the Club would find it impossible in the current climate it is in to be able to continue to hold Championship Shows. We do not have the support to hold shows on such a large scale any longer, financially it would be a considerable loss. The Club is focused on rebuilding by attracting all Shetland Sheepdog owners whether they be pet owners or dog sport competitors to grow the membership."

Recommend that the club become recognised by Dogs New Zealand

Moved: AB, Seconded; FH – approved

Wellington Welsh Corgi Club

An application has been received for association with Dogs New Zealand. This club is currently a recognised service club. It was previously called Wellington Welsh Corgi Walking Club.

A copy of a current bank statement accompanied the application along with a list of financial members of the club and a copy of the rules of the club. The club also outlined its activities in 2019 which included two newsletters per month to its members, monthly meetings for exercising and socialisation of Corgis, participation in the Wellington Santa Parade, stand reserved at Wellington Pet Expo, annual Corgi race.

They advised that they have a stand already reserved for this year's Pet Expo and will continue with the monthly meetings for exercising and socialising Corgis and post-walk gatherings. And further say "we are not a breeders' club nor a conformation show club but we have had breeders associated with our club and we promote them and also promote the Central Welsh Corgi League's ribbon parades and championship shows and the League in general.

Recommend that the club's application be approved

Moved: LS, Seconded; STT – approved

The E.C noted the Members / Club Report for July 2020

Report received

DOGS ON REPORT JULY 2020 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

The Show Incident Report has now been placed on Dogs New Zealand's website. This is under Official forms and is editable. Clubs will be advised by Doggie News and in the NZ Dog World.

Kaos OB/8699 Border Collie owned by P Aldridge

Agility Committee has advised that this female Border Collie has now completed all 6 observations. Owner has been advised and endorsement removed.

Phantasia Dancing Deeva 06822-2019 Papillon owned by M Thomas

This female Papillon has now completed 6 observations with no problems reported. Owner has been advised and endorsement removed.

Bandido Ebony Tui 05320-2018 Dobermann owned by G & G Candy

This female Dobermann has now completed 6 observations with no problems reported. Owners have been advised and endorsement removed.

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

This dog is on report after being excused by the judge at Auckland Exhibition Centre's Championship Show on 2 February 2020 for aggression.

Ohutu Is Famous At White Rock 04679-2017 Border Collie owned by D Pemberton

Show Manager of Hawera Dog Training Club's Championship Agility & Jumpers Event on 22/23 February 2020 advised that the above female Border Collie bit a fellow exhibitor and on the same day rushed at the ring manager.

Owner has been advised and the dog's records have been endorsed. Agility to arrange observations.

Ottadale River Tweed Star ADX 03069-2015 Border Terrier owned by R Baker

This female Border Terrier has been placed on report after the show manager of Tauranga Dog Training Club & Mt Maunganui Dog Training Clubs Championship Agility Events held on 7 & 8 March advised that she attacked another dog outside the ring.

Owner has been advised and the dog's records endorsed. Agility to arrange observations.

Salinacruz Renaissance 07134-2018 Chihuahua (Long Coat) owned by T Robb

This male Chihuahua (Long Coat) was excused from the ring at Gore & Districts Kennel Association's Championship show on 2 February 2020 by the judge J Weeks.

Owner has been advised and the dog's records have been endorsed.

Jumping Jax Flash OB/8036 Hunterway X owned by J Paulsen

This male Hunterway X was excluded from the ring for attacking another dog at Waimakariri Dog Training Club's Championship Agility Event on 15 February 2020.

Owner has been advised and the dog's records have been endorsed. Agility to arrange observations.

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

Show Manager of Ashburton Kennel Association's Championship show that this male Dalmatian attacked another dog outside the ring.

Owners have been advised and the dog's records have been endorsed.

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

This female German Wirehaired Pointer has been placed on report after it lunged towards German Shepherd puppy outside the ring. The owner of the puppy advises that her leg was scratched and had two puncture wounds.

Owners have been advised and the dog's records have been endorsed.

Report received
Information only – Received

**NZ DOG WORLD / DOG IE NEWS REPORT
OPEN RATES – STATS FOR DOG IE NEWS**

Report provided by Derek Johnson (DS).

NZ Dog World Executive Council Report 7 July 2020

The magazine survived the COVID-19 lockdown without a break in its monthly run. Numbers printed have remained stable, although copies mailed has dropped slightly: 4,077 copies of February were delivered, 4,085 of March, a further slight rise to 4,141 in April/May which dropped to 4,003 in July.

