



MINUTES for 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 March 2017 at 2.11PM.

PRESENT:

L Brown	M Arthur
J Sheppard	F Hession
E Pickering	N Keck
V Etherington OAM	G Spagnolo
L Brand	J Seary
E Gunter	M Wheeler
R Britten	P Cutler
	A Lee

IN ATTENDANCE: V Gagan-Wilson (CEO)

APOLOGIES: NIL

**1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

MOVED L Brand  
SECONDED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on 1 February 2017, be confirmed.

**CARRIED**

**2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**3. JUDICIAL MATTERS**

**4. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA**

**4.1 Executive Committee Decisions**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED L Brand  
**THAT** the following Executive Committee decisions be endorsed:-

**4.1.2 ECD No.5/2017 – Regulations Part II-Show, Section 19-AMENDMENT-6/2/2017**

**THAT** the typographical error in the newly approved Regulations Part II-Show, Section 19-Extreme Weather & Safety Guidelines, Clause 19.1.2.3, which refers to Clause "19.1.2.2" be amended to refer to Clause "**19.1.2**".

It was agreed a Director would foreshadow a motion to amend Regulations Part II-Show, Section 19, to incorporate into those Regulation the starting time of 8.00am for Associates.

- 4.1.4 **ECD No.7/2017 – Henty Show Society – Change of Date – 8/2/2017**  
**THAT** Henty Show Society be granted dispensation to move their Championship show (from Saturday 11 February 2017) to **Sunday 12 February 2017**, commencing @ 9.00am, due to expected extreme weather conditions.

Director J Seary thanked those involved in the Henty decision advising that the arrangements worked out perfectly and the Show Society appreciated the flexibility shown by Dogs NSW.

- 4.1.5 **ECD No.8/2017 – Hunter River A&H Association – Change of Date – 14/2/2017**  
**THAT** Hunter River A&H Association be granted dispensation to move their Championship show (from Saturday 18 February 2017) to **Sunday 19 February 2017**, commencing @ 8.30am, due to expected extreme weather conditions.

**CARRIED**

4.2 **Ethics & Welfare Working Party Minutes**

- 4.2.1 **Meeting – 24/10/2016**

- 4.2.2 **Meeting – 7/2/2017**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Minutes of the Ethics & Welfare Working Party meeting held 7/2/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

4.3 **Judges Committee Minutes – 21/2/2017**

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Minutes of the Judges Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

4.4 **Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's Report**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** the extensive report from the AWCLO be received with thanks.

**CARRIED**

4.4.1 **Breach of Regulations Part XIII-Code of Ethics, Clause 16**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** a Notice be placed in the next available Gazette reminding members of their responsibility under Dogs NSW Regulations Part XIII-Code of Ethics, Clause 16, which reads:-

16. *A Member shall include their Dogs NSW Membership Number in an advertisement placed in any form of media, or on any sign whatsoever, that advertises a dog or puppy for sale whether for payment or not. Such quotation shall be in the form "Dogs NSW Member xxxxxxxxxx". (04/14)*

and that disciplinary action will be taken in cases of misleading advertising by members.

**CARRIED**

**4.9 2017 Committees/Working Parties**

**4.9.1 Conformation Judges Training Committee – Approval of Members**

MOVED V Etherington

SECONDED L Brand

**THAT** the Board notes the confirmation of the membership of the Conformation Judges Training Committee as listed at Item 2.1.2 of the February 2017 Board meeting, with the addition of Mr Graham Cruse as the Utility Group Assistant Co-ordinator.

**CARRIED**

**4.9.2 Breed Standards Committee – Approval of Members**

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** the following persons be approved as members of the Breed Standards Committee:-

- Mr Wayne Burton
- Dr Karen Hedberg BVSc
- Mrs Jeanie Montford
- Mr John Comerford

**CARRIED**

**4.9.3 Public Relations – Approval of Members**

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED L Brand

**THAT** the following persons be approved as members of the Public Relations Committee:-

- Ms Fiona Dempster
- Ms Rebecca Rafton (Treasurer)
- Ms Sharon Hannigan
- Mr Blake Wistuba
- Miss Kerrie Reeder
- Mr Brad Santas

**CARRIED**

**4.9.4 Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee - VOCJEC**  
(Refer Item 4.7.2 – BOD Minutes 1/2/2017)

**4.9.5 Appointment of Chair of Agility Judges Committee**

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** Dr L Hammer be appointed as Chair of the Agility Judges Committee.

