

SUMMARY
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, 28 January 2025

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

The following conflicts of interest were declared:

- Duncan McAllister on two Agenda Items and he did not participate in discussions or vote on the matters.

No other conflicts of interest were declared.

Previous Minutes

Minutes of Board Meeting – 26 November 2024

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on 26 November 2024, as amended, were adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Summary of Previous Minutes – 22 October 2024

The Summary of Minutes for 22 October 2024 was accepted, with the Summary to be published to members on the Dogs Queensland website.

Action Items

Action Items – 28 January 2025

The Action Items were noted, including updates, information provided in the Board papers and items completed, with the revised Items attached to the Minutes.

Ongoing Matters

Clubs with Outstanding Annual Reports

A verbal update was provided on the ongoing work with clubs noting the matter had been ongoing for some 12 months. Clubs needed to undertake the required work, ask for assistance and be willing to work with Dogs Queensland to rectify any issues or concerns.

REPORTS

Financial Report – November 2024

Financial Report – December 2024

2025 Budget

Noted.

Financial Summary – December 2024

The financial summary was discussed noting the audit was to commence next week. Discussion followed on audit requirements, noting the current auditor was performing well and there were no issues of concern.

It was noted the Brisbane City Council had recently released rezoning details for the Oxley area which would need to be reviewed.

Office Reports

Office Report – Week Ending – 24 January 2025 – noted.

Social Media Report – January 2025 - noted

Welfare Officer Reports

CWLO Reports – 28 January 2025

Progress was being made on the processing of transfers noting the recovery of fees could be outsourced to a debt collector should payment be refused.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Insurance Report

The information provided was tabled noting judges were covered under the travel insurance policy, with the ANKC also considering the issue. A possible change of renewal date for the insurance to the end of May was being considered noting it was beneficial for the Insurance Broker to attend a Board meeting and address the policies, cover provided and any exclusions.

ANKC (Dogs Australia) Matters

National Canine Health & Wellbeing Committee 2025 Meeting: Call for Agenda Items - noted.

February 2025 Special Board Meeting – Access to Agenda documents and Zoom meeting link

Directors discussed the issue of FCI judges not being permitted to judge specific breeds in Australia if not authorised in the country of origin. ANKC were indicating an open exam could be taken to gain approval. The matter had been included on the upcoming ANKC meeting agenda.

Expressions of Interest to conduct FCI CACIB Shows

The Board agreed EOIs be sought in Zones 2 and 3 from clubs interested in conducting FCI CACIB Shows.

The upcoming Director elections were discussed with the suggestion voting reminders be posted on social media platforms.

COMMITTEES

Grounds Meeting Minutes – January 2025 - noted.

SprintDog Track Update

Directors discussed the information provided noting the team were working closely together to address issues. It was noted the Financial Delegations policy provided for quotes to be obtained for any work to be undertaken.

New Ablution Block

An updated quote had been received following the Board decision in November 2024 to proceed, with an increase in the price of around \$25k. New quotes were being obtained noting the need to proceed as soon as possible as any delay may result in further price increases. Directors requested communications be issued to update members on the progress with the new ablution block.

The Board resolved to proceed with the new Ablution Block based on the best price quote received with the Executive authorised to address the pricing and deal with the matter moving forward.

Queensland Dog Sports

QDS Committee Financial Report for December 2024 - noted.

DG support for the first-ever Track and Search trial to be held in 2025

The Board resolved to donate monies as follows:

- i) \$500 for the Track and Search trial; and
- ii) \$500 for Rally and Obedience.

QDS Committee Financial Report for November 2024 - noted.

Minutes QDSC PST meeting - noted.

QDS Judges Elevations

The Board endorsed the following Judges elevations:

- David Pearson – Lure Operator Level 3 (SprintDog only)
- Nicky Marr – Restricted Judge for Retrieving
- Peter Samuels – SprintDog Judge
- Greg Warren – RATG Novice Trainee
- Kerri Underwood – RATG Novice Trainee
- Nikki Turner – RATG Novice Trainee
- Cassandra Dark – Scent Work Novice and Advanced
- Grace Koh – SprintDog and Scent Work Novice and Advanced

Burdekin Canine Club SprintDog Association

The information provided was discussed with training underway for people to run the event. Directors requested the list of qualified people to conduct the event be provided to Dogs Queensland. Work was underway on a paper on how to prepare dogs for and the training required to participate in endurance events. It was suggested the opportunity be taken to provide details on safety procedures and how to conduct and run a SprintDog event at an upcoming event held at Durack.

Conformation Judges & Events Managers

Exams were scheduled to be held at the end of February 2025.

Canine Health

Canine Health Committee Minutes - 19.12.24

Canine Health Committee Minutes 23.01.25

The information provided was addressed, noting:

- Support was requested to promote the Canine First Aid seminar.
- Additional assistance was required to conduct MRI clinics.
- Assistance was offered to work on an endurance and training seminar for Dogs Sports and the importance of dogs and puppies warming up before participating in events to avoid injury.

Agenda Item for ANKC CHWC Meeting on 15 March 2025

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. The Board supported the proposal being submitted to the ANKC CHWC meeting on 15 March 2025.

Constitution and Rules

Minutes from CR Committee and Show Dates Policy

The information provided was noted and addressed, with discussion following on:

- The approach being taken on developing the Extreme Weather and Natural Disaster policy. It was suggested temperatures should be measured using a wet bulb thermometer to obtain more accurate readings rather than referring to the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM).

- The Show Dates Policy noting approval was required as the 2026 calendar needed to be finalised and issued. The ongoing issue of the number of shows and clashes occurring due to show date changes was considered noting show dates allocated for the Maryborough Club for 2026 would need to be carefully considered.
- Amendments to the Show Dates Policy were requested.

The Board resolved Dogs Queensland Committees be able to specify one weekend per year, with up to four (4) shows able to be held, over the specified weekend for fundraising purposes.

The Board agreed to approve the Show Dates Policy, subject to the amendments as discussed.

Marketing and Public Relations

A verbal update was provided on the upcoming Dog of the Year awards, with Directors to confirm their attendance.

Canine Grooming

Dogs Queensland Canine Grooming Committee

Directors noted and discussed the information provided. It was suggested the Canine Grooming Committee be disbanded, with Gordon Mayne to continue any required Committee work for the time being. The Committee was able to be reconvened following the election of Directors and the upcoming AGM, with EOIs called for all Committee members to be appointed by the new Board.

SHOW MATTERS, SHOW/TRIAL DATES AND CLUB MATTERS

Show Dates

Show Dates for Approval

Directors discussed the requests provided which were either accepted, declined or noted as awaiting further information.

Club Matters

Weimaraner Social Club Application

Directors agreed the application for the Weimaraner Social Club be accepted and praised the excellent standard of the information provided.

Draft Schedule for Shetland Sheepdog Club Speciality Show 20 Sept 2025

Directors were not able to address the matter as it related to ANKC rules.

The Poodle Club of Qld Inc National Championship

The Board agreed the request to change the venue be denied.

NEW MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL

Flying Minutes re Membership

The Board ratified the memberships accepted by flying minutes as tabled. Membership currently stood at 5,934 plus 985 Community Memberships.

LATE ITEMS & GENERAL BUSINESS

Directors were reminded to attend the Dogs Sports awards to be held on Sunday, 16 February 2025.

CLOSURE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting was to be held on Tuesday, 25 February 2025 at 6pm at the Dogs Queensland offices at Durack and by Zoom teleconference.