



MINUTES of a Meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held **ELECTRONICALLY** on Wednesday 29 April 2020.

PARTICIPATION:

K Hedberg BVSc	J Seary
L Brown	N Keck
J Sheppard	C Rafton
L Brand	E Pickering
M Arthur	R Harbin
R Britten	A Lee
G Spagnolo	P Cutler
V Etherington OAM	

APOLOGIES: NIL

...IN CAMERA...

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – Electronic 1/4/2020

MOVED E Pickering

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held Electronically on Wednesday 1 April 2020 be **CONFIRMED**.

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3. JUDICIAL MATTERS

4. GENERAL BUSINESS – IN CAMERA

4.1 Executive Committee Decisions

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Executive Committee's decisions in ECD Nos.21, 22 & 23/2020, which read as follows, be **endorsed**:-

4.1.1 ECD No.21/2020– Cancellation of All DOGS NSW Approved Events

THAT all DOGS NSW approved events be cancelled until 30 June 2020, except in the case where the NSW Government rescinds the social distancing policy to the extent that shows may resume prior to that date. In this eventuation, DOGSNSW will endeavour to assist all Affiliates to assume normal activities as soon as possible. In some incidences, this may involve giving Affiliates exemption, to some regulations, in order to expedite normal activities.

4.1.3 ECD No.23/2020 – COVID 19- Relaxation of Restrictions for the Office

THAT the restriction on staff attending the Office at the one time, during the COVID-19 pandemic, be relaxed from (2) to up to (4), until further notice.

CARRIED

4.2 **Operations Manager's Report – March 2020**

MOVED L Brown
SECONDED E Pickering
THAT the Operations Manager's Report for end March 2020 be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

4.3 **Judges Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

4.4 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

4.5 **Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer Report – April 2020**

MOVED L Brown
SECONDED J Sheppard
THAT the Report from the Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer for the month of April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

4.6 **Aggressive Dogs - NIL**

...OPEN MEETING...

5. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS** - NIL

6. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

6.1 **Company Secretary's Report**

6.1.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 1.1: Regulations Part X – Affiliated Bodies, Section 1, Clause 1.3(c)(iii)(B)(i)&(ii)**

MOVED L Brown
SECONDED R Britten
THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-
THAT Regulations Part X – Affiliated Bodies, Section 1, Clause 1.3(c)(iii)(B)(i)&(ii), which currently reads:-

- 1.3 An applicant for Affiliation or Associate Affiliation shall not be admitted as an Affiliate or an Associate Affiliate unless:-
 - (c) its application is in writing signed by its Secretary for the time being addressed to and lodged with the DOGS NSW Secretary and is accompanied by:-
 - (iii) a certificate signed by its President and Secretary stating that the applicant has, in the case of:-
 - (B) an all breeds or general dog club, at least thirty (30) financial members of which:-
 - (i) at least 15 of those 30 members are financial members of DOGS NSW and

- (ii) those 15 financial members of DOGS NSW own a dog registered on an ANKC Ltd National Register.

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or such other number as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors either generally or specifically for any particular area, who are entitled to vote at a general meeting of such club listing the names and addresses of such members;

(10/03)

Be amended to read:-

1.3 An applicant for Affiliation or Associate Affiliation shall not be admitted as an Affiliate or an Associate Affiliate unless:-

- (c) its application is in writing signed by its Secretary for the time being addressed to and lodged with the DOGS NSW Secretary and is accompanied by:-

(iii) a certificate signed by its President and Secretary stating that the applicant has, in the case of:-

(B) an all breeds or general dog club, at least ~~thirty (30)~~ **ten (10)** financial members **each of which whom is:-**

(i) ~~at least 15 of those 30 members are a~~ financial members of DOGS NSW and

(ii) ~~those 15 financial members of DOGS NSW own the~~ **owner of** a dog registered on an ANKC Ltd National Register. **(07/16)**

or such other number as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors either generally or specifically for any particular area, who are entitled to vote at a general meeting of such club listing the names and addresses of such members; **(10/03)**

CARRIED

6.1.3 Section 2: Matters for Noting

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED R Britten

THAT the following items in the Company Secretary's Report be **NOTED:-**

- 2.1 Code of Ethics Breaches
- 2.2 Affiliate Matters – 2018/2019 Annual Reports
- 2.3 ANKC LTD MATTERS
 - FCI Circulars 20 & 23/2020
- 2.4 MEPP Inspections Pending - NIL
- 2.5 Use of a Runner - NIL

CARRIED

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED P Cutler

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

CARRIED

6.2 Finance Committee – 14/4/2020

6.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.4: Refund for Shows

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED J Sheppard

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

THAT no further decision be made regarding further reimbursements or credits until Clubs have submitted their Financial Returns for the 2019/20 financial year by 1 December 2020.

CARRIED

*P Cutler against
J Seary abstained*

Director J Seary suggested that Clubs with cancelled shows in the first half of 2020, and which had already been advertised in the Journal, be allowed to gain approval for Draft Schedules and Journal Ads for 2021 without any accompanying payment until the review proposed for December 2020 be completed. This is especially relevant for those Clubs with shows prior to 31 June 2021 as many would normally be submitting Draft Schedules in the December/January period.

Clubs most severely affected financially by cancellations of their shows are those who have:-

- Paid for Draft Schedule processing
- Paid for Journal Advertising
- Paid for International Judges' ANKC approval
- Paid for Judges air fares (which on cancellation are credited to the Judge) and which are only recoverable if the same Judge is available for the next show(s) - or if the Judge uses that credit for other travel and is considerate enough to reimburse the Club.