**CARRIED**

**4.10 Expressions of Interest – Committee Assistance**

- L Snow
- W Goldsworthy

MOVED L Brand

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the expressions of interest for Committee assistance from Mrs L Snow and Mr W Goldsworthy be accepted and referred to the Marketing & PR Co-ordinator.

**CARRIED**

**...OPEN MEETING...**

**5. MONTHLY REPORTS**

**5.1 CEO's Report**

**5.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 1.1: Regulation Anomalies – Exporting a Puppy – Age Restriction**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED M Wheeler

**THAT** Dogs NSW Regulations Part I-The Register & Registration, Clause 13.8(b)(i), which currently reads as follows:-

*13.8 (a) In the case of an application to transfer a dog to any overseas transferee, in addition to complying with regulation 13.2, the transferor shall apply to Dogs NSW for an export pedigree (which shall only be issued if the Dogs NSW records in respect of the dog in question go back at least three generations) which must be provided by the transferor forthwith upon receipt to the transferee. 2/96*

*(b) An export pedigree will not be issued in respect of a dog that is to be transferred to an overseas transferee:  
(i) until the dog has attained the age of 11 weeks, or  
06/09*

**be amended to read:-**

*13.8 (b) An export pedigree will not be issued in respect of a dog that is to be transferred to an overseas transferee:  
(i) until the dog has attained the age of 12 weeks, or  
(03/17)*

**CARRIED**

**5.1.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 1.1: Regulation Anomalies – Renaming of Dogs NSW Regulations Part IV-Judges**

**WITHDRAWN**

Director E Gunter foreshadowed a motion to amend Regulations Part IV so that the name of those Regulations revert back to "Judges".

**5.1.3 Recommendations 3(A) & 3(B) – Item 1.2: Breeding Prior to Prefix Approval**

MOVED E Pickering

SECONDED F Hession

**THAT** Recommendations 3(A) & 3(B), which reads as follows, be approved **subject to amendments:-**

**5.1.3.1 Recommendation 3(A)**

**THAT** Regulations Part I-The Register & Registration, Clause 11.1, be amended to read:-

*11.1 Prior to commencing any stage of a breeding program or applying for registration of a dog in the*

register, the breeder shall first apply for and have **been** granted a prefix.

5.1.3.2 **Recommendation 3(B)**

**THAT** the "Caution Clause" in the Prefix Program information on the website be amended to read:-

**Caution: In accordance with Regulations Part I-The Register & Registration, Clause 11.1, you are not permitted to breed a litter prior to registration of your Prefix and a breach of this Regulation whilst a Member of Dogs NSW, could result in the matter being referred to the Disputes Assessment Panel for possible disciplinary action.**

**CARRIED**

5.1.4 **Recommendation 4 – Item 1.3: Board Protocol, Procedures & Policy Document**

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

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

**THAT** the Board considers progressing with the review of the Board Protocol, Procedures & Policy Document.

**WITHDRAWN**

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** Recommendation 4 be **DEFERRED** to the next meeting to give the Board time to review.

**CARRIED**

5.1.5 **Recommendation 5 – Item 1.4: 2017 Insurance Renewals**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED N Keck

**THAT** Recommendation 5, which reads as follows, be approved:-

**THAT** the Board accepts the offer of CGU for a \$1,000 excess on claims against the Public & Products Liability Insurance policy with an increased premium of \$5,000.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the increased premium of \$5,000 for the Public & Products Liability Insurance Policy be split between the Affiliates with a advice to them that Dogs NSW has been able to negotiate to reduce the excess, however, there has been a slight increase in premium.

**CARRIED**

5.1.6 **Recommendation 6 – Item 1.5: Dispensation-Breach of Code of Ethics**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** a Notice be placed in the next available Gazette advising members who have purchased a breeding bitch and transferred it into their name, that they are entitled to seek information on the whelping history of the bitch in question from the Office.

**CARRIED**

5.1.12 **Item 3.6: Inclusion of Judges Renewals on Membership Renewal Form**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** the hard copy Judges Renewal application no longer be printed in the Gazette and Judges be advised that their Judges Renewal will be part of their membership renewal from 2017 onwards.

**CARRIED**

MOVED L Brand

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** the CEO's report be received.

