**REVIEW OF THE RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF SCENT WORK TRIALS**

Competitors: This is your chance to have your say on the Scent Work Rules!

***The Rule Review process***

Proposals for changes to the Scent Work Rules and Regulations must be submitted to Dogs Australia by 30th April 2023 through our member body ie Dogs ACT.

Proposals from all states and territories will be provided to all member bodies a month or so after that. This provides Dogs ACT members with an opportunity to form a view on all the proposals submitted nationally to inform the ACT delegate on how Dogs ACT members would like to vote.

There will be a meeting of the National Scent Work Committee in November 2023 to vote on proposals for change. Agreed proposals will be written into the Rules for Dogs Australia approval.

Revised Rules and Regulations will come into effect in July 2024.

***Dogs ACT submissions***

It is important that we put careful thought into the Dogs ACT submission.

The first step is for Dogs ACT members to make their submissions in the following detail:

1. current Rule/Regulation number and detail
2. the proposed amendment
3. a full rationale for the proposed amendment
4. list of current Rules/Regulations which could be affected (known as consequential amendments)

Submissions which are presented in any other format will not be accepted. You must include your name on the submission.

I have attached a word document of both the Rules and the Regulations for you to work with, along with the ANKC procedures for reviewing rules. Individual or group submissions can be made.

**Submissions can be sent to me via my email**: jarrah236@gmail.com

***Key dates***

**23 December 2022** - All submissions received by this date will be posted for Dogs ACT members to review (site to be advised). They will also be collated into one document so that proposals on similar matters can be considered side by side.

**February 2023 -** A meeting will be held at Dogs ACT to discuss and vote on the submissions received.

**March 2023 -** The Dogs ACT submission will be finalised and submitted to Dogs ACT Council for approval.

**30 April 2023** – The Dogs ACT submissionwill be sent to Dogs Australia for consideration by the National Scent Work Committee.