



## Minutes of Meeting

9.00am – 9 September 2017

**In attendance:** Carl Ranford, Joanne Rennell, Diana Gausden, Chris Richardson, Bevan Dale, Wayne Grant, Sallie Remon

**Apologies:** Karen de Wit

### **Confirmation of Minutes:**

Diana moved that the minutes be approved, Wayne seconded.

### **Matters Arising:**

- Report on Jumpers v Agility - Karen  
Definite bias to Jumpers. July 17 report to be published to start a discussion about the possibility of reducing the number of Jumpers events.
- Bi-directional Long Jump in Gamblers  
Reg to be rewritten for clarity and made available to all classes. Make corner poles mandatory. Two sets of long jump to be used when bidirectional. Judges to be advised on run up/landing areas.
- SuperChamps  
Formally approved by AC. To be forwarded to EC for approval.
- Mandatory membership of an agility club  
Will be sending to EC.
- Core Values of this AC  
To be discussed on Sunday.
- Long Term Plan and Vision Statement  
To be discussed on Sunday.

### **Correspondence**

- Measuring Cards – reply that it is best to keep them mandatory at this stage as it will require a Regulation change.
- Whangarei RT Cancellation – offer to reschedule to the afternoon of their Champ show in November.
- Huntly RT – needs to be rescheduled. Possibilities are holding at Ardmore if held on the weekend of Nationals. Club need to apply to EC to hold their RT on that weekend.
- Midi to Medium in Regs – reply that this will be changed in the Regulations.
- DogSports Rotorua have applied to be affiliated with NZKC. Currently following due process.

Diana moved that the correspondence be accepted. Jo seconded.

## Financial Report

Joanne presented the Financial Report for August.

Upper Hutt, online course - \$100

Upper Hutt, instructor seminar - \$100

Whangarei, equipment grant - \$215

CHB, equipment grant - \$560

Waimak, equipment grant - \$500 & \$325 - \$825 in total

North Shore, equipment grant – quote required

Tokoroa Measuring Clinic - \$240

(Action point - Wayne to send out an email to measurers asking if they'd like to be contracted to attend shows).

Tunnel grants to be approved pending CoF requirements being met.

Joanne asked the AC to consider the concept of paying \$100 to the DAC account weekly to seed future DAC events.

Moved by Jo and the payments made approved, seconded by Bevan

## Area Reports

Bevan – HBC combining with Mangawhai. Confirmation of who is running what day.

Chris – Huntly RT to be rescheduled

Diana – Whangarei RT to be rescheduled

Wayne – nothing from Zone 4

Sallie – introduced herself to her clubs.

Carl – Wanganui club requested advice on entry fee increases.

## SubCommittee Reports

- Heights

Report from Karen read out.

*We have finalised our terms of reference.*

*We have sourced a number of publications on the subject of dogs jumping, safety in agility etc and have shared them with the agility community. The idea is over the next month or so to try and stimulate some interest/discussion in these.*

*We are also going to be creating some data and facts related to the NZ scene as far as what heights dogs jump, what number of dogs compete in NZ at each height etc.*

*We are also working on a survey to release to the agility community later on this year.*

*We have had some feedback from the agility community, with a range of ideas being expressed.*

- International  
Looking at making initial enquiries about the WAO being held in Canada.  
Zone 3 considering an international judge for DAC.
- Judges  
Renewal forms and surveys were sent out and received back. Yet to have a meeting to discuss the findings of the survey.  
Global Judging Programme – Greg and Lee can make January 2019, need to decide where to hold seminars. Prefer that all judges attend these seminars.  
Surveying judges regarding use of the collapsible tunnel.  
Collapsible tunnel was discussed following the results of the judges' survey.
- Equipment  
In the process of sending out invitations for EoI for vendors. Carl is in the process of creating application forms for pre-certified equipment.  
Formulating an equipment census.  
Terms of Reference sent out, with weaves as a priority.

### **NZDAC**

The AC highly recommend DAC18 look at dropping the Games event and consider a triple/triple instead. A list of judges is to be presented to the AC.

