

MINUTES of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held in the Amenities Building of The Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs, 44 Luddenham Road Orchard Hills on WEDNESDAY 1 February 2017 at 2.10PM.

PRESENT:	L Brown J Sheppard E Pickering V Etherington OAM L Brand E Gunter M Arthur	F Hession N Keck G Spagnolo J Seary M Wheeler P Cutler A Lee
IN ATTENDANCE:	V Gagan-Wilson (CEO)	
APOLOGIES:	R Britten	
	MOVED P Cutler THAT the apologies be accepted.	SECONDED G Spagnolo

..IN CAMERA...

1. <u>CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</u>

MOVED E Gunter SECONDED L Brand THAT the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on 14 December 2016, be confirmed.

CARRIED

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

2.1 2017 Elections

2.1.1 **Public Relations – Appointment of Chair**

Mr P Cutler was elected as Chair of the Public Relations Committee.

2.1.2 Conformation Judges Training Committee – Approval of Members

MOVED E GunterSECONDED G SpagnoloTHAT the Board accepts the verbal recommendation of members of the ConformationJudges Training Committee, as follows, pending confirmation form the Chair in writing:-

- Mr John Comerford Member
- Mrs Rhonda Ralphs
- Mrs Frances Wickens
- Mr Peter Cutler
- Mrs Lyn Brown
- Mrs Sandra McMahon
- Mr Guy Spagnolo
- Mrs Robyn Williams
- Mrs Toni Comerford
- Mrs Pat Thomas
- Mr Ted Pickering
- Mrs Val Morrow
- Mrs Pat Hall

- Member
- ns Toy Group Co-ordinator
 - Assistant Toy Group Co-ordinator
 - Terrier Group Co-ordinator
 - Assistant Terrier Group Co-ordinator
 - . Gundog Group Co-ordinator
 - Assistant Gundog Group Co-ordinator
 - Hound Group Co-ordinator
 - Assistant Hound Group Co-ordinator
 - Working Dog Group Co-ordinator
 - Assistant Working Dog Group Co-ordinator
 - Utility Group Co-ordinator

VACANT

Mrs Deb Harbin

Mr Rob Harbin

Assistant Utility Group Co-ordinator Non-Sporting Group Co-ordinator

Assistant Non-Sporting Group Co-ordinator

CARRIED

2.1.3 JTEP Examination Committee – Approval of Members

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED MWheeler

THAT the following persons be approved as members of the JTEP Examinations Committee:-

- Mr M Arthur
- Mr T Tancred
- Mrs R Robertson
- Mrs D Fenton

CARRIED

2.1.4 T Mangan – Appointment to Library & Archives Committee

MOVED N Keck SECONDED J Seary THAT Mr T Mangan be appointed as a member of the Library & Archives Committee. CARRIED

2.1.5 Expressions of Interest – Committee Assistance – T Bassett

The Chair, L Brown, advised that Ms T Bassett's resume has been sent to the Chair of the Media & Goverment Legislation Committee for consideration.

MOVED L Brand SECONDED J Seary THAT Ms T Bassett be added to the Dogs NSW Inquiry Panel.

> CARRIED M Arthur J Sheppard abstained

2.3 47th Retrieving Trial National - Response

(Refer Item 5.17.2 – 9/11/2016)

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED F Hession

THAT the Board accepts the recommendation of the Dogs NSW RAFT Committee that a count back of scores be undertaken for Dogs 10 & 22 to ensure consistency with ANKC Ltd Rules for the Conduct of Retrieving Trials for Gundogs and, therefore, the final Result of the 47th Retrieving National Championship conducted by Dogs NSW on 9, 10 & 11 September 2016 be as follows:-

Place	e Catalogue No.	Name of Dog	Owner
1 st	34 Labrador (B)	14 & 15 Nat Gr Rt Ch Adderslot Chief	Russel Whitechurch
2 nd	26 Labrador (D)	Gr Rt Ch Acolon Prince of Cypher (Imp UK)	Karl Britton
3 rd	22 Labrador (B)	Adderslot Maggie May (AI) RRD	Russel Whitechurch
4 th	10 Labrador (B)	Rt Ch Kadnook Creams Edge	John Stott
5 th	29 Labrador (D)	Nat Rt Ch Adderslot Carbo	Greg Playdon
6 th	43 Labrador (B)	Manark Autumn Storm RRD	Jack Lynch
			CARRIED

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT a letter be forwarded to the 3 complainants, ie, Dogs Tasmania, J Vella, G Gollie as well as the 2 competitors, advising them of the Board's decision regarding placings and a copy also be forwarded to the National RAFT Committee.

CARRIED

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT a letter be forwarded to all Retrieving Trial Judges and all Clubs who conduct Retrieving Trials reminding them of Rule 78 of the ANKC Ltd Rules for the Conduct of Retrieving Trials for Gundogs, which reads:-

78. In the event of a tie, a separate run-off shall be arranged by the Trial Committee entrusted with the management of the Trial in cooperation with the Judge. The Judge will select the test. The order in which the contestants will run is to be decided by the toss of a coin.

CARRIED

3. JUDICIAL MATTERS

3.1 Judicial Co-ordinator's Report

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED G Spagnolo THAT the Judicial Co-ordinator's Report be received.

CARRIED

4. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

4.1 Executive Committee Decisions

4.1.2 ECD No.18/2016 – Regs Part II-Show, Clause 10.13 – RUBIG-AMENDMENT

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED V Etherington OAM**THAT** the Executive Committee's decision to amend Dogs Regulations Part II-Show,Clause 10.13 in accordance with the recent resolution of the ANKC Ltd Board, beendorsed.