Pagination has been compromised (32pp for the May issue), due to the magazine not running schedules, results, and reportage of dog events, but mags have been produced, maintaining continuity for members.

We appreciate the continuing support of our sponsor and most of our advertisers through the crisis; a lack of schedules means that revenue was lost but our supportive advertisers helped us maintain our balance sheet.

And we are also grateful to those members who were able to take a lateral approach to providing material for the magazine during a lean time for dog sports and activities. Without them, the magazine would have been much thinner. Thanks, again, to those members who provide such striking imagery for our covers.

We have endeavoured, in tandem with regular briefings via the DOGiE News newsletter and posts to our Facebook page, to keep members up-to-date on the currently changeable environment of dog breeding and dog sports.

With the July 2020 issue, we have reached a significant move toward normality with a healthy 11pp of event schedules. Page numbers will likely remain lower than the norm for a few more issues, though, as reporting of events catches up with the events themselves.

DOGiE News, which often had multiple instalments during the many weeks of lockdown, has appeared to be well-received. Our open rates reflect an interest by our members in how Dogs New Zealand was reacting to the crisis, in tracking the move down the alert levels, and in how events were faring in terms of postponements and cancellations.

The overall average open rate is a healthy 73%, an increase on the last time response was tabulated.

Dogs New Zealand Facebook page

Our Facebook page is now an established part of our communications pipeline. It is also, perhaps not unsurprisingly, offering a first point of contact for non-members. We field queries in the 'designer' breed and rescue puppies space but also offer a way in for potential new members who are approaching dog ownership with seriousness.

Purina Pro Plan, our sponsor, fronted up for a Mothers' Day competition during the lockdown period, which resulted in a good collection of photographic entries and an attractive picture feature in NZ Dog World.

The E.C noted the NZ Dog World / Dog iE News Report for July 2020 and requested the open rates be produced in bar chart format.

Report received
Information only – Received

6. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS (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 July 2020.

2. Ratification of Auckland Exhibition Centre Management Committee:

The Auckland Exhibition Centre would like Executive Council ratification of the following committee appointments:

Hibiscus Coast - Shirley Rolfe
 Kumeu Kennel Assoc - Paul Robinson
 Hauraki Canine Assoc - Peter Wallace
 Franklin Kennel Assoc - Kerol Goodwill
 North Harbour Kennel Assoc – Jean McErlane
 Auckland Kennel Assoc - Steve Meredith
 Ladies Kennel Assoc - Karla Magnus
 Manukau Obedience - Martyn Baucutt
 Auckland Obedience - Shirley Phillips

Independents for ratification

- Mark Torey
- Gael Sharp
- Andrea Walden
- Lucy Lynch

Officers Nominations:

We have received two nominations for Chair:

- Paul Robinson
- Christine Wood (Current Chair)

One nomination for Treasurer:

- Gay Meredith (Current Treasurer)

The E.C agreed that the current incumbents nominated remain for a further 2years.

Moved: STT, Seconded; JB- ratified

3. Ratification of Forrester Park Exhibition Centre Management Committee

The Forrester Park Exhibition Centre would like Executive Council ratification of the following committee appointments:

Leanne Pryde
Alwyn Isaacs
Louise Thompson-Parker
Simon Monson
Jocelyn Walker
Judith Hyslop

Officers Nominations:

We have received one nominations for Chair:

- Anne Mclachlan (Current Chair)

One nomination for Treasurer:

- Dianne Sprott (Current Treasurer)

The E.C agreed that the current incumbents nominated remain for a further 2years.

Moved: STT, Seconded; KB- ratified

4. Ratification of Wellington Exhibition Centre Management Committee

The Wellington Exhibition Centre would like Executive Council ratification of the following committee appointments:

Bill Murdoch
Gary Carleton
Cathy Webb
Lynne Barr
Geoff Collins
Caroline Matheson
Antonia Allum
Brownyn Weir
Anne Dobie

Officers Nominations:

We have received one nominations for Chair:

- Steven Thompson (Current Chair)

One nomination for Treasurer:

- Clive Philips (Current Treasurer)

The E.C agreed that the current incumbents nominated remain for a further 2years.