DAC17 - Entries are huge at 5227. All classes are sponsored. Camping/tents being set up. All DAC gear has been CoF'd.

### **Equipment/CoF**

2018 CoF stickers need to be ordered - Chris  
CoF clinic organised – Wayne/Chris/Equipment SC  
Working through Zone 1 CoF programme

### **Grant Forms**

Club Activity Grant – deleted  
Grant forms edited at the meeting with clarified criteria.  
Volunteer of the Year to be nominated each year from clubs.

### **Judges Showing Competitors How to Run Their Courses**

Friendly reminder that judges should refrain from coaching competitors on the course they are about to judge.

### **Forming Sub-Committees – Going Forward**

Based on feedback received around the formation of subcommittees, it was agreed that during the election process for the next AC that Expressions of Interest are called upon for future sub-committees and will be selected by the incoming AC.

### **Meeting Concluded**

5:30pm

9.00am – 10 September 2017

### **Long Term Plan and Vision Statement**

*Competing on world stage with world class dogs and world class handlers*

*Strong clubs*

*New members*

*Aspirational sport delivering growth to the grassroots sport*

*Growing sport across all demographics delivering world class professional sport through a world class consistent prospect*

*Inclusive sport supporting every individual achieving their personal goals*

*Fair sport for dogs and handlers*

*A sport using world class innovative technology leading world class outcomes.*

The above were summarised points from the Growth in Agility discussion from 25 June. This list was to be edited to form a Vision Statement.

World Class Sport. Supporting and Inspiring Clubs. Promoting Individual Potential.

- World Class Sport
  - Handlers and dogs training and competing at the world standard on a world stage
- Supporting and Inspiring Clubs
  - Standardised gears
  - Supportive and well-trained trainers
  - Mentoring approach for new members
  - Dog Clubs in schools/holiday programmes
- Promoting Individual Potential
  - Recognising everyone has different goals and different abilities
  - Providing the infrastructure and support that drives handlers and dogs to be part of the sport.

### **Election Process**

- Change of date, so Committee can meet before ACOD. Nominated closing date 10 October, with voting between 1-8 November and first meeting in December.
- A register of agility voters is required that belong to a registered/affiliated agility society.
- Casual vacancy filled by new nominations and a bi-election. If no nominations, then appointed by Committee.
- Clear instructions for voting procedures – postal/electronic/online – all votes to be acknowledged. Postal voters to be on a register and receive an official voting form with their Dogs NZ membership number printed on.
- Regulation that candidates' profiles in Dog World/website. Alphabetical order of nominations.
- No two members of the Committee can be from the same household, family and/or immediate family members.

- No more than three consecutive terms. Candidates may stand again after one term of absence.
- Announcement of results – all candidates to be advised prior to standing that all voting results will be published in the Dog World.

Diana to draft a Regulation and post to Loomio for discussion. Remit to ACOD to change the venue of AC meetings – Diana

### **Future AC Meeting Dates**

Informal catch up planned at DAC.

Trial a Skype meeting in between.

25/26 November to be held in Auckland dependent upon EC meeting requirements if not then 16/17 December?

### **Aggressive Handlers – Enabling Clubs to Deal with Issues**

Handbook? Guide? Etiquette for handlers and actions for clubs. Diana to produce some text to see whether the Committee approved of this.

### **Any Other Business**

- Graham Parr – wanted to be a measurer, hasn't heard anything. Approved.
- CoF form/booklet to be designed prior to CoFer training.
- Carl asked the Committee to be mindful of their comments on social media which may be misinterpreted by the community.
- Website – update requests to be sent to Peter to update the website.
- Competitor complaint – reply to advise of the complaint process that is available to them now at this stage.
- Correspondence tracker - Committee reminded to keep this updated.
- Contact in Starters – put out to consultation. Background precis to be created – Carl.
- Challenges awarded. Currently sits at 15, 25 and 75. Look at how many more challenges would be awarded at 15, 25 and 50 – Diana
- Reruns in finals at team trials, interzone, DAC finals etc. Sallie would like to see manual timers as a backup for these events with no reruns allowed.

### **Meeting Concluded**

2.00pm