CARRIED

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT a letter be forwarded to ANKC Ltd to seek a full explanation of the process for the implementation of RUBIG points in view of the lack of understanding of the process currently quoting, ie:-

- Does it apply to Challenges only;
- Does it count towards Championship points;
- Does it get added to the original points if the dog already has its Challenge;
- How it applies to Reserve Challenge.

CARRIED

This matter also be referred to the Show Committee to develop a policy so that Clubs can deal with scenarios as they arise.

4.1.3 ECD No.19/2016 – Show Date Approvals – 20/12/2016

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Executive Committee's decision to approve the following show dates to ensure they are included on the 2017 Show/Trials Guide and to provide sufficient time for the organisation of the Shows, ie, contracting of Judges, Gazette Notices, etc, be endorsed:-

- Cumnock Show Society 25 March 2017
- Hawkesbury District Agricultural Association 5 May 2017
- Alaskan Malamute Club of NSW Inc 14 April 2017
- American Staffordshire Terrier Club of NSW Inc 15 April 2017
- Bearded Collie Club of NSW Inc 7 April 2017
- Shetland Sheepdog Club NSW 8 April 2017
- NSW Samoyed Club Ind 15 April 2017

CARRIED

4.1.6 ECD No.3/2017 – Show Date Approvals – Show Minutes 18/1/2017

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Executive Committee's decision to approve the Show Committee's decisions in relation to Show Dates, as follows, to ensure deadlines are met, be endorsed:-

- Campbelltown & Districts All Breeds Kennel Club Inc approved for 1 Championship Show only/or a morning show and an afternoon show at the same time as The Gundog Society Gala Weekend.
- Dareton Kennel Club 14, 15 & 16 July 2017 change of venue
- Varieties of Bichon Related Breeds Club Open Show 9 April 2017
- Bungendore & Palerang All Breeds Kennel Club
 - 2 & 13 August 2017 <u>NOT</u> approved
 - 14 July 2017 approved pending payment of late fee
- Hunter Valley Hound Club 3 June 2017
- Newfoundland Club of NSW 1 October 2017 (after 6pm) & 2 October 2017 (AM)
- The Sydney Kennel Club Inc 30 June 2017 approved with late fee (\$150.00)

CARRIED

4.7 Judges Committee Minutes – 5/12/2016

4.7.2 New Procedure – Overseas Judges

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the matter of the New Procedure for Overseas Judges be dealt with by sending a letter to ANKC Ltd questioning some of the procedures involved in the implementation, eg, costs, who would be the administrators, how they would be appointed, what about remuneration, travel expenses, etc.

WITHDRAWN

MOVED G SpagnoloSECONDED L Brand**THAT** the Board appoints a Visiting OverseasConformation Judges EvaluationCommittee.Committee

CARRIED

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT Mrs D Fenton be nominated as Chair of the Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee.

CARRIED

Mrs D Fenton was elected as Chair of the Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee.

MOVED J Seary SECONDED P Cutler **THAT** the Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee comprise of 5 members.

CARRIED

4.8 Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's Report

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED J Seary**THAT** the Report of the Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer be received.

CARRIED

MOVED L Brand SECONDED P Cutler **THAT** the AWCLO be advised that the Board is very satisfied with the detailed reports on each of her inspections.

CARRIED

MOVED M ArthurSECONDED G Spagnolo**THAT** a Notice be placed in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette advising Members that
breaches of Dogs NSW Regulations in advertisements on Gumtree, or any other forms of
electronic advertising, will involve penalties being imposed.

CARRIED

...OPEN MEETING...

- 5. MONTHLY REPORTS
 - 5.1 CEO's Report
 - 5.1.3 Items for Noting CEO's Report

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED L Brand THAT the following Items for noting in the CEO's Report be noted:-

- 5.1.8.1 Item 3.1: Membership 31/12/2016
- 5.1.8.2 Item 3.2: Registrations 31/12/2016
- 5.1.8.3 Item 3.3: Customer Service Report 31/12/2016
- 5.1.8.4 Item 3.4: Breaches of Breeding Regulations
 - 5.1.8.4.1 Item 3.4.1: Dog NSW Regulations Part XIII-Code of Ethics as @ 31/12/2016
 - 5.1.8.4.2 Item 3.4.2: ANKC Ltd Regulations Part 6, Clause 6.5.3 as @ 31/12/2016
- 5.1.8.5 Item 3.5: Affiliate Matters
 - 5.1.8.5.1 Item 3.5.1: Affiliates Annual Reports 2013/2014 as @ 31/12/2016
 - 5.1.1.5.2 Item 3.5.2: Affiliates Annual Reports 2014/2015 as @ 31/12/2016

SECONDED L Brand

5.1.8.6	Item 3.6: ANKC Ltd		
	5.1.8.6.1 Item 3.6.1: Press Release 16 – Allowable Colours		
	5.1.8.6.2 Item 3.6.2: Press Release 17 – WSSD Survey		
	5.1.8.6.3 Item 3.6.3: FCI Circulars: 57/2016 & 1/2017		
	Item 3.6.2: FCI News – 16/11/2016		
	5.1.8.6.4 ANKC Ltd 2016-2017 Budget		
5.1.8.7	Item 3.7: Hon Paul Toole MP – Banksia Park Puppies		
5.1.8.8	Item 3.8: Ms C McGregor – Premises Inspection		
5.1.8.9	Item 3.9: Blue Ribbon's Denim (NP32309105)		
5.1.8.10	Item 3.10: Use of a Runner		
5.1.8.11	Item 3.11: Mail/File Tracking		
5.1.8.12	Item 3.12: Grounds Update		
	Item 3.13.1: Canopy Plaques		
	Item 3.13.2: Arborist		
5.1.8.13	Item 3.13: Staff Matters		

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM **THAT** the CEO's Report be received.