It is not as though all Clubs affected are operating on a shoestring either. A Club for which I am Treasurer has paid out a total of \$4,435.00 on the above (and Judges were not from overseas), other Clubs have expended even more. Judges travelling QANTAS would have received full airline credits valid through to the end of 2021, but these are only of value to the Club if the same Judges are available for 2021 - or they refund the Club if not and use the credits privately.

Many of them are cash poor as a result, and I am concerned that some are so badly off that even Annual Affiliation fees are going to be tight.

I understand that this is going to be a balancing act with DOGS NSW finances, but I believe that ALL Clubs who have had to cancel their 2020 events (whether Conformation or Sporting) should, at the very least, receive a 100% credit for all fees paid to DOGS NSW for Draft Schedule Processing and Advertising for their 2020 events.

6.2.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 7.6: Valuation of Artwork

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED L Brown

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

THAT any items donated to the Library **must be cataloged correctly**, photographed appropriately and the history and donor be recorded on back of the item.

CARRIED

N Keck against

Director N Keck advised that this item should have been sent to the Library & Archives Committee for comment and not directly to the Board for a decision. There is already a process for recording donated items. Books are recorded on a Library system, named Bookmark, which is used by schools throughout Australia and covers all our needs for books, magazines, cds etc. Artwork – paintings, prints, statues and other items are given an ID number which is placed on the item in the form of a small dot. A photograph and description of the item is recorded together with the donor where known. This information is stored on the Library & Archives Committee records which is backed up daily by the Main Office computer and in a printed copy stored in a folder in the Research & Education Building. It should be noted that some items are too small to have information attached and others too fragile.

6.2.4 **Recommendation 4 – Item 8.1 Financial Report - 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 – FINAL**

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED M Arthur

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

THAT the Financial Report as @ 31 March 2020 be approved by the Board of Directors.

CARRIED

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held via teleconference on 14 April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.3 **Agility Committee – 16/3/2020**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Agility Committee meeting held on 16 March 2020 were referred back to the Committee for review.

6.4 **Agility Judges Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.5 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.6 **Breed Standards Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.7 VACANT

6.8 **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.8.1 **Report on 2019/2020 CJEP**

MOVED M Arthur

SECONDED R Britten

THAT the report from the Chair of the CJEP Examinations Committee, in respect of the status of the 2019/2020 CJEP, be **received**.

CARRIED

6.9 **Constitution & Regulations Working Party**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.10 **Dances With Dogs Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.11 **Grounds Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.12 **Library & Archives Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.13 **Media & Government Legislation Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.14 **Members Education Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.15 **Obedience & Tracking Committee**

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.16 **Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee – 20 & 21/4/2020 (Electronically)**

6.16.2 **2020 Obedience Judges Training Scheme - Cancelled**

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the advice of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee, that the 2020 Obedience Judges Training Scheme has been cancelled, be **noted**.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED M Arthur

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee meeting held electronically on 20 & 21 April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.17 **Public Relations Committee – 6/4/2020 (Electronically)**

6.17.3 **Recommendation 3 – Item 3: Instagram – Breed of the Week**

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED R Britten

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

THAT the Public Relations Committee be approved to do a Breed of the Week on the DOGS NSW Instagram with the images already supplied by Clubs and, if approved, all posts will be submitted to the DOGS NSW President for approval before being posted.

CARRIED

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED M Arthur

THAT the Minutes of the Public Relations Committee meeting held electronically on 6 April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.18 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee – 15/4/2020 (Electronically)

6.18.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 6 – Trial Dates

MOVED P Cutler
SECONDED J Sheppard
THAT the Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-
THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

6.18.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.2: Retrieving Trial Championship Videos

MOVED M Arthur
SECONDED P Cutler
THAT the Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-
THAT the 1990/1991 NSW Retrieving Trial Championship videos be made available for publication on the Retrieving Australia website.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler
SECONDED M Arthur
THAT the Minutes of the Retrieving & Field Trials Committee meeting held electronically on 15 April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.19 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.20 Show Committee – 15/4/2020

6.20.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.3.35: Cattle Dog Spectacular

MOVED R Britten
SECONDED P Cutler
THAT the Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-
THAT those members who negotiated the 2020 date contact the relevant parties to ensure that this event is held in 2021 as a great deal of work has been done to ensure that this promotion of both breeds will occur.

CARRIED

6.20.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7: Show Dates

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

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler
SECONDED M Arthur
THAT the Minutes of the Show Committee meeting held electronically on 15 April 2020 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.21 Sporting Committee

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

6.22 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee

The Board noted that the this Committee did not meet

7. ANKC LTD MATTERS

7.1 ANKC Ltd Advice to Breeders re COVID-19

MOVED J Sheppard
SECONDED P Cutler
THAT the ANKC Ltd advice to Breeders re COVID-19 be **noted**.

CARRIED

7.2 ANKC Ltd Survey – Turkish Shepherd Dog

MOVED P Cutler
SECONDED R Britten
THAT the ANKC Ltd Survey on the Turkish Shepherd Dog be **noted** and published in the DOGS NSW Gazette, Weekly Woof, website and all other media platforms.

CARRIED

From the Office: The Office has written to all current financial owners of Anatolian Shepherd Dogs and Kangal Shepherd Dogs drawing their attention to this Survey.

7.3 Approval of Electronic Motion #180 - National Code of Practice of Responsible Dog Ownership, Clause 10 Amendment

MOVED E Pickering
SECONDED J Sheppard
THAT the approval of ANKC Ltd Electronic Motion #180 in regards to the amendment to Clause 10 of the National Code of Practice for Responsible Dog Ownership, be **noted**.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE - NIL

9. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – NIL

10. GENERAL BUSINESS – NIL

NEXT MEETING: To be held electronically
To be advised