

Minutes of Meeting

24 June 2018

Meeting opened: 9:25am

Attending: Chris Richardson, Carl Ranford, Bevan Dale, Joanne Rennell, Sallie Remon, Wayne Grant, Steve Chester

Apologies: Diana Gausden

Previous Minutes: Approved for publication via Loomio 13th May 2018.

Matters arriving from Minutes:

- 5m Rule – remove 5m rule for CT. Carl has written new reg to standardise the CT. It's suggested that it is included in the regulations somewhere that when COF'ing, we do allow a small tolerance. Going to send to Ron Frater to come up with good wording for it.
- Schools report – Diana still to action this.

Correspondence:

- Email from Nick Chester
 - Discussed and aspects of the email will be looked into further. AC intends to form a sub committee to work on developing these ideas further.
- Calendar Proposal from Roy Thorndycraft
 - Diana and Joanne to review and make modifications to the dates that are differing, send out to clubs for response and then implement.
- Scribe/Checking in discussion – Krissi Lee
 - Carl to send something out to clubs / fb just to be more consistent at shows – and maybe to make an announcement at morning briefings.
- Submission for new Elementary C – Danielle Owen
 - Agreed that it's a good grass roots initiative, and we will go ahead and implement regulation to include this. Established that Elem C MUST be run on an Elem B course, and is only eligible for new handlers who have never won or obtained a ribbon on a clear round in any other class.
 - Reg needs to be to Bevan for EC ratification by 1st of July.

Financial Report

Joanne reported that the accounts are currently looking quite healthy. Joanne presented the financial report for April and May 2018. It appears that levy increase is working to increase funds.

Still needing to pay grant to Kaipara DTC, but waiting on bank account details from them.

Joanne moved that the report being accepted, seconded by Chris.

Joanne and Carl attended finance meeting – discussion around combining finances. Agility made it clear that we aren't happy about this.

Area Reports:

Jo – Nothing to report.

Bevan – Has been working with Tokoroa re change in committee.

Chris – Nothing to report.

Carl – Nothing to report.

Sallie – OCTC seem to be doing a bit better. Sallie will check on them in a couple of months. Southland struggling with trainers. Sallie to implement a training program down there when she is back from holiday.

Steve – Nothing to report.

Wayne – Nothing to report.

Subcommittee Reports

Judges – few things being currently worked on, some reg changes that will be put to EC at July meeting. For judges that have just moved up to Ribbon Trial panel, need to have a senior judge available to help them out when needed at the first couple of shows. Chris to put something out to trainee judges/newly appointed RT judges.

There was discussion that its strange that trainee judges should have a basic knowledge of regs before doing probationary appointments. This is something that needs to be looked into further.

Chris to put out to Judges Sub Committee to start putting together questions for August exam.

Chris to work through how we can move exams to online, so they can easily be offered more than twice a year, which would allow exam to be taken by trainee judges prior to doing probationary appointments.

Judges renewals – Chris to work through how this can be done online. AC agrees to once again pay the fee. Thoughts that maybe get judges to submit a course for AD/ADX as part of their renewal – AC to then decide which courses are to be used.

Congratulate Lloyd Pallessen – has been approved to Agility Panel.

Heights – HRSC happy with outcome of survey. AC to review proposal and discuss on Loomio. Zoom meeting to be scheduled with HRSC to discuss and ask questions that we may have. Bevan to send review to Canine Health & Welfare.

International – Nothing to report. Still waiting on flights bill for GJP.

Equipment – Lug proposal – AC agrees to the latest version of lug proposal as discussed on Loomio by ESC.

Agreement to be sent to Lyn and a signed copy of it to be sent to Bevan for EC report. Also need to announce on FB and Website that Lyn is approved and what equipment is approved.

COF – Need to modify forms to include PASS / FAIL / SAFETY FAIL (Safety fail means that they cannot use for training or competition). Will need to contact clubs to let them know this is happening, and also COF'ers will need to be told what is classed as safety fail.

Schools – Carl reported that everything is progressing well.

Equipment Standardisation

Bi-directional long jump – AC has approved Lyn's proposed regulations and obstacle specs for this piece of equipment. Corner poles to be mandated as a minimum of 900mm. No maximum.

Standardisation – Collapsible is 1st to be Standardised. Weaves to follow. There are 10 clubs in the country that currently have no 'standardised' collapsible tunnels.

22 Clubs in NZ do not own a set of weaves that meet the specs that will become the 'standard'.

AC will provide a 50% grant to assist clubs in purchasing collapsible tunnels and weaves, to give the club a maximum of 2 of each of these pieces of equipment.

EC Report – Bevan reported on EC meetings. Rebecca Maud's case is still ongoing with EC. Governance changes EC is happy with and barring a few word changes EC is happy to approve the changes. Bevan is also conditioning EC regarding governance changes around heights and equipment changes.

Susan Tansey Complaint – Bevan reported that this is being followed up by EC. Bevan also let EC know that he did not want to be involved as he has a conflict of interest.

QCTs for all classes (from last open forum) – Go back to Graham Lawson and ask him to submit a proposal which the JSC can look at and work through.

NZDAC 2018 Report

Carl presented report and all is going well. Have been managing to save money on various expenses. H&S plan has been approved by Manfield.

Proposal to change regulation regarding NZDAC registration – remove the registration fee wording. This allows DAC organisers flexibility when setting registration fees each year.

NZDAC 2019 Report

Reported on venue, showed some photos of the venue to outline where parking, camping and rings will be. DAC committee to arrange a fundraising event, date to be confirmed.

Dogs on Report

Discussed 'in committee' and to be followed up.

Agility as a recognised sport

Wayne and Bevan to take charge of this and will report back to the committee by 4th July.

Zone 6 JDT

- JDT proposal – we had further clarification from JDT as to how this would work. AC discussed. Trial organisers have agreed that it could be done this year. Z3 have agreed that they can incorporate into this year's DAC. Sallie to ask all interzone judges if they are happy to provide 4 nested courses for this year's DAC.
- The organisers are to provide a report back to AC after the trials, and AC then to develop a process for long term stability of this event.
- Vote was taken by AC to support this. 6 voted for. 1 against – Steve.

Club Trainers Subcommittee

AC needs to put together a brief/TOR for this sub committee. There has been a good turnout of candidates for this SC.

Key points:

- Establish a handbook and training structure that other clubs can use
- Supporting instructors
- Mentoring new members – helping with joining, getting permanent numbers, walking courses etc
- Support of running shows to encourage new members to help out more at shows, giving them the tools
- Retention before acquisition – need to retain current members

Ian Grey Agility History project – total cost \$1000 for all equipment etc. \$500 been granted by EC to do a video documentary on history of agility. AC has been asked to front the other \$500. AC supports this.

Starters Survey Outcome

There will be no change to the current system. Suggest that next AC puts the survey out again to see if results are different now that people have had time to discuss this.

AD / ADX Survey Outcome

Survey suggests no change to the current system, however, it is conclusive that the courses should be re-designed. There is significant interest in combining AD/ADX as one course. AC to investigate this further to confirm and clarify that this is what people want.

Code of Conduct

Chris will put up on Loomio a standard code of conduct for sports teams, for AC to pick apart and formulate which bits are most appropriate to the AC.

Other Business

Dogs NZ need to put call for nominations in the August gazette. Needs to be into DNZ by 10th July. Wayne to talk to PD re calling for nominations.

Tidying up any existing matters before the end of term.

Bevan left the meeting at 1:42pm.

Meeting closed at 2:41pm.