

# Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee Minutes for 7 August 2022

Commenced 7:32pm

1. **Roll:** Arend van den Bos (Chair), Shiree Brockie, Karen Magorian, Lyn Clearwater, Jill Brooker, Jo Searle.

2. **Apologies:** Nil

3. **Minutes of previous meeting** Minutes of the previous meeting (7 August 2022) were recorded as being received and accepted.

**Shiree/Lyn**

4. **Matters Arising from previous Minutes:**

- Permanent Numbers. Arend to create an application form for the allocation of a permanent number. Arend is also to investigate whether this could be done automatically when new members are added to the Scent Work Register.

**A.P.** Arend to create a permanent number application form.

- Arend to investigate with Sue Conner what process is available to have numbers provided upon immediate registration.

- Progress on the rationalizing of the Dogs NZ Scent Work was deferred to the next meeting.

**A.P.** Jill to review what has been done to date.

5. **Report from EC meetings**

Jill informed the committee that Joanne Stacey had been endorsed by the EC for appointment onto the Novice Container Panel.

6. **Email votes**

There were no Scent Work matters of urgency being required to be voted on since the last Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee meeting.

7. **General business**

a) **Qualifying Scent Work Trials.**

There were No applications to host a Qualifying Scent Work Trial had been received since the last Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee.

b) **Judges Promotion Endorsements.**

An application from Maree Boreham for promotion using the Exemption Regulation (5.6.6) was declined.

**A.P.** Arend to advise Maree that the required process for Scent Work Judges Panel promotion is to be followed.

c) **Scent Work Regulations.**

No amendments or additions to the current Dogs NZ Scent Work Regulations were presented.

d) **Scent Work Judges entering Scent Work Trials at which they are presiding.**

As a result of comments having been made and in anticipation of discussion on this matter, Arend presented to the committee a policy document outlining procedure on how a presiding judge may also enter a Scent Work Trial they are appointed for. The policy document was unanimously accepted and will now be distributed to hosting Societies when advised of Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials approvals.

e) **Dog Training Committee Discussion Paper.**

The Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee were unanimously opposed to a Dog Training Committee proposal to have a Scent Work representative on a re-established Dog Training Committee. No prior approach had been made to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee to investigate any such possibility.

**A.P.** Arend to advise the Dog NZ EC of its unified opposition to the DTC's proposal.

f) **Dogs NZ Membership.**

The Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee were advised that a member of the Dogs NZ EC had suggested that only Dogs NZ Members be permitted to enter Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trials. This suggestion was unanimously rejected, citing that on a considerable number of occasions participants became Dogs NZ members after first trialling a singular Qualifying Dogs NZ Scent Work Trial.

**8. Next meeting:**

- a) Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (later amended to 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022).
- b) Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022

Finished 8.25pm.