**CARRIED**

*Meeting recessed @ 4.05pm*

*Meeting resumed @ 4.35pm*

*L Brand left the meeting @ 4.35pm*

*L Brand returned to the meeting @ 4.38pm*

*F Hession left the meeting @ 4.35pm*

*F Hession returned to the meeting @ 4.43pm*

5.2 **Finance Committee - 27/2/2017**

5.2.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 7.1: Inspection of Trees @ Orchard Hills**

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED G Spagnolo

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

**THAT** the following appropriate action be taken by DNSW:-

- (1) the recommendations for the trees identified in the report as being high risk be actioned.
- (2) the incident report form template contained in the report be introduced and used by the Ground staff.
- (3) permission be sought from Council to remove relevant trees.
- (4) liaison with the Council as to the responsibility for those trees on the outside of grounds.

subject to the Office obtaining further quotes in respect of point (1), above.

**CARRIED**

5.2.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 7.1: OH&S Procedure**

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED G Spagnolo

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

**THAT** a Notice should be published in the next available Gazette reminding members that every individual is responsible for health and safety issues on the grounds.

**CARRIED**

5.2.3 **Recommendation 3 – Item 8: Financial Report – 1 July 2016 to 31 January 2017**

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED E Gunter

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

**THAT** the Financial Report 1 July 2016 to 31 January 2017 be recommended to the Board for approval.

**CARRIED**

5.2.4 **Recommendation 4 – Item 10.1: Purchase of Defibrillators for Regions**

The Chair advised the meeting Ms R Keene's husband has offered to donate a second defibrillator for the lower end of the grounds.

Director J Seary raised the issue of restricting the use of the defibrillator to properly qualified persons.

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** a further defibrillator be purchased for Orchard Hills and housed in the GSDL Building, that Dogs NSW accepts the kind donation by Mr Keene of a defibrillator for the lower end of the grounds and a defibrillator be purchased for the Newcastle Region.

**CARRIED**

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** the Board agrees to purchase a defibrillator for each Region on the condition they submit a plan on how they will utilise and maintain the device.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** Recommendation 4 be noted as other action has been taken by the Board.

**CARRIED**

5.2.5 **Recommendation 5 – Item 10.2: Emergency Communication**

Director N Keck advised the meeting that the Kyogle had purchased 2 way radios @ \$124 each which can be charged by USB and work effectively.

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED L Brand

**THAT** Directors P Cutler & N Keck to liaise together in respect of purchasing 2 way radios.

**CARRIED**

Recommendation 5 was **DEFERRED**

5.2.6 **Recommendation 6 – Item 10.3.2: Levies for Cancelled Shows**

Discussion ensued in respect of refund of entry fees for shows cancelled due to extreme weather.

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** Recommendation 6 be **DEFERRED** to the next meeting for further consideration by the Finance Committee and the Board for suggestions on how to address the situation.

**CARRIED**

Director E Gunter foreshadowed a motion to amend Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 19.3.

MOVED E Gunter  
**THAT** Recommendation 6 be noted.

SECONDED P Cutler

**CARRIED**

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

SECONDED L Brand

**CARRIED**

5.3 **Agility Committee**

5.3.1 **Meeting - 24/1/2017**

5.3.1.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 6.1: Mr Paul Enriquez – Agility Committee Position**

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** Mr Paul Enriquez be appointed as a Casual Member for the Agility Committee for 2017.

SECONDED J Sheppard

**CARRIED**

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

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** the Committee’s decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

SECONDED P Cutler

**CARRIED**

5.3.1.3 **Recommendation 3 – Item 8.3.1: National Agility Committee – 2017 Rules Review Proposals**

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** the Agility Committee’s Agility Rules Proposal for the revised 2017 Rule Review be approved and forwarded to ANKC Ltd.

SECONDED P Cutler

**CARRIED**

MOVED J Seary  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Agility Committee held on 24/1/2017 be received.

SECONDED P Cutler

**CARRIED**

5.3.2 **Meeting – 21/2/2017**

5.3.2.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 7: Trial Dates**

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** the Committee’s decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

SECONDED J Seary

**CARRIED**



5.3.2.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 8.8: Appointment of Casual Member – Mrs J Bratter**

MOVED V Etherington OAM                      SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** Mrs Judy Bratter be appointed as a Casual Member of the Agility Committee.

