

Redacted Minutes - COUNCIL MEETING – 14th August 2024
Held at Dogs ACT Meeting Room

1. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING – Opened – Time: 7:05pm

PRESENT & APOLOGIES:

Present: Erick Birkeland, Kirstin Henderson, John Scholz, Mel Crossley, Natasha Davies, Natasha Sands, Clive Styles, Cathy Stirling, Katarina Manna

Apologies: Heather Swinbourn, Linda Stevens, Cristin McCusker

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)

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Motion Passed: “That the Minutes of 10th JULY 24 be accepted”

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

4. NEW MEMBERS:

1 new Associate member approved

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

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

5. AGENDA ITEMS

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

All new approved dates to be added to the Dogs ACT Calender

REDACTED

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

5.2.1. ACT Companion Dog Club – Trick Trial AM – 20th July 2024 – 73 Entries

5.2.2. ACT Companion Dog Club – Trick Trial PM – 20th July 2020 – 75 entries

5.2.3. Dogs ACT - Sprint Dog Trial - 27th July 2024 – 76 entries

5.2.4. Belconnen Dog Club - Dances with Dogs – 21st July 2024 – 68 entries

5.2.5. Dogs ACT – Endurance Trial – 28th July 2024 – 20 entries

- 5.2.6. Tuggeranong Dog Training Club – Agility Trial – 3rd Aug 2024 – 264 Entries
- 5.2.7. Tuggeranong Dog Training Club – Scent Work Trial – 10th Aug 2024 – 118 entries

All Noted

5.3. COMPLAINTS/DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

- 5.3.1. NIL

5.4. Dogs Australia (ANKC) CORRESPONDENCE IN

- 5.4.1. National Borzoi Council (Australia) – Disbandment – 11th July 2024
This email was to advise that Dogs Australia had received confirmation from the National Borzoi Council (Australia) Secretary that a decision has been made by their affiliate clubs to disband the Breed Council effective from 28 June 2024.
- 5.4.2. JUDGES CONTRACT – AMENDMENT – 15th JULY 2024
Minor wording update to the judges contract - Be amended to read: *Other appointments accepted for the breeds/groups/classes/**general specials** within the State of the above fixture and within six months before or after the date of the above*
This amendment appears on Page 3.
- 5.4.3. AMENDED REGULATIONS PART 6 - THE REGISTER & REGISTRATION - EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2024 – 15th JULY 2024
Updates have been made to Regulations Part 6 in regards to the wording of the Clause 6.1.3 – Addition of a Suffix
- 5.4.4. Information from Dogs West on Member Suspensions – 16th July 2024
Dogs West have informed dogs Australia of 2 members who are under suspension and 1 disqualified for life.
- 5.4.5. 2024 INDUCTEES TO THE RETRIEVING & FIELD HALL OF FAME – 17th July 2024
Press Release for publication was uploaded to the Dogs ACT website.
- 5.4.6. AMENDED REGULATIONS PART 5 - CONFORMATION SHOWS – 18th JULY 2024
Approved proposed changes to Clauses 1.2.1 and 1.2.7 for the definition of Veteran to remain at 7 years for Dogs Australia shows.
These amendments are effective from 1 July 2024.
- 5.4.7. REGULATIONS PART 3P - REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF SPRINTDOG™ JUDGES TRAINING & ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – 18th JULY 2024
In accordance with 5.3 of the attached June 2024 Special Board meeting minutes the approved Regulations for the Conduct of SprintDog™ Judges Training & Assessment Program effective from 1 August 2024 is now available from our website
- 5.4.8. Advice of Suspended Members information form Dogs West – 25th July 2024
Dogs West have informed dogs Australia of 2 members who are under suspension for 6

months.

- 5.4.9.** Information from Dogs West on Member Suspensions – 30th July 2024
Dogs West have informed dogs Australia of 1 members who are under suspension.
- 5.4.10.** Information from Dogs West on Member Suspensions – 31st July 2024
Dogs West have informed dogs Australia of 1 members who are under suspension.
- 5.4.11.** Information from Dogs Vic on Member Suspensions – 31st July 2024
Dogs Vic have informed dogs Australia of 3 members who are under suspension.
- 5.4.12.** Information from Dogs Vic on Member Suspensions – 2nd August 2024
Dogs Vic have informed dogs Australia of 1 member who are under suspension.
- 5.4.13.** Information from Dogs SA on Member Suspensions – 5th August 2024
Dogs SA have informed dogs Australia of 2 members who are under suspension.

