



Minutes of the Executive Council meeting

Held on 21-22 November 2020

**At the Canterbury Kennel Association
701 McLean Island Road
McLeans Island
Christchurch 8051**

1. INTRODUCTION/MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (EC)

Brian Harris (BH) President
Jill Brooker (JB)
Keith Brown (KB)
Steve Tate (STT)
Catherine McManus (CM)

Arend van den Bos (AB)
Stephen Meredith (SM)
Donna Hailes (DH)
Fiona Hodgson (FH)
Lisa Slade (LS)

STAFF

Steven Thompson (ST) – Director Secretary

APOLOGIES

Trina Nichols
Clive Phillips – Treasurer
Nicola Wood – Executive Assistant/Administrator

WELCOME

BH welcomed the E.C to the meeting at 9am.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The E.C adopted the agenda.

Moved: BH; Seconded: SM – Adopted

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The E.C noted the conflicts of interest register.
Additions / Changes to BH / LS/ SM.

EMAIL VOTES

Two recent email votes:

1. Judges Regulation Amendments (September 2020)
2. Judges Exam Approval (November 2020)

Moved: LS; Seconded: KB – Adopted

DECEASED MEMBERS

The E.C noted the list of deceased members; Mary Crawford (Wellington), Robynne Morrell (Christchurch), Maree McKenzie (Waiuku), Eileen McIntosh (Auckland), Gordon Wilson (Auckland).

25 SEPTEMBER 2020 / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The E.C confirmed the 25 September 2020 meeting minutes.
Clarification that JDT/JDS income exceeds budget.

Moved: KB; Seconded: SM – Adopted

2. JOINT MEETING CH&W Committee

Members of the CH&W Committee were present for this item. Pam Douglas(PD), Karen McIntyre, and Lynley Drummond.

Key discussion topics were:

- **JBG Scheme - Judges Training and how this will be introduced**
 - PD spoke to scheme planning & roll out. Embraced Nordic Scheme.
 - Described judges' forms and development work required for Online Show programme PD to send show programme scope of work to Director Secretary.
 - Education through the Clubs is important including use of webinar training etc. for steward training.
 - Programme to be formally reviewed every three years. Annual data review is recommended.
 - The E.C approved moving forward on programme.
- **Regulations - what part does CH&W play into the regulations and the process to make sure this is written and agreed too/ Tail docking regulation - where are we at and how do we move forward.**
 - E.C is the decision making body for Rules & Regulations. CH&W committee is an advisory body only.
 - Disseminating any Regulation proposals that impact on Canine Health & Welfare to be circulated to CH&W Chair before presentation so they can provide feedback to E.C.
 - Pug LRL to be notified in December with start date 1 May. 4 month notification period before RFG scheme to be brought in.
 - Recommended Changes to Tail Docking Regulations were discussed:
 - Tail Docking Registration regulation 9.1.6 to align with show regulation 19.14.
 - Tail Docking Registry regulation 17.1.7 to be removed.
 - Registration regulation 5.3.3- remove LRL / BCOC endorsement wording for Registry 111.

ST to send draft regulations changes re: Dock Tails & Registry III endorsements to both committees before final approval at next E.C. Meeting.

3. IMPORTANT ITEMS

FINANCE UPDATE

Treasurer's Report

- **30 September 2020 Financials**

Report provided by Clive Phillips (CP).

Financial Update for September 2020

September - First Deficit month for the current year albeit minor.

September Actuals exceeded Budget once again primarily due to strong income recorded across all activity areas. Note Agility has \$10k of revenue in Receipts in Advance which will be released to revenue in October to align with costs associated with running the labour weekend benefit show.

Membership, Kennel name, Registrations, transfers and Non-member advertising Revenues continue to perform better than expected during the first half of the year.

Membership including Gazette subscriptions and club levies are in line with the same period last year. All Registry activity except exports are ahead of last year. Refer Registry Activity Table.

Show Levy Income is significantly down on last year (\$40k) over the first six months and we are predicting more shortfall during the second half of the year. We budgeted a return to normal revenue flow for show levies during the second half of the year. This is looking overly optimistic. The January to March 2021 quarter has strong budgeted revenue reflecting full normal activity and back loading of membership and subscription fees. This is being flagged as a risk area.

Some of the revenue recorded during July and August relate to events which either have not taken place or have had to be rescheduled to a later date due to being at Level 2 or 3. This revenue will have offsetting expenses when held BUT may need to be refunded if the event is cancelled.

The re-emergence of Covid-19 community cases in late July is having an adverse impact on these revenue streams. Dog showing activities will definitely be an income deficit for the year.

Expenses in September were marginally less than budget. A good result given ACOD costs were not in the September budget.

Dogs NZ must keep expenditure in line with the modest revenue stream expected for the remainder of the year.

Dogs NZ needs to be aware the challenges for this financial year still exist and will continue to impact.

Actual Income EXCEEDS budget by \$413.6K for the September Year to Date period

Operations that EXCEED Budget Income for the Year

All operations exceed budget income. The main contributors are Dogs NZ HO \$286.6k and Gazette \$45.1k

Actual Expenditure OVER budget by \$22.9k for the September Year to Date period

Operations OVER Budget Expenditure YTD

Dogs NZ HO (\$26.7k), AEC (\$13.6k), Dunedin (\$1.4k), Wellington (\$6.7k) and Obedience (\$3.4k)

Balance Sheet REMAINS STRONG - Cash and Property rich

Total cash to end of September \$1,614.8k, up \$154.9k since end of last financial year (March 2020).

Summary of Group Financial Results: – Income minus Expenditure

Monthly Result: - Deficit less than Budget, Last Year's Actual and Pre Covid Budget deficits

<u>September Month:- Income less Expenditure</u>				
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Pre Covid Budget</u>	
(\$3,135)	(\$58,710)	(\$9,924)	(\$19,064)	
<u>Year To Date :- Income less Expenditure before Depreciation</u>			<u>Full Year 2020-2021</u>	
<u>This Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Forecast</u>
\$189,559	(\$201,170)	\$89,799	(\$392,794)	(\$2,065)

Actual YTD results:-

- Significantly Exceeds Budget By: - \$390.7k.
- Significantly Exceeds Pre Covid Budget By: - \$193.4k
- Exceeds Last Year Actual By: - \$99.8k

Registry Activity

The table clearly reflects Registry activity is tracking comfortably ahead of last year, both in numbers and Income, except for Exports.

	<u>Analysis YTD September 2020</u>					
	<u>Number</u>			<u>Income</u>		
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	
Litter Notification	931	842	11%	33,031	30,775	7%
Registrations	4,588	4,142	11%	124,338	102,073	22%
Transfers	3,196	2,746	16%	60,967	53,310	14%
Imports	159	155	3%	14,939	14,448	3%
Exports	84	149	-44%	6,939	12,735	-46%
Overall Total	<u>8,958</u>	<u>8,034</u>	12%	<u>240,214</u>	<u>213,341</u>	13%

Detailed Analysis**Dogs NZ (NZKC):- EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$259.9k**

Income \$286.6k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$26.7k) OVER budget YTD.

AEC: - EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$18.7k

Income \$32.3k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$13.6k) OVER budget YTD.

Dunedin: - :- EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$12.7k

Income \$14.1k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$1.4k) OVER budget YTD.

Wellington Property EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$15.8k

Income \$22k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$6.2k) OVER budget YTD.

Gazette: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$57.1k

Income \$45.1k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses \$12k BELOW budget YTD.

NDOA: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$5k

Income \$4.7k ABOVE budget YTD which was NIL.

Expenses \$0.3k BELOW budget YTD.

Agility: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$14k

Income \$1.2k UNDER budget YTD.

Expenses \$15.3k BELOW budget YTD.

JDT & JDS: - Income EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$2.7k

Obedience: -Income EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$2.7k

Balance Sheet & Cash Flow

- Cash balances INCREASED \$155k since 31 March 2020.
- Debtors \$79k down from end of last financial year. There are no overdue balances in the 3 month category.
In the Four month and older balances there are \$0.3k NZKC and AEC \$0.1k.
- Prepayments \$77.1k (expenses paid in advance) - \$33.9k greater than end of last financial year. \$68k is the Insurance premium for the 20/21 year.
- Receipts Received in Advance figure \$60k on the balance sheet comprises the total of Receipts in Advance \$27k and Deferred Income Sponsorship \$33k
The main items comprising the Receipts in Advance total are:-
Purina Sponsorship \$33k -This is being released into accounts in equal monthly instalments
Obedience Central region NDOA monies \$11.9k - to be held until Obedience Central next hold NDOA (3 yrs)
Agility Benefit Show Entries for event in Oct \$10k
Royal Canine Gazette Advertising received in Advance \$5k

The E.C noted the financial update as at 30 September 2020. CM asked why computer expenses was over budget and if it is new equipment should it not be capitalised.

Information Only – Report Received

30 OCTOBER 2020 ACCOUNTS

Report provided by Clive Phillips (CP).

Financial Results

October – Modest Surplus month.

October Actual Revenue comfortably exceeded Budget for all activity areas.

Membership, Kennel name, Registrations, transfers, Gazette subscriptions and Non-member advertising Revenues continue to perform better than expected. AEC & Wellington generated solid rental income while Dunedin & Agility experienced good Benefit Show Income during October.

Year to Date Membership including Gazette subscriptions and club levies are in line with the same period last year. All Registry activity except exports & Imports are ahead of last year. Refer Registry Activity Table.