**CARRIED**

MOVED P Cutler    SECONDED M Wheeler  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Agility Committee held on 21/2/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

5.4 **Agility Judges Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet

5.5 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee – 11/2/2017**

*L Brand left the meeting @ 6.17pm*

5.5.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 6.1 & 6.2: Availability of Breed Assessors List to Board**

MOVED E Gunter    SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** Recommendations 6.1 & 6.2 be noted.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter    SECONDED J Seary  
**THAT** the Minutes of the BATT Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

5.6 **Complex Fundraising Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

5.7 **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

5.8 **Dances With Dogs Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

5.9 **Grounds Committee – 14/2/2017**

5.9.1. **Recommendation 1 – Item 4.1: National Shows @ Orchard Hills**

MOVED J Seary    SECONDED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be noted:-  
**THAT** a professional service be engaged to give an unbiased investigation of the Conformation Rings.

**CARRIED**

5.9.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 5.1: Emergency 21/1/2017**

MOVED J Sheppard    SECONDED E Pickering  
**THAT** Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be noted:-

**THAT** investigation of an emergency procedure plan, utilising a professional service to ensure a true and proper emergency plan is implemented.

**CARRIED**

**5.9.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 6.5.2: Sheep Shade**

MOVED R Britten SECONDED F Hession

**THAT** Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be **DEFERRED**:

**THAT** whilst waiting for the shade trees to grow, the Ground staff investigate the construction of a shade area as a livestock protection area.

**CARRIED**

**5.9.4 Recommendation 4 – Item 6.6: Welfare Program/Procedure**

MOVED E Gunter SECONDED M Wheeler

**THAT** the Committee be requested to provide more information in respect of this matter.

**CARRIED**

MOVED J Seary SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** the Minutes of the Grounds Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

**5.9.5 Item 6.1: Ground Supervisor’s Report**

MOVED E Gunter SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Ground Supervisor’s report be noted.

**CARRIED**

**5.10 VACANT**

**5.11 Library & Archives Committee – Scheduled to meet 28/2/2017**

The Board noted that these Minutes will be submitted to the April 2017.

**5.12 Media & Government Legislation Committee**

**5.12.1 Meeting – 30/1/2017**

**5.12.1.1 Item 7.1: Meeting with Tanya Davies MP**

Director E Gunter commented that Ms Tanya Davies MP is well aware of Dogs NSW goals and achievements as she has visited Dogs NSW on numerous occasions and her door has always been open to us.

**5.12.1.2 Item 4.1: Legal Information - Advice on Planning Law Issues experienced by Dogs NSW Members**

MOVED M Wheeler SECONDED E Gunter

**THAT** the Board be provided with a copy of Barrister N Hammond’s report on planning law issues experienced by Dogs NSW members.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Pickering SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Minutes of the Media & Government Legislation Committee meeting held on 31/1/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

*E Gunter abstained*

5.12.2 Meeting – 27/2/2017

5.12.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 4.1: Legal Information - Advice on Planning Law Issues experienced by Dogs NSW Members

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT**, when the document drafted by Barrister N Hammond has been simplified, Barrister N Hammond be requested to review the document to ensure that her advice has not been inadvertently altered.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

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

**THAT:**

1. D Crofts simplify this document into a one page dot point document that is easily understood by the members.
2. The document should be developed into advice to be relayed for their information also.
3. M&GL Committee to develop a series of Press Releases.

**CARRIED**

5.12.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 6.1: Lease of the Complex

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** Dogs NSW explore both avenues, ie, purchase of land or remain at Orchard Hills, to the fullest extent and in parallel and the Grounds Committee be given the primary responsibility of looking at the grounds requirements and investigating potential sites.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** a vote of thanks be conveyed to Barrister Steven Berveling SC for his extensive briefing on the technical questions pertaining to the lease of the Complex.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED F Hession

**THAT** Recommendation 2 be noted.

**CARRIED**

5.12.2.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 7.3.1: Kids & Dogs Die in Hot Cars Program

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED G Spagnolo

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

**THAT** the order for “kids and dogs die in cars” sticker be deferred until closer to next summer.

**CARRIED**

5.12.2.4 Recommendation 4 – Item 7.5: PR Plan for March & April 2017

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

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

**THAT** Caroline Zambrano’s PR Plan dated 24/2/17 be approved.

**CARRIED**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED E Pickering  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Media & Government Legislation Committee meeting held on 28/2/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

**5.13 Members Education Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet

**5.13.1 MEPP Examination Supervisors & Inspectors**

MOVED R Britten  
SECONDED E Gunter  
**THAT** the following MEPP Supervisors be approved:-

Mr	James	Roworth
Mrs	Patricia	Sherman
Mr	Anthony	Snaddon
Mrs	Donna	Whale

**CARRIED**

**5.14 Obedience & Tracking Committee – 16/2/2017**

**5.14.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 4.1: Obedience & Rally Practical Workshop**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED G Spagnolo  
**THAT** the Notice at Annexure A of the Obedience & Tracking Committee Minutes of 16/2/2017 regarding the Obedience & Rally Practical Workshop be placed in the next available Gazette.

