

REDACTED MINUTES - COUNCIL MEETING – 11th September 2024
Held at Dogs ACT Meeting Room

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING – Opened – Time: 7:01pm

PRESENT & APOLOGIES:

Present: Eric Birkeland, Kirstin Henderson, Katarina Manna, John Scholz, Clive Styles, Denise Greenwood, Judith Barlow, Heather Swinbourn, Cristan McCusker, Elektra Oshyer, Fran Coventry

Apologies: Natasha Sands

Minutes recorded by: Vanessa March

Conflicts of interest on topics in this agenda? (council members to indicate which point or topic, item to be moved to the end of the meeting so the council member can be excused from the meeting)

Heather Swinbourn noted she would be a conflict of interest for the DWD judges approval request and would refrain from commenting

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Motion Passed: “That the Minutes of 14th AUGUST 24 be accepted”

Moved: Kirstin Henderson

Seconded: Katarina Manna

Carried

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

See Outstanding Actions Listing – Attachment A

Motion Passed: “That the Matters Arising be accepted as amended”.

Moved: John Scholz

Seconded: Kirstin Henderson

Carried

4. NEW MEMBERS:

4 New Ordinary members were approved

Motion Passed: “That the New Members be accepted as listed”

Moved: Cristan McCusker

Seconded Katarina Manna

Carried

5. AGENDA ITEMS

5.1. NEW TRIAL/SHOW/EVENT DATES REQUIRING APPROVAL/CANCELATION

New approved dates to be added to the Dogs ACT Calender

5.2. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS FROM EVENTS (added to be noted for information):

5.2.1. ACT German Shepherd Club – Scent Work Trial – 11th Aug 2024 – 117 entries

5.2.2. Belconnen Dog Obedience Club – Obedience Trial AM – 17th August 2024

5.2.3. Belconnen Dog Obedience Club – Obedience Trial PM – 17th August 2024

5.2.4. ACT Bull Terrier Club – Shows – 17th August 2024 – 35, 49 + 15 entries

5.2.5. ACT Bull Terrier Club – Shows – 18th August 2024 – 32 & 49 entries

5.2.6. Canberra Scent Sport Club – Scent Work – 18th Aug 2024 – 164 entries

5.2.7. Canberra Scent Sport Club - Tracking Trial – 25th Aug 2024 – 4 entries

5.2.8. Belconnen Dog Obedience Club – Jumping Trial – 28th Aug 2024 – 49 entries

5.2.9. ACT Companion Dog Club – DWD Trial – 1st Sept 2024 – AM 33 entries & PM 32 Entries

5.2.10. ACT Gundog Society – Obedience Trial – 41 entries –Redacted

5.3. COMPLAINTS/DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

5.3.1. Email from Graham Cruse – 6th Sept 2024

5.3.2. REDACTED

5.4. Dogs Australia (ANKC) CORRESPONDENCE IN

5.4.1. Dogs Australia email on behalf of Dogs WEST – 10th September 2024
Notice of 1 suspended member.

Dogs Australia (ANKC) Transaction Figures for the month of AUGUST:

Associate Register Applications	2
Export Pedigrees	0
Judges Licence Applications	0
Judges Licence Renewals	8
Leases	0
Prefix Applications	2
Prefix Renewals	18
Prefix Transfers	0
Registrations	4M – 2L
Sporting Register Applications	1
Title Applications	35
Transfer of Ownership	5
Re-registrations	0
Reprint of Certificates	0

5.5. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE IN *(Please advise if you require an electronic copy)*

5.5.1. Aaron Coventry – email 20th August 2024

Requesting approval to commence their Sled Sports Judges Program. As ACT does not have a program or judges in these disciplines.

He supplied written reason and listing of how he satisfies their judges program eligibility.

Noted that this request is to do the judges training with Dogs VIC – Council approved

5.5.2. Kylie Gallimore – email 10th September 2024

Seeking endorsement of the Dogs ACT Grooming Sub Committee – **See attachment C**

Council Endorsed the subcommittee members that Kylie submitted.

Motion Passed: “That all Correspondence and agenda items be accepted and action Items be listed in “Attachment A” until complete.

Moved: John Scholz

Seconded: Fran Coventry

Carried

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

It was noted that the new Rules were passed at the AGM, these will be replacing the Dogs ACT constitution.

New councillors were welcomed onboard.

Motion Passed: "That the President report be accepted"

Moved: Eric Birkeland **Seconded:** John Scholz **Carried**

7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Profit & Loss sheet - Will be presented by KH

Balance Sheet - Will be presented by KH

- Balance sheet and P&L sheet provided in meeting.

- It was noted that Black Hawk have been engaged for sponsorship of Dogs ACT Shows for a period of 12 months. This will include signage around the grounds.