October Actual Expenditure over budget by \$7.5k. AEC, Dunedin and Agility were the activities responsible for the over spend. AEC was due to unbudgeted but necessary grounds R & M and benefit show expenses relating to non-budgeted show. The over spend by Dunedin and Agility was also due to benefit show expenses relating to non-budgeted shows. NOTE all three benefit shows generated healthy profits.

Show Levy Income is significantly down on last year (\$40k) ytd and we are predicting more shortfall during the remainder of the year.

The January to March 2021 quarter has strong budgeted revenue reflecting full normal activity and back loading of membership and subscription fees. This is being flagged as a risk area.

Dogs NZ must keep expenditure in line with the modest revenue stream expected for the remainder of the year.

Dogs NZ needs to be aware the challenges for this financial year still exist and will continue to impact.

Actual Income EXCEEDS budget by \$458.4K for the October Year to Date period

All operations exceed budget income. The main contributors are Dogs NZ HO \$298.3k and Gazette \$47.3k

**Actual Expenditure OVER budget by \$30.4k for the October Year to Date period
Operations OVER Budget Expenditure YTD**

Dogs NZ HO (\$23.3k), AEC (\$21.6k), Dunedin (\$4.9k), Wellington (\$5.5k) and Obedience (\$3.4k)

Balance Sheet REMAINS STRONG - Cash and Property rich

Total cash to end of October \$1,594.3k, up \$134.5k since end of last financial year (March 2020).

Summary of Group Financial Results: – Income minus Expenditure

Monthly Result: - Deficit less than Budget, Last Year's Actual and Pre Covid Budget deficits

October Month:- Income less Expenditure				
Actual	Budget	Last Year	Pre Covid Budget	
\$4,670	(\$32,667)	\$6,694	\$29,551	
Year To Date :- Income less Expenditure before Depreciation			Full Year 2020-2021	
This Year	Budget	Last Year	Budget	Forecast
\$194,229	(\$233,837)	\$96,492	(\$392,794)	\$34,816

Actual YTD results:-

- Significantly Exceeds Budget By: - \$428.1k.
- Significantly Exceeds Pre Covid Budget By: - \$160.9k
- Exceeds Last Year Actual By: - \$97.7k

Registry Activity

The table clearly reflects Registry activity is tracking comfortably ahead of last year, both in numbers and Income, except for Exports.

	Analysis YTD October 2020					
	Number			Income		
	2020	2019		2020	2019	
Litter Notification	1,065	991	7%	38,159	36,156	6%
Registrations	5,211	4,746	10%	142,103	122,261	16%
Transfers	3,637	3,162	15%	70,598	62,788	12%
Imports	179	202	-11%	17,234	18,560	-7%
Exports	100	169	-41%	9,139	15,251	-40%
Overall Total	<u>10,192</u>	<u>9,270</u>	10%	<u>277,233</u>	<u>255,016</u>	9%

Detailed Analysis**Dogs NZ (NZKC):- EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$275k**

Income \$298.3k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$23.3k) OVER budget YTD.

AEC: - EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$19.6k

Income \$41.1k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$21.6k) OVER budget YTD.

Dunedin: - :- EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$11.3k

Income \$16.2k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$4.9k) OVER budget YTD.

Wellington Property EXCEEDS budget YTD by \$22.6k

Income \$28.1k ABOVE budget YTD.

Expenses (\$5.5k) OVER budget YTD.

Gazette: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$60.4k**Income** \$47.3k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** \$13.1k BELOW budget YTD.**NDOA: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$5k****Income** \$4.7k ABOVE budget YTD which was NIL.**Expenses** \$0.3k BELOW budget YTD.**Agility: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$23.3k****Income** \$9.7k ABOVE budget YTD.**Expenses** \$13.6k BELOW budget YTD.**JDT & JDS: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$5.4k****Obedience: - EXCEEDS Budget YTD by \$2.7k****Balance Sheet & Cash Flow**

- Cash balances INCREASED \$134.5k since 31 March 2020.
- Debtors \$80.5k down from end of last financial year. There is \$3.1k in the 3 month overdue category and \$0.2k in the Four month and older balances
- Prepayments \$66.9k (expenses paid in advance) - \$23.7k greater than end of last financial year. \$61.4k is the Insurance premium for the 20/21 year.
- Receipts Received in Advance figure \$42.1k on the balance sheet comprises the total of Receipts in Advance \$14.6k and Deferred Income Sponsorship \$27.5k
The main items comprising the Receipts in Advance total are:-
Purina Sponsorship \$27.5k -This is being released into accounts in equal monthly instalments
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Royal Canine Gazette Advertising received in Advance \$2.6k

The E.C discussed and noted the financial update as at 30 October 2020.

Information Only – Report Received

DEC – MARCH FY 20/21 INCOME & EXPENDITURE REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST) and Clive Phillips (CP).

Background:

National Office has reviewed the COVID Budget which at the end of 6 months (September 30) forecasts a -\$2k operational deficit for the full financial year.

In the original April COVID budget we had minimal revenue in the first 6 months with a return to normal revenue streams in the final 4-6 months.

With more experience we now know that some revenue streams (mainly show and venue rental income) are unlikely to fully recover in the current Financial Year.

We have focused on the key budget areas where we believe we are vulnerable to reduced revenue or likely to have increased costs. Our expectation is that the final end of year results will be in a range of -25k - \$88k operational deficit.

This is a better result than the COVID budget deficit of -\$392k and even less than our original pre-COVID budget of -\$88k deficit, however we need to keep close control on the following key expenses in in order to deliver to these expectations:

- E.C. / Committee Meeting costs (we recommend that February E.C. / all remaining Dogs NZ committee meetings in the January– March period are zoom meetings – saving \$17.5k)
- Venue maintenance costs (only projects approved by Capex Committee)

Recommendation:

That Executive Council considers a requirement of all Dogs NZ committees / sub-committees to hold their meetings by Zoom/online during the period January – March 2021.

Executive Council discussed the report and noted that worst case estimate was still in line with the original FY budget and a large improvement on the COVID budget.

CP to provide draft breakdown on E.C. / committee meeting costs and E.C. to investigate holding meeting in Christchurch to lower costs.

Report Received

CAPEX COMMITTEE REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Capital Expenditure Committee Report

The Wellington Roof Replacement project that requires a high level of information on a number of options that we face before we are ready to go to market for a materials/build contract.

1. Seddon Associates Report

We employed architects, Seddon Associates to look at the 3 options we had for the replacement of the Wellington roof and to recommend a preferred option and course of action.

They have recommended that we replace the roof at the current pitch which will result in the least cost and disruption. As there is no material warranty, careful attention will be required to detailing and contractor selection to substantially reduce risk.

Replacing the roof with a new frame structure to 3 degree pitch, while it provides the greatest warranty specs, is cost prohibitive, requires an expensive design/ building consent phase followed by costly building alterations in addition to replacing the roof.

We have asked why they did not recommend the option of an insulated/membrane over existing roof which has some benefits in being still able to operate the venue while the project work is underway and providing strong warranty specs. Seddon view is that they do not have direct experience with the insulated/membrane roof system, but advice they have received is that it is approx. twice the cost of their preferred option.

Their advice is that we obtain a quantity surveyor estimate for both options and ask Rooflogic to provide a proposal specific to our building and confirm warranty and price.

2. Quantity Surveyor

We have engaged Andy Norris from TSA Consultants to come back to us with cost estimates on the following work:

- Prepare a full Quantity Surveyor cost estimate report on the two preferred options which will enable us to make an informed decision on what is the best option to proceed with.
- Asbestos survey report.
- Preparing tender documents for the preferred options and evaluation / recommendation of tenders submitted.
- Scope of work estimates for supervision of construction work.

Once we have the QS report we will be able to make a decision on the best option to proceed with.

3. Consultant Costs

The cost of the preliminary report by Seddon Associates is estimated at \$5k.

We estimate that cost of TSA services will be \$5k for the QS report and \$20k for the tender docs / project management of construction.

The cost of the Asbestos report is \$1400 – \$2500 depending on if we require an Asbestos Management Plan because we have Asbestos on site.

E.C. noted and discussed the report.

ST gave an update report on the latest meeting with TSA as a contract has been signed for their services. Expected project timeline is:

- QS report in December which will provide Capex / RAF committee with sufficient information to make a key decision on what roof replacement option we prefer.
- A full Asbestos report on the building will also be completed in December.
- Tender docs will be drafted in January with tender report / selection decision in February.
- Construction is expected to start in March and be completed in 3-4 months depending on weather conditions. The clear wall panels will be replaced at the same time.

E.C. questioned if the current \$500k budget was sufficient. At this stage Capex Committee believes that the budget is sufficient for the scope of work.

E.C also discussed how to try and accommodate existing show bookings and resident tenants operations during construction. Depending on the final roof option selected there are opportunities to continue event operations during construction. However it may be prudent to withdraw the venue from hire during certain periods of construction work.

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4. IMPORTANT ITEMS

SHOW SCHEDULE POLL REPORT & DECISION

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Conformation Show Club Survey Results

A survey monkey poll link was sent to the Club secretaries of all conformation show clubs (we only removed Agility and Dog Training Clubs from the email list).

The poll was closed on the morning 10 November with the following results

Result Summary:

	Option One	Option Two	Option Three	Option Four
Survey Monkey Poll	4	5	48	21
Email Response		2	5	2
Total	4	7	53	23
% of total vote	4.6%	8%	61%	26.4%

Preferred Option 3:

- All conformation clubs to have one Champ Show and minimum of one Open Show from 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022
- Clubs do not have their own benefit shows
- Dogs NZ owned properties are limited to 2 benefit shows.
- This will be reviewed in September 2021 for the period 2022-2023.