**CARRIED**

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

MOVED G Spagnolo  
SECONDED E Gunter  
**THAT** the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial dates be approved.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

**5.15 Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee – 9/2/2017**

**5.15.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.2: Obedience & Tracking Judges Training Scheme – Acceptance of Applications**

MOVED G Spagnolo  
SECONDED E Gunter  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows be approved:-  
**THAT** the following applicants be accepted for the 2017 Obedience Judges Training Course:-

- Miss S Gluck – CCD
- Miss J Stewart – Open
- Miss S Turner – Tracking
- Mrs C Bryant – Endurance
- Mrs S Fedoryschyn – UDX

- Miss M Choice – Practical component and Examination for UD only.  
**subject to including Mr P Connoley – UDX.**

**CARRIED**

**5.15.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 7.5.5: Change of Date for Practical Examination**

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED J Seary

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

**THAT** the date for the Practical Examination for the Judges Training be changed to Friday night 3 November 2017. This will avoid a clash with Hills District Training Club and also ensure that temperature is more conducive to all involved with the examination.

**CARRIED**

**5.15.4 Recommendation 4 – Item 7.12: Application Form for Obedience, Tracking, Endurance & Rally O - Judges Training Scheme**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT**, in regards to Recommendation 4, the following paragraph be added to the application for the Obedience & Tracking Judges Training & Examination Scheme:-

*“I declare that I am physically fit and capable of judging in accordance with the Rules and if required I am prepared to undergo a medical fitness test and/or vision test at the discretion of the Member Body of the ANKC Ltd.*

**CARRIED**

**5.15.5 Recommendation 5 – Item 7.13: Committee Membership – Mr R Probert**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** Recommendation 5, which reads as follows, be approved:-

**THAT** Mr R Probert be re-appointed as a member of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Pickering

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

**5.16 Public Relations Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

**5.17 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee – 15/2/2017**

**5.17.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 4.1: Retrieving Trial Judges - Reports**

**OVER RUN**

5.17.2 **Recommendations 2 & 3**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED R Britten  
**THAT** Recommendations 2 & 3, which read as follows, be approved:-

5.17.2.1 **Recommendation 2 – Item 8.1.2: Gazette Notice – 2017 National RAFT Review of Rules**

**THAT** the following Notice be placed in the next available Gazette:-

*2017 National RAFT Review of Rules*

1. *Review of the Rules for the Conduct of Retrieving Ability Tests for Gundogs (RATG)*
2. *Rules for the Conduct of Field Trials for Pointer & Setters Trials*
3. *Rules for the Conduct of Field Trials for utility Gundogs*

*Submissions for changes and/or amendments to the aforesaid Rules will be accepted by the NSW RAFT Committee **by 16 May 2017.***

*Submissions should include the following detail:-*

- a) *The current rule numbers & rule detail*
- b) *The proposed amendment*
- c) *A full rationale for the proposed amendment*

5.17.2.2 **Recommendation 3 – Item 8.7: Appointment of Mr P Serle to the 2017 RAFT Committee**

**THAT** Mr Peter Serle be appointed to the RAFT Committee for 2017.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** the Minutes of the RAFT Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

**5.18 Show Committee – 15/2/2017**

5.18.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 3.1: ECD No.18/2016 – Regs Part II-Show, Clause 10.13 – RUBIG-AMENDMENT**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED G Spagnolo  
**THAT** the advice from the Show Committee that, as advice from ANKC Ltd is still pending, this Item be held over until such time as receipt of same is received, be noted.

**CARRIED**

5.18.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 3.10: Query of Judges Regulations**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED J Seary  
**THAT** Recommendation 2 **NOT** be approved.