CARRIED

5.2 **Finance Committee – 23/1/2017**

5.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 8: Financial Report – 1 July 2016 to 31 December 2016

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED L BrandTHAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the Financial Report 1 July 2016 to 31 December 2016 be approved.

CARRIED

5.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 9.1: Mr P Roberts – Concession Charge for Neutered Dogs transferred to Main Register

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED M WheelerTHAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the fee to transfer Neutered dogs from the Limited to Main Register be at a flatfee of \$30.50 (Pension fee \$22.00) and must be accompanied by the NeuterApplication and the Veterinary Certificate.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary **THAT** the Minutes of the Finance Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.3 Agility Committee – 19/12/2017

5.3.1 Meeting 19/12/2016

5.3.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 5.1: Laptops & Monitors

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED J Seary **THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:- **THAT** the Committee purchase three new laptops and monitors to assist with the running of Trials and Committee meetings and to purchase an additional 30 inch monitor for Committee Meetings. ROM costing is \$4,000.00.

CARRIED

5.3.1.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 7: Trial Dates**

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED P Cutler **THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-**THAT** the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial dates be approved.

MOVED E PickeringSECONDED P CutlerTHAT the Minutes of the Agility Committee held on 19/12/2016 be received.

CARRIED

5.3.2 Meeting 24/1/2017

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Agility Committee meeting held 24/1/2017 are to be submitted to the March 2017 Board meeting.

5.4 Agility Judges Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

5.5 Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

5.5.1 Accreditation of Canine Identification Course

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED G SpagnoloTHAT the Board's sincere thanks be conveyed to Mrs Diana Fenton for all her hard
work and effort to ensure that Dogs NSW Canine Identification Course became
accredited.

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED P Cutler**THAT** a Notice be placed in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette advising that the DogsNSW Canine Breed Identification Course (10300NAT) has now been accredited thanksto perseverance and hard work of Mrs Diana Fenton.

5.6 **Complex Fundraising Committee – 4/1/2017** The Board noted that this Committee met off the premises and, therefore, there are no Minutes.

5.7 **Conformation Judges Training Committee** The Board noted that this Committee did not meet

5.7A JTEP Examinations Committee – January 2017

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED E Pickering **THAT** the Report of the JTEP Examinations Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.7A.2 Aspiring Judges Anatomy Lectures – Amendment to Timetable

The Chair of the JTEP Examinations Committee, Director J Sheppard, advised that due to an issue with Ms G Alexander presenting the Anatomy Lectures (Lecture 1-Structure & Lecture 2-Movement) on 2 separate evenings, both lectures will now be held on the

1 night, ie, (Wednesday 19 April 2017/Thursday 20 April 2017) and this should be advised to Trainees by a Gazette Notice.

5.8 Dances With Dogs Committee – 10/12/2016

MOVED J Seary SECONDED L Brand THAT the Minutes of the Dances With Dogs Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.9 Grounds Committee – 10/1/2017

5.9.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 3.2: Purchase of Shade Trees**

MOVED L BrandSECONDED G SpagnoloTHAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT quotes be obtained for the purchase of evergreen shade trees.

CARRIED

5.9.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 6.1.3: Drainage in the Car Park

MOVED L BrandSECONDED E PickeringTHAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT quotes be obtained for drainage in the car park be assessed and implemented toalleviate flooding.

CARRIED

5.9.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 6.3.2: Recycling – German Shepherd Area

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED J SheppardTHAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT recycling facilities to the German Shepherd area be approved.

CARRIED

5.9.4 **Item 5.3: Off Leash Dog Exercise Facilities** The Board requested the Committee investigate a leash free area and report back to the Board.

MOVED E Pickering SECONDED L Brand THAT the Minutes of the Grounds Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.10 **VACANT**

5.11 Library & Archives Committee

5.11.1 Meeting – 13/12/2016

MOVED N Keck SECONDED V Etherington OAM **THAT** the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee held on 13/12/2016 be received.

CARRIED

5.11.2 Meeting – 24/1/2017

5.11.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.2: Relocatable Building

WITHDRAWN

5.11.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.4: Laptop, Printer/Scanner

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED J SearyTHAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT Dogs NSW purchase a Laptop and a Printer/Scanner as well as alockable cabinet to store these items to be funded by the Library &Archives budget.

CARRIED

MOVED J Seary SECONDED L Brand THAT the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee held on 24/1/2017 be received.

CARRIED

5.12 Media & Government Legislation Committee

The Board noted this Committee met on 30 January 2017 and the Minutes will be submitted to the March Board meeting.

5.13 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet

5.13.1 Approval of MEPP Supervisors & Inspectors

MOVED L Brand

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the following MEPP Supervisors be approved:-

Miss	Jamie	Harrison
Mrs	Cindie	Ball
Mrs	Jason	Wallace
Ms	Jenny	Ryan

CARRIED

5.14 Obedience & Tracking Committee – 19/1/2017

5.14.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7: Trial Dates

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED /E PickeringTHAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the Committee's decision in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

5.14.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.10: Measures to Improve Trialling Experience

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED L Brand**THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-**THAT** the Policy (1) be rescinded effective 1 July 2017 and any Club conducting Trialsinside the Metropolitan Region or the Local Government Areas of Newcastle, LakeMacquarie, Gosford, Wyong or Wollongong wishing to restrict non-qualifiers to

completing a single further exercise must apply for specific approval for such restriction which would apply to all classes at that Trial. This is in accordance with the ANKC Ltd Rule (2). Clubs would be strongly encouraged to advise Judges before contracting them that they will be judging and scoring all exercises and that this would be clearly stated in the Schedule for the information of Triallers. Likewise, if the Club chose to have a restriction to one further exercise apply at their Trial.