Moved: KB, Seconded; SM- ratified

5. Summary of New Committee Applications

After notification in NZ Dog World and Dog-iE news we have received a number of applicants whose details have been sent to the respective committee chairs for their consideration.

The E.C discussed and noted the respective chairs to respond accordingly.

The E.C discussed and noted the 2019/20 Committee and Sub-Committee members.

Report received

JUNIOR DOG COMMITTEES

- JUNIOR DOG TRAINING

Report provided by Ceri Tarry (CT).

Junior Dog Training are once again in the fundraising and planning stage for Camp 2021. We are heading back to Christchurch in January 2021, after we could not secure a venue in the lower North Island for January 2021. Plan to be in the Lower North Island for 2022.

Fundraising is back under way with Sponsored 10km walk for campers taking place in the July school holidays around the country. This fundraiser is for camper's individual fees and any extra funds will be going toward camp fees.

There is also planning under way for training days and seminars raising funds for camp and the committee are working and looking into other fundraising ideas.

We have also being working with Dogs NZ and Purina Pro Plan to have our JDT ribbons and certificates updated with the new sponsor, ready for JDT events being held around New Zealand.

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

Information only – Received

JUNIOR DOG COMMITTEES

- YDS & JDH

Report provided by Jill Brooker (JB).

YDS

New branding is being implemented and signage ordered by the office.

Slow start to heats as clubs are all struggling to get their judges and committees are stressed and don't want to commit to heats. Once judges are contracted and schedules finalised, if the team are entering shows, they will endeavor to hold heats and the advertising of them will be done via the Facebook pages.

The only definite heat that is locked in is with East Coast Ladies in December where they hold their Christmas party for the kids.

The regulations are going to be looked at over the next few months and some concerns addressed. Again, once done, it will be circulated for comment.

JDH

Ribbons for the new year of heats have been ordered by the office and will be distributed once they arrive and we have allocated the heats for the 2020/21 year.

To date we only have 2 applications from Clubs to hold heats. Hopefully more will come through once clubs have new show dates organised.

We are beginning to work through the process of a "Terms of Reference" document. Once done a draft will be circulated to all parties for feedback.

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

Information only – Received

AGILITY REPORT

Report provided by Fiona Hodgson (FH).

We have had engagement with a few clubs seeking to reschedule events missing during lockdown and the calendar is looking fairly full for the rest of the year.

The Standing Orders we were updating are now complete.

July 4th saw the first ribbon trial run in Nelson which had good attendance.

The AC has decided that we will not hold a meeting on the Sunday after the ACOD as a quorum may be at risk on this weekend but we will have 4 members present for the joint meeting of the codes on the Sunday morning.

We have rescheduled our first face to face since the Covid issue arose for 30 Oct/1Nov weekend.

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.

Eight papers have been submitted to the Dog Obedience Committee and approved for distribution as Discussion Papers in August as a possible precursor to being voted upon in October. These are:

- General:**
- * Entry and exiting from rings.
 - * Correction of a typo in DOR 6.5.1.3.

Obedience: ~ Change of Test A and Test B qualifying scores to 96%.
 ~ Altering eligibility to compete in Beginners.

Rally-O: · Change the size of distractions from 15cm square to 30cm square Size of distractions.
 · Emphasis of no "Down" in Rally-O Encore.
 · Amendment of DOR's 25.15.10 and 25.15.11.
 · Lowering of the qualifying score for Rally-O Excellent to 98%.

Pending, and awaiting further details before Discussion Papers are drafted is a proposal to increase the number of non-stationary Rally-O Advanced signs, and an amendment to Dog Obedience regulation 11.4.3.2 concerning Ribbon Trials.

3. Annual Supply of Obedience Regulations for Obedience Judges.

Upon being advised that Obedience Judges are from this year required to download their own copies of the Obedience Regulations, which had otherwise been provided to them annually, the question arose as to how the money obtained from Obedience Judges licensing was being used. A response is therefore sought from the EC.

4. Future National Dog Obedience Assemblies.

A concept to make NDOA's as part of a week-long activity in combination with the NDS (like what was proposed for the 2020 NDS) was discussed and found some favour.

5. Dog Training Association of New Zealand.

DTANZ were to host a seminar for Competitive Obedience Instructors on May 10th in Wellington which was cancelled.

DTANZ has asked that Train the Trainer's program could be extended, and certification could be provided.

6. 2021 Domestic Dog Conference.

