

MINUTES OF NZKCAGILITY COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE 21 MAY 2007

Meeting by Teleconference commencing at 7.33pm.

Present: Alan McClumpha (chair), Karen deWit, Allan Rohde, Paul Remon, Roy Thorndycraft, Lyn Sayers, Nick Chester, Fiona Hodgson

Introduction

Alan M ran through where things are at in terms of the changes to the systems, roles of the previous Zone reps as Statutory Managers, his tenure as Agility Chairperson and items relevant to the handover from the Zones.

Committee Duties

Chairperson – Alan M remains as chair until Annual Conference. He signaled his intention to stand again. Karen also indicated that she would like to be considered. It was suggested and agreed that anyone who wanted to be considered for the position put their name and details forward for a decision to be made at a meeting to be held in conjunction with Annual Conference in June.

Deputy Chair – as above

Secretary it was decided that we would require a secretary to take minutes for ourselves but that we would work in with the new Director/Secretary for those matters which require office/NZKC input. It was agreed that Fiona would act as Internal Secretary for minute taking.

Treasurer – It was noted that the income for this committee would be significant and would lead to a lot of work chasing up clubs for levies etc. Some discussion was held as to how independent in this regard we should be. It was recommended that Alan R act as interim Treasurer and we see how things go over time and bring in other help as may be required.

A finance committee of Allan R, Fiona and Alan M was set up to work through initial issues.

Finances

NZKC will continue to provide some funding to both obedience and agility. Discussion was held regarding the levies. It was decided that all classes held at or in conjunction with Championship shows be levied at 25c per run. AD and ADX Adv classes also to be levied at 25c per run. Ribbon trials will not attract Agility Committee levies and at this stage the Agility Committee will not levy clubs directly. A letter and levy form is to be developed to send out to clubs detailing the new levy structure – backdated to 1 April 07. Karen and Fiona to organize and gain approval from committee prior to posting to all agility registered clubs.

Annual Conference

The Agility Committee has 4 votes at Conference and the NZKC pays reasonable expenses for these 4 people to attend. It was resolved that Alan M, Alan R, Paul and Karen be the Agility Committee delegates this year. It was further decided that all NZAC members attend the conference in order to get to know the Executive Councilors and see how the system works. Alan M to organise flights, accommodation and meeting room. Alan M also to inform Allan R regarding costs for future budgeting purposes. It was further suggested that we make ourselves available to have a meeting with the Obedience Committee should they wish to do so. Future NDTA dialogue needs to start soon.

Future Agility Committee Meetings

Face to face meetings will require at least a full day but are very valuable. It was suggested that we plan/budget for 3 of these per year tentatively February, June (in conjunction with Ann Conference) and approx. Oct/Nov. In between these meetings phone conferences would be appropriate with email further utilised to thrash out ideas, proposal wording etc. Tuesday appeared to be the preferred day for teleconference calls for the future.

Reporting

NZKC – The NZKC Executive will require a report at each meeting detailing finances, management report and minutes from recent meetings.

Zones – The ex-Zone Reps as Statutory Managers will need to be kept informed of what the Agility Committee is doing and be able to communicate with the committee until hand-over is complete. Zones 1,3 and 5 have their Statutory Managers on the Agility Committee.

Nick to liaise with Kathy Roper from Zone 2 in conjunction with Alan M to keep up to date with how they are going with things. Paul and Roy are to catch up with Carol Logan from Zone 4 and keep her informed and lend help as required.

Historic Zone Awards - It was noted that a list and detail of these awards should be compiled and people in the areas delegated to ensure they are continued if the area still requires them. Alan Shrimpton has offered to continue doing the old Zone 1 points.

Clubs – Calendar applications will need to be sought. There was some discussion re how this was to be done. A form is required for ART applications and a National Calendar coordinated. It was decided that a PO Box is required for the Agility Committee and after some discussion is to be in Upper Hutt in the interim. Fiona is to arrange, clear and onpost financial items to Alan R.

Members – Website – It was suggested that we have our own website with links to and from the NZKC site. Karen is to talk to Scott Bolton regarding this and see if he can help with the setup of our own named site.

Sub-Committees

Alan M suggested we would require the following subcommittees: Regulations, Judges, NDTA + Awards, Finances, Communication, Obedience Committee Liaison and Sponsorship.

It was suggested that we review the results from the agility survey and make plans to address the areas of concern as dictated by those results. This plan should be on the agenda for the meeting in June.

Karen suggested we needed a long-term plan to get a coordinated approach to our proposals etc. These are things to look at once our systems are in place for the actual running of the committee. Discussion was made regarding the need for some space in the gazette for the Agility Committee to be able to keep people informed of what we are doing. Suggestions included taking over the CIA page. Alan M to talk to Colleen regarding having gazette space.

A protocols manual needs to be set up for the Agility Committee once systems are in place. There is one in existence from the DTC which may be out of date but may contain some useful information.

Meeting closed at 10.09pm.