CARRIED

MOVED M WheelerSECONDED G SpagnoloTHAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the following Notice be published in the next available Gazette for information of
members and affected Clubs:-

ATTENTION: All Clubs conducting Trials inside the Metropolitan Region or the Local Government Areas of Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Gosford, Wyong or Wollongong:-

Effective July 1 2017 the Policy "*Non-qualifying Score in Obedience Trials in NSW – effective from 1 October 2011*" has been rescinded and any Club wishing to restrict non-qualifiers to completing a single further exercise must apply for specific approval for such restriction which would apply to all Classes at that Trial. This is in accordance with the ANKC Ltd Rule Non-Qualifying Score. Clubs are strongly encouraged to advise Judges before contracting them whether a restriction will apply at their Trial or that they will be judging and scoring all exercises and this should be clearly stated in the Schedule for the information of Triallers.

CARRIED

5.14.2.1 Notification on Draft Schedules – Dogs to Complete All Exercises – Approval by CEO

MOVED M Wheeler SECONDED G Spagnolo **THAT** when a Club submits a schedule to the Office and indicates on that schedule "dogs will be permitted to complete all classes" or that "dogs are restricted to one class" the CEO be authorised to approve those schedules. **CARRIED**

MOVED L Brand SECONDED J Seary **THAT** the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.15 **Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet

5.16 Public Relations Committee – 14/12/2016

5.16.1 **PR Christmas Show – Board Thanks**

MOVED G SpagnoloSECONDED V Etherington OAM**THAT** the Board thanks the Public Relations Committee for the excellent running of the
Christmas Show.

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED E Pickering THAT the Minutes of the Public Relations Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.17 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee – 18/1/2017

5.17.1 Item 6: Trial Dates

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED L Brand**THAT** the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED E PickeringSECONDED P Cutler**THAT** the Minutes of the Retrieving & Field Trials Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.18 Show Committee

5.18.1 Meeting – 19/12/2016

5.18.1.1 Recommendation 2 – Item 7: Show Dates

MOVED E Pickering SECONDED P Cutler **THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-**THAT** the Committee's decision in relation to Show Dates be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED E PickeringSECONDED P CutlerTHAT the Minutes of the Show Committee held on 19/12/2016 be received, subject toItem 6.1-Aggressive Dog, Foxdale Mia Rose.

CARRIED

5.18.2 Meeting - 18/1/2017

5.18.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 3.1: The Gundog Society Gala Weekend

OVER RUN

5.18.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 5.1.1.1: Update re John Forbes' Memorials

MOVED L BrandSECONDED E PickeringTHAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the request for permission to hang John Forbes "Dogs NSWCertificate" next to Junior Handlers Board in Amenities Building be
approved.

CARRIED

5.18.2.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 6.2: Aggressive Dog Reports

WITHDRAWN

5.18.2.4 Recommendation 4 – Item 6.3: PowerPoint Presentation to Club Secretaries

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED L Brand

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

THAT a PowerPoint presentation be sent to Club Secretaries and be available online to demonstrate the correct procedure for conducting Committee Meeting/s to investigate and determine Aggressive Dogs Complaints

CARRIED

5.18.2.5 **Recommendation 6 – Items 3.1 & 7: Show Dates**

•

MOVED E PickeringSECONDED L Brand**THAT** the Committee's decisions in relation to Show Dates be approved
and the following Items be dealt with by the Executive Committee:-

- Item 3.1: The Gundog Society Gala Weekend
- Item 7.3.1 Dareton Kennel Club
- Item 7.3.4 Varieties of Bichon Related Breeds Club
- Item 7.3.5 Bungendore & Palerang All Breeds Kennel Club
- Item 7.3.6 Hunter Valley Hound Club
- Item 7.3.9 Newfoundland Club of NSW
- Item 7.4.1 The Sydney Kennel Club Inc

subject to the following amendments:-

- Item 7.3.7: Afghan Hound Club Approved to conduct 2 x Championship Shows on Sunday 1 October 2017 in conjunction with Fairfield & District All Breeds Kennel Club at Orchard Hills.
- Item 7. Northern Districts Bull Terrier Club Approved to conduct 2 x Championship Shows an d1 Open Show on 16 & 17 September 2017.

CARRIED

E Gunter against

5.18.2.6 **Recommendation 7 – Item 9.3: Query of Judges Regulations**

This matter was REFERRED back to the Committee to include a Rationale and submit to March Board meeting, for an amendment to Regulations Part IV-Conformation Judges, Clauses 4.2 & 4.2(c) relating to the assignments of General Special Judges.

5.18.2.8 Recommendation 9 – Item 9.5: Gazette Notice – Submissions for 2018 & 2019 Show/Trial Dates

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED J SearyTHAT Recommendation 9, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT a Notice be placed in Dogs NSW March Gazette, E NewsletterWebsite and FaceBook page advising Clubs that:-

"The Show Committee is compiling the Show/Trial Dates for 2018 and 2019 and will consider changes to

allocated Show Dates if submissions are received **prior** to 31 May 2017"

CARRIED

MOVED E PickeringSECONDED P CutlerTHAT the Minutes of the Show Committee held on 18/1/2017 be received.