The E.C agreed to adopt option 3 as the guideline for show license approval under Show Regulation 2.1 for the period 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022. There will be no dispensation granted to clubs for additional championship shows during this period. The show license guideline will be reviewed in September 2021 for the period April 2022 – March 2023.

Moved: FH, Seconded; STT – approved
Report Received

NDS 2021 Planning

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

The E.C discussed the report and the likelihood of being able to contract overseas judges for NDS in October. The E.C's preference is that NDS should be held at a time when borders are sufficiently open to guarantee the contracting of international judges. The E.C agreed, that until then, the focus should be on introducing FCI shows to NZ.

Proposed: That the NDS 2021 show be cancelled.

Moved: SM, Seconded; JB – Carried

Proposed: That a submission be made to FCI to reschedule the December 2021 FCI South Island show to Christchurch on the weekend 12/13 November 2021.

Moved KB Seconded; LS Carried
BH: abstained

PURINA SPONSORSHIP REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Purina Pro Plan Sponsorship Update

1. October Workshop

In October I met with the Purina Sponsorship team in Auckland to progress the following Agenda:

Key Next Project Steps (what can we get launched by Xmas)

- New Puppy Owners EDM
- Club Show Tool Kit
- Venue Signage
- Show / Expo Display Stands
- Dog Training / CGC
- What ideas from the survey reports should we include in above projects?

Budget Review

- Discussion of investment budget
- Out-Reach Project
- Can we resource the project in current FY?
- App Development

2. Status of key Programs

New Puppy Owners EDM

- Edm template is in design with Purina Agency
- Dogs NZ IT Team is working on automating Edm send with Registry information so we can personalize it.
- Completed review & update of Dogs NZ brochures & publications which will be linked to in Edm
- Completed new pedigree paper mail out letter template

Club Show Tool kit

- Design brief with Purina Agency
- POS down load site under construction (Purina Agency)
- Draft text for Marketing tool kit guide

Venue Signage

- Final designs sign-off
- Production in November

Show / Expo Display Standards

- Design brief for Dog Training display stands with Purina Agency

Dog Training / CGC

- Redesign of CGC brochure with Purina Agency
- Puppy training packs in production with Purina
- Purina Warehouse to handle dispatch with Training Clubs

The E.C discussed and noted the Purina Pro Plan Sponsorship Update.

Information Only - Report Received

STRATEGY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Strategy Committee Report

The Strategy Committee held its second workshop on 6 November 2020. The key outcome goals of the three scheduled workshops are:

Workshop One (11 February 2020)

- What do we think the greater "dog world" would look like in 20 years' time?
- What vision do we have for Dogs NZ in 2040?
- What strengths / opportunities can we build on to reach our vision?
- What weakness / threats do we face which can be road blocks to achieving our vision?
- What emerging strategic priorities do we need to develop to achieve our vision?

Workshop Two: (6 November 2020)

- Defining our mission and purpose
- Who do we choose to be and serve – all dog owners and prospective owners, or specialist interests and services?

Workshop Three (29 January 2021)

- Define the priority initiatives that will take us from where we are now to where we want to be.
- Define a plan for engagement and change leadership that will help bring existing members along to the new strategies purpose, mission and priorities.

The challenge for the Committee is that crafting a vision for the future is not easy and is wasted if don't get buy-in both from the top of organisation and the grass-root membership. We are well aware that as a committee we will need to champion with-in Dogs NZ community the final agreed Strategy.

Our objective is bring to the Executive Council in April a final strategy recommendation that will include:

- Mission Statement
- Critical Success Factors
- Key Priorities
- Key Business Plan Summary
- Gap Analysis
 - What needs to change
- Implementation Plan Summary

Subject to Executive Council's approval we would the aim to present the Strategy as a discussion paper at the June ACOD followed by a series of roadshow discussions with the membership.

The E.C discussed and noted the Strategy Committee Report.

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SOCIAL MEDIA CODE OF CONDUCT RECOMMENDATION

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Social Media Policy & Dispute Resolution Discussion Paper

Background

At ACOD 2020 Executive Council presented a discussion paper on updating and strengthen the current enforcement of the Social Media Code of Conduct with recommended changes to the Disputes Regulations.

Discussion Paper

Dogs NZ members have a choice regarding social media behavior and disputes.

- We can either decide that policing social media is not a core business of Dogs NZ and that any disputes regarding social media behavior between members is best resolved in the civil courts.
- Or we can decide that there should be a minimum code of behavior for Dogs NZ members on Social Media and it should be enforceable by our Disputes Regulations.

If it is the view of members that policing social media is not any business of Dogs NZ then we will withdraw the Social Media Code of Conduct and only take steps under of Disputes Regulations to protect staff from harassment or abuse.

If members still wish to have a minimum code of behavior for Dogs NZ members on Social Media then we need to be prepared to make a number of recommended changes to our Social Media Code of Conduct and Disputes Regulations.

Recommendation:

- Due to the clear feedback from ACOD delegates, it is recommend that Executive Council withdraw the existing Social Media Code of Conduct and recommend that any dispute between members over social media posts is settled in the courts.
- The recommended changes to the Disputes Regulations should also be withdrawn. Disputes Committee should only deal with complaints of members' breeches of rules and regulations.

The E.C discussed the report and agreed to the above recommendation with the motion to withdraw the existing Social Media Code of Conduct and the proposed changes to Disputes Regulations are also withdrawn.

Moved: LS, Seconded; FH – approved
Report Received

5. REGULATIONS

REGISTRY REGULATION PROPOSAL: 12.2 / 12.6 (DECISION REQUIRED)

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Recommended Changes to Registry Regulation 12.2 & 12.6

1. Background Rationale

Executive Council at the September meeting agreed to update regulations 12.6.3 / 12.6.4 to allow Executive Council the power to lift endorsements to resolve HD registration issues.

Following the meeting Executive Council has held a number of discussions by email revisiting the wording of the proposed changes.

The final version of the recommended changes subject to input of CH&W is outlined below.

2. Recommended Regulation Changes (in blue)

12.2. Breeder and Owner Endorsements.

12.2.1 "Not to be shown." "Not to be bred from." "Not to be shown or bred from." "Not to be bred from under the age of xxx years."

12.2.2 "Not eligible for the issue of an export certificate."

12.2.3 "Not to be bred from unless **x-rayed/radio-graphed** under a recognized scheme for the eradication of HD."

~~12.2.3.1 "Not to be bred from unless X-rayed under the PennHIP scheme"~~

12.2.4 "Not to be bred from unless **x-rayed/radio-graphed** under a recognized scheme for the eradication of HD **and a certificate** has been issued with a total score less than the current breed average at time of X-Ray."

~~12.2.4.1 Not to be bred from unless a certificate under the PennHIP scheme has been issued with a distraction index (DI) less than the current breed average at time of X-ray."~~

The E.C discussed and agreed to the recommended changes to Registry Regulation 12.2

Moved STT / Seconded: JB CARRIED

12.6 Lifting of an Endorsement

12.6.1 The Executive Council in their absolute discretion can approve the cancellation of any endorsement, upon the application of the owner of the dog with the consent of the breeder of the dog.

12.6.2 Application is made in writing by the owner of the dog giving reasons why the endorsement should be lifted accompanied by any consents required.

~~12.6.3 An endorsement under regulation 12.2.3 may be lifted upon production to the New Zealand Kennel Club of a copy of the **New Zealand Veterinary Association Hip Dysplasia scheme certificate recognized hip extended view scheme certificate** together with a written request from the owner(s) of the dog that the endorsement be lifted.~~

12.6.3 Where endorsements under 12.2.3 and 12.2.4 reference a superseded scheme the breeder must approve the lifting of the endorsement where the results submitted by the owner are from a recognized **[alternative but equivalent] or [recommended]** scheme. Where the breeder does not approve the lifting of the endorsement satisfactory justification must be provided to Executive Council.

~~12.6.3.1 An endorsement under regulation 12.2.3.1 may be lifted upon production to the New Zealand Kennel Club of a copy of the PennHIP result together with a written request from the owner(s) of the dog that the endorsement be lifted~~

12.6.4 An endorsement under regulation 12.2.4 may be lifted upon production to the New Zealand Kennel Club of a copy of ~~the New Zealand Veterinary Association Hip Dysplasia scheme certificate~~ recognized hip extended view scheme certificate showing a total hip score ~~of eight (8) or less with not more than six (6) on one hip together with a written request from the owner(s) of the dog that the endorsement be lifted~~ less than the current breed average at time of x-ray/radio-graph.

12.6.4.1 ~~An endorsement under regulation 12.2.4.1 may be lifted upon production to the New Zealand Kennel Club of a copy of the PennHIP result showing a Distraction Index less than the current breed average at time of X Ray.~~

The E.C discussed and agreed to the recommended changes to Registry Regulation 12.6.

Moved: STT, Seconded; FH – approved

REGISTRY REGULATION PROPOSAL: 12.1.4

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

RE: Registry Regulation Proposal –Regulation 12.1.4

Background:

The Registry team is increasingly dealing with breeders not supplying consent for new owners, with regards to endorsements, even after contacting breeders direct to resolve the missing consent documents.

The National office believes that current regulation 9.2.4 does not give the registry team sufficient power to resolve these issues between breeders and owners.

9.2.4 The registration application for each dog must show which Register it is to be recorded on, if not it will default to Full Register (Part 1).

