

AGILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

23rd June 2019

MINUTES

Meeting commenced at 9:15am.

Present: Fiona Hodgson, Chris Richardson, Nick Chester, Emma Gregg, Phil Johnson, Claire Smith, Reece Smith

Apologies: Sallie Remon

Confirmation of previous minutes: Ratified online by AC 26 April 2019.

Matters arising from previous minutes: nil

Financial Report – Moved by Fiona, seconded by Phil.

Thank you to Phil for his work on setting up grant allocation procedures

Grants to be allocated: Moved by Fiona, seconded by Claire. All agreed. Nick Abstained due to conflict of interest.

- WAG Equipment Grant –\$550 Approved
- Gisborne Equipment Grant - \$1000 Approved
- Wanganui Equipment Grant - \$1000 Approved
- Hawkes Bay Seminar Grant - \$200 Approved
- Hawkes Bay Ribbon Trial Grant - \$100 Approved
- Feilding Promotional Grant - \$200 Approved

Inward Correspondence

- Received and reviewed 2 incident reports via agility website
- Estelle Low, measurer application
- Maggie Marriner, amendment to minutes
- Sheryl Mitchinson, FDTC agility display report
- Diana Sheehan, Z1 trophy invoices
- Cindy Jenkins, volunteer nomination
- Brownyn Wilson, TCTC equipment exemption
- Lloyd Pallesen, volunteer nomination
- Polly Caitlin-Maybury, volunteer nomination
- Mia Beswick, Waimak possible changes to shows
- Kim Edwards, measurer application
- Lyn Sayers, standardisation of equipment
- Diana Gausden, request for measure data
- Kim Orlando Reep, volunteer nomination
- Ceri Tarry, JDT request for benefit show
- Amelia Gower, volunteer nomination
- Sheryl Mitchinson, revoke acceptance of calendar changes

- Chris Moody, request to change Z3 team trials date
- Lorna Champan, measurer application
- Liz Barlow, trainee judge's application
- ACAC, new committee notification
- Feilding DTC, change of calendar dates
- Tauranga DTC, change of calendar dates
- CCATS, promo display report
- Dave Cook, EBOP show collapsible tunnel
- Patsy Aldridge, aggressive dog concerns

Outward Correspondence to all clubs

- New judges
- Results of equipment survey

Online Minutes – Discussions, decisions etc that have been made online and outside of meetings: Moved by Phil, seconded by Reece. Accepted as true and correct.

- Equipment exemption for TCTC (CT and Hurdle Poles)
- Dog remeasure M107 didn't have a measure on record, was measured as a 320 dog, has always run as a 240, AC says new measure stands.
- Liz Barlow approval for joining Trainee Judges Panel
- Reimburse Diana Sheehan for Zone 1 trophy
- Approve analysis of equipment data for release
- Approve Kim Edwards application for main measurer
- Approval to amend error in previous minutes
- Approval for Nick Chester to judge in Australia
- Updated reg for bi-directional long jump approved
- Change of date for Z3 Team Trials
- Purchasing of more Pre-Approved Equipment stickers
- Change of show date for Tauranga
- Confirmation that DAC team trials will be run in the same format as last year
- Approval for Nationals show sec to use an AC bank account for entry money
- Approval to accept dog measures done in Australia for Australian NZDAC competitors
- Approval for Australian NZDAC competitors to enter Champ of Champs
- Decision made to remove regulations for old gear that is no longer used in NZ
- Cam to collate Team Trials courses again this year
- Honorariums to be paid out
- Waimakariri requested swapping their agility and jumpers shows around and doing them on the opposite dates – AC approved. Fiona moved that they can run 7 jumpers at their jumpers show for 1 year as a trial. Reece 2nd. AC approved. Phil abstained.

EC Reports: Fiona gave report from EC meeting, Judges promotions Vickie Wilson to Ribbon Trial Panel, and Liz Barlow to Trainee Panel were ratified.

Removal of obsolete regs ratified and EC liked our pictures as it helped them understand a bit more about what our different equipment is. Fiona also provided those that didn't attend ACOD a brief overview of what was discussed. AC members that attended ACOD were Reece Smith (delegate), Claire Smith (delegate), Emma Gregg (delegate), Fiona Hodgson (delegate/EC member), Chris Richardson (observer).