CARRIED

Meeting recessed @ 7.00pm Meeting resumed @ 7.02pm

5.18.3 Newcastle German Shepherd Dog Club – Show Date - 8 & 9 April 2017

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED G SpagnoloTHAT request from the Newcastle German Shepherd Dog Club to submit a Schedule for
shows on 8 & 9 April 2017 NOT be approved.

CARRIED

5.18.4 The Poodle Club of NSW Inc – Late Show Schedule – 14 & 15 April 2017

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED P CutlerTHAT the late Show Schedule submitted by The Poodle Club of NSW Inc for showsscheduled for 14 & 15 April 2017 be approved.

CARRIED

M Wheeler against

5.19 Sporting Committee – 25/1/2017

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Sporting Committee meeting held 25/1/2017 are to be submitted to the March 2017 Board meeting.

5.20 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee – 14/12/2016

MOVED L Brand SECONDED E Pickering **THAT** the Minutes of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee be received.

CARRIED

5.21 Stewards & Representatives Committee – 11/1/2017 The Board noted that the Minutes of the Stewards & Representatives Committee meeting held 11/1/2017 are to be submitted to the March 2017 Board meeting.

6. ANKC LTD MATTERS

6.1 **EM#143 – Recognition of American Hairless Terrier – APPROVED** The Board noted the approval of the new breed American Hairless Terrier.

6.2 EM#144 – Regulations Part 6 – New Clause 1.11 – COB Friday, 24 March 2017

MOVED J Seary SECONDED V Etherington OAM THAT Dogs NSW supports the amendment to ANKC Ltd Regulations Part 6 to include a new Clause 1.11.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Tweed River CC & Combined Northern River KC – Appointment of Interstate Office Bearer

SECONDED L Brand **MOVED J Seary** THAT the appointment of an Interstate Officer Bearer to the Tweed River Canine Club and Combined Northern River Kennel Club be approved pending accepting of Dogs NSW Membership.

CARRIED

8. **BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVOUS MEETINGS – NIL**

9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS

9.1 Regulations Part I-The Register & Registration, Clause 18.3(d)

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED N Keck THAT Regulations Part I-The Register & Registration, Clauses 18.3(d), which currently read as follows:-

18.3 The documentary record must:-

.....

(d) be maintained for a period of 7 years from the date of the breeding activity in question,

Be amended to read:-

18.3 The documentary record must:-

.....

(d) be maintained for a period of 5 years from the date of the breeding activity in question,

CARRIED

10. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

10.1 P Cutler – Heat Policy

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED L Brand THAT Regulations Part II-Show, Section 19: Extreme Weather & Safety Guidelines, which currently reads:-

SECTION 19 04/10

Extreme Weather & Safety Guidelines

Extreme Weather – Impact on Shows

19.1 Legal responsibility for the care and welfare of all dogs at shows rests with their owner/s, or other person/s authorised by the owner/s, who have taken the dog to the showground. Dogs NSW cannot regulate to absolve any party of that responsibility.

This Part of the Regulations is provided to assist those parties in making responsible decisions in extreme weather conditions. If the exhibitor cannot ensure that the dog is, or will be, safe in the heat, it is safest to either not attend in the first place or leave at the first sign of possible discomfort. The Regulations are an attempt to reduce the exposure of a dog during times of high temperature or humidity, however, they should not be taken as any guarantee or indication that conditions compliant with the Regulations will be safe for any dog (or exhibitor) and the ultimate responsibility for a dog's welfare (and an exhibitor's welfare) remains with the exhibitor.

- 19.1.1 If, at any Show, an exhibitor considers that the heat conditions are or may be prejudicial to the comfort or welfare of their exhibit/s, they may leave the grounds immediately with no penalty or other consequence in relation to any award that may have previously been made at that show.
- 19.1.2 Where the Bureau of Meteorology NSW ("BOM") forecast at the website (<u>http://www.bom.gov.au/weather/nsw/forecasts/map.shtml</u>) for the location nearest to any show, at 10.00am on the day which is 2 days before the scheduled commencement time of the show, indicates Extreme Weather for the date of the show, the following will apply:-
 - 19.1.2.1 The Show Committee conducting the show must make a decision as to whether to cancel the show or amend the start time for the show. This decision must be made 36 hours prior to the scheduled commencement time of the show.
 - 19.1.2.2 Any decision which is taken in accordance with 19.1.2.1 must be made available to exhibitors within four hours by recording the decision on the extreme weather status phone number shown in the show advertisement or schedule and, when staff are available to do so, upload the information onto the Dogs NSW website.
- 19.1.3 (i) In the months of December to February inclusive, an Affiliate has the option of conducting either a day show (or trial) or an evening show. During this period, day shows must be scheduled to commence no later than 8.00am and evening shows must be scheduled to commence no earlier than 5.00pm. Outside of this period, commencement times remain optional. (10/10)
 - (ii) In the months of December to February inclusive, an Associate Affiliate has the option of conducting either a day show (or trial) or an evening show. During this period, day shows must be scheduled to commence no later than 9.00am and evening shows must be scheduled to commence no earlier than 5.00pm. Outside of this period, commencement times remain optional. (10/10)