We propose that we strengthen regulation 12.1.4 to give the National office the option to resolve the issue after meditation between breeders and owners has stalled.

Proposed Regulation Change: (in blue)

12.1.4 An endorsement by a breeder or owner of a dog is recorded upon transfer of the dog to a new owner. A transfer in form ~~KC-E~~ or a transfer on a Certificate of Registration ~~issued after 1-December-1996~~ must be completed and signed by the new owner except in the case of a dog already registered on the Restricted Register. *If consent to the endorsement(s) from the new owner is not provided by the breeder/current owner, the office reserves the right to record the registration on the Full Register (Part 1).*

The E.C discussed the proposed regulation change and would like further discussion with National Office Registry Team on the reasoning behind the proposed change.

REGISTRY MATTERS:

UPDATE ON APPLICATION TO REGISTER AN IMPORTED IRISH SETTER AND ENGLISH SETTER

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

Update on Application to Register an Imported Irish Setter and English Setter

An application was placed before Executive Council at their September 2020 meeting to register an Irish Setter and an English Setter imported from South Africa that were registered on the National Field Trial Association of South Africa.

The Kennel Union of South Africa was emailed following the meeting and the General Manager, Pascale Midgeley, has confirmed.

"This serves to confirm that the Kennel Union of Southern Africa has no objection to the registration of Irish Setter Luca's Pride Ruari and English Setter Winterbourne Felix owned by Mr Marius Coetzee on the Dogs NZ Restricted Register."

The National Office recommendation is that both these dogs be registered on the Restricted Register

The E.C discussed and agreed that both the Imported Irish Setter and English Setter be registered on the Restricted Register.

Moved: JB, Seconded; LS – approved

REGISTRY MATTER:

APPEAL TO REGISTER A COCKER SPANIEL

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB) on the request for Executive Council to use their power under the Rules and Regulations of Dogs NZ to register a male cocker spaniel on register 1 and issue pedigree papers accordingly.

There is no recommendation from The National Office due to the lack of evidence as to what litter the puppy was purchased from.

The E.C discussed the report and noted that although they were sympathetic to an owner who had gone to a previous Dogs breeder for surety of attaining a registered pup, unfortunately, without DNA proof, we are unable to recommend the registration of the puppy. The Director Secretary is to write to the owner and advise her if she could obtain DNA proof of the sire, dam & puppy, Then present this to Executive for a decision.

Report Received

PUG LRL REGISTRY APPROVAL

Report provided by Dr Becky Murphy (BM).

Pug LRL Survey Results

The Pug LRL survey was sent to all financial members who own a Pug, on the 23rd October 2020 and closed 2 weeks later on the 5th November 2020.

- 27 responses were received.
- 4 responses were discarded for the following reasons:
 - 3 where there were no relevant registration number given.
 - 1 completely blank survey
- 23 responses qualified.
- 75% participant agreement required to implement LRL(s).
- Qualifying LRLs to be implemented February 1st 2021

For all qualifying participants, results are as follows:

1. Do you agree with the introduction of Litter Registration Limitations (LRLs) for the Pug breed?

- o 23 answers
- o 20 yes
 - 86.95% agreement

Therefore, the following Registration Regulation should be adopted:

10.16.1

For all Pug litters born on or after 1st May 2021 as a pre-requisite to registration of any litter on the Dogs NZ Register I OR III, the following shall apply:

2. Do you agree with the limitation?

"The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be assessed by the Dogs NZ Respiratory Function Gracing Scheme (RFG Scheme) OR whole-body barometric plethysmography (WBBP) after 12 months of age and within the 24 months prior to mating. Results of such grading are to be supplied to Dogs NZ.

Any parent whelped before January 1st 2014 will be excluded from Regulation 10.15.2.

Frozen semen dispensations may be provided at the discretion of Dogs NZ. Written approval of the dispensation must be granted by Dogs NZ prior to mating. All dispensation requests will be addressed by Dogs NZ on a case by case basis."

- o 23 answers
- o 18 yes
 - 78.26% agreement

Therefore, the following Registration Regulation should be adopted:

10.16.2

The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be assessed by the Dogs NZ Respiratory Function Gracing Scheme (RFG Scheme) OR whole-body barometric plethysmography (WBBP) after 12 months of age and within the 24 months prior to mating. Results of such grading are to be supplied to Dogs NZ.

Any parent whelped before May 1st 2014 will be excluded from Regulation 10.16.2.

Frozen semen dispensations may be provided at the discretion of Dogs NZ. Written approval of the dispensation must be granted by Dogs NZ prior to mating. All dispensation requests will be addressed by Dogs NZ on a case by case basis.

3. Do you agree with the limitation?

"The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be DNA tested to determine their susceptibility to Pug Dog Encephalitis (PDE) and results supplied to Dogs NZ. Once generation low susceptibility (NN), by DNA parentage is accepted."

- o 23 answers
- o 18 yes
 - 78.26% agreement

Therefore, the following Registration Regulation should be adopted:

10.16.3

The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be DNA tested to determine their susceptibility to Pug Dog Encephalitis (PDE) and results supplied to Dogs NZ. Once generation low susceptibility (NN), by DNA parentage is accepted

4. Do you agree with the limitation?

"The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be DNA tested to determine their susceptibility to Degenerative Myelopathy (DM) and results supplied to Dogs NZ. Once generation clear by DNA parentage is accepted."

- 23 answers
- 15 yes
 - 65.21% agreement

Therefore, the following Registration Regulation should **NOT** be adopted:

10.15.4

The Sire AND Dam of every litter must be DNA tested to determine their susceptibility to Degenerative Myelopathy (DM) and results supplied to Dogs NZ. Once generation clear by DNA parentage is accepted.

5. Do you agree with the limitation?

"Frozen semen collected prior to January 1st 2021 will be excluded from the Special Conditions for Registration which are detailed in Regulation 10.15."

- 23 answered
- 21 yes
 - 91.30% agreement

Therefore, the following Registration Regulation should be adopted:

10.15.4

Frozen semen collected prior to May 1st 2021 will be excluded from the Special Conditions for Registration which are detailed in Regulation 10.16.

Report Received

Letter from Ann van Gijs was tabled and discussed.

Moved: That E.C ratify the final result of the Pug LRL Survey Results.

Moved: LS, Seconded; STT – CARRIED

E.C. discussed the next steps in the LRL protocols. The results of Pug LRL will be notify in the December issue of NZ Dog World Dec issue with a start date of 1 May 2021 for the LRL to be embedded within the Registry Regulations and tests when available must be completed prior to registration of litters.

Once the RFG Scheme is operational in both Islands for Regulation 10.16.2 a four month notice period will be put in place. This will be advertised in NZ Dog World.

In communication to Pug breeders and owners they are to be reminded to remember to immediately register any semen held.

REGULATION ADDITIONS AND CHANGES FOR DOG OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

Regulation additions and changes for Dog Obedience Regulations

11.4.3 Obedience Ribbon Trials

11.4.3.2 Tests

12.2.1 Eligibility

12.1.1.1

13.2.1.6 Exiting the ring

14.6 Entering and exiting the ring

25.15.16 Weaving With Distractions (sign #259)

25.15.18 Weave Twice With Distractions (sign #261)

25.16.1 General

25.19.1 Rally-O Novice, Advanced and Excellent Exercises

25.10.23 Spin Left. (sign #152)

25.10.24 Dog Right Circle. (sign #153)

25.10.25 Figure 8 Poles. (sign #154)

25.10.26 Left Turn Circle. (sign #155)

25.10.27 Stand Pivot Left. (sign #156)

25.10.28 Stand Pivot Right. (sign #157)

The E.C discussed and approved the regulation additions and changes for Dog Obedience Regulations.

Moved: AB, Seconded; FH – CARRIED
Report Received

AGILITY REGULATION CHANGES FOR JANUARY 2021

Report provided by Fiona Hodgson (FH).

5.5.2.4 Previous Wins and Points

8.1.3 Agility Grand Champion Multipliers

8.1.4 Agility Supreme Champion

8.2.3 Jumpers Grand Champion Multipliers

8.2.4 Jumpers Supreme Champion

10.1.0 Height of Dogs

11.1.2.1.7

12.2.4 Collapsible Tunnel/Tube – Deleted

13.6.4.3 Handler interacting with Equipment

13.9 Stopping A Round

16.2.1 Grade C obstacles

17.1.2.3 Negotiation of obstacles during PAP

17.2.2.3 Negotiation of the coloured obstacles

14.1.3.2 Obstacles

The E.C discussed and approved the Agility Regulation changes for January 2021.

Moved: FH, Seconded; AB – approved
Report Received

RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO DOGS NZ SCENT WORK REGULATION 4

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

RE: Recommended Changes to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations 4

3. CONDUCT OF SCENT WORK TRIALS – GENERAL CONDITIONS

4.1 Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Regulations Apply

4.2 Exclusion from Participation

4.3 Recognized Scent Work Trials

4.4 Scent Work Trial Approval

4.5 Publication of Schedules

4.4.1 Published Announcements

4.6 Dogs New Zealand Levy

4.7 Harsh Handling

4.8 Aggressive Behaviour

The E.C discussed the report and agreed to the recommended changes to Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

Moved: AB, Seconded; JB – CARRIED
Report Received

NEUTERED DOG SHOW REGULATIONS DISCUSSION PAPER

Report provided by Brian Harris (BH).

