

**SUMMARY**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, 23 September 2025**

**Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

**Previous Minutes**

Minutes of Board Meeting – 26 August 2025

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 26 August 2025 were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Summary of Previous Minutes – 22 July 2025

The Summary of Minutes for 22 July 2025 was accepted with the Summary to be published to members on the Dogs Queensland website.

**REPORTS**

Financial Report – 31 August 2025

Financial Summary – August 2025

The Financial Report and Summary for July 2025 were tabled and discussed. The Finance, Budget and Risk Management Committee meeting was scheduled for 14 October 2025 with the 2026 Budget to be considered, including any fee increases. Any recommendations would be presented at the October 2025 Board meeting.

**Office Reports**

Office Report Week Ending – 19 September 2025: Noted.

Social Media Report – September 2025: Noted.

**Welfare Officer Reports**

CWLO Board Report - September 2025

The information provided was tabled and discussed. The Board agreed to accept the CWLO's recommendation to issue one further letter of demand requesting payment of outstanding transfer fees before recovery action was taken should payment not be received. The President's message would comment on the requirement to pay outstanding transfer fees and potential loss of membership if payments were not made.

**OTHER AGENDA ITEMS**

DNA Profiling Pricing update and Opportunity for Dogs Queensland Collaboration

Discussion followed on the information provided noting Dogs Queensland utilised other DNA testing providers. Dogs Victoria was also due to source Orivet's services and the significant increase in DNA samples to be tested may impact the services provided to Dogs Queensland members.

The Board agreed the Executive Committee meet with George Sofronidis, Orivet, to discuss arrangements and DNA profiling pricing.

## Member Meetings

The information provided was tabled noting prior discussions held. The Board agreed with the suggestion to commence the process with a casual meeting to be held at Durack and online. An assessment on the success or not of the meeting could be undertaken before meetings in Zones 2 and 3 were planned.

## Potential Knose/Dogs Queensland Partnership

The information provided was discussed noting the organisation's insurer had identified issues during prior discussions with Knose and further information and advice was required for consideration.

## **ANKC (Dogs Australia) Matters**

### DA October 2025 Meetings: Access to Agenda Documents

A new agenda had been circulated which included the Conformation Judges matter.

### DA – Electronic Motion #215: 2024/2025 Audited Accounts: Noted.

### DA - October 2025 AGM: Confirmation of AGM Representative and Alternate Directors

#### Rules and Regs – Proposal to ANKC

The information provided was discussed with the Board agreeing the proposal to add a time period for the renewal of Judges licences was to be placed on the ANKC meeting agenda.

The Board agreed the AGM Representatives and Alternate Directors for the Dogs Australia October 2025 AGM were Barbara Murfet and Ainslie Carius, with Tim Thomas also authorised to attend to address relevant agenda items.

### Status of International All Breeds Judges: Noted.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Board's Ground Liaison**

#### Initial Discussions with Men's Shed

A verbal report was provided on the approach by the Men's Shed, Forest Lake noting no ownership of the shed would be offered, Dogs Queensland would not be required to outlay any monies and the Men's Shed would be required to possess the appropriate insurances. Directors requested the General Manager enquire whether Dogs Queensland volunteer insurance cover would apply for any tasks on the grounds which the organisation may request the Men's Shed to undertake .

The Board agreed the General Manager investigate and undertake discussions with the Men's Shed regarding possible relocation to Durack.

Discussion followed on whether Dogs Queensland could provide communal outdoor camping facilities with access to the grounds after hours with the Board agreeing the idea of providing camping facilities be considered at another time.

### **Queensland Dog Sports**

#### Financial Reports for August 2025: Noted.

#### SprintDog - Judges Training Issues

The SprintDog facilities were available for use, however there was an issue with Judges training not being provided. Duncan McAllister offered to hold discussions with a contact on providing lure driver training and to assist Barbara Murfet with the training issues. The Board expressed their support for Barbara Murfet to pursue and resolve the Dogs Sports issue noting it would be made clear the Committee members needed to be part of the solution.

The Board agreed expressions of interest (EOIs) be issued for drivers and Judges.

## Opening of Agility National Camping

Discussion followed on a request to open camp bookings early for the Nationals in 2026 to accommodate volunteers travelling from North Queensland. Camp bookings were usually open as soon as an event was advertised with the camping policy allowing bookings to be made six months in advance. This should provide all members/volunteers with the opportunity to book in advance, however specific sites were not allotted for Zones 2 and 3 members. It was suggested further investigations be undertaken and information requested on the number of helpers required to determine numbers and camping requirements.

