

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of The South Island German Shepherd Dog League

05/07/17

Present – Allan and Barbara McKernan, Deb Bannan, Liz Wilkinson, Lynette and Phil Baker, Sandra Van Kempen, Jane Dalzell, Blue Gