

# QCC AGM JUNE 2022. (online)

Present: Donna Wright, Peter Wright, Kathryn MacKay. Alex Webster, Jen Ballin, Jan Louttit, Joanne Collins. Lynn Hickey. Debbie Cuthbertson. Stephen Robson, Amanda Lenz. Val Howe. Jodie-Lea Matheson. Cecily Bussel. Tim Cuthbertson.



Peter Wright declared the meeting open. 7.21pm.

**1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** – accepted as read. J. Louttit, 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Wright.

## **2. BUSINESS ARISING FOR THE LAST MINUTES.**

### i) Gallery to be added to the Website.

Kathryn advised that most of the work is done, all groups are done, but a few more photos are needed of some different breeds. Peter agreed they need to be good examples. Pictures could be updated as better ones became available.

### ii) Clarification on trainee judge applications.

Peter advised that these must be sent to the Qld Judges Panel not the National Judges Panel.

Melanie Advised that this question was asked to Corey ( Then Chariman of the NJP) and he confirmed that Trainees were still to apply to their state Judges Panel, unless the State did not have a State Judges panel, then it was to go the National Judges panel..

### iii) Revised Champion Points.

Peter - A revised version was submitted by for voting in 2019 for discussion, since then we had not moved forward, no correspondence had been received from clubs. An update was necessary.

Mel- the only note I had written down on it were that was to add in that to attain Championship the points need to be awarded by at least 4 different judges.

There was a lot of discussion (4 pages of it! ) here are the relevant parts.

Peter put forth a motion: that there is no restriction on how many Qld shows can be claimed per month. it was voted on and was passed unanimously.

Peter put forth a Motion: Did all agree to back date this to include all shows from 2020. This was passed unanimously.

It was then mentioned that Reserve of Group warranted a point. There was a lot of discussion in favour but with amendments.

Peter then said as this topic had been discussed for almost 1 hour, that he would again revise the points system on the notes he had been making. Put forth another proposal for the clubs to discuss and vote on. The votes to agree or disagree could be sent in to the Secretary.

All Agreed.

It was added that until then the current point system will stay in place. ( 30 points for a champion, with no limit on shows per month).

### iiii) laminator for Champion certificates.

Peter- yes it's been purchased and in use.

## **3. CORRESPONDENCE**

### IN

15/4/22 enquiry about membership/clubs gold coast

28/4/22 Cobs Votes on SRP changes  
4/5/22 member complaint about judge - referred to SJP  
6/5/22 member complaint about judge - referred to SJP  
7/5/22 member complaint about judge - referred to SJP  
7/5/22 member complaint about judge - referred to SJP  
7/5/22 member complaint about judge - referred to SJP  
10/5/22 Caboolture Hall re booking  
11/5/22 Judge re Judges complaint - referred to SJP  
12/5/22 Damian Lawrence response to letter re sponsorship state shows  
13/5/22 Shane Chandron response to letter re sponsorship state shows  
17/5/22 Ipswich – membership list  
17/5/22 Cobs membership list  
26/5/22 Caboolture Hall receipt  
26/5/22 response from Cobs re rule - referred to SJP  
27/5/22 Cairns – re AGM  
6/6/22 enquiry new members  
19/6/22 Cobs – re AGM  
20/6/22 Ipswich re AGM  
21/6/22 Capricornia re AGM  
22/6/22 Capricornia re AGM  
22/6/22 Ipswich re AGM

OUT

3/4/22 (from SJP) to Cobs re rules introduced  
16/4/22 reply enquiry  
10/5/22 Caboolture Hall re booking  
11/5/22 letter to oz hemp sponsorship state shows  
11/5/22 letter to science selective sponsorship state shows  
26/5/22 notice of AGM to all clubs  
16/6/22 reply enquiry new members

Correspondence accepted as read, Joanne Collins, 2<sup>nd</sup> Debbie Cuthbertson. Voted all agreed.