## Elevation of Scent Work Judges

The Board **endorsed** the following elevations:

- Cassandra Dark – Excellent and Masters Scent work Judge.
- Kellie Ann Gunnis - Excellent and Masters Scent work Judge

## **Conformation Judges**

### Minutes of the CJC Meeting 2 September 2025

The information provided was addressed noting the CJC would not organise shows, however clubs were offered a list of eligible Judges to contact and work on the calendar dates for 2027 would be undertaken shortly.

### Judges Training Weekend – May 2026

The Caboolture proposal was discussed, noting the event would be heavily promoted, with consideration given to a contribution by Dogs Queensland.

The Board agreed to the proposal for the CJC Judges Training weekend hosted by the Caboolture Kennel Club in May 2026 with Dogs Queensland to contribute ribbons and rosettes.

## CJC Finances

The information was noted with a decision on all Judges licence/exam fees being allocated for Judges training to be postponed to the next Board meeting pending the provision of percentage figures and amounts paid by all Judges, including any administration costs, for further consideration.

## **Canine Health**

### Canine Health Committee Minutes 16 September 2025

The information provided was noted with discussion following on a replacement Committee member in Netta Bainbridge's absence.

The Board agreed Ainslie Carius would replace Netta Bainbridge during her absence, with Gordon Mayne an alternate representative if required.

## **Constitution and Rules**

### Board Member Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy

Lengthy discussion followed on various provisions in the reimbursement policy and a further amendment, noting:

- A claim form was being developed for use by Directors.
- An initial review of the new policy was to be completed after 12 months although this period was able to be changed.

The Board agreed to adopt the Board Member Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy.

### Minutes of Meeting 10 September 2025

The minutes of the Constitution and Rules Committee were noted.

The partnership agreement terms were to be reviewed and various scenarios considered noting the process may take some months to complete with any recommendations referred to the Board.

#### Amendment of the definition of 'precinct' in the rules

The information provided was noted and discussed.

The Board resolved to adopt the revised definition of 'Precinct' in the Dogs Queensland Rules as recommended.

#### Review of Dogs Queensland Policy: Emergency Disaster Relief Fund

The Board resolved to adopt the amendment as recommended for the Dogs Queensland Emergency Disaster Relief Fund Policy.

#### **Marketing and Public Relations**

The available dates of 18/19 April 2026 for a Dogs Qld 'Dogs Day Out' showcasing sports and breed clubs were agreed.

#### **Strategic Planning and Durack Future Working party**

Discussion followed on developing a Strategic Plan and whether to undertake the work inhouse or outsource. It was suggested discussions be held with Dogs Victoria and Dogs NSW on the processes and protocols followed in developing their strategic plans with Ainslie Carius offering to assist. Risk appetite should be included as part of the process with the suggestion the matter be considered at the upcoming Finance, Budget and Risk Management Committee as part of Budget 2026 discussions. A timeline was considered with an update to be provided at the next Board meeting noting a strategic plan should ideally be in place by the Annual General Meeting in 2026.

#### **Event Managers and Stewards**

##### Minutes of Friday meeting – Event Managers and Stewards

##### Upcoming Training Course

The information provided was noted and addressed. The Board agreed with the strategy of running additional training courses to increase the number of Show Managers and Show Stewards required for events as well as refresher courses for Show Managers to address various matters including the reporting of incidents and protocols to be followed.

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

##### **Show Dates**

##### Show Dates for Approval – September 2025

Discussion followed on the information provided.

The Board approved the Show Dates for Approval requests from the listed clubs as tabled except for the request by the Sporting Spaniel Club of Queensland as only two Championship Shows were allowed.

#### **NEW MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL**

##### Flying Minutes re Membership

The Board ratified the memberships accepted by flying minutes as tabled. Membership currently stood at 5,569 plus 1017 Community Memberships.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### Action Items – 23 September 2025:

The actions items were discussed noting updates provided, matters ongoing, papers or matters included on the Agenda and items completed.

The Board resolved to accept the proposed change of name from the Isis and District CC to Wide Bay Kennel Club conditional upon formation of a new Committee for the club.

The Board approved proceeding with the purchase of AV for the Board room in the amount of \$3,297 plus \$572 for installation.

**CLOSURE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting is to be held Tuesday, 28 October 2025 at 6pm at the Dogs Queensland offices at Durack and by Zoom teleconference.