**CARRIED**

5.18.3 **Recommendation 3 – Item 3.15: DOTY**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED E Pickering

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

**THAT** a Committee be convened consisting of members from Show Committee, Board of Directors and current event organisers meet at a “round table” to look at:-

- possible date that the event could be moved to
- air conditioned under cover venue/s
- order/method of judging
- selection of Judges including interstate/NSW residency
- computer generated selection of Heats:-
  - ⇒ so that a representative from each group is in each heat
  - ⇒ number of contestants in each heat are more evenly allocated
  - ⇒ less time consuming “draws” and faster notifications to exhibitors
- incentive to lift the contest to the Major Event of the Year on the Calendar

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Working Party be convened and the Show Committee be requested to provide the names of members to the next Board meeting.

**CARRIED**

5.18.4 **Item 3.16.1: Conduct of Dogs NSW Shows in Victoria**

***For the Office: Please advise Dogs Victoria that Dogs NSW has approved shows to be held in Victoria.***

5.18.5 **Recommendation 4 – Item 6.2: Aggressive Dog Incident – Combined Northern Canine Committee Inc – 14/1/2017**

**(Refer Item 4.5.1, above)**

5.18.6 **Recommendation 5 – Item 7: Show Dates**

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Committee’s decisions in relation to Show Dates be approved.

**CARRIED**

5.18.7 **Item 7.3.5: Newcastle & Hunter Region German Shepherd Dog Club Inc**

Director M Wheeler raised the issue of changes in show dates where the conformation shows are being held in conjunction with an Obedience Trial and requested that when these sort of changes are received that they also be referred to the Obedience & Tracking Committee.

5.18.8 **Item 7.3.6: Inverell Kennel & Training Club**

Director M Wheeler queried the date for the Inverell Kennel & Training Club.

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Show Committee discuss the Inverell Kennel & Training Club Conformation Show and Obedience Trials dates further with the Club for clarification.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** the decision, at Item 5.18.6 above, to approve the Show Dates be rescinded.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** the Committee's decision in relation to Show Dates be approved **subject to the matter in relation to Inverell Kennel & Training Club and the clashes of Trial dates raised today.**

**CARRIED**

5.18.9 **Recommendation 6 – Item 9.5: Addition to Regulations Part IV-Judges - Clause 4.14**

MOVED G Spagnolo  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** Regulations Part IV-Judges, Section 4, be amended by the inclusion of the follow Clause:

*4.14 A Judge shall not judge any Class or Classes at a Show for which he/she was required to receive, catalogue or administer the mailed or online entries.*

**CARRIED**

5.18.10 **Recommendation 7 – Item 9.8: Show Committee Hotline Information**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** Recommendation 7 **NOT** be approved.

**CARRIED**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** Director R Britten contact number be placed back on the Show Hotline.

**CARRIED**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED V Etherington OAM  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Show Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

5.18.11 **Item 8.2: Hound Club – Lure Coursing**

Director M Wheeler raised concerns for the conduct of the Hound Club Lure Coursing evening on the long weekend in October, being the same weekend as the State Obedience Titles.

It was confirmed the venue for this event is over towards the Jack Russell Terrier area and will not interfere the State Obedience Titles.

5.19 **Sporting Committee**

5.19.1 **Meeting - 25/1/2017**

5.19.1.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 3.5: Regulations Part II-Show, Section 19 – Additional Clause**

**OVER RUN**



MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED J Sheppard  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Sporting Committee held on 25/1/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

5.19.1.2 **Draft schedules**

Director V Etherington OAM confirmed to the meeting that the Draft Schedules will now go to the relevant Working Party in the first instance and then back to Committee.

5.19.2 **Meeting – 22/2/2017**

5.19.2.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 8.8.1: 2018 ANKC Ltd Herding Judges Training Scheme**

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**THAT** the Notice calling for Expression of Interest required for the 2018 ANKC Herding Judges Training Scheme be approved and published in the next available Gazette.

**CARRIED**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED N Keck  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Sporting Committee held on 22/2/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

5.20 **Spring Fair Dog Show Committee**

5.20.1 **Meeting – 30/1/2017**

5.20.1.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 10.2: Spring Fair Dog Show Committee Membership**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED N Keck  
**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-  
**that** the following members be invited to join the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee as Casual members:-

- Mr Neil Curwen
- Mrs Robin Mackintosh
- Mr Raymond & Mrs Vivienne Zavattaro
- Ms Angela West [pawest@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pawest@bigpond.net.au)
- Mr Brad Santos
- Mr Brian Hanley
- Mrs Rosemary Easton
- Mr John Comerford

**CARRIED**

MOVED P Cutler  
SECONDED J Seary  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee held 30/1/2017 be received.