- 19.1.4 The only exception to 19.1.3 is where a Club has two separate events scheduled to be held on the same day and, in such case, the first must commence no later than 8.00am. The second may be scheduled to commence at the conclusion of the first, however, if the BOM maximum temperature forecast for the location nearest to the show at 10.00am on the day which is two days before the show, is 35° Celsius or higher, the second event must immediately be rescheduled to commence no earlier than 5.00pm.
 - 19.1.4.1 Any decision which is taken in accordance with 19.1.4 must be made available to exhibitors within four hours by recording the decision on the extreme weather status phone number shown in the show advertisement or schedule and, when staff are available to do so, upload the information onto the Dogs NSW website.
- 19.1.5 Where, at any show, it appears the temperature is rising to levels of approximately 35° or higher, it is the responsibility of the Show Committee to monitor the temperature on at least 15 minute intervals.
 - 19.1.5.1 Where possible, these readings should be taken using the official BOM observations, or otherwise at the sole discretion of the Show Committee, for the location nearest to the show venue at this website:-(http://www.bom.gov.au/weather/nsw/observations. shtml).
 - 19.1.5.2 Where the Show Committee does not have access to the BOM observations, the temperature is to be taken using a thermometer in accordance with the following instruction issued by the BOM NSW Climate Services Centre.
 - 19.1.5.3 "Locate the thermometer in full shade on a southern facing wall or on a southern verandah which has plenty of wind flow. Make sure early morning or late evening sunshine does not hit the thermometer. Full shade and plenty of air flow is recommended."
 - 19.1.5.4 On any occasion where the temperature observation on two successive readings exceeds 40° Celsius the show is to be immediately cancelled with no further judging to take place after the announcement.
- 19.1.6 All show advertisements or schedules are to contain an extreme weather status phone number. The phone numbers are to be maintained by the Show Committee which shall be responsible for ensuring that any cancellations of the show are recorded on the telephone number.

19.1.7 Whenever a show or trial is being conducted in hot or humid conditions, such conditions to be determined at the sole discretion of the Show Committee, the following recommendations are made to assist in expediting completion of the event. They are not intended to be exhaustive and affiliates, clubs and members are reminded to consider carefully their individual conditions and circumstances:-

Clubs conducting events should:-

- Ensure that fresh water is easily available for exhibitors and dogs, i.e., provide the location of taps there should be several taps available at large shows.
- Ideally, provide some child wading pools pre-filled with water in shady areas so that distressed dogs can be rapidly cooled.
- Provide shade for exhibitors and dogs in the assembly areas.
- Ensure Judges are aware that exhibitors and dogs can be directed to leave the ring for shelter and then come back into the ring for the final selection (i.e., large class, Group or General Specials).
- Provide towels or similar covers to be placed on the examination tables.
- Provide regular announcements about the dangers of dogs being left in cars, trailers and closed tents (heat exhaustion).
- Postpone the luncheon break until after the conclusion of the show or trial.
- Postpone or cancel scheduled events which do not form part of the main competition (e.g., Junior Handler heats, demonstrations, etc).
- Consider future scheduling of your show as an evening event.

Exhibitors should;

- Obtain advice from their veterinary surgeon as to their dog's fitness/good health to be comfortable and well hydrated throughout the day.
- Bring suitable shade for protection from the sun and sufficient supplies to ensure that their dog is comfortable and well hydrated throughout the day.
- If they cannot keep their dog comfortable at a show or trial, leave the event.
- 19.1.8 For the purposes of this Regulation, "Extreme Weather" is defined as 35° Celsius or higher.

19.2 Safety Guidelines

The safety of members and their dogs is of paramount importance. All persons concerned with the conduct of shows or trials are required to exercise due care and to ensure that activities are conducted under safe conditions. The following requirements are to be observed:-

- a) Exhibitions are not to be conducted under hazardous conditions. The exhibition is to be suspended immediately unsafe circumstances arise, such as, but not limited to:-
 - (i) lightning or electrical storm in the local area; or
 - (ii) gales or high winds; or
 - (iii) heavy rain/hail which renders conditions hazardous

Exhibitions should only resume when conditions are no longer hazardous.

- b) Hazards are to be removed promptly or signposted and secured by barriers.
- c) Loose equipment, such as umbrellas, chairs, etc, are to be secured.
- d) Spiked footwear is not to be worn.
- e) Dogs are not to be left without shelter and/or water.
- f) Dogs are not to be left unattended for long periods unless in a secure and safe situation which ensures the dogs safety and the safety of exhibitors and other exhibits.
- g) All persons concerned with the conduct of any show or trial, of any discipline, whether as a member, voluntary worker, show official, exhibitor or competitor, are required to wear dress appropriate for the task or activity being performed.
- h) Camping should not be provided by an organisation operating a sanctioned activity unless there is valid legal documentation approving such an activity. This activity must be specifically permitted in the terms of the lease and/or local council regulations.

It is the responsibility of any camper to ascertain whether camping is so permitted.

This Regulation does not apply to camping provided by an independent third party not concerned with the running of the activity.

- *i)* Smoking is not permitted in an area 20 metres from any ring in which an exhibition is taking place or 20 metres from any food vendor located on the showground. (**10/13**)
- 19.3 In the event of cancellation of a show in accordance with this Regulation, a refund of entry fees shall not apply.

Be amended to read:-

SECTION 19 04/10

Extreme Weather & Safety Guidelines

Extreme Weather – Impact on Shows

19.1 Legal responsibility for the care and welfare of all dogs at shows rests with their owner/s, or other person/s authorised by the owner/s, who have taken the dog to the showground. Dogs NSW cannot regulate to absolve any party of that responsibility.

