

Minutes of Wellington Canine Obedience Club Committee held at the Clubrooms Alexander Road, Mt Victoria 18th September 2019

Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

Present: Simon Casey (Vice President), Nicky Casey (Secretary), Kelly Burn, Margaret Harrop (Treasurer), Kimmie Sowter, Jacoba Holland

Apologies: Sandy Baigent (President), Teresa Reynolds, Chora Charlton, Paul Glover, and Pip Kirkham.

Previous Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 9th of July 2019 as circulated were moved by Nicky, seconded by Simon to be accepted as a true and correct record. Carried

Matters Arising:

Lease Renewal. Lease received after alterations raised attended to. That the lease now be signed by Sandy and Margaret was confirmed. Two copies to be returned to WCC for their signature.

Maintenance: The following issues were discussed:

- (a) Following the attempted breakin to the Club rooms the door jam which has been broken needs to be repaired. Nicky to ask through website whether any club members are able to assist in that being repaired. (AP)
- (b) Simon to report attempted break into Club Rooms to Police.
- (c) Water not draining after significant rain causing an issue. Drain at base of concrete wall in puppy arena cleared at weekend but sump at corner of arena 3 needs to be inspected and cleared. Simon to look at that. (AP)
- (d) Security. Discussion had re what steps can be taken to deter future attempts. Sandy to look at motion activated lights. (AP) Nicky to look at fake camera. (AP) Kelly to find an appropriate sign that refers to no cash held etc. (AP)
- (e) Hooks for tie ups - Margaret to get some more hooks for Chora with the trusted Cleopatra to install.(AP)

Resurfacing of Arena Fulton Hogan Quote

A quote (now expired) had been given by Fulton Hogan which was useful in giving the Committee a ball park figure of the cost of resurfacing arena 1 and 2, the apron in front of the Club house and putting a dish drain along the front of arena 1 to carry surface water to the sump in the puppy arena. It was agreed that we proceed with resurfacing and drainage work as covered by Fulton Hogan quote, leaving arena 3 and 4 to be looked at once funds allowed and trees which were causing surface eruptions removed. Simon to seek another comparable quote from an alternative roading firm and to ask Fulton Hogan to update their quote. Sandy who was present at the meeting with Fulton Hogan may wish to be involved to ensure any other quote covers the same work envisaged by Fulton Hogan so we can have a true alternative comparison. Those quoting need to be aware that the work would need to be done between Club Day 15th December and first training day in January (26th January 2020). Council will also need to consent to work.

Finance:

Margaret as Treasurer presented two monthly finance reports which included request for payments of current invoices from WCC. There being no questions, Margaret moved that her reports be accepted. Seconded Jacoba. Carried.

Margaret noted that the term deposit would fall due early November and the bank needs to be notified that the roll over of reinvestment needs to be cancelled and monies moved to the Club's savings account in anticipation of meeting the cost of resurfacing.

Health and Safety: Nothing to report.

Ribbon Trial – November 23rd:

Nicky and Kelly reported that they now have a full set of judges and stewards for the Ribbon trial so contracts can be issued. Elementary 1 & 2 Rosemary and Sue. Beginners and Novice: Sheryl Dixon and Jeff Collins. Test ABC Jenny Greer and Steven Harrison. 9.30 am start with test A and beginners followed by novice, B and C will follow A. Elementary 1 will start at 1pm and Elementary 2 will follow. Been through all test cloths. Nicky to make new sets of scent cloths that are required.

Nicky to register schedule with Dogs NZ and create a website post to advertise it.

Tasks for on the day will be sorted out at next Committee meeting – such as catering, raffle etc.

Training

Eligibility for multi class training Discounts. It was agreed that members should pay full price for first course (\$60), and the second or third course in that term would be \$40 for each of those courses. This only applies to same handler, same dog.

Discussion about other discounts such as trainer discount or exemption, life member postponed to next meeting for Sandy's input.

Annette – Annette has been approached to see if she would return to the Club as a trainer. She came to club for a visit and was impressed. Nicky has sent her the grading standards. She would like to sit in on some training sessions but at this point is not willing to commit. It maybe that she would be available midweek as a trainer.

Training Schedule for 2020

Term One - Commence Sunday 26th January
Grading 15th March

Term Two - Commence Sunday 29th March
No training Easter weekend (10- 13 April)
No training ANZAC Mondayised weekend (27th April)
No training Queen's Birthday weekend (1st June)
Grading Sunday 7th June

Term Three - Commence Sunday 21st June
Grading Sunday 9th August

Term Four- Commence Sunday 23rd August
Grading Sunday 11th October

Term Five- Commence Sunday 18th October
No training Labour Weekend (24 – 25th October)
Grading Sunday 13th December

Club Day Xmas Party – Saturday 12th December
Cups awarded after Grading 13th December

Preliminary Look at Classes, Trainers and Timetable

Nicky would prefer to take classes on a Tuesday evening (Grade 1 and 2) leaving her weekends free to attend competition events. Simon would be available to also take a Grade 3 or 4 class (or combined) at the same time. Margaret is away for the first three training Sunday's of the next term. Nicky suggested that Margaret take no classes next term, however Margaret would prefer to find cover for her classes given she is available for the five remaining training Sundays. Margaret to canvass all trainers as to their availability and preference for next term and send out for confirmation

Revised Grading Assessments and Assessors Notes

The grading assessments for all grades had been revised and circulated. Additional exercises had been added. There was concern that the expansion of the assessment might mean grading would take too much time if all the exercises were assessed. As a result, for some grades, a provision was added for the assessor to choose to assess one of a number of exercises that had been taught during the term. Some changes were made to assessors notes of what was acceptable and what was not. Margaret to finalise and re send. Nicky noted the need to have these finalised quickly so she could prepare grading sheets.

There being no further business meeting closed at 10pm.