Karen Sadler has been tasked to look for suitable presenters for this conference. However, it was also questioned as to whether this would be Dogs NZ funded (as has occurred in the past), and whether it was to be organized by Dogs NZ.

7. Dog Obedience Regulations.

The Dogs NZ Director/Secretary has advised that the Dog Obedience Regulations, effective from 1st January 2020 has now been amended to include all the approved regulation changes made in 2019.

The E.C discussed and noted the Obedience Report.

ST to write to ODJA regarding mailing of judges regulations. ST & AB to discuss Dog Training conference planning for 2021.

Moved: AB Seconded: KB - adopted
 Report received

SCENT WORK REPORT

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

1. Scent Work Committee Meetings

Subsequent to the last report, following a proposal/request by Central Search Dogs to host an official Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials in Wellington, it became imperative to address some administrative details which had yet to be put into place before official Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials could commence. These included:

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

Instituting an annual Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges licensing fee.

Establishing a Dogs NZ Entry levy for Scent Work Trial entries.

All these matters were discussed electronically by the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee and their resultant decisions are now presented for Dogs NZ EC discussion and ratification.

2. Appointment of Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges

Applying Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulation 5.4.1, invitations and application forms were sent to five prospective persons to become Dogs NZ Scent Work Novice Container Judges.

All five have responded affirmatively and submitted completed application forms. These are:

Jim Wyeth

Jo Searle

Sheelah Stevens

Lyn Clearwater

Arend van den Bos

All fully comply with the requirements set out in the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

Endorsement for their appointment onto an inaugural Dogs NZ Novice Container Scent Work Judges Panel is now sought from the Dogs NZ EC.

Moved: KB; Seconded: SM - Approved

3. Dogs NZ Scent Work annual license Fee

Consistent with the practice of applying an annual license fee for approved Dogs NZ Judges, it is the recommendation of the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee to have this set at \$20-00, with 50% being allotted to Dogs NZ for administrative purposes and 50% being "banked" into the Dogs NZ Scent Work cost centre budget for future projects such as conferences and training sessions.

Moved: AB; Seconded: JB - Approved

4. Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial Entry Levy

It is recognized that there are administrative costs associated with each of the canine codes catered for by Dogs NZ and that for this purpose, Dogs NZ has established a levy on entries taken for activities participated in.

Subsequently the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee are recommending that an entry levy of \$1-00 be established.

5. Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Website

With considerable thanks to Sue Connor for her assistance a Dogs NZ Scent Work webpage has been established as a tab to the official Dogs NZ Website.

6. Scent Work as a Cost Centre.

Dogs NZ Scent Work is now an official Dogs NZ Cost Centre and recorded as such in financial reports.

Some finance has already been forwarded to Dogs NZ and yet there appears to be no identifiable entries acknowledging this. Indeed, no identification of Dogs NZ Scent Work appears at all in any of the Dogs NZ financial reports.

7. Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshops.

The COVID-19 lock down resulted in the postponement of an “Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshop planned for Blenheim in March and planning for a workshop in Auckland in July

The postponed Blenheim workshop shall now be conducted on Sunday July 12th. At the time of writing this report, registration has reached 70% (14/20) capacity.

With considerable thanks to Margaret Cotton, the Nelson Districts Kennel Association will be hosting an “Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshop on Sunday July 19th.

This workshop is now over-subscribed (120%) with any additional registrant's now being recommended to register for the Blenheim workshop.

Sue Howe has agreed to research the possibilities of using Ardmore in August for an “Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshop,

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

Moved: AB; Seconded FH: - adopted
Report received

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

A Report was received

AB spoke to the report.

Information only – Received

MUSEUM TRUST

Verbal update provided by Keith Brown (KB).

New committee member who will be ratified at AGM.
Planning for 2nd library at Auckland Exhibition Centre.

Report received

BREED STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Report provided by Martin Hewitt (MH).

The committee met by email.

1. We have been advised of a number of new FCI breeds which have been adopted by the ANKC.

In accordance with our protocols we recommend that the following new breeds be recognised:

Yakutian Laika

Recommendation 1

That the Yakutian Laika be recognised by Dogs NZ

Recommendation 2

That the FCI Standard FCI 365 be adopted for this breed and that any Disqualifying Faults be renamed as Very Serious Faults

Recommendation 3

That the Yakutian Laika be placed in the Utility Group

Recommendation 4

That the NZ Dog Judges Association be asked to produce an Open Book Examination for the Yakutian Laika. All judges currently qualified to award Challenge Certificates for the Utility Group be required to sit and pass this examination.

Moved: AB; Seconded: SM - approved

Caucasian Shepherd Dog

Recommendation 5

That the Caucasian Shepherd Dog be recognised by Dogs NZ

Recommendation 6

That the FCI Standard FCI 328 be adopted for this breed and that any Disqualifying Faults be renamed as Very Serious Faults

Recommendation 7

That the Caucasian Shepherd Dog be placed in the Utility Group

Recommendation 8

That the NZ Dog Judges Association be asked to produce an Open Book Examination for the Caucasian Shepherd Dog. All judges currently qualified to award Challenge Certificates for the Utility Group be required to sit and pass this examination.

Moved: SM; Seconded: KB - approved

Karelian Bear Dog

Recommendation 9

That the Karelian Bear Dog be recognised by Dogs NZ

Recommendation 10

That the FCI Standard FCI 48 be adopted for this breed and that any Disqualifying Faults be renamed as Very Serious Faults

Recommendation 11

That the Karelian Bear Dog be placed in the Non Sporting Group

Recommendation 12

That the NZ Dog Judges Association be asked to produce an Open Book Examination for the Karelian Bear Dog. All judges currently qualified to award Challenge Certificates for the Non Sporting Group be required to sit and pass this examination.

Moved: KB; Seconded: SM – approved

Landseer (European Continental Type)

Recommendation 13

That the Landseer (European Continental Type) be recognised by Dogs NZ

Recommendation 14

That the FCI Standard FCI 226 be adopted for this breed and that any Disqualifying Faults be renamed as Very Serious Faults

Recommendation 15

That the Landseer (European Continental Type) be placed in the Utility Group

Recommendation 16

That the NZ Dog Judges Association be asked to produce an Open Book Examination for the Landseer (European Continental Type). All judges currently qualified to award Challenge Certificates for the Utility Group be required to sit and pass this examination.

Moved: SM; Seconded: KB - approved

2. We have been advised that the ANKC has split the **Russian Toy (Russkiy Toy)** into two separate breeds: Longhaired and Smooth Haired. These are identical except for the coat type.

The FCI only has one standard (FCI 352) which clearly mentions that "There are two varieties for the breed: smooth-haired and longhaired".

Recommendation 17

That there be no change to the current Standard of the Russian Toy (Russkiy Toy)

Recommendation 18

That there be two varieties recognised: Longhaired and Smooth-haired
That the interbreeding of coats is not allowed

Recommendation 20

That submissions be sought via an advertisement in the Dog World

E.C. Discussed. Clarification to be sought from Breeds Standards as to the recommendations before publication in NZ Dogs World.

3. Dachshund

A submission has been forwarded to the committee from the Auckland Dachshund Club requesting that Dogs NZ adopt the latest version of the KC Standard for the Dachshund.

It is noted that we have traditionally used the UK Standard for this breed.

In the submission it is pointed out that the adoption of this Standard would mean that we would have one standard for the 6 varieties.

In addition, it would also mean that it would remove the requirement that any exhibit weighing over 5gs be classed as having "A very serious fault" which precludes the awarding of a challenge.

Note this change would not stop the requirement of weighing the Miniatures.

Recommendation 21

That Dogs NZ is of a mind to adopt the UK Standard for the Dachshund

Recommendation 22

That a notice be placed in Dog World calling for submission. (It is noted that the Auckland Dachshund Club and Wellington Dachshund Club are in favour of this change)

Discussed by E.C. and to be placed in NZ Dog World.

4. Giant Schnauzer

A submission has been forwarded to the committee from a breeder of Giant Schnauzers requesting that the current FCI Standard for this breed be adopted.

It is noted that we have traditionally used the UK Standard for this breed.

In the submission it is pointed out this is a European breed and that this Standard is the Country of Origin Standard.

Recommendation 1

That Dogs NZ should adopt FCI-Standard N 181 for this breed

Recommendation 2

That a notice be placed in Dog World calling for submission

Recommendation 3

That all Disqualifications should be renamed as Very Serious Faults

Moved KB: Seconded SM - approved

FORRESTER PARK REPORT

Report provided by Anne McLachlan (AM).

Our regular tenants & users are returning to the hall after a long very slow period during the Covid 19 lockdown & restrictions. It is good to see the hall in use again & normality returning.