This Part of the Regulations is provided to assist those parties in making responsible decisions in extreme weather conditions. If the exhibitor cannot ensure that the dog is, or will be, safe in the heat, it is safest to either not attend in the first place or leave at the first sign of possible discomfort. The Regulations are an attempt to reduce the exposure of a dog during times of high temperature or humidity, however, they should not be taken as any guarantee or indication that conditions compliant with the Regulations will be safe for any dog (or exhibitor) and the ultimate responsibility for a dog's welfare (and an exhibitor's welfare) remains with the exhibitor.

- 19.1.1 If, at any Show, an exhibitor considers that the heat conditions are or may be prejudicial to the comfort or welfare of their exhibit/s, they may leave the grounds immediately with no penalty or other consequence in relation to any award that may have previously been made at that show.
- 19.1.2 Where the Bureau of Meteorology NSW ("BOM") forecast on the BOM App (http://www.bom.gov.au/app/) for the location at or nearest to any show at 10.00am on the day which is 2 days before the scheduled commencement time of the show, indicates Extreme Weather for the date of the show, the following will apply:-
 - 19.1.2.1 If the forecast maximum temperature is 38° Celsius or higher, the show or shows are to be immediately cancelled.
 - 19.1.2.2 If the forecast maximum temperature is in the range of 35° to 37° Celsius, the Show Committee conducting the show must make a decision as to whether to maintain the existing arrangements, cancel the show or amend the start time and/or day for the show. This decision must be made no later than 36 hours prior to the scheduled commencement time of the show.
 - 19.1.2.3 At its own option, if the Show Committee is required to make a decision under 19.1.2, it may include decisions in relation to any other shows which are scheduled to be held on subsequent day/s as part of the same cluster of shows.
 - 19.1.2.4 Any decision which is taken in accordance with 19.1.2.1 or 19.1.2.2 or 19.1.2.3 must be made available to exhibitors within four hours by recording the

decision on the extreme weather status phone number shown in the show advertisement or schedule and, when staff are available to do so, upload the information onto the Dogs NSW website.

- 19.1.3 (i) In the months of December to February inclusive, an Affiliate has the option of conducting either a day show (or trial) or an evening show. During this period, day shows must be scheduled to commence no later than 8.00am and evening shows must be scheduled to commence no earlier than 6.00pm. Outside of this period, commencement times remain optional. (10/10)
 - (ii) In the months of December to February inclusive, an Associate Affiliate has the option of conducting either a day show (or trial) or an evening show. During this period, day shows must be scheduled to commence no later than 9.00am and evening shows must be scheduled to commence no earlier than 5.00pm. Outside of this period, commencement times remain optional. (10/10)
- 19.1.4 The only exception to 19.1.3 is where a Club has two separate events scheduled to be held on the same day and, in such case, the first must commence no later than 8.00am. The second may be scheduled to commence at the conclusion of the first, however, if the BOM maximum temperature forecast on the BOM App for the location at or nearest to the show at 10.00am on the day which is two days before the show, is 35° to 37° Celsius, the second event must immediately be rescheduled to commence no earlier than 6.00pm.
 - 19.1.4.1 Any decision which is taken in accordance with 19.1.4 must be made available to exhibitors within four hours by recording the decision on the extreme weather status phone number shown in the show advertisement or schedule and, when staff are available to do so, upload the information onto the Dogs NSW website.
- 19.1.5 Where, at any show, it appears the temperature is rising to levels of approximately 35° or higher, it is the responsibility of the Show Committee to monitor the temperature on at least 30 minute intervals.
 - 19.1.5.1 These readings should be taken using the official BOM observations for the location at or nearest the show venue on the BOM App.
 - 19.1.5.2 Where the Show Committee does not have access to the BOM App observations, the temperature is to be taken using a thermometer in accordance with the following instruction issued by the BOM NSW Climate Services Centre.

- 19.1.5.3 "Locate the thermometer in full shade on a southern facing wall or on a southern verandah which has plenty of wind flow. Make sure early morning or late evening sunshine does not hit the thermometer. Full shade and plenty of air flow is recommended."
- 19.1.5.4 On any occasion where the temperature observation on two successive readings taken in accordance with 19.1.5 exceed 38° Celsius the show is to be immediately cancelled with no further judging to take place after the announcement.
- 19.1.5.5 If the reading taken at the scheduled commencement time of the show is 38° or above, commencement of the show may be delayed for no longer than two hours, and if by that time the temperature has not fallen below 38°, the show shall be immediately cancelled.
- 19.1.5.6 Where any show is cancelled before its conclusion, any award made at the show prior to the announcement of the cancellation shall stand.
- 19.1.6 All show advertisements or schedules are to contain an extreme weather status phone number. The phone numbers are to be maintained by the Show Committee which shall be responsible for ensuring that any cancellations of the show are recorded on the telephone number.
- 19.1.7 Whenever a show or trial is being conducted in hot or humid conditions, such conditions to be determined at the sole discretion of the Show Committee, the following recommendations are made to assist in expediting completion of the event. They are not intended to be exhaustive and affiliates, clubs and members are reminded to consider carefully their individual conditions and circumstances:-

Clubs conducting events should:-

- Ensure that fresh water is easily available for exhibitors and dogs, ie, provide the location of taps there should be several taps available at large shows.
- Ideally, provide some child wading pools pre-filled with water in shady areas so that distressed dogs can be rapidly cooled.
- Provide shade for exhibitors and dogs in the assembly areas.
- Ensure Judges are aware that exhibitors and dogs can be directed to leave the ring for shelter and then come back into the ring for the final selection (ie, large class, Group or General Specials).