RE: Neutered Dog Show Regulations Discussion Papers

Background:

Now that Neuters can be shown at All Breeds Clubs shows under classes 18 & 18a should not all Neuters and Speys be shown under those two classes and if so we would need to rescind some Show Regulations?

Currently a Neuter/Spey can become a full champion and a Neuter champion at the same time.

Current Show Regulations:

Potential New regulation changes effective 1 July 2020 in blue

7.5 Neutered Dogs and Spayed Bitches at Championship Shows.

A Neutered Dog or Spayed bitch can be exhibited

- In any stake class for which they are eligible at any Championship Show.
- Breed classes at any Specialist Breed, Multibreed or Group club championship show where the acceptance of entry from spayed and neutered dogs has been published in the schedule for the show
- In specific Neuter/Spay Breed Classes where such a class is provided at any All Breeds Champion show

This clause shall not permit the exhibition of Neutered Dogs or Spayed Bitches in any other Breed Class at any other Championship Show.

9.11 Neutered Dogs and Spayed Bitches

Neutered Dogs and Spayed Bitches may be exhibited breed classes at any Specialist Breed, Multibreed or Group club Championship Show where the acceptance of entry from spayed and neutered dogs has been published in the schedule for the show.

Neutered Dogs and Spayed Bitches are disqualified from being shown in Breed Classes other than specific Neuter/Spay classes at All Breeds Championship Shows. A certificate of a veterinary inspector appointed by the show committee will be accepted as conclusive evidence in the event of a protest being lodged.

26.9 Neutered Dogs and Spayed Bitches may compete in all classes at Open Shows.

27.13 Neutered, monorchid or cryptorchid dogs and spayed bitches may compete at Ribbon Parades.

The E.C discussed the paper and believed we should monitor the situation and it could be a discussion paper for ACOD 2021.

Report Received

6. CLUBS – LURE COURSING

APPOINTMENT OF MR BHARAT RATANPAL TO THE LURE COURSING JUDGES PANEL

Verbal report provided by Brian Harris (BH).

The E.C discussed and agreed to the appointment of Mr. Bharat Ratanpal to the Lure Coursing Judges Panel.

Moved: BH, Seconded; KB – approved

INVITATION OF BHARAT RATANPAL TO CHAIR THE LURE COURSING SUB COMMITTEE

Verbal report provided by Brian Harris (BH).

The E.C discussed and agreed to invite Bharat Ratanpal to Chair the Lure Coursing Sub Committee.

Moved: BH, Seconded; AB – approved

ADDITION OF COURSING ABILITY TEST REGULATIONS

Report provided by Brian Harris (BH) on the addition of Appendix (A) Coursing Ability Test Regulations to the Lure Coursing Regulations.

SECTION 1. Purpose

SECTION 2.

All applicable administration regulations governing the current Dogs NZ Lure Coursing Tests shall apply to Coursing Ability Tests unless specifically addressed in this Appendix.

SECTION 3. Eligibility to Enter.

SECTION 4. Cubs Eligible to Hold Coursing Ability Tests.

SECTION 5. Pre-race Inspection.

SECTION 6. CAT Event Definition.

SECTION 7. Eligibility to Judge.

SECTION 8. Course Design.

SECTION 9. Distance and Maximum Time.

275m Course.

550m Course

SECTION 10. Collars/Paraphernalia.

SECTION 11. Passing Performance.

SECTION 12. Ribbons or Rosettes and Awards.

SECTION 13. Titles

SECTION 14. Submission of Results.

SECTION 15. Posting of Results.

The E.C discussed and approved the Coursing Ability Test Regulations (Appendix A).

Moved: JB, Seconded; STT – approved
Report Received

7. OFFICE REPORTS (READ ONLY)

DIRECTOR SECRETARY REPORT

Report provided by Steven Thompson (ST).

1. Key Relationship & Reputation Activities**Government Relations - MPI / NAWAC**

With the appointment of the new Associate Minister of Agriculture (Animal Welfare) Meka Whaitiri we can expect a renewed focus on Animals in Entertainment. While the Ministers emphasis will likely to be on Rodeo events any legislation drafted will impact our dog competition events.

Becky & I will meet with the Chair of NAWAC and senior MPI staff to discuss the likely time lines for any new legislation and the key focus of NAWAC under the new Government. We will also update NAWAC/MPI on the latest LRL / RFG schemes progress.

SPCA Inspectorate / Local Body Animal Control

With the recent spate of "puppy farming" investigations Dogs NZ has been approached by both SPCA Inspectorate and local body Animal Control staff to help draft canine health & welfare guidelines to educate breeders on responsible kennel operations that protect the welfare of animals.

This cooperation between the Inspectorate & Animal Control officers and Dogs NZ expertise is an important opportunity to build strong relationships which will improve our reputation and benefit our members.

Privacy Law Change

The new Privacy Act becomes law on 1 December 2020 and I am conducting an audit of our registry / membership to ensure that we meet the Act. The new Act has strong clauses on international transfer of information which need to be reflected in any agreements regarding transfer of health testing data with international organisations.

RFG Scheme / The Kennel Club

The establishment of the RFG scheme has been frustratingly slow due to the effect of lockdowns in England which has affected the ability of The Kennel Club to finalise a contract and arrange the required Assessor training.

We now have received a final draft contract and are in the process of dealing direct with University of Cambridge to organise online training sessions of our two Chief Assessors. We look forward to receiving in the near future the training manuals and other RFG collateral which will enable us to start the nationwide role out to vet clinics.

Because of the COVID delays to implementing the RFG scheme we may need to issue dispensations for Pug LRL breathing tests to any dogs registered after the LRL scheme becomes a regulation on 1 February and before we have the RFG scheme available to breeders.

2. Key Revenue Activities**Registry Database****Key Scope of Work Update:**

We are at tail end of an impressive amount of online registration work this year. It is pleasing to note that we are meeting our 3 day processing deadlines for any litter / dog registrations.

We have started printing LRL health test results on pedigree papers, work is continuing on automating frozen semen registration and we have started preliminary work on automating a dog registration portal for members. Significant work has been done cleaned up the endorsement section of registry so that it matches our registry regulations.

We have also completed online registration & payment system for on scent work training workshops and Clive is working on an accounts system that will allow us to add the DPS payment system to our Dog Online Training Booking System.

Key Future IT Projects

Our next key focus is the automation of our Edm sponsor programmes with registry and the automation / digitisation of our Membership & Registry documents and processes.

We have a window of the rest of this year, start of 2021 to complete this work before our focus moves to the FCI Online Show Programme.

Budget Planning

Clive and I have started work on the FY2021/22 budget & business plan, Key timelines are:

- End of January 1st draft to RAF committee
- February E.C. meeting: 2nd draft for discussion
- April E.C. meeting: Final Budget & Business Plan for sign-off.

E.C. discussed the report and discussion was had around the appropriateness of Dogs NZ writing a document for SPCA Inspectorate / Local Body Animal Control that could be branded and put into publication for the inspectors to use an official document from Dogs NZ. The document will be circulated to CH&W through the Chair before presentation to Executive Council.

Report received

CANINE HEALTH AND WELFARE LRL REPORT

Report received from Dr Becky Murphy (CH&W Officer).

Canine Health & Welfare Officer Report to Executive Council November 2020

Prepared by Dr Becky Murphy

a. NAWAC Societal Cost Benefit Analysis Tool – Animals in Entertainment, Encounter & Exhibition

No progress or update since last meeting.

b. Respiratory Function Grading Scheme

A contract has been received from The Kennel Club. I have been communicating with Dr Ladlow to assist with organising Chief Assessor training.

c. LRLs

Staffordshire Bull Terrier

This has been placed on hold while the Clubs deliberate on the tests. The Office has offered to run teleconferences or face to face meetings (if available) to assist with answering questions that the membership has been presenting.

German Shepherd

The Office has still not received a submission from any of the Clubs.

Samoyed

Clubs are still in discussion with their members. A formal submission has not yet been received.

Bouvier

The CHWC has received a submission from the Southern Bouvier des Flandres Club for an LRL process to begin to include DNA genotype, Hip Dysplasia, Elbow Dysplasia, Eye Certificate, Cardiac Certificate (advanced, specialist cardiologist).

There has been no dispute from CHWC to this and so the proposed regulations will be drafted in consultation with the Club and the LRL process will continue.

d. Pug LRL

Separate paper provided.

e. Stakeholder engagement

SPCA

On request from the Hawkes Bay SPCA Inspectorate I have been assisting with providing enforcement standards for a 'puppy farming' situation where the owner wants to improve conditions.

Due to there being no minimum or enforceable standards in the Law to cover this situation these breeding guidelines will be very helpful for the Inspectorate or local councils to raise standards of dogs in these situations.

A brief outline of immediate concerns to address has been provided, a more comprehensive document is being developed now and will be shown to EC in due course.

SPCA – Volkerson Trial

This has been adjourned due to poor health of one of the defendants with a new trial date of mid-2021 set.

NAWAC/MPI

Steven and I are arranging to meet with both before Christmas to provide updates.

NZVA/CAV

I attended a 2-day CAV executive committee meeting in October. There is nothing to report which would directly affect Dogs NZ or its membership.

Information only – Report Received

CLUB MEMBERSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

CLUB REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL NOVEMBER 2020 MEETING

Annual Club Subscriptions

The following clubs are still outstanding. All were sent a third reminder on 27 October 2020. None have any shows or events scheduled for the remainder of 2020 (or indeed held any events in 2020). Three of them are recognised only (Southern Siberian Husky, Lagotto Romagnolo and Swedish Vallhund).