**CARRIED**

5.20.2 **Meeting - 20/2/2017**

5.20.2.1 **Recommendation 1- Item 4.1: Spring Fair Dog Show Committee Membership**

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED J Seary

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

**THAT** the following persons be appointed as Casual Members of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee:-

- Mr Neil Curwen – Accepted
- Mrs Vivienne Zavattaro – Accepted
- Ms Tracie Buckley – Accepted

**CARRIED**

5.20.2.2 **Recommendation 2 – Item 6: Show Dates**

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED P Cutler

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

**CARRIED**

Director E Gunter reminded the Committee that Clubs conducting Spring Fair Specialties must use Spring Fair Judges.

5.20.2.4 **Item 8.5: Tent booking**

Director M Wheeler requested clarification as to whether this item referred to cabanas or camping. It was confirmed the item referred to cabanas.

5.20.2.5 **Item 8.9: Judges Payment - Catering**

Director E Gunter advised that the Spring Fair catering for Judges was normally provided by Gasroslyn Catering.

Director E Pickering confirmed that the catering payment was for when the Judges were not here.

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** the Minutes of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

5.21 **Stewards & Representatives Committee – 11/1/2017**

5.21.1 **Item 3.2: Letter to Regional Secretaries**

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the letter to the Regional Secretaries regarding the conduct of Steward Courses be amended by reducing the minimum number of Candidates from 10 to 5.

**CARRIED**

MOVED J Seary  
SECONDED R Britten  
**THAT** refer back to Stewards & Representatives Committee to request they consider suggestions on how Dogs NSW can ensure its Stewards Courses can actually achieve what they are desired to achieve, ie, increasing practising Stewards in the Regions.

**CARRIED**

5.21.2 **Item 3.2: Open Book Examination/Manual**

MOVED J Sheppard  
SECONDEDE R Britten  
**THAT** the Stewards & Representatives Committee be requested to proceed with developing an Open Book Examination and Manual.

**CARRIED**

MOVED V Etherington OAM  
SECONDED R Britten  
**THAT** the Minutes of the Stewards & Representatives Committee be received.

**CARRIED**

6. **ANKC LTD MATTERS** - NIL

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 **Mr G McGrath SC – Life membership**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED P Cutler  
**THAT** the letter from Mr G McGrath SC be noted.

**CARRIED**

8. **BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS** - NIL

9. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS**

9.1 **Obedience Judges – Appointment to Judges Committee**

MOVED E Gunter  
SECONDED J Sheppard  
**THAT** two (2) Full Panel Obedience Judges be appointed as Members to the Judges Committee. These Judges to be utilised if and when a complaint is received in regards to an Obedience Judge.

**CARRIED**

MOVED M Wheeler  
SECONDED E Gunter  
**THAT** the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee Mission Statement be amended by deleting Item 5.

**CARRIED**

9.2 **Amendment to Regs Part 11-Show-Section 19 – Extreme Weather**

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** Regulations Part II – Show, Section 19: Extreme Weather, be amended as follows:-

1. Clause 19.1.2.1 which currently reads as follows:-

*19.1.2.1 If the forecast maximum temperature is 38° Celsius or higher, the show or shows are to be immediately cancelled.*

**Be amended to read**

19.1.2.1 If the forecast maximum temperature is 38° Celsius or higher, the show or shows **must either be moved to commence no earlier than 6.00pm or otherwise immediately cancelled. If it is not possible to efficiently conduct two shows which are scheduled to be held on the one day, one of them must be immediately cancelled.**

**LOST**

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** Regulations Part II – Show, Section 19: Extreme Weather, be amended as follows:-

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Motion be put.

**CARRIED**

2. Clause 19.1.5.1 which currently reads as follows:-

*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.*

**Be amended to read**

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 **excepting in respect of shows scheduled to be conducted at the CNCC Dog Showground Hillsborough where readings must be taken at the grounds in accordance with the process set out in Regulations 19.1.5.3 – 19.1.5.6.**

**LOST**

10. **GENERAL BUSINESS** - NIL

**MEETING CLOSED:** 8.53pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday 5 April 2017 @ 2.00pm