

SUMMARY
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, 22 October 2024

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Conflicts of interest were declared by:

- Mandy Schelbach and Vicki Schneider on one agenda item with neither Director participating in the discussion or voting on the matter.
- Vyvyan Mannion on one agenda item and she did not participate in the discussion or vote on the matter.

No other conflicts of interest were declared.

Previous Minutes

Minutes of Board Meeting – 24 September 2024

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 24 September 2024, as amended, were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Summary of Previous Minutes – 27 August 2024

The Summary of Minutes for 27 August 2024 was accepted with the Summary to be published to members on the Dogs Queensland website.

Action Items

Action Items – 22 October 2024

The action items were noted, including updates, information provided in the Board papers and items completed, with the revised Action Items attached to the Minutes.

Ongoing Matters

Club Annual Reports

Directors noted the matter was ongoing.

REPORTS

Financial Report – September 2024

Directors discussed the information provided.

Financial Summary – September 2024 - noted.

Office Reports

Office Report – Week Ending – 18 October 2024 – noted.

Social Media Report – October 2024 – noted.

Welfare Officer Reports

CWLO Reports – 15 October 2024

Directors noted the information provided. Further engagement with members by the CWLO was encouraged with the suggestion consideration be given to holding a monthly 'walk and talk' event with members.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Appointment of Scrutineers

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. The Board **agreed** to the appointment of Nadia Attridge, Nic Mather, Corina Lowther and Jeremy Cook as election scrutineers.

Dogs Queensland Grooming Committee

Directors noted the information provided with discussion following on the EOIs received. Tara Tinsey was considered an appropriate Dogs Queensland representative on the committee, however at least one Board member should also be appointed. Gordon Mayne offered to be the Board representative and would work with Tara Tinsey on the committee charter, committee members' roles and the list of appointments.

Voter Roll for Election

Directors noted the information provided, with discussion following on:

- Section 13.5 of the constitution noting if the membership fee was not paid on or before 1 January each year, a member was unable to vote on the election of directors. Directors requested this information be reinforced in member correspondence and in Paw Prints.
- Voting by existing members vs new members joining post 1 January, with legal advice to be obtained on the issue.

First Aid Training for Show Managers

Directors discussed the information provided, conducting first aid training for Show Managers in Zones 1, 2 and 3 and having a facilitator available. A first aid certificate holder should be available at any show/event for safety reasons. Due to the size of Zones 2 and 3, it was suggested EOIs be issued to ascertain interest in participating in a first aid course with further investigation required on possible training options. Directors suggested regular training on the use of the available defibrillator equipment should also be undertaken.

Directors agreed first aid training be initially commenced for Show Managers in Zone 1, with further investigation to be undertaken on conducting courses for Show Managers in Zones 2 and 3.

Dogs Queensland Specialist List

Directors discussed the information provided with the suggestion the list be reviewed to ensure the details were up to date. Robyn Hyman was stepping down, with Directors requesting the General Manager forward a letter thanking Robyn Hyman for her service.

Discussion followed on Rule 18.2 with Directors requesting clubs be advised they were able to issue further EOIs for qualified persons to nominate for the Specialist Member List. It was noted the Chair of a panel was able to raise matters regarding the performance of any Specialist Member with the Board if required.

ANKC (Dogs Australia) Matters

Electronic Motion #212: 2023-2024 Audited Accounts

The information was noted with a verbal update provided on matters discussed at the recent ANKC meeting noting minutes would be circulated when received.

COMMITTEES

Durack Grounds

New Ablution Block

A verbal update was provided noting matters were being progressed. It was noted the Durack grounds were within a flood zone and any waste disposal needed to be connected to the Urban Utilities system.

Solar lighting for Durack

Directors discussed the information provided and the potential costs, noting the engagement of a local contractor was preferable, particularly if maintenance was required. Work on the lighting requirements for Durack would continue with the suggestion other lighting options for larger shows be investigated.

SprintDog Track Proposal

Directors discussed the information provided noting the Sprint Dog Committee should be the appropriate body to bring any recommendations to the Board. It was noted if any work was completed at Durack, the course would be Dogs Queensland property and other clubs would be able to use the area, not just the Sprint Dogs Club. The work to be completed was discussed with the re-fencing requirements for the Sprint Dog and Lure Coursing areas to be reviewed. Dogs Queensland Grounds staff, as part of their duties, would be able to undertake maintenance of the areas.

