

E-Newsletter - K9 CAPERS



Dogs ACT & Covid-19

As members would be aware there are NO events being held across Australia at the present time. The current deadline for Dogs ACT is until **31AUG20**. This decision is continuously being monitored as the ACT Government eases some of our restrictions, in alignment with the Federal Government policies, & the Council will review the August deadline weekly should there be a need to extend this further or bring it back. All canine controls are continuously reviewing their shut down measures & we are all keen to get to see our members again.

News from the ANKC

An application has been received for the re-registration of the following FCI recognized breed: **Yakutian Laika**. The ANKC website has now been updated with its current standard. It has been added to the Group 6, Utility dogs.

Reschedule - The **Rottweiler** Club of QLD were to hold a National on 09-13Aug20 at Durack, Qld. This show has been rescheduled to take place on **09-12Aug2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule – The **Afghan Hound** Club of QLD were to hold their National Show on 08Aug20 but it has been rescheduled to take place on **07Aug2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule - The **Rhodesian Ridgeback** Club of QLD were to hold a National on 07-09Aug20 at Durack, Qld. This show has been rescheduled to take place on **06-08Aug2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule – The **Beagle** Club of QLD were to hold their National Show on 08Aug20 but it has been rescheduled to take place on **05-07Aug2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule – The **Labrador Retriever** Club of QLD were to hold their National Show on 13-14Jun20 but it has been rescheduled to take place on **03-04Aug2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule – The QLD **Bulldog** Club were to have held hold their National Show on 02May20 but it has been rescheduled to take place on **01May2021** at Durack showgrounds, Qld. These dates do not clash with breed judging at the 2021 Ekka Royal show.

Reschedule – The **Weimaraner** Club of NSW were to hold their 2020 National to be held on 12-14Jun20 with a Restricted Obedience Trial & a Restricted Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs. It has now been rescheduled to 04-**06Jun2021**, the events will be held at the Dogs NSW showgrounds, Orchard Hills.

Reschedule – The **German Shepherd Dog** League NSW were to hold their National show on 15-17May 2020 with a Restricted Obedience Trial on 16 & 17 May 2020. These events have now been rescheduled to **14-16May2021** at the Dogs NSW Orchard Hills showgrounds.

The ANKC have put out a statement for all members regarding the status of **brachycephalic breeds** in the **Netherlands**. You can locate the statement [here](#) on our website. They have asked that their letter of support will be sent to the FCI & that letters from Clubs who wish to be included in their open letter to the FCI should contact their state body so they can be forwarded to the ANKC. Dogs ACT email address remains at admin@dogsact.org.au

From the FCI – due to the global impact of the Covid-19 pandemic there are very few planes in the skies. As a result, postal services are advising their respective countries that normal mail will be delayed as they are only taking cargo at this stage. The FCI has therefore advised ANKC that the FCI international champion certificates are on the back burner & will not be sent until postal services improve. While we don't have any events at this stage, we wanted to let you know that once the FCI international shows are up & running members will have to wait for their certificates.



News from Council

The Dogs ACT Council has developed Penalty Guidelines for Dogs ACT members, resident in Canberra only, on which they can comment before 11Aug2020 & will be discussed at the Dogs ACT AGM. It has been developed so that there is procedural fairness when the Dogs ACT Council investigate matters. It also makes it clear to everyone what the consequences are for specific actions. Dogs ACT Council must take into consideration many factors when deciding on appropriate penalties. Council also feels that this Guideline will keep the penalties transparent, fair & consistent. It reminds us all that our choices may have some serious consequences.

Please keep in mind that no current matters will be subject to these guidelines but will take effect once implemented.

To check the Guidelines please check the website here, sending your constructive comments to admin@dogsact.org.au with a title of 'Penalty guidelines comments'.



Cancelled Events

Dogs **QLD** has confirmed their 2020 FCI Show to be held by the Ipswich Kennel Club on 07 June 2020 has been cancelled due to the current Covid-19 restrictions.

Dogs **SA** has confirmed their 2020 Winter International FCI Show scheduled to be held later this month has been cancelled due to the current Covid-19 restrictions.

Dogs West has advised that their CACIB show on 10Jul20 has been cancelled due to current Covid-19 restrictions.

From the Editor

Dogs ACT has not forgotten its members & while we aim to keep you informed with all canine issues, we hope that during this time of nil events you are all keeping well & enjoying the extra time with your dogs. It is particularly tough for those who have lost their job or had a significant drop in income but we hope that you are finding measures to get you through these times.

The newsletter was quiet for a month or so as there was nothing to report however it is determined that while we are waiting for thing to return to a kind of 'normal' we can at least keep you up to date in doggy doings. For example, events that are cancelled which were scheduled & placed on our website will not be removed from the website as this would indicate that the organisation has had nothing to do since March this year, whereas this is far from the truth. We are therefore going to leave the event on the site, on its respective date, but with the word cancelled at the top of the relevant date. This will also assist clubs to have some idea of what events were going to happen in 2020 that can be rescheduled to 2021. All interstate events cancelled that were on our calendar for information of members will also be included in this newsletter. For example, most of the Royals have been cancelled however we also have National breed shows & National trials also cancelled & this information will be given to you here. You will notice in this newsletter that we have several National shows & trials 'rescheduled' to 2021 rather than cancelled.

There are many videos to train dogs in all sports, watch past conformation shows, as well as offering you new tricks for living as well as socialising your dogs. For the latest ACT Government information on what gatherings can be made can be found [here](#) & it is [these](#) rules which Dogs ACT will take on as we slowly take on the new 'norm'. While ACT is surrounded by NSW, we are not blindly copying everything the State of NSW believes is beneficial for their residents. Dogs ACT has to abide by ACT rules, therefore if NSW allows certain happenings it is not always certain that Canberra will do the same. On 15May restrictions were lifted so that an outdoor public gathering can be no more than 10 people so still some way to go before trials & shows can recommence.

Stay well, enjoy your dogs & if you would like to see information on q particular topics please send an email to woolleyoz@hotmail.com

Communications - Dogs ACT also uses the website, facebook page as well as this newsletter; urgent messages will be sent via the app so that you have them asap.

Remember, there is no evidence Covid-19 can be transmitted from dogs to humans.