

## Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee Minutes for 5th October 2022

Commenced 7:32pm

1. **Roll:** Arend van den Bos (Chair), Fiona Hodgson, Shiree Brockie, Karen Magorian, Lyn Clearwater, Jo Searle, Amerillis Farmer
2. Arend welcomed Fiona & Amerillis to the Committee
3. **Apologies:** Claire Groom
4. **Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of the previous meeting (11 September 2022) were recorded as being received and accepted. **Moved: Lyn** **Seconded: Jo**
5. **Matters Arising from previous Minutes:**
  - Permanent Numbers. Fiona gave a background on how the Agility system works. Chris Agility Chair would be best person to discuss options to potentially duplicate or link into the current Agility system. Any dog that competes in Agility is assigned a permanent number starting in series (0, 1, 2, 3, 6, 7) It has been running for 8 years now.  
? Scent work Register – may be able to link our dogs through the system.  
Fiona to check how it could be instituted i.e. Log on to Agility Page / physically apply for new #'s  
**A.P.** Fiona to feedback following discussion with Chris
  - Rationalizing of the Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations – some discussion as to how/what we want to achieve with the revision. Fiona suggested that with a Template/Formula/Structure (as with Agility Regs) duplications can be easily identified, and changes made that will “alert” to all aspects of the regulations where a change may impact. Karen had some concerns re wording – will feedback to Lyn re this. Lyn to talk to Debbie and provide feedback, when ready.  
**A.P.** Karen to feedback to Lyn concerns regarding revision of Regs from Debbie. (Carried forward)
  - Scent Shows 2023 CKA March date – alternative date yet to be confirmed.
  - Dogs NZ Membership - Non Dogs NZ members – Committee expressed concerns re limiting opportunity for people who are new the sport to participate initially (give the sport a go, before having to sign up to Membership & Register their dogs etc.) Discussion and rationales/examples provided supporting the option for people to be able to enter “a couple of shows” before being required to become a member. Suggestion: maybe allow Non-Dogs NZ members to enter 2 Trials before having to join DNZ  
**A.P.** Fiona will discuss at next EC meeting
6. **Report from EC meetings**

EC Judging panel approvals: Karen Magorian – Advanced Vehicle & Yvette Coutts – Novice Containers
7. **Email votes**

There were no urgent Scent Work matters that required a vote.
8. **General Business**
  - a) **Qualifying Scent Work Trials.**

Gisborne Dog Training Club 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Endorsed.  
Southland Dog Training Club 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Endorsed.
  - b) **Judges Promotion Endorsements.**
    - Jo Miller – Advanced Container Panel application – Endorsed.
  - c) **Scent Work Regulations.**

No amendments or additions to the current Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations were presented.
  - d) **Discussion Items.**
    - Future Proofing Scent Work – Fiona Hodgson

Need to have more Judges at a Trial, as numbers increase to cope with entry volumes, and number of various classes. What would be the Max. capacity for running a Trial.

Arend (Amerillis & Karen) will be conducting a Judges Probationary workshop in Auckland on 5<sup>th</sup> November to assist at least 3-4 Judges to progress further.

Central Region: It is anticipated that Arend will be able to conduct a Scent Workshop in Whanganui in February 2023.

- DNZ Scent Work Facebook Page.  
Lyn to be Co-Admin.  
**A.P.** Lyn to message Maree to set this up (carried forward)

## **9. Next meeting:**

*a) Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – 7.30PM*

Finished 8.41pm