#### **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

President – Peter Wright

Would like to thank all clubs with their patience and support of the same committee for the last couple of years, it has been trying times for all given the circumstances of covid lockdowns and government regulations. Hopefully now we can all be back on track to have our shows again regularly. One thing I would like to mention and have all clubs take this back to their members, if you are still feeling unsure about things health wise don't be scared to wear a mask, don't feel as though you will be victimised for it just wear it. It is in everyone's health interests. I would like to see the clubs getting back to normal, everyone enjoying themselves and the shows being a social place where everyone is respectful of others.

Secretary – Melanie Barnes

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me in this role over the last few years. Time is something that is our most precious asset of our life and we give so much of it freely to help our clubs and the fancy keep running. I also second what Peter has said that I would like to see the clubs getting back to normal, as normal as we can, and try to get some new members joining. I think Joanne Collins did a great job at the State Titles, with advertising and getting people to come to the show, we had nearly 100 people through that hall, that were all people interested in cavies and interested in getting into showing. This is how we are going to grow our clubs. If we want to get grow our clubs and get more people involved then we have to advertise, and we have to let people come to our shows. We have had a strange couple of years where we didn't

allow people into our halls, but at the end of the day the reason we have clubs is because we love covies and we want to have shows. We need young people and in general people coming through who are keen and interested in covies, that may want to help out and keep things going, or it will all disappear. That's the bottom line what the fancy is all about, breeding and showing covies, sharing that with other people who enjoy it.

Treasurer – Donna Wright

We currently have \$5574.26 in the bank, There is still some banking to do which is \$674.15 so total we have \$6253.41 with a float of \$120 for the canteen.

We had a loss with our Self & Marked seminar, it was only \$27.12 . The Christmas show last year run at a profit of \$373.04 which is good. The State show was also a profit \$842.49. I would like to thank Debbie and Tim Cuthbertson for their help with the raffle and canteen which is a massive help.

Also Jo Collins did a gold coin door entry \$79.50 that was great idea, thank you.

One proposal I have is that perhaps we no food to be brought inside the hall. I would like the canteen to be supported as a lot of effort is put into it.

Comment by Mel – I can understand your reasoning, as someone who has run the canteen at state titles in the past, to spend the time and prepare all the food etc it is rather disheartening when people just go out and buy their lunch, But I don't think we could really stop people from bringing food.

Comment by Kathryn – a lot of people have travelled a distance to get there and will want something in the morning; previously Breakfast was also supplied by the canteen. The point I am making is that if you stop people bringing in food then what of those people who want food prior to lunch.

Show secretary

I don't have a lot to report, next show is our Christmas Show I have tentatively invited a couple of judges but there is no final confirmation as yet. I would like to add with Melanie's suggestion, we got Best of Breed cards printed, I think we should move to generic cards, where I don't have to print all of them with the Judges or the date on each of the certificates. It will be up to Exhibitors to fill them out. The Christmas show will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Web master

The website is updated every time I am asked to do something. Or after shows with the results and the pictures.

Judges Panel – Peter Wright (SJP)

The year has been pretty quiet. There have been a few new Condition/Pet judges passed. We need to get busy with the entrance exam for those wanting to move on to standard breeds judging. That we can see any weakness or strengths lie and we can sort out a training plan accordingly. We decided last year that the first group that all trainees need to train on and pass is the Self Group because it is the basis of learning the standard colours as that is relevant to almost every other breed group. I had approached the NJP for judges exams for the groups, all I received was basically Victorian State exams, which in my opinion were not very good. The exams that we had put together in Qld were better and helped to point out weak points in their training. I have started to put those together to submit to the NJP, but need a little more time.

Comment ,Melanie Barnes ( SJP) I just wanted to add that's its not always great to have set exams that are used over and over, as after a time they will be shared around and then the exams are worthless. It would be better to have a new / random exam for each applicant.

Peter said that is mostly what he does, but it is good to keep all exams on record. So he can mix up exams when needed.

Lynn asked what the time a trainee is expected to pass is. Melanie – this is outlined in the QCC judges guide book. A minimum of 2 years to be spent training with no maximum. When you feel that you are confident in a group, then get in touch with the Judges panel to sit a exam.

Lynn and Penelope where both due to sit an exam on the Self group. Peter will be setting a date soon.

## **5. ITEMS FOR VOTING OF WHICH DUE NOTICE WAS GIVEN**

Proposal from COBS.

**Proposal: Call on the QCC to call on the ANCC to dismantle the National Judges Training Scheme and immediately return ANCC judges training to State bodies.**

Club Votes –

Cairns No. Capricornia No. Sunshine Coast No. Bayside No. Cobs. Yes. Ipswich Yes.

Proposal defeated.

## **6. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS.**

President

Nominations – Stephen Robson accepted. Unopposed

Vice President- no nominations.

From the floor- Jodie-lea Matheson. Jo Collins the votes were tied for the two positions, President casting vote was that the position was shared. Both agreed.

Secretary

Nominations – Jodie-lea (withdrawn) Melanie Barnes

Melanie accepted.

Treasurer

Nominated, Donna Wright. Accepted.

Show secretary, from the floor. Donna Wright Accepted

Assistant Show Secretary, from the floor Lynn Hickey (declined) Peter Wright accepted.

Show Steward – Allan Louttit, Lynn Hickey accepted

Book Stewards – to be the trainee judges.

Public relations officer Nominated, Joanne Collins accepted.

Web Master- nominated, Kathryn Mackay, unopposed. Jodi- Lea Matheson to assist.

Election of ANCC delegate.

Stephen Robson

Jen Ballin

## **8. NEW/GENERAL BUSINESS.**

i) Peter – complaints about QCC Members .

We should address the process of grievance to the QCC , and add a time frame into this for which complaints can be submitted. If complaints are made towards the committee or members of the QCC they need to be made within a certain time so that the issue is current and fresh in the minds of all involved. This needs to be worked on and added to the constitution. I would like to put to the clubs that a motion is put forward that we start the process of getting some grievance process in place in our constitution.

Stephen – put it on the agenda for the committee to work on this and put a proposal to the clubs.

Ipswich moves the motion that a grievance process be put in place in the constitution. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn Hickey ( Bayside)

ii) Melanie – I set up a QCC face book page, We already have the private group, where we can chat about QCC business, it is only open to QCC affiliated Club Members and is not visible to the public. The difference with this one

is this is a public page. The main purpose of this one is that we have sponsorship agreements, to advertise on social media so we need to have a page on which to do this . We currently have sponsorship from 2 companies for the State Titles and Christmas show 2022 who have sponsored QCC with quite a lot of \$\$ worth of product to give as prizes at the 2 shows. That product actually came from Perth so they would have spent quite a bit of \$\$ on transport as well so we do need to honour our end of the agreement to advertise and tag these sponsors in all posts related to the shows.

I ask people to help and be administrators and get the page up and running, the girls doing the website please get the page visible and active. I ask for all clubs to use the page advertise their show, there show results and pictures.

Stephen – it's a good way for us to promote ourselves to the general public.

Mel – the more activity on the page the more people will see it, it's a fantastic way of getting new members and people interested in covies. Its what we need, I keep repeating myself but it is what we need to keep the fancy alive, we need more people.

Jodi-Lea - is it ok for people to put up their own photos of use of the products.? Mel – yes of course any photos or reviews on the products are good, as long as they are positive!

Lynn- we do need to ensure we have no negative posts being put up. Jodi-lea – we can set the page to have all post approved 1<sup>st</sup>.

iii) Incorporation

Kathryn – in addition to Peter's suggestion on incorporation, in order to proceed with incorporation we need to have a vote on incorporation. What I am proposing (and a club needs to do it and another 2<sup>nd</sup> it) we need to actually propose that we want to proceed with Incorporation. To be honest at this point in time, so we can proceed, why don't we just adopt the model rules?

Proposal from Ipswich CC : That the QCC proceed to become incorporated. Seconded : Cobs

All clubs agreed.

Mel asked who was going to sort out the model rules Kathryn has volunteered.

Date of next meeting. 18 October 2022.

Meeting closed. 9.23pm.