- There is continued work with seeking and securing other sponsors for Dogs ACT Shows.

Denise Greenwood asked about the Dogs ACT Shows and Calendar – it was noted that all our events are on our calendar for the next 12 months

Heather Swinbourn asked what the Sprint Dog Income was from, it was noted that this is from donations from members to be allocated to the purchase of the Sprint Dog Equipment

Motion Passed: "That the Treasurers report be accepted"

Moved: Kirstin Henderson **Seconded:** Katarina Manna **Carried**

8. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Items Requiring Approval Below – Full reports as separate attachment as needed.

❖ **Agility & Jumping:** Dana Simonsen:

❖ **Breed:** Linda Stevens:

❖ **DWD & Trick Dogs:** Niccola Hardaker: **request to endorse three DWD judges who have completed their training – Marcelo Munoz, Natasha Sands and Heather Swinbourn – have email of support for this. APPROVED**

❖ **Government Liaison:** Cristan McCusker, Mel Crossley:

❖ **Grounds & Buildings:** Eric Birkeland:

❖ **Health & Welfare:** Mel Crossley:

❖ **Judges Training:** Linda Buckley:

❖ **Junior Showmanship:** Kirstin Henderson and Mel Crossley:

❖ **Lure Coursing:** Helen Mossler:

❖ **Endurance:** Helen Mossler:

❖ **Sprint Dog:** Helen Mossler:

❖ **Marketing & Promotion:** Kirstin Henderson:

❖ **Obedience & Rally:** Natasha Davies:

NO REPORTS REQUESTED FOR
 FIRST MEETING POST AGM. ADMIN
 SENT REQUEST FOR REPS TO
 CONFIRM WHO IS ON THEIR
 SUBCOMMITTEE'S

- ❖ **Retrieving & Field Trial:** Judith Barlow and Lara Sedgmen:
- ❖ **Tracking:** Joanna Hagan:
- ❖ **Scent work:** Julie Cutts: request to endorse the following from Masters to Ultimate Judges –

John Sam, Julie Cutts, Marion Leaver, Jo Washinton-King and Amanada Delaney **APPROVED**

Motion Passed: “That all sub-committee reports be accepted, noted & any subsequent actions be listed on Attachment A of the Agenda”

Moved:

Seconded:

Carried

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 – Judith Barlow and Eric Birkeland to be added to the Dogs ACT Bank Account as authorisers – Council to Endorse

APPROVED

9.2 – Sub Committees (request was sent out for the convenors to send lists of their members for endorsement at this meeting for the new year)

Breed Subcommittee – needs a convenor, Linda Stevens is happy to stay on as a liaison but not be convenor.

Government Liaison – Mel C has noted that she will not continue on this subcommittee, leaving Cristan McCusker. **With Mel Stepping down and Cristan noting she would like to step down from this role, Katarina Manna volunteered to step in to this role**

Health Subcommittee – Mel C has expressed that she will not continue on this SC – Hayden Montgomery to be approached to see if he will fill the convenor role?

Junior Handlers – Mel C is happy to continue on this subcommittee – **Elektra Oshyer volunteered to join this SC and Kirstin will stay on.**

Promotions & Marketing – Kirstin H has noted she will not be continuing this SC – **Fran Coventry volunteered to take on this role.**

Dog Sports on a separate form as this is sent to Dogs Sport Clubs if they wish to know who is on the subcommittee. **(Attachment D)**

Noted

9.2 – Horse and Hounds Chiro

For the past month Jess from Horse and Hounds has been using the Dogs ACT Carpark for meeting with clients of her business and treating them there. All clients have been members of Dogs ACT, it was thought that this should just be brought to the attention of the Council.

Council noted this and concern of insurances was discussed.

An email to be sent to Jess request if that she is to continue to use our grounds/area for her business she will need to provide proof of insurance and feel that if she is conducting business that a vendor fee issued and offer to allow her to make a day of operation to allow Dogs ACT members easier access to her services.

9.3 – Redacted minutes from July to be approved – copy provided on the table.

APPROVED

From the floor/Last minute agenda item(s):

To be presented prior to close of meeting.

- Denice Greenwood asked who is on the Dogs ACT Show Committee, as she would like to join.
Currently it is made up of – Kirstin Henderson, Katarina Manna, Elektra Oshyer, Erick Birkeland, Trish Dyer, Denise Greenwood and Fran Coventry.

- ACT Gundog Society Obedience Trial - REDACTED
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Motion Passed: "That the Matters Arising from General Business be accepted"
Moved: Katarina Manna **Seconded:** Kirstin Henderson **Carried**

Meeting Closed: 9:20pm

Next Meeting: 9th OCTOBER 2024