

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE GSDL HELD ON MONDAY
9TH SEPTEMBER, 2024 AT 8PM**

ATTENDANCE ON TEAMS:

GRAEME STEVENSON (Organiser)

Bret Adams
Carolyn Becker
Cleo Pickard
Fay Stokes
Frances McAdam
Kim Gregory
Glenn Gregory
Greg Jones
Jan Hood
Jessica Fowler
Julie Delriego
Luke Fowler
Matt Morris
Caryl Morris
Teresa Curry

ATTENDANCE IN THE CLUBHOUSE:

Karen Stevenson
Col Bailey
Terry Jarvis
Pam Jarvis
Tony D'Arcy

APOLOGIES:

Jeff Rapley

MINUTES of previous General meeting 8th July 2024 taken as read.

Minutes are on the GSDL website.

Moved to be accepted: Terry Jarvis seconded: Col Bailey

No Business arising.

MINUTES of Committee Meeting 1st August 2024 read.

Moved to be accepted: Terry Jarvis seconded: Tony D'Arcy.

Business Arising:

Glen Gregory enquired about the December Show as to why Chelsea Bird who was contracted was not judging. Graeme explained that Dogs NSW Show Committee had advised as she was a qualified Group 5 judge Chelsea could not judge the Open Show. As the next 2 judges voted on by the members were qualified Specialist judges that the show be cancelled as an Open Show and made it a Members Competition as the other judges on the list were qualified judges. Second choice Dr Robert Zammit helped out and judged our August Show thus was not able to be offered this judging appointment. Third choice was Steve Collins (SA) was offered the appointment and accepted. Matt Morris was of the understanding that Jess Bird a trainee judge would stand in to judge the Open Show as Jeff Rapley had suggested at the Committee Meeting of the 1st August. No decision was made at that meeting. This could only be done once the elected judges list had been exhausted and it would have to be an Open Show without gradings, critiques or excellent medallions.

Glen Gregory asked if there was a report from the NBC Meeting 2024 held in Melbourne on the 13th & 14th July. He was advised by the President that the minutes of that meeting were on the GSDL website.

MINUTES of Committee Meeting 29th August 2024 read.

Moved to be accepted: Col Bailey seconded: Tony D'Arcy.

Business Arising:

Discussion took place about awards handed out at the end of the year. Point score trophy costs would be at the club's expense. As in the past only Championship trophies, breeder of a first time Excellent graded animal and traditional Obedience awards have been acknowledged. If we open to acknowledge all Dog Sports officially acknowledged and certificated by ANKC which is an extensive list, does the club cover the costs or does the owner cover the cost of the plaque (approximately \$20 per plaque)? Discussion also took place as to instead of individual plaques for each title the dog has received, we do the one plaque per dog with multiple titles recognised.

The plaques would only be for titles obtained this Point Score Year from 10th November 2023 til 5pm on the 8th November 2024 when the form would have to be submitted by.

Titles would need to be verified by Point Score person, this year Jeff Rapley.

A poll was done as to who covers the cost and the members voted for the club covering the costs with one plaque per dog as they are representing our breed. The vote was 13 for club covering costs to 4 for applicants covering the costs.

Vero voting was discussed, as Dogs NSW used it, to reach a higher percentage of our membership to elect committee positions at our AGM in mid-November. The general consensus was that Teams was not effective for all members and concern with restricted postal deliveries maybe ineffective for Postal votes. Brett Adams brought up that the Constitution may need to be changed as emails for voting are sent to every member rather than requested in writing as per Constitution for Postal voting point 43b. It was suggested that a motion could be put forward at the AGM to have the Constitution clarified for electronic voting but the voting through Vero at the SGM to go ahead..

GSDCA Nominations for Executive and Other Positions for the AGM 2025

The following nominees will be put forward by the GSDL:

Nominations for Executive Positions

POSITION	NOMINEE (Print Name)	TERM
NATIONAL BREED COMMISSION CHAIR	NIL	2 Year
SECRETARY	JANET HAASE	2 Year
OBEDIENCE CHAIR	JOHN DELUCIA	2 Year

Nominations for Other Positions

POSITION	NOMINEE (<i>Print Name</i>)	TERM
PUBLIC OFFICER	GABRIELLE PEACOCK	1 Year
HD/ED REGISTRAR	JACINTA POOLE	1 Year
NBC REGISTRAR <i>(as nominated by NBC Chair for ratification at AGM)</i>	----	1 Year
BREED HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE REGISTRAR	CANDY BAKER	1 Year
NATIONAL SHOW LIAISON OFFICER	JESS LYNCH	1 Year
PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER	GABRIELLE PEACOCK	1 Year
WEBSITE OFFICER	JACINTA POOLE	1 Year
TROPHY OFFICER	TERRY JARVIS	1 Year
HISTORIAN		1 Year
BREED RESEARCH and LEGISLATION OFFICER	-----	1 Year
DATABASE COORDINATOR	FRANK MOODY	1 Year

Motions for National Council AGM to be submitted to Fay Stokes for the next committee meeting on the 26th September as there was nothing put forward at this meeting. They have to be submitted to National Council by 25th October to be presented at the AGM in February 2025.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion and reminder that all Judges and Junior Handler judges must have a current Working With Children Check whereby number can be supplied if asked.

Question about Surveys and Zap Information being submitted electronically will be directed to the right person by Fran McAdam if there are any changes. She will be told who to direct it to by our secretary.

Jacinta Poole is updating our membership applications on our web site to make the Breeder's Prefix cell optional rather than mandatory as it is presently. To get through you can type anything in that box if you don't have a prefix such as . or GSD.

Discussion of why some people can't get through on Teams, can't vote whilst others can and why some drop out. It could be an individual technology issue either with machine or software on particular hardware. It could be due to Microsoft updates or internet/WIFI connection. No definite resolution was reached

Meeting closed at 10:20pm
Minutes taken by Karen Stevenson