Queensland Dog Sports

Qld Dogs Sports Committee Financial Report for September 2024 - noted.

QDS Judges Elevations

Directors **endorsed** the following Judges elevations:

- Roslyn Kirwin – Rally O
- Elizabeth Buchanan – Track and Search Trials at all levels
- Ann-Marie Boyd – Track and Search Trials at all levels
- Annette Dobson – Track and Search Trials at all levels
- Tanya Hill – Track and Search Trials at all levels
- Geoff Cunningham – Track and Search Trials at all levels

Issues with SprintDog Entries

Directors discussed the information provided noting:

- The team's resources were limited and consideration was being given to holding a workshop at the commencement of the year and providing training for clubs on the requirements to hold sport dog events and the rules which must be followed.
- Dog Sports was a fast growing and popular activity with the need to establish participation criteria and address issues which had arisen. Options and possible solutions for entries on Show Manager were being considered to prevent the system crashing due to the high demand.
- The suggestion a Sprint Dog Day plus a novice day be held to increase community awareness and attract additional members for the organisation.

Conformation Judges & Events Managers

A verbal report was provided noting there were issues needing to be addressed with ANKC regarding following the order of classes judged at shows and conducting FCI shows in accordance with FCI Rules. General Manager advised any agenda items to be included for the next ANKC meeting on 8 February 2025 needed to be submitted by 13 December 2024.

Canine Health

Canine Health Committee Minutes – 17 September 2024

Directors noted the minutes provided, with the following highlighted:

- A successful, well attended webinar was held on hip dysplasia noting a link was also provided to watch the content after the meeting. Issues which had arisen for overseas attendees attending the webinar were being addressed.

Constitution and Rules

Cancellation of Constitution and Rules Committee meeting

Photography Policy Update

The following verbal report was provided:

- Member feedback and the photography policy would be addressed at the next Constitution and Rules Committee meeting.
- Work continued on the Dogs Queensland constitution before it could be submitted to the lawyers for a technical review noting the March 2025 AGM timing for a new constitution would not be met.
- Work continued with clubs regarding the implementation of new rules, constitutions and incorporation matters.

Junior Handlers

A verbal report was provided on the Junior Handlers Nationals, which was successfully held, with the hard work by the Committee and Ian Rasmussen acknowledged. The feedback for the event had been overwhelmingly positive noting the Committee would consider the comments at the next meeting and address any areas for improvement.

SHOW MATTERS, SHOW/TRIAL DATES AND CLUB MATTERS

Show Dates

Show Dates for Approval

Directors discussed the requests provided and **agreed** as follows:

- Bull Terrier Club of Qld with approval for only two champ shows and one open show to be held. The venue change was **declined** noting the event was required to be held at Durack.
- Burnett Kennel Club - **accepted**.
- Callide Valley Kennel Club, with clarification to be obtained on requirements for the club.
- Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld – **accepted**.
- Marburg Show Society - **accepted**.
- German Shepherd Dog Club of Qld – the application for various shows/events in 2025 was **accepted**.
- German Shepherd Dog Club of Qld – the request for a third champ show was **declined**.

Directors discussed the email request from the Gympie & District Kennel Club to reconsider and grant dispensation to hold a third show in 2025 to celebrate the club's 100th anniversary. Documentation on the club operating for 100 years should be provided with the show to be advertised as a 100th anniversary show event, not an extra champ show.

The Board resolved dispensation be provided to the Gympie & District Kennel Club to hold a third show in November 2025 to celebrate the club's 100th anniversary.

NEW MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL

Flying Minutes re Membership

The Board ratified the memberships accepted by flying minutes as tabled. Membership currently stood at 5,839 plus 976 Community Memberships.

LATE ITEMS & GENERAL BUSINESS

Change of date request for DOTY 2025

The Board agreed with the changes requested to move Dog of the Year to 7 and 8 February 2025 and reinstatement of the Festive Fiesta four day show at the end of the year.

CLOSURE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting is to be held Tuesday, 26 November 2024 at 6pm at the Dogs Queensland offices at Durack and by Zoom teleconference.