The planning for the Benefit Shows is well in hand & we are very grateful to our judges who have volunteered at quite short notice to judge for us. Group sponsorships are starting to come in but we do need much more support than what we currently have, again we are very grateful to the clubs & individuals who have agreed to help us out.

A Health Day is to be held on 22nd August.

We have received the Terms & Reference document for Forrester Park & will discuss at our July meeting.

Birds entering the hall is an ongoing problem for the committee to deal with.

There are also a few minor repairs that need attending to in the kitchen before the shows.

Lighting as several of the old sodium bulbs have failed need to be addressed.

Alwyn Isaacs, our longest serving committee member is currently in hospital. FPMC wish Alwyn all the best & a swift recovery.

Moved: D; Seconded: AB - carried
Report received

NZDJA JUDGES RATIFICATION

At NZDJA recent board meeting approved the following applications;

Shona Prebble be removed from all panels excluding General Specials
Marie McKenzie has requested a year's sabbatical.

The E.C discussed and ratified.

Moved: KB; Seconded: JB - carried

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Important Changes relating to the NZ Companion Animal Register

Companion Animals New Zealand (previously known as the NZ Companion Animal Council) has just completed an in-depth assessment of our major asset, the New Zealand Companion Animal Register (NZCAR). We want to ensure this register, New Zealand's largest voluntary microchip database for pets, is of world class standard going forward.

We have a major advantage in New Zealand in having such a large single database, unlike many other countries where competing databases can cause confusion and inefficiencies.

Through the information on the database countless lost animals have been reunited with their owners, since 2007. Not only that a percentage of the profits from the register are returned to the industry in the form of charitable grants to support desexing, welfare research and education campaigns.

Companion Animals New Zealand is incredibly proud to own such an essential database. However, we also recognise the importance of reviewing the technical capability of the IT platform to ensure it is fit for purpose in the rapidly changing technology environment we have today. **So we are making some changes.** Not only do we want to ensure there is robustness in the platform, the aim is also to make it more efficient and easier to navigate for all users.

Especially exciting, as part of our proposed changes to the platform, is the opportunity to bring animalregister.co.nz, lostpet.co.nz and our facial recognition system all into one place. We'll also be making it far easier for pet owners to update their details and for agents to input registrations.

As part of our update to the database platform, Companion Animals New Zealand will be parting ways with our longstanding database managers. We are extremely appreciative of the work that has gone into the management of the Register thus far. All parties will be working hard to ensure you experience a seamless transition period and that lost pets are still reunited with their owners quickly.

It's important to note that the data held in the NZCAR will remain safe and secure during this time and in most cases, it is 'business as usual'.

We immensely value your input in helping to make this a unique, world class database.

What the change may mean for you

In the short-term, we do not expect any changes: Our websites, log-in and phone numbers are all operational and the current support office will continue to provide assistance.

Over the next 12 months we aim to implement many ideas that have come from our stakeholder workshops with your members.

Companion Animals New Zealand thanks you for being an essential party to the continued success of the NZ Companion Animal Register.

Yours sincerely,
Professor Natalie Waran

Chairperson

Companion Animals New Zealand (Formerly known as New Zealand Companion Animal Council)

The E.C noted the Companion Animals NZ letter.

Report received
Information only – Received

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

ELECTRIC COLLARS

BH advised that Electric Collars be added to our Pinch & Prong collar protocols on the Dogs NZ website.

NZ DOGS WORLD ADVERTISING

ST to come back to E.C. with per page cost of NZ Dog World production and printing to model a special member's price for Xmas edition to encourage more member adds in future magazine issues.

NDS AGILITY CUPS

FH raised issue of outstanding replacement of in-correct Agility Cups awarded at 2019 NDS.

9. CHAIRPERSON SUM UP / EVALUATION OF MEETING / NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

BH noted our next meeting is scheduled for 25 September 2020 which will be a face to face meeting prior to ACOD.

Council photographs on Friday E.C. Meeting. Office to look at live streaming ACOD options.

November's meeting will take place 21/22 November 2020.

BH closed the meeting at 12.54pm on 26 July 2020.

CH&W to make a presentation to E.C. on Saturday 21 November.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2020/2021 term)

25 September	Face to Face (Wellington)
26/27 September	ACOD/Joint Meeting with Agility / Obedience (2 hours)
21/22 November	Face to Face (Wellington)