



MINUTES of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held ELECTRONICALLY on **Friday 27 October 2023**

PARTICIPATION:

L Brown	N Keck
C Rafton	J Sheppard
K Charnock	R Harbin
A McIlrath	R Privett
G Spagnolo	G Vernon
L Brand	S Mills
K Hedberg BVSc	S McFadden
	S Oliver

Directors Elect **(NO RESPONSE REQUIRED)**

A Moy
J Bryson
S Hannigan

NO RESPONSE: G Spagnolo, K Hedberg BVSc, R Harbin

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the following Board Meetings be **confirmed**:-

- 1.1 **Face to Face Meeting – 11 October 2023**
- 1.2 **Electronic Motions x 7 – 18 October 2023**

CARRIED

G Vernon abstained

2. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

2.1 **Executive Committee Decisions - NIL**

2.2 **Operations Manager's Report – NIL**

2.3 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

The Board noted that the Compliance Investigative Panel did not meet.

2.4 **Judges Committee – 26/9/2023**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Judges Committee meeting held on 26 September 2023 have not yet been received in the Office.

2.5 **Company Secretary's Report**

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Company Secretary's Report be **received**.

CARRIED

3. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

3.1 **Agility Committee – 16/10/2023**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Agility Committee meeting held on 16 October 2023 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.2 **Agility Judges Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.3 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.4 **Breed Standards Committee – 13/10/2023**

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the Breed Standards Committee meeting held on 13 October 2023 be received.

CARRIED

3.5A **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

3.5A.1 **Meeting 14/9/2023**

3.5A.2 **Meeting 5/10/2023**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Conformation Judges Training Committee meetings held on 14 September 2023 & 5 October 2023 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.6 **Constitution & Regulations Review Working Party**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.7 **Dances With Dogs/Trick Dog Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.8 **Grounds Committee – 25/10/2023**

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the Grounds Committee meeting held on 25 October 2023, be received.

CARRIED

3.9 **Library & Archives Committee – 12/10/2023**

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee meeting held on 12 October 2023, be received.

CARRIED

3.10 **Media & Government Legislation Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.11 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.12 Obedience & Tracking Committee – 9/10/2023

3.12.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7: Approval of Trial Dates

MOVED K Charnock

SECONDED R Privett

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee meeting held on 9 October 2023, be received.

CARRIED

3.13 Obedience, Tracking, Endurance & Rally Judges Committee – 12/10/2023

3.13.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.2: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.2: Entrance Qualifications, Clause 2.1.7(d), sub-Clauses 2 & 3 – AMENDMENT

MOVED K Charnock

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the below addition be added to DOGS NSW Regulation Part VI, Section 5.2: Entrance Qualifications, Clause 2.1.7(d), sub-Clauses 2 & 3:-

Clause 2.1.7(d), sub Clauses 2 & 3

Currently reads

(d) A Candidate for Utility Obedience Examination must:

2. have judged at least six (6) recognised Open All Breeds Obedience Club Trials, which in the opinion of the Obedience Tracking Endurance & Tracking Judges Committee, were of sufficiently high standard and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors prior to the date of the practical examination. **(08/23)**
3. have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility Title standard and gained at least one qualification in Utility Class and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

Be amended to read:-

- (d) A Candidate for Utility Obedience Examination must:
2. have judged at least six (6) recognised Open All Breeds Obedience Club Trials, which in the opinion of the Obedience Tracking Endurance & Tracking Rally Judges Committee, were of sufficiently high standard and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors prior to the date of the practical examination. **(08/23)**
 3. (a) have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility Title standard and gained at least one qualification in Utility Class and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.
- OR
- (b) have held an Open Licence for a minimum of 3 years; have judged a minimum of 15 Open Trials at All Breed Obedience Trials; have stewarded for 15 UD classes at All Breeds Obedience Trials in the preceding two years; have attended one judge's seminar in the past three years and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

CARRIED

3.13.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.2: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.2: Entrance Qualifications, Clause 2.1.7(e), sub-Clauses 2 & 3 – AMENDMENT

MOVED K Charnock

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the below addition be added to DOGS NSW Regulation Part VI, Section 5.2: Entrance Qualifications 2.1.7(e), sub-Clauses 2 & 3:-

Clause 2.1.7(e)

Currently reads:

