

## Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee Minutes for 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### **Commenced 7:30pm**

1. **Roll:** Arend van den Bos (AvdB) (Chair), Jo Searle (JS), Fiona Hodgson (FH), Amerillis Farmer (AF)  
**Delayed Joining:** Joanna Upton (JU), Karen Magorian (KM)
2. **Apologies:** Clare Groom (CG), Lyn Clearwater(LC)
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** Recorded as accepted **Moved:** Jo (JS) **Seconded:** Amerillis (AF)
4. **Matters Arising from previous Minutes:**  
EC have standardised Regulations Submission – each code was submitting them differently  
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5. **Report from EC meetings: Fiona**
  - Confirmed that published Regulations will just be in all black text going forward
  - Report via DNZ/EC on a Voluntary Code of Conduct for all Committees/Sub Committees
  - Matt has now taken over Website Development/Management from Sue Connor
6. **Email votes:** – **Note:** If we are Voting via email please ensure to Reply All – so we know everyone has voted.  
Evelyn William (Novice Containers) – was Endorsed  
Barbara Nolan ( Novice Interior) - Endorsed
7. **Appointments/Promotions:**  
Core Group of Judges will be promoted to Masters Panel  
Arend, Jim, Jo, Lyn, Shiree, Karen & Amerillis – all required to complete Masters Exam  
Joanna Upton: Advanced Interior – Endorsed  
Matilda van Rijnberk – Ex Container/Adv Interior/ Ad Exterior/AdvVehicle – Endorsed  
Alyssa O’Brien – application to become SW Judge – Mentor K Magorian – Accepted
8. **General Business:**
  - a) **Qualifying Scent Work Trials:**  
Nil received
  - b) **Probationary Judges Assessment form** – feedback from Judges Conference – updated with Mentor  
Currently not on Website  
**AP** – (KM) to send to Matt to upload on S/W page under forms
  - c) **Discussion regarding off line searches** – (AvdB) noted that Australian Scent Regulations do have an off-Line option. American Scent Regulations do not have an off-line option. He is seeking feedback from both countries regarding rationales – pros/cons/issues  
Possibly survey the SW Judges regarding off-line searches  
Committee to have further ongoing discussion regarding this.
  - d) **SW Committee Voting** – (AF) queried how this was going to be managed.  
Currently 411 members identified on the Voting Register – There will be a mass mail out when voting opens 1<sup>st</sup> May. Nomination form will be attached.
9. **Other Matters:**  
JS – Nil  
FH – Nil  
JU – Nil  
KM – Nil  
  
Arend advised that he is away from 15<sup>th</sup> April – to late June.  
Suggested that possibly committee have a Zoom meeting in May  
Karen agreed to be Vice Chair and arrange a meeting as needed.
10. **Next meeting:**

***To be Advised – Likely May 2024 (7.30 PM via Zoom) Finished 8.50 PM***