- Provide towels or similar covers to be placed on the examination tables.
- Provide regular announcements about the dangers of dogs being left in cars, trailers and closed tents (heat exhaustion).
- Postpone the luncheon break until after the conclusion of the show or trial.
- Postpone or cancel scheduled events which do not form part of the main competition (eg, Junior Handler heats, demonstrations, etc).
- Consider future scheduling of your show as an evening event.

Exhibitors should:-

- Obtain advice from their veterinary surgeon as to their dog's fitness/good health to be comfortable and well hydrated throughout the day.
- Bring suitable shade for protection from the sun and sufficient supplies to ensure that their dog is comfortable and well hydrated throughout the day.
- If they cannot keep their dog comfortable at a show or trial, leave the event.
- 19.1.8 For the purposes of this Regulation, "Extreme Weather" is defined as 35° Celsius or higher.
- 19.2 Safety Guidelines

The safety of members and their dogs is of paramount importance. All persons concerned with the conduct of shows or trials are required to exercise due care and to ensure that activities are conducted under safe conditions. The following requirements are to be observed:-

- a) Exhibitions are not to be conducted under hazardous conditions. The exhibition is to be suspended immediately unsafe circumstances arise, such as, but not limited to:-
 - (i) lightning or electrical storm in the local area; or
 - (ii) gales or high winds; or
 - (iii) heavy rain/hail which renders conditions hazardous

Exhibitions should only resume when conditions are no longer hazardous.

- b) Hazards are to be removed promptly or signposted and secured by barriers.
- c) Loose equipment, such as umbrellas, chairs, etc, are to be secured.
- d) Spiked footwear is not to be worn.
- e) Dogs are not to be left without shelter and/or water.

- f) Dogs are not to be left unattended for long periods unless in a secure and safe situation which ensures the dogs safety and the safety of exhibitors and other exhibits.
- g) All persons concerned with the conduct of any show or trial, of any discipline, whether as a member, voluntary worker, show official, exhibitor or competitor, are required to wear dress appropriate for the task or activity being performed.
- h) Camping should not be provided by an organisation operating a sanctioned activity unless there is valid legal documentation approving such an activity. This activity must be specifically permitted in the terms of the lease and/or local council regulations.

It is the responsibility of any camper to ascertain whether camping is so permitted.

This Regulation does not apply to camping provided by an independent third party not concerned with the running of the activity.

- i) Smoking is not permitted in an area 20 metres from any ring in which an exhibition is taking place or 20 metres from any food vendor located on the showground. (10/13)
- 19.3 In the event of cancellation of a show in accordance with this Regulation, a refund of entry fees shall not apply.

CARRIED

10.2 Waiver for Agricultural Shows

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT a Notice be placed in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette and on the website advising members that they are not required to sign a waiver when entering Agricultural Shows as they are already covered by Dogs NSW Insurance.

CARRIED

10.3 **DOTY**

Director E Gunter raised the issue of the extreme weather at the time of the DOTY and made the following suggestions:-

- move date due to weather
- Entire format needs to be looked at
- Choosing of Judges needs to be looked at

It was agreed this matter be referred to the Show Committee.

10.4 **Discrepancy with Show Venues/Dates**

10.4.1 **Conduct of Dogs NSW Shows in Victoria**

Director E Gunter raised concern in respect of shows being approved to be conducted in Victoria with no reference to Dogs Victoria that Dogs NSW shows are to be held in their State and insurance repercussions.

In respect of the Dareton show, it was advised that there were no insurance issues.

10.4.2 Approval of Northern Bull Terrier Club Show

Director E Gunter raised the issue of the approval of the Northern Bull Terrier Club Show for the same date as the British Terrier Club Show and Sutherland All Breeds Kennel Club. It is not practice to approve shows which clash with a Group Terrier Club Show or an All Breeds Club Show.

10.5 Japanese Shibu Inu Club – Show Date

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the recently approved affiliate, Japanese Shiba Inu Club be permitted to conduct a show on 18 May 2017 in conjunction with Cessnock International Show to utilise Overseas Judges and, due to the close of of 18 February 2017, the Club be advised tomorrow.

CARRIED

10.6 Breed Assessment – Lack of Assessors

Director M Arthur raised concern that there appears to be a situation in Coffs Harbour where it has been advised that there is no one available to do assessments in that area.

This matter was referred to the BATT Committee for consideration.

E Gunter left the meeting @ 7.40pm

MOVED M Arthur SECONDED J Seary THAT the CEO be requested to provide to all the Breed Assessors a list of the Breed Assessors so that they can make a referral for various areas.

CARRIED

10.7 Dogs NSW Temperament Tests

MOVED J SheppardSECONDED J Seary**THAT** a list of Dogs NSW Temperament Testers be provided to Directors.

CARRIED

MOVED M Wheeler

THAT, in respect of Temperament Tests for suspended dogs, the owners be permitted to apply no earlier than 30 days (one month) prior to the expiration of the suspension and that they be advised at the time of suspension letter, eg, by an attached form.

SECONDED L Brand

CARRIED

10.8 April 2017 Board Meeting – Change of Date

The Chair advised the meeting that it appears that a few Directors will be attending Crufts and, therefore, there may not be a quorum for the April 2017 meeting as the scheduled date clashes with Sydney Royal.

MOVED G Spagnolo SECONDED M Arthur THAT the April 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors be moved to the 1st Wednesday of the month, ie, Wednesday 5 April 2017.

CARRIED

MEETING CLOSED: 7.50pm

<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Wednesday **1 MARCH 2017** @ 2.00pm (**the scheduled date for the March 2017 meeting clashes with Crufts and, therefore, has been rescheduled to be held on the <u>first</u> Wednesday in March 2017)