Area Rep Reports:

- **Chris** – nothing much to report. Have had a few discussions with various people around some of the stuff the AC are working on, and people really seem to be enjoying the engagement.
- **Nick** – Been communicating with clubs – disappointed with TGA, because they never approached him first when trying to sort out their dates issue. Some of his clubs are revamping their training manuals.
- **Fiona** – Zone 2 clubs were approached about putting reps forward for 2020 NZDAC and have 3 clubs that haven't put anyone forward. Couple of possible venues up for discussion.
- **Phil** – mostly doing good. Selwyn having some ongoing issues with council.
- **Reece** – no real issues in the south. Have reached out to clubs to throw the idea about having after show talks etc but doesn't appear to be any real interest.
- **Claire** – NDS is on track. Local shows have been successful. Nelson is organising fundraising to upgrade wing jumps.
- **Emma** – Good responses from clubs around discussions at shows etc. Whanganui club needs to upgrade their gear and cannot use it at August show until it passes COF. Wairarapa are doing great work and fundraising to purchase more gear.

NZDAC Reports: Planning going well, some committee members have dropped off. There are some struggles with organising an event in a tourist area on a public weekend. Some food trucks etc are pulling out because they are getting better offers.

Need to get questions etc together for EC to put into survey around NZDAC... the biggest thing we want is to not 'lead' people in a particular direction, but more ask why people want what they want.

2020 committee is underway. There are 2 options on the table for where to hold it.

Sub Committee Reports:

- **Judges** – refusal regs have been refined. AD/ADX/Elementary courses are being reviewed. Survey results have been collated and will be put out to judges for review.
- **Equipment** – have had a couple of zoom meetings which have proved quite successful in planning. TOR to be ratified properly by AC. Start the process of working with JSC to establish why and how different equipment is used to better understand ways to improve it as part of standardisation.
- **International** – Nothing to report. To get feedback from Lisa and Misha about WAO.
- **Agility in Schools** - Emma wishes to stand down.
- **Clubs** – good responses from clubs. Lots of clubs haven't replied to the questionnaire. To start developing training manuals that clubs can pick up and take on board. Need to also include a train the trainer.

Zone 5 COFs

Reece to email Sallie to find out what is happening with COF's. Need to ascertain who can and will do them and make a plan to get them done before NZDAC.

Measurers – we have a few new measurers. The process for re-measures does need a bit more clarification. Toni Joll with Bruno – 3rd and final measure has been accepted and ratified by AC. There seems to be a lot of holes in the current process around getting permanent numbers and new measures etc.

General business

- Equipment – Lyn Sayers – was passed on to ESC to discuss and ideas will be taken into account while working through equipment.
- Susan Tansey – regulation proposal – we are going to put something forward around this and will tidy up the regulation around maximum number of dogs being judged at a show.
- JDT benefit show – As this is the same weekend as the National Dog Show, it won't be possible to run a benefit show that weekend. A possible alternative would be the weekend directly after DAC.
- Elementary C – AC to look into wording of this and make sure it is correct.
- Measure data for Show Sec – Fiona proposed a vote, seconded by Chris that AC gets a separate email sent to the measures@dnzac.nz containing the measurement (mm) and dog's number, every time a measurement is entered into the dog agility website. AC can then pass on relevant information to show secretaries that require this information. In favour: Fiona, Chris, Nick, Reece, Claire, Phil. Against: Emma. Carried.
- SOP's – All completed (or mostly completed) to be uploaded for review by AC.
- Funding processes – new process has been set up for grant applications. Promotional grants limited to 2 per year per club. Allocation process, priorities etc to be finalised and outlined in SOP.
- Certificates of appreciation were discussed 'In Committee'
- Calendar changes - The AC acknowledges they dropped the ball with communication, and the process was not correctly followed. Alternative ideas were discussed for Tauranga club, and these are to be put back to them to discuss other options for next year. Fiona has offered to attend Feilding's committee meeting on Monday night to talk to them about the situation.
- Holding agility shows on Easter Weekend – waiting to see outcome of National Events discussions.
- NZDAC Team Trials – all zones begun organisation.
- AD/ADX allocations – regs state that clubs apply for them, so for 2021 calendar onwards we need to do this.
- There was discussion about the poor behaviour towards AC members. AC to remind people that at times things will be done that we don't all agree with, but making it personal towards volunteers who are just carrying out their duties is not acceptable.
- Upper Hutt Lugs – to apply for equipment grant in December's funding round.
- Collar regulation – take this to Judges subcommittee for discussion.
- Reece to do next committee corner.
- Next meeting to be held in Auckland 31st August / 1st September at Ardmore

Meeting closed at 2:45pm