Bouvier des Flandres Club has a new committee and reminders have been sent twice to them.

Southern Bulldog Club
Non-Sporting & Utility Dog Society
Bouvier des Flandres Club
Southern Siberian Husky Club
Lagotto Romagnolo Club

Central Districts Working Dog Club
Wellington Working Dog Club
South Island Dobermann Club
Swedish Vallhund Club

German Shepherd Dog Advisory Council Application For Associated Status

This application was submitted to Executive Council at their September 2020 meeting and all seven Associated German Shepherd Dog Clubs were emailed on 8 October asking for feedback.

All associated German Shepherd Dog Clubs have responded in opposition to the application. The reasons for this range from -

- Already too many clubs in the breed, too few members
- GSDAC was established as a service organisation for the breed and association would create a significant conflict of interest
- No consultation by the GSDAC with breed clubs
- No consultation with other members of the GSDAC for discussion and voting
- Breeders have helped in reducing the incidence of hip and elbow problems, not solely attributed to the GSDAC. Approval for any LRL will be made by the owners of the breed not the GSDAC
- Enough shows for the breed without adding in any to be held by GSDAC

[Recommend that the application for recognition of the German Shepherd Dog Advisory Council not be made at this time.](#)

E.C. discussed and approved the recommendation.

National Breed Show Application 2022 from Wellington District German Shepherd Dog League

Wellington District German Shepherd Club wishes to host the 2022 German Shepherd National. They propose to host the event at the Te Marua Speedway grounds, Upper Hutt on Easter weekend, 15-17 April 2022.

They advise that the venue is central to both the North and South Island and would encourage more entries as it is an equal distance for both North and South Island entries.

The venue has a large hall that can be used for prize giving featuring a bar and a kitchen which we intend to utilize. There is also an undercover area great for barbeque and socialising. It has a toilet block, whilst lacking shower facilities, we have already sourced a great price for the portable showers on a trailer.

It is a relatively private and rural area so there is little issue with neighbours.

There is a variety of dog friendly accommodation available offsite such as Air B n B and the local holiday park. Camping is available on site and we are looking at sourcing campervans or motorhomes at a good rate for the weekend.

They have already approached their regular sponsor of the event Royal Canin.

Approval has been sought and given by all other German Shepherd Dog clubs. The last German Shepherd Dog National was held on 2/3 November 2019 by the three South Island clubs.

This is the usual date for this club to hold its shows. Note, Kapi-Mana Kennel Society and Hutt Valley Kennel Centre have two all-breed championship shows this weekend. When asked they were fine with Wellington District German Shepherd Dog Club holding their shows the same weekend although at a different venue

Recommend that this be granted.

E.C. approved the granting of show subject to the outcome of the 2022-2023 show schedule review in September 2021.

Report received

The E.C noted the Club Membership Management Report and that Council members should approach any clubs that are still to pay outstanding annual subscriptions with a reminder that they risk being dis-established.

DOGS ON REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Report provided by Colleen Begg (CB).

DOGS ON REPORT NOVEMBER 2020 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

NZ CH & AUST GRAND CH Hotwyr Ice Ice Baby (Imp-Aust) 2100408148 German Wirehaired Pointer owned by T Bank and F Ellis

This female German Wirehaired Pointer has been exhibited and observed at NZ Dog Judges Assn Christchurch branch Open Show without incident.

Although she was entered at Purina Pro Plan Exhibition Centre's 3 Championship Benefit shows she was in full heat and not shown.

SPR CH REVELL TIS BALOU'S REIGN AT STRAUMBURG 02129-2016 Rottweiler owned by M Bell

This male Rottweiler was placed on report after an incident at Auckland Exhibition Centre's Championship show on 11 October 2020 when he lunged at another dog in the ring.

Following the 7 day stand down period the dog has been exhibited and observed at Purina Pro Plan Forrester Park's 3 Championship Benefit shows on 17/18 October 2020 with favourable reports received.

The dog has also been shown and observed at Southland Kennel Association's Championship show on 31 October 2020.

The dog's records have been endorsed "Dog Under Observation".

TSARJOLAN HEIR OF THE STARS 05982-2020 Chow Chow owned by J Lester-Piggott

This male Chow Chow has been placed on report after it lunged and growled at the judge, Pam Douglas, at Auckland Exhibition Centre's Championship show on 11 October 2020.

The owner has been advised that the dog has been suspended for 7 days and will be observed at the next 6 shows.

His records have been endorsed "Dog Under Observation".

CH TOARUS RUNNIN DOWN A DREAM 01963-2018 Bulldog owned by T Toa

This male Bulldog has been placed on report following an incident at Waimakariri Kennel Association's Championship Show on 24 October 2020 when it lunged at the judge, Karen Harrison.

The owner has been advised that the dog is not able to be shown for 7 days and will need to be observed at the next 6 shows.

The dog's records have been endorsed "Dog Under Observation".

JUMPING JAX FLASH OB/8036 HUNTAWAY X J PAULSEN

This dog is on report for attacking another dog whilst competing at Waimakariri Dog Training Club's Championship Agility Events on 15 February 2020.

The owner of this dog has advised that this dog has been retired.
The endorsement of "Dog Under Observation" has been left on his records.

OHUTU IS FAMOUS AT WHITE ROCK JD 04679-2017 Border Collie owned by D Pemberton

This female Border Collie is on report for biting another dog and rushing at the show manager at Hawera Dog Training Club's Championship Agility & Jumpers Events on 22 & 23 February 2020. Observations are being arranged by the Agility Committee.
The dog has been observed twice with excellent behaviour reported.

NOTSLOTS ENABLE TASMAN OB/8689 Bearded Collie owned by R Sanders

This male Bearded Collie is on report after it rushed at an aggressive manner at another dog at Nelson Dog Training Club's Championship Jumpers Event on 20 September 2020.

The dog's owner has been advised that the dog is suspended from competing for 7 days and that the Agility Committee will be arranging for observers.

The dog's records have been endorsed "Dog Under Observation".

STELLA OF AMOR 01578-2015 German Shepherd Dog (Stock Coat) owned by K & C Ormsby

This female German Shepherd Dog (Stock Coat) has been placed on report for lunging and biting an exhibitor at Waikato German Shepherd Dog Club's Championship show on 26 September 2020 whilst the judging for Open Bitch Class was taking place. The incident was reported by the show manager, Lynley Bray. The incident report advises "that the handler of Stella Of Amor (Kim Ormsby) allowed her bitch to come too close the bitch in front". Further, "the bitch subsequently lunged forward and bit the other exhibitor on the calf". The show manager reports that the handler apologised twice.

Under the new Show Regulations this dog has been suspended from competition for 2 months. Before it can be shown again, the owners are required to provide a full description of any training undertaken.

The dog's records have been endorsed Dog Under Observation".

Report received

NZ DOG WORLD / DOG IE NEWS REPORT

Report provided by Derek Johnson (DS).

NZ Dog World

The COVID-19-related uncertainty noted in the last report remains, though the effects are not as harsh as they have been.

Reporting on dog activities in print will continue to be somewhat erratic, due to event cancellations and postponements over the past few months. As the show schedule is prepared for the December 2020/January 2021 issue, there appear to be a healthy number of events coming in February and March of next year. But some shows are still being cancelled, and some show secretaries report challenges with arranging judging.

The coming issue – the last for this troubled year – will benefit from an influx of member advertising. The special advertising offer approved at the last EC meeting and promoted in the October and November issues has certainly appealed to some! We appreciate the support of all our advertisers.

At 56pp and 64pp respectively, the October and November issues have maintained the buoyancy of recent months and we expect the coming December 2020/January 2021 issue to be somewhat larger.

Dogs New Zealand Facebook page

The Dogs New Zealand Facebook page is now an established part of our communications pipeline.

It continues to offer a first point of contact for non-members, and we daily field queries about 'designer' breeds and rescue puppies in addition to approaches from potential new members approaching dog ownership and related sports with seriousness.

For some members, the Facebook messaging system seems to be the most convenient way for them to contact head office; this is not its function, but messages are redirected where possible, and members nudged as to which channel is correct for their query.

DOGIE News weekly newsletter

For the last few weeks, *DOGIE News* has been sent out on its new day of Thursday rather than Friday, as agreed at the last EC meeting. This has worked well for the office team, and has had no impact on open rates. We still rarely drop below the mid-60s in terms of percentage opening rate, peaking at 76% since the last report. The low rate for the last newsletter reflects the fact that it was only sent out the day before this report was written. The newsletter is not read by all members on the day it is sent.

Otherwise, *DOGIE News* continues to be a well-read part of our communications pipeline. Its weekly delivery keeps our message timely, boosted by our ability to send out extra newsletters as and when determined by events.

It's always worth noting that the newsletter option is available for any important or emergency communications, as it was during the main COVID-19 lockdown period. The same can be said about the Facebook page.

Information only – Received

8. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

JUNIOR DOG COMMITTEES

- **YDS & JDH**

Verbal report provided by Jill Brooker (JB).

- YDS / JDH heats are all back underway
- YDS New signage & Logo (named Enzo)
- Resignation from JDH Committee by Kirsty Hubbard.

The E.C approved Judges Appointment of Mark Lawrence to Junior Showman Panel & Nardine Theodore to sit the exam.

Report Received

AGILITY COMMITTEE

Report provided by Fiona Hodgson (FH).

The Agility Committee had their first and last face to face meeting this year on 30th Oct/1Nov. This was also the final meeting for the current AC with the new committee taking the reins officially on 1 Dec but having their first meeting on the 19th December.