- (d) A Candidate for Utility Excellent Obedience Examination must:-
2. have judged at least six (6) recognised Open All Breeds Obedience Club Trials, which in the opinion of the Obedience Tracking Endurance & Tracking Judges Committee, were of sufficiently high standard and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors prior to the date of the practical examination. **(08/23)**
 3. have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility Title standard and gained at least one qualification in Utility Class and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

Be amended to read:-

- (d) A Candidate for Utility Excellent Obedience Examination must:-
2. have judged at least six (6) recognised Open All Breeds Obedience Club Trials, which in the opinion of the Obedience Tracking Endurance & Tracking Rally Judges Committee, were of sufficiently high standard and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors prior to the date of the practical examination. **(08/23)**
 3. (a) have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility Title standard and gained at least one qualification in Utility Class and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.
- OR
- (b) have held an Open Licence for a minimum of 3 years; have judged a minimum of 15 Open Trials at All Breed Obedience Trials; have stewarded for 15 UD classes at All Breeds Obedience Trials in the preceding two years; have attended one judge's seminar in the past three years and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

CARRIED

3.13.3 **Recommendation 3 – Item 7.2: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.6: Eligibility, Clause 6.4.4.2 – AMENDMENT**

MOVED K Charnock

SECONDED R Privett

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.6: Eligibility, Clause 6.4.4.2, b amended as follows:-

Currently reads:

6.4.4 *UTILITY JUDGING LICENCE*

6.4.4.2 *The applicant must have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility title standard and gained at least one (1) qualification in Utility Class and supply details with their application.*

Be amended to read:-

6.4.4 *UTILITY JUDGING LICENCE*

6.4.4.2 (a) The applicant must have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility title standard and gained at least one (1) qualification in Utility Class and supply details with their application.

OR

- (b) have held an Open Licence for a minimum of 3 years; have judged a minimum of 15 Open Trials at All Breed Obedience Trials; have stewarded for 15 UD classes at All Breeds Obedience Trials in the preceding two years; have attended one judge's seminar in the past three years and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

CARRIED

3.13.3 **Recommendation 4 – Item 7.2: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.6: Eligibility, Clause 6.4.5.2 – AMENDMENT**

MOVED K Charnock

SECONDED R Privett

THAT Recommendation 4, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5.6: Eligibility, Clause 6.4.5.2, b amended as follows:-

Currently reads:

6.4.5 *UTILITY DOG EXCELLENT JUDGING LICENCE*

6.4.5.2 *The applicant must have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility title standard and gained at least one (1) qualification in Utility Class and supply details with their application.*

Be amended to read:-

6.5.4 *UTILITY JUDGING LICENCE*

6.4.5.2 (a) The applicant must have personally trained and trialled a dog to Utility title standard and gained at least one (1) qualification in Utility Class and supply details with their application.

OR

- (b) have held an Utility Licence for a minimum of 3 years; have judged a minimum of 15 UD Trials at All Breed Obedience Trials; have stewarded for 15 UDX classes at All Breeds Obedience Trials in the preceding two years; have attended one judge's seminar in the past three years and supply full details thereof to the Board of Directors with their application.

CARRIED

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED N Keck

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience, Tracking Endurance & Rally Judges Committee meeting held on 12 October 2023, be **received**.

CARRIED

3.14 Public Relations Committee – 19/10/2023

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Minutes of the Public Relations Committee meeting held on 19 October 2023, be received.

CARRIED

3.15 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee – 26/10/2023

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Retrieving & Field Trials Committee meeting held on 26 October 2023 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.16 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited – 9/10/2023

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity meeting held on 9 October 2023, be received.

CARRIED

3.17 Show Committee – 18/10/2023

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Show Committee meeting held on 18 October 2023 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.18 Sporting Committee – 18/10/2023

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Sporting Committee meeting held on 18 October 2023 have been referred to the Face to Face Board meeting.

3.19 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

4. DOGS AUSTRALIA MATTERS

4.1 NSW Small Business Committee – Labrador Retriever Survey

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the correspondence between NSW Small Business Committee and Dogs Australia in relation to the Labrador Retriever Survey, be received.

CARRIED

G Vernon abstained

5. CORRESPONDENCE

6. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – NIL

MEETING CLOSED