. All Noted

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

Associate Register Applications	0
Export Pedigrees	1
Judges Licence Applications	0
Judges Licence Renewals	10
Leases	1
Prefix Applications	1
Prefix Renewals	18
Prefix Transfers	0
Registrations	6L – 23M
Sporting Register Applications	0
Title Applications	41
Transfer of Ownership	7
Re-registrations	2
Reprint of Certificates	1

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

5.5.1. Brooke Mills (on behalf of Clayco Kennel) – 1st August 2024
Readacted

5.5.2. Byron Rochford – Garden Maintenance Quote – 18 July 2024

Byron has submitted a quote for grounds maintenance at Dogs ACT – See Attachment D

Council discussed in depth, due to the financial constraints and thinking of the future financially this needs to be explored further.

Eric to arrange a meeting with Byron and discuss with him his proposed services in the quote – suggest a trial of 3 months? What can/would be done in that time?

Also look at other options of ground maintenance people in the community.

5.5.3. Ann Robertson on behalf of ACT Companion Dog Club – 8th August 2024

(email was sent to President email and Vanessa email) REDACTED

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

Moved: Kirstin Henderson

Seconded: Katarina Manna

Carried

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

NO Report Presented.

Motion Passed: “That the President report be accepted”

Moved: Eric Birkeland

Seconded: Katarina Manna

Carried

7. TREASURER’S REPORT

Profit & Loss sheet - Will be presented by KH

Balance Sheet - Will be presented by KH

Reports presented.

- requesting approval for the office staff to receive a 1% pay rise in line with the CPI increases – **APPROVED**
- Requested the approval to increase the Affiliate fees for all affiliates (EXCEPT the breed clubs) and the Public Liability fees as neither of these have gone up for the past few years and Dogs ACT have been absorbing these costs. If approved this will come into effect from the 15th February 2025 – **APPROVED**
- Fundraising for Sprint Dog is going well. We are well on the way to have fundraised for the purchase price of the lure machine.
- Have received \$500 from John Bink in support of the Junior Handler
- Has requested for council to help with some of the smaller jobs for the September Shows.

Motion Passed: “That the Treasurers report be accepted”

Moved: Kristin Henderson

Seconded: Katarina Manna

Carried

8. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- ❖ **Agility & Jumping:** Dana Simonsen: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Breed:** Linda Stevens: *NIL to report*
- ❖ **DWD & Trick Dogs:** Niccola Hardaker: *No Report Rec*
- ❖ **Government Liaison:** Cristan McCusker, Mel Crossley: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Grounds & Buildings:** Eric Birkeland: *No Report Rec*
- ❖ **Health & Welfare:** Mel Crossley: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Judges Training:** Linda Buckley: *No report Rec*
- ❖ **Junior Showmanship:** Kirstin Henderson and Mel Crossley: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Lure Coursing:** Helen Mossler: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Endurance:** Helen Mossler: **See attachment B**
- ❖ **Sprint Dog:** Helen Mossler: **See attachment B** - Request preliminary approval to hold

Practice or training days, held at DogsACT grounds on weekdays (ad hoc weather depending) probably Thursday or Friday, and some Weekends when the grounds are available. Starting in Spring. Would be a Show Manager club activity, so people will need to register and pre-pay

- ❖ **Marketing & Promotion:** Kirstin Henderson: *No Report Rec*
- ❖ **Obedience & Rally:** Natasha Davies: **NOTHING TO REPORT**
- ❖ **Retrieving & Field Trial:** Judith Barlow and Lara Sedgmen: *No Report Rec*
- ❖ **Tracking:** Joanna Hagan: *No Report Rec*
- ❖ **Scent work:** Julie Cutts: **NOTHING TO REPORT**

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

Moved: Katarina Manna

Seconded: Natasha Sands

Carried

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 – Email from Maelyn of BDOC asking for a 2025 Rally Trial Date to be moved from 1st November to 27th September – 14/08/24

Approved

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

To be presented prior to close of meeting.

Redacted minutes from Dec, March, April, May & June approved.



Motion Passed: "That the Matters Arising from General Business be accepted"
Moved: Katarina Manna **Seconded:** Kirstin Henderson **Carried**

Meeting Closed: 8:34pm

Next Meeting: 11th SEPTEMBER 2024