



MINUTES of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held ELECTRONICALLY on **Wednesday 17 December 2025**

PARTICIPATION:

R Sinclair	S McFadden
C Rafton	J Bryson
N Curwen	A Moy
G Vernon	V Harris
K Charnock	T Hofman
L Brand	P Brown
K Hedberg BVSc	

NO RESPONSE: S Hannigan, A McIlrath

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

1.1 Face to Face Meeting – 10/12/2025

MOVED K Hedberg BVSc

SECONDED A Moy

THAT the Minutes of the Face to Face Board Meeting held on 10 December 2025 be **confirmed**.

CARRIED

S McFadden ABSTAINED

2. BUSINESS ARISING TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

2.2 Appointment of Committee Members
(Refer Item 3.10-BOD Minutes 10/12/2025)

2.2.1 Conformation Judges Training Committee

MOVED P Brown

SECONDED T Hofman

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Conformation Judges Training Committee:-

CO-ORDINATORS

Toys:	Peter Cutler
Terriers:	Warren Goldsworthy
Gundogs:	Guy Spagnolo
Hounds:	Toni Comerford
Working Dogs:	Lynda Brandt
Utility:	John Comerford
Non-Sporting:	Amanda Huggins

ASSISTANT CO-ORDINATORS

Toys: Rosemary Duffy
Terriers: Sandy Wesselink
Gundogs: Robyn Williams
Hounds: Grant Gibson
Working Dogs: Donna Morris
Utility: Matina Butcher
Non-Sporting: Peter King Brown

CARRIED

*K Charnock, V Harris, K Hedberg BVSc, R Sinclair, G Vernon AGAINST
C Rafton ABSTAINED*

2.2.2 Conformation Judges Examinations Committee

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED K Hedberg BVSc

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Conformation Judges Examinations Committee:-

- Dr Karen Hedberg BVSc
- Simon Mills
- John Sheppard
- Glenn Vernon
- Phil Brown (Board)

CARRIED

P Brown, S McFadden, G Vernon ABSTAINED

3. MONTHLY REPORTS

3.1 Sporting Committee – 14/12/2025

3.1.1 Note for Board – Item 7: Approval of Trial/Test Dates

The Board noted the Committee’s decisions in relation to approval of Trial/Test Dates.

3.1.2 Recommendation 1 – Item 8.2: Approval of Earthdog Working Party Members

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED P Brown

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

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Earthdog Working Party:-

- John Causer
- Liz Patterson
- Amy Tombling

CARRIED

S McFadden ABSTAINED

3.1.3 **Recommendation 2 – Item 8.4: Approval Flyball Working Party Members**

MOVED P Brown

SECONDED T Hofman

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

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Flyball Working Party:-

- Shell Guerney
- Steph Betts
- Isabelle Simm

CARRIED

L Brand ABSTAINED

3.1.4 **Recommendation 3 – Item 8.5.1: Wendy Downing Memorial Trophy**

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED P Brown

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

THAT ASHSINHALT DIM OF LIGHT 5100135894 owned by Ms S Raines be the winner of the Wendy Downing Memorial Trophy. The Office to make arrangements for the Owner to attend DOGS NSW for Photographs and arrange the engraving of the plaque for 2025. Details also to be published on DOGS NSW Social media.

CARRIED

3.1.5 **Recommendation 4 – Item 8.5: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Clause 4.2(a)(vi) – AMENDMENT**

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED K Hedberg BVSc

THAT DOGS Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Clause 4.2(a)(vi) be amended as follows:-

Currently reads:

4.2(a)(vi) act as a handler of an exhibit or exhibit a dog in a Lure Coursing Meet or SprintDog™ Trial at which he officiates as a Judge. (08/25)

Be amended to read:

4.2(a)(vi) act as a handler of an exhibit or exhibit a dog in a ~~Lure Coursing Meet or~~ SprintDog™ Trial at which he officiates as a Judge. **(12/25)**

CARRIED

G Vernon AGAINST

S McFadden, A Moy ABSTAINED

3.1.6 **Recommendation 6 – Item 8.5: Approval of Lure Coursing Working Party Member**

MOVED K Hedberg BVSc

SECONDED T Hofman

THAT Recommendation 6, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

THAT EmilyKate Schafli be approved as a member of the Lure Coursing Working Party.

CARRIED

S McFadden, L Brand ABSTAINED

3.1.7 **Recommendation 7 – Item 8.6: Approval of Sled Sports Working Party Members**

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED K Hedberg BVSc

THAT Recommendation 7, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

THAT the following persons be approved as members of the Sled Sports Working Party:-

- Rachel Mills
- Sam Hartwig

CARRIED

S McFadden, L Brand ABSTAINED

3.1.8 **Recommendation 8 – Item 8.7: Approval of Scent Work Working Party Members**

MOVED P Brown

SECONDED T Hofman

THAT Recommendation 8, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

THAT the following persons be approved as members of the Scent Work Working Party:-

- Carole Hately/Deputy Convenor
- Veronica Sewell
- Sharon Wee
- Kate Middleton
- Sharon Caroll

CARRIED

S McFadden, L Brand ABSTAINED

3.1.9 **Recommendation 9 – Item 8.7: Approval of Scent Work State Titles Sub-Committee Members**

MOVED T Hofman

SECONDED P Brown

THAT Recommendation 9, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

THAT the following persons be approved as members of the Scent Work State Titles Sub-Committee:-

- Carole Hately (Sydney – West)/Convenor
- Carla Goldman (Sydney–West)/Deputy Convenor & Trial Manager
- Alanna Wynn (Yass Region)
- Karen Stubbings (Western Region)
- Sigrid Boehme (Sydney-North)/SC Secretary
- Alison Minnett (Sydney)/Trial Secretary
- Emma Milharcic (Sydney)

CARRIED

S McFadden, L Brand ABSTAINED

3.1.10 **Recommendation 10 – Item 8.12: Approval of DOGS NSW Delegate to the National Scent Work Committee**

MOVED K Hedberg BVSc

SECONDED T Hofman

THAT Recommendation 10 which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

THAT the Donna Puttock be approved as the DOGS NSW Delegate to the National Scent Work Committee.

CARRIED

S McFadden, A Moy ABSTAINED

4. **MOTIONS ON NOTICE** – NIL
5. **DOGS AUSTRALIA MATTERS** – NIL
6. **CORRESPONDENCE** – NIL

NEXT MEETING: Additional Meeting - Tuesday 6 January 2025 commencing @ 2.00pm via Zoom Conferencing