

**SUMMARY**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, 24 January 2023**

A presentation was provided to the Board regarding RAFT Issues re Artificial Game.

**Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Conflicts of interest were noted for Vicki Schneider, Mandy Schelbach and Elisa McCutcheon. Directors did not vote on any items where there was a conflict of interest. There were no other declarations of conflicts of interest.

**Previous Minutes**

Minutes of Board Meeting – 21 November 2022

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 21 November 2022, as amended, were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Minutes of Board Meeting – 28 November 2022

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 28 November 2022, as amended, were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Summary of previous Minutes – 24 October 2022

The Summary of Minutes for 24 October 2022, as amended, was accepted with the Summary to be published to members on the Dogs Queensland website.

**Action Items**

Action Items – 24 January 2023

The Action Items were noted, including updates provided and items completed, with the revised Action Items attached to these Minutes.

**Ongoing Matters**

Mr J Cook – Emailing Certificates

Directors noted the new certificate/self-serve process had been successfully trialled at the December/Christmas/New Year events. It was suggested training be conducted on the system if there was interest with the matter to be placed on the PST meeting agenda with Jeremy Cook to provide a presentation.

Safety Work at Durack

General Manager advised safety work was underway.

Canine Welfare Officer

Directors noted the information provided. The Chair commented the proactive role should involve liaison, education, assistance and support for breeders and members in a collaborative way. The role should also raise the profile of Dogs Queensland.

Discussion followed on whether the role was a full-time position, the need for a budget to be put in place to cover salary and benefits, for example travel costs across Queensland with an expectation the role would cost around \$100k per year. It was suggested the position description be finalised and considered at the February 2023 Board meeting.

#### Durack Undercover Area

Noted with the Chair suggesting a Board meeting should be held at Caboolture at a date to be decided to view the facilities.

#### Final Stage of Sporting Field

Noted with quotes still to be received.

#### Cyber Risk, Data Security & Privacy

General Manager advised two-factor authentication and a password policy had been implemented with work continuing on IT matters. The implementation of a Risk Management Plan was critical and should be updated and reviewed regularly by the Board. The changeover of Committees would occur following the March 2023 AGM and consideration should be given to introducing an Audit and Risk Management Committee.

#### Quotes to Alleviate Drainage, Light and Shades Area Problems on Rings 11-16

Directors discussed the quotes provided noting the plumbing and electrical work was required to be completed at a cost of ~\$60,000. It was proposed to complete these two stages before progressing any concreting work.

Directors agreed to proceed with the plumbing and electrical work as quoted.

Dogs Queensland – Icubed Completion of Rectification Works - noted.

#### Junior Handler Committee Risk Management Strategy

Directors discussed the information provided. Directors accepted the Risk Management Strategy and requested the presentation be posted on the Dogs Queensland website.

## **REPORTS**

### **Finance**

#### Financial Report – November 2022/Financial Report – December 2022

Directors noted the Financial Reports provided.

#### Provisional 2022 P and L

Directors noted the information provided with a profit of \$484,438.89 for the financial year. General Manager advised the audit would commence at the end of the week.

Financial Summary – December 2022 – noted.

#### Financial Report – Joint Show P and L's

Directors noted the information provided with discussion held on the allocation of costs for Dogs Queensland staff involved in shows as part of the overheads for running a show with an assessment required.

## **Office Reports**

### Office Report – Week End – 20 January 2023

Noted with the General Manager advising litter registrations had surged again with no sign of abating.

Communications Board Report - noted.

## **OTHER AGENDA ITEMS**

### Debbie Morrison-Tierney – Proposal for Doggy Memorial Area

Directors discussed the information provided and agreed the proposal not be progressed.

### Pet Show Brisbane

Directors discussed the information provided noting further details would be available as planning progressed. Directors agreed Dogs Queensland should participate in the event.

### Flood Relief for CQ

General Manager advised no-one had contacted the Dogs Queensland office seeking assistance. Directors agreed a flood relief application form be posted on the Dogs Queensland website.

### Appointment of Scrutineers

Directors noted and discussed the information provided with the suggestion a reminder be issued to members on voting for the March 2023 AGM.

Directors agreed with the appointment of the two scrutineers namely Nic Mather and Joanna Gurd noting the other application was lodged out of time.

### Mr E Ryder – Addition to the Emeritus Judges List

Directors agreed Eddie Ryder be added to the Emeritus Judges List.

### Hiring of Powered Sites at Durack

Directors discussed the information provided and agreed the proposal was worth progressing with monitoring able to occur through the office or Show manager. The tagging of power equipment and monitoring was important noting an appliance belonging to a business such as Dogs Queensland needed to be tested and tagged. General Manager was requested to contact the insurers to ensure Dogs Queensland was covered should powered sites be hired out. A policy document would be required on site allocations which was likely to be 'first in, best dressed.' GM noted a residual current device (RSD) should be in place.

## **ANKC Matters**

Dogs Australia February 2023 Special Board Meeting - Access to Agenda Documents and Zoom Meeting Link – noted.

FCI Circulars – noted.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Durack Grounds Committee**

#### Grounds Committee meeting Minutes from 11.01.2023

Directors noted the information provided with the following matters highlighted and discussed:

- One light prototype installed for testing.