Agility is in a pretty good place with people happy to be back doing their sport and entry numbers are really good post lockdown. Some clubs have not managed to fit in a show this year but there is a lot of optimism that 2021 will see them recover some losses.

Agility Budget

Agility has made it to November looking pretty good against our Covid budget. Spending has been held back and now levies are starting to come in which is great.

The NZDAC which was moved to 2021 was replaced with a fund-raiser (benefit) show for the Zone hosting next year and was hugely successful with a positive (nearly) final result of around \$9,500.

It has certainly been an interesting and challenging 2020 for everyone and none of us will be sad to see it go I am sure.

Regulation updates for January 2021

Attached are the requested updates for the Jan 21 set of agility regs. These include permanent removal of the collapsed tunnel, update of entry wording to bring it back in line with show regs and removing redundant wording from one reg.

There is also the addition of a clarification around the definition of completion of a split of a classes as this has been administered inconsistently.

Future National Show dates

Because we have now agreed that there is not going to be any formal agility at future nationals, we ask that the requirement for there to be no Agility Champ shows on the same weekend be rescinded please. The club who currently has that date in the North Island is requesting more surety of dates moving forward, as they are in a tricky situation with the other (non-dog) clubs they share the grounds with in that it is extremely hard for them to change dates with the other users being winter sporting codes.

Moved FH; / JB CARRIED:

New Agility Committee

After initially receiving just six nominations, a request for expressions of interest to fill the remaining two positions resulted in three from the South and three from the North putting their names up. A zoom meeting of the six members of the incoming AC saw them choose their two further members based on their location (trying to get a balance around the country) and getting another male on the AC as there was only going to be two otherwise. The resulting mix looks good and a great balance of fresh ideas and experience. Please make the incoming Executive representative welcome. This (like the other AC positions), will be established at their first meeting on 19th Dec.

Today's meeting also marks the last one for me as the AC rep to EC. I would like to thank you all for the comradery and for making me feel welcome. I have learnt a ton of stuff and hopefully been useful on occasion.

So, as Porky pig would say – th th th th that's all folks Fiona H signing out.

The E.C discussed and noted the Agility Committee report and that FH had been more than useful on a number of occasions during her time on Council.

Moved: FH Seconded: LS - adopted
Report received

OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB)

Dog Obedience Committee Report November 2020

1. Dog Obedience Committee Meetings

A Dog Obedience Committee Meeting was held on 27 September 2020, with one scheduled at the time of writing this report for 1 November 2020.

The first Dog Obedience Committee meeting scheduled for 2021 is for March 6/7.

2. October Voting.

Following the distribution of Discussion Papers (outlined in the DOC Report presented for the September EC meeting) to all eligible Obedience voting members, and subsequent to feedback presented to the Dog Obedience Committee at their September meeting, thirteen remits were presented for voting upon during October. These being:

Obedience: Manner of exiting from the ring.
 Eligibility to compete in Beginners.
 Alteration of Ribbon Trial criteria.

Rally-O: · Change of size of distractions used in weaves.
 · Emphasis of no "Down" in Rally-O Encore.
 · Eight additional Rally-O Advanced/Excellent/Encore stations (each being
 voted on separately).

Following the October voting, all remits passed the threshold percentage for being passed, and are therefore presented in the Regulations Section for EC approval to be effective from 1 January 2021.

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 Eligibility to compete in Beginners.
 Alteration of Ribbon Trial criteria.

Rally-O: · Change of size of distractions used in weaves.
 · Emphasis of no "Down" in Rally-O Encore.
 · Six additional Rally-O Advanced/Excellent/Encore stations.

3. February Obedience Discussion Papers.

The Dog Obedience Committee received to date, the following remit proposals to be included in the February 2021 Discussion Papers round:

Change of Dog Obedience Committee title to Dog Training Committee
CD Retrieve article
WD Long Jump

4. CD Course Changes

Discussion had occurred between the Dogs NZ CD Judges regarding difficulties currently encountered using the existing requisite courses established for CD Silver and Gold.

Following lengthy discussion among the CD Judges, it was proposed (and accepted) that a modified course one could now be used each for CD Silver and CD Gold.

These changes were presented (and accepted) by the Dog Obedience Committee.

This does not require any Dog Obedience Regulation changes.

5. Judges Promotions and Appointments.

After fulfilling all the required pre-requests for Obedience Judges promotions, the following applications were tabled and approved:

- Dawn McCracken onto the Championship Test C Panel.
- Katrina Roebuck onto the Championship Test B Panel.
- Michelle Ingham onto the Championship Test A Panel.
- Lyn Clearwater reappointed onto the Championship Beginners/Novice Panel.
- Leesa Burns Utility Dogs to Working Dogs Panel.

Ratification for these appointments is now sought from the Dogs NZ EC.

Moved: AB Seconded: FH – RATIFIED

7. 2021 National Dog Show.

While understanding that future Obedience involvement at the National Dog Show will be on an invitation and cost neutral basis, and expression of interest has been indicated from members in Wellington to organize the inclusion of Obedience if the NDS is hosted in Wellington in 2021.

8. Annual Supply of Obedience Regulations for Obedience Judges.

Despite a decision by the EC to not support a request that Dogs NZ Obedience Judges receive an updated copy of the Dog Obedience Regulations annually, following further discussion with the Dogs NZ Director/Secretary, the matter is again being investigated as to whether further options may be available, including either a cost to receive an updated copy, or to receive sections that contain alterations.

The E.C discussed and noted the Obedience Committee Report. Any supply of Obedience Regulations to Judges should be on a cost recovery basis of \$30 per copy.

9. 2021 Domestic Dog Conference.

Because there is a growing distinction between Domestic, Canine Good Citizen, and Competitive Obedience, ongoing discussion is occurring with the Dogs NZ Director/Secretary as to what format any future Domestic Dog Conferences will take, and who remains responsible for this.

The E.C discussed and noted the Obedience Committee Report. Any supply of Obedience Regulations to Judges should be on a cost recovery basis of \$30 per copy.

ST updated the discussion around combining the Domestic Dog Training conference with the CGC conference and that an allocation of support funding has been included in the FY2021-22 budget.

Moved: AB Seconded: LS - adopted
Report received

SCENT WORK COMMITTEE REPORT

Report provided by Arend van den Bos (AB).

1. Scent Work Committee Meetings

Subsequent to the last EC Meeting, all administrative matters requiring Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee attention have been conducted electronically.

2. Appointment Of Dogs NZ Scent Work Judges

Five applications to become a Dogs NZ Novice Container Scent Work Judge have been received by the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee. All have subsequently been approved and EC endorsement is now requested for the following:

Rob Peterson (Shannon)
 Tracy Peterson (Shannon)
 Katrina Roebuck (Levin)
 Jan Voss (Wellington)
 Jo Miller (Invercargill)
 Maree Boreham (Whakatane)
 Sue Williams (Rotorua)

Moved: AB Seconded: JB – ratified

3. Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshops.

With a lowering of Auckland to COVID-19 Level 1, the postponed “Introduction to Dogs NZ Scent Work” workshops originally planned for September 5th & 6th, will now be hosted in Auckland (NZKC Auckland Exhibition Centre) on December 5th & 6th. All previously registered members have been contacted and been invited to re-register (using the new online registration programme). To date, there has been an almost complete return of all previous registrants.

4. Online Scent Work workshop registration.

With considerable appreciation for the time and work provided by Clive Phillips (Dogs NZ Treasurer) and Sue Conner (Dogs NZ Website Manager), and online workshop registration programme has now been established and instituted. This will not only considerably improve the workshop registration process, including registration payment, but also enable Dogs NZ Scent Work to be more clearly identifiable as a unique cost centre through which dedicated Dogs NZ Scentwork finances can be processed.

5. Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials.

An approach has been made by a member of the Tokoroa Dog Training Club to enable the club to host an official Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial in February 2021.

At the time of writing this report, negotiations are still occurring. Usually, such applications would need to be made six months in advance (as per Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations 4.3).

It is believed that such a venture would not only act as a catalyst for launching Dog NZ Scent Work Trials, but also serve as an opportune time to retain enthusiasm; particularly for those attending the proposed Auckland workshops.

6. Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

The new Scent Work Regulation (as quoted below) agreed upon at the last EC meeting is yet to be placed in the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations.

4.3 Scent Work Trials held by registered Dogs NZ societies are recognised Scent Work Trials. All other Scent Work Trials are unrecognised Scent Work Trials pursuant to these regulations.

If the Tokoroa Dog Training Club's proposal is accepted, they have also indicated a wish to conduct either a trial Advanced Container Scent Work Trial or Novice Interior Scent Wok Trial. It is anticipated to introduce both types of Scent Work Searches in 2021, so a trial would be extremely worthwhile. Tentative Regulations could also be established for the conducting of these and endorsed (following any alterations needing to be made) shortly thereafter to accommodate the formal introduction of these additional searches.

7. Dogs NZ recognition of approved Scent Work Societies.

Subsequent to the discussion concerning only Dogs NZ Recognized Societies being permitted to conduct Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials, it has been found that Central Search Dogs is already a Dogs NZ Recognized Society.

8. 2 nominations to the Scent Committee

Maree Boreham
Coal Dayman

Moved AB Seconded: FH RATIFIED

The E.C discussed the report and noted that 196 people are now on the Scent Work Registry. The letter from Robert Peterson, President of SSANZ was also tabled and discussed.

Moved: AB Seconded: LS - adopted
Report received

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

Report provided by Lucy Sandford-Reed (LS).

COMMITTEE

Sue Howe, CGC Assessor from Auckland has agreed to join the CGC Committee and take on the role of Secretary.

The EC is asked to approve the appointment of Sue Howe to the CGC Committee.

Moved: AB Seconded: JB – ratified

CGC ASSESSMENTS

30 August 2020 Horowhenua

Level 2 Lockdown was lifted 26 August, so this assessment was conducted in Level 1 conditions.

ASSESSMENTS DURING LEVEL 2 LOCKDOWN

At the last CGC Committee meeting the fact that there had been assessments conducted by an unknown club was discussed. The CGC Qualifiers list on the website had not been updated at the time of the meeting so it was not possible to verify whether or not there had been an assessment/s conducted during Level 2.

The Committee agreed that the CGC status of the dogs assessed should not be forfeited. The Committee also agreed that there must be a specific notice on the CGC webpage specifying that assessments cannot be conducted during Level 2 Lockdown and above.

The EC is now asked to make a call as to whether or not the Foundation assessments, and the subsequent Bronze assessment should “stand”. Note that a higher assessment can only be completed if a dog has been successful at the preceding CGC level.

Motion: That the Foundation and Bronze assessment should stand.

Moved: LS, seconded: FH Approved

NOTIFIED FUTURE ASSESSMENTS

- Selwyn Dog Training Club combined with Canterbury Kennel Association 28 & 29 November, all levels
- North Shore Dog Training Club 5th December Foundation & Bronze
- North Shore Dog Training Club 12th December, Silver & Gold
- Kapiti Dog Training Club, 5th December, all levels

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN MANUAL

Arend van den Bos has commenced a review of the CGC Manual. The General Provisions Sections have been reviewed and are with the Committee for feedback.

A Survey Monkey questionnaire covering exercises 1 - 3 were with all the Assessors at the time of writing with further questionnaires to be distributed weekly. The responses will be collated, and recommendations made to the committee based on the responses.

This is an exciting piece of work that will ensure that the CGC programme remains relevant to everyday dog handling, training and ownership for some time to come.

TRI-FOLD BROCHURE

The Committee has made suggestions for a re-vamped tri-fold brochure promoting both Canine Good Basics and Canine Good Citizen.

CGC MERIT CERTIFICATES

It was drawn to my attention that Dogs NZ has made the decision that Canine Good Citizen Awards are "merit awards" and are therefore not included as a title on pedigree certificates.

Dogs NZ, Purina ProPlan with the support of the CGC Committee are promoting Canine Good Basics and Canine Good Citizen as the flagship programmes for Dogs NZ. It therefore makes no sense to arbitrarily determine that a CGC Title is not worthy of inclusion on a dog's pedigree certificate. Canine Good Citizen titles sit alongside Breed and Sport titles. It is the only title that specifically assesses temperament and manners.

As the Canine Good Citizen Committee has not had the opportunity to discuss this matter I respectfully ask that the decision be put "on hold" until

- a) Dogs NZ have explained their rationale for the decision to the CGC Committee and
- b) The Canine Good Citizen Committee has had the opportunity to consider the issue and make recommendations.

Report Received

The E.C discussed the comprehensive CGC report and ST is to report back to Council on the CGC qualifications being recorded on Pedigree papers.

Moved: AB; Seconded JB: - adopted
Report Received

MUSEUM TRUST

Verbal report provided by Keith Brown (KB).

- Donation of Agility National Show trophies and requirement for a display cabinet.
- AGM will be held as a Zoom meeting in December.

The E.C discussed and noted the Museum Trust report.

Information only – Report Received

BREED STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Report provided by Martin Hewitt (MH).

1. Dachshund

A submission had been forwarded to the committee from the Auckland Dachshund Club requesting that Dogs NZ adopt the latest version of the KC Standard for the Dachshund.

Two submissions were returned to the committee for consideration. One from the Wellington Dachshund Club was in favour of the change.

A further submission was received from three Miniature Smooth Haired breeders requesting additional wording to be added requiring judges to heavily penalise thin or undernourished exhibits. This submission did not receive any support from the Committee and was declined. All Standards already contain a supplemental statement that states that if a fault affects the health or welfare of a dog it should be penalised.

Recommendation 1

That Dogs NZ adopt the current UK Standard for the Dachshund

Moved: SM; Seconded KB: - adopted

2. Weimaraner

A submission has been received from the Weimaraner Club to separate the shorthaired Weimaraner and the longhaired Weimaraner, to bring the showing of the Weimaraner in New Zealand in line with FCI rules. In the majority of other countries the breed is shown as two different breeds.

They have also requested that when separating them into two breeds, provisions must be made to be able to continue to breed between the two coat types, as is done in Australia and Germany (country of origin) in the interest of genetic diversity for both.

Recommendation 2

That Dogs NZ separate the Weimaraner breed into two separate breeds based on their coat type.

Moved: SM; Seconded KB: -ratified

Recommendation 3

That the Standards be the same except for the Coat type.

Moved: SM; Seconded KB: -ratified

Recommendation 4

That an amendment to the Registration Regulation is drafted to allow for the interbreeding of Long and Short coats in the Weimaraner.

Moved: KB; Seconded SM: -ratified

The E.C discussed and noted the report.

Moved: KB; Seconded: SM - approved
Report received

AUCKLAND EXHIBITION CENTRE

Report provided by Christine Wood (CW).

Maintenance / Grounds Report

The removal of the 70 boundary trees and the 9 alongside the water tanks have now taken place. These have been mulched so that they can be used elsewhere on the property as we have a vegetation plan in place due to the requirements of our resource consents, we have removed the flaxes from the sewage irrigation area and replanted them along the property border. These along with the small trees and shrubs that were already present will grow to become a pleasant boarder to our property. We have ensured consultation with our neighbour throughout this process to ensure that good relations are kept up.

The sewage project is nearing completion. The evaporation field's upgrade is finished. Instead of mulching the area we have decided to grass the area, this will the area easier to maintain and manage. New mushroom heads have also been put on the pipes. We are at the technical end of the project with Graeme Cullen starting the consultative process with the council.

Benefit Show

It came down to the wire for our Benefit show in October this year, with us waiting with fingers crossed for the Prime Minister to move Auckland to Level 1. We had a well-supported entry with Best In Show for Show 1 - Newfoundland – Summerfords's all Fired up Kelef (imp) owned and showed by Sonia Nicholson and in Best In Show 2 – NZ GR CH Jitterbop Being Evil Has A Price (Imp-Fin) owned and shown by Davida Brown.

The Show raised just under \$8,000 for the grounds through entries and raffles. We also trailed a new camping permit process which was well received and enabled us to manage the camping with restrictions much more efficiently.

General

Due to the reduction of shows that have been able to be held in 2020 because of Covid and the travel restrictions it places on judges and exhibitors, we have had a significant reduction in income. We are starting our budget discussions for 2021. Our maintenance team are reviewing all necessary 2021 projects and we will also be reviewing our 10 year Millstone document to see what can be pushed back in light that we will have a low income year next year.

The E.C discussed and noted the Auckland Exhibition Centre report. The Director Secretary is to ensure that the outstanding \$800 refund of Virtue show fees is to be paid before next Management Committee meeting. E.C. also discussed the pricing of camping fees to ensure alignment between both Wellington / Auckland venues. Wellington at present only charges an annual camping fee and is reviewing event car parking fees.

The next major project for Auckland budget that has been approved by capex Committee is the Consent of Use Project and funding will be included in the FY2021-22 Budget.

Moved: SM; Seconded: KB - carried
– Report Received

FORRESTER PARK REPORT

Report provided by Anne McLachlan (AM).

1. The Benefit Shows went very well with a good turnout of exhibitors although due to having to reschedule twice we did lose our stall holders which was unfortunate. We are very grateful to

our judges for their patience with the rescheduling & that they were all still able to fulfil their contracts.

2. The financial outcome is still being finalised but early estimates indicate it was financially successful.
3. The very generous sponsorship from Purina for the shows was greatly appreciated & well received by all the recipients. Our grateful thanks to Purina.
4. The new LED lights were installed in time for the shows & are operating well. It will be interesting to see how much effect they have on the electricity usage.
5. Some of the old power outlets have been replaced & some extra ones added which has spread the availability of better access to an electrical plug around the hall.
6. The switchboard work has still to be done but should be completed within the next few weeks.
7. During the setup for the show it became apparent that some of our equipment isn't up to standard so we will address this at our next meeting. The expandable barriers do work well & there were a lot of comments about them.
8. We are still two committee members short but we are trying to find new people, however, in the meantime the committee is working very well together.

The E.C discussed and noted the Forrester Park report.

Moved: LS; Seconded: AB - carried
Information only – Report Received

9. CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence received that has not been dealt with as an Agenda Item.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

BH asked the E.C members if they had any other General Business to discuss.

STT: Reminder that Clubs in 2021 must hold a show under the new restrictions and no show cancelations will be approved. Also would like see more acknowledgement of retired judges – e.g. like an emeritus judges panel.

LS: Change to online dog entry form with new disclaimer.

11. CHAIRPERSON SUM UP / EVALUATION OF MEETING / NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

BH thanked the E.C for this weekend's meeting and noted that FH contribution will be missed.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING DATES (2020/2021 term)

The E.C noted the next E.C meeting will take place face to face on either the 26-27 February 2021 or March 6/7 in Christchurch. Final decision to be made by end of November.

BH closed the meeting at 11am on 22 November 2020.