- Tree removal and replacement of the fence with the General Manager advising quotes had been obtained. It was proposed to install a chain wire fence which was around \$60K with Council approval to be sought on the removal of trees.
- One quote had been received to date for the Gate repair.

### **Qld Dog Sports Committee**

#### QDS PST Minutes

Directors noted the information provided, including:

- ANKC Ltd meeting agenda with Dogs Sports asking for full membership of FCI.
- Requests for hard copies of Dog World which the Office could print. It was costly to provide a hard copy magazine which was why the magazine was moved to online resulting in a \$50K saving.

#### Proposal re SprintDog Run

Directors noted the information provided with considerable interest in the sport and the need to identify an area if ANKC Ltd approval was received. Risk factors had been flagged with recommendations made the catcher was to be a person known to the dog and mentoring and training to be implemented for Lure drivers.

Directors endorsed the recommendation that should the sport be approved for a working party, a dedicated track with a sandpit be installed at Durack, noting there would be no cost to Dogs Queensland.

#### SprintDog – Expansion of Rules

Directors noted the information provided, with the matter progressing.

#### Recommendation from the Lure Coursing Subcommittee to be endorsed by the DQ Board

Directors noted the information provided. Directors endorsed the recommendation for all judges to complete a lure driver course.

**Conformation Judges Committee – Nil.**

### **National Canine Health & Wellbeing Committee**

Minutes of DQ Health Committee Meeting on 15 November 2022 - noted.

#### Initial Health Survey Data

Directors noted the information provided with the General Manager advising a summary was being prepared. The survey highlighted the demand for Dogs Queensland to run clinics with the matter to be discussed further at the February 2023 Board meeting.

#### British Bulldog Club – Proposed Health Scheme

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. Directors agreed the British Bulldog Club Health Scheme be implemented.

#### Canine Health Committee – Vet training for RFGS for Brachycephalic Breeds

EMC provided a verbal report noting the proposal to conduct vet training in Queensland with the Professor to travel from Victoria. Directors agreed EMC contact the Professor to pursue discussions on conducting Vet training in Queensland. It was noted a CPD program would enable points to be obtained and legitimate training was tax deductible.

## Proposed Agenda Items for the National Health & Well-Being Committee Meeting

The information provided was noted with Directors agreeing the proposed agenda items be placed on the National Health & Well-Being Committee Meeting.

### **Constitution & Rules Committee**

#### Updated Model Rules of Association

Directors noted the information provided with GM advising the Cairns Club AGM was scheduled to be held on 28 January 2023. Should the updated model rules of Association be adopted by the Club and accepted by the Office of Fair Trading, the rule would be used as the model for all other clubs in Queensland.

The Constitution & Rules Committee would discuss two issues, namely:

1. A grievance procedure with the Model Rules requiring clubs to have a policy in place.
2. Legal representation permitted at hearings noting this did not occur until the Appeals stage in the rules of Dogs Queensland. The inconsistency between the Model Rules and Dogs Queensland Rules would need to be addressed.

Directors thanked Gordon Mayne, Elisa McCutcheon and Carolyn Ryan for their work on the matter.

**Other Committees - Nil.**

### **SHOW MATTERS, SHOW/TRIAL DATES AND CLUB MATTERS**

#### **Show Dates**

##### Show Dates for Approval

Directors discussed the information provided and **agreed** to the requests except for:

- The German Short Haired Pointer Club of Queensland and whether the Club existed.
- Rottweiler Club of Qld, with the request for a third Open Show denied.

##### Border Collie National 2023

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. Directors agreed to the request for the additional day on Thursday, 29 August 2023 for the Border Collie National 2023. The use of the Durack grounds would be permitted on the basis it would not a 'sole' use.

Yuggera/DQ Show June 2023 - noted.

##### Callide Valley Canine Club Show Dates 2023

Directors discussed the information provided and agreed to the request from the Callide Valley Canine Club. It was noted the cut-off date for 2024 Show Dates needed to be observed with the matter placed on the PST Agenda.

#### **Club Matters**

##### Application for Recognised Social Club – Sprint Dog Club

Directors noted the matter was on hold pending consideration by ANKC Ltd.

##### Application for National Grant – Qld Boxer Club

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. Directors agreed a grant of \$1,000 be provided to the Qld Boxer Club to assist with the Club's National Show in August 2024.

### Problems with Various Clubs

Discussion followed on problems with various clubs, for example not incorporated or insufficient members to be viable, with CR assisting clubs with issues where possible.

### 2023 Rally 'O' and Obedience National Grant

Directors noted and discussed the information provided.

Directors agreed grants of \$1,000 be extended to Subcommittees holding National Events such as the National Rally 'O' and Obedience Trial in 2023.

### **NEW MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL**

#### New Members for Approval

The 123 new applications for membership received since the last Board meeting on 28 November 2022 were approved. Membership at the end of 2022 stands at 6,587 plus 835 Community Members.

### **CLOSURE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting is to be held Thursday, 23 February 2023 at 6pm at the Dogs Queensland offices at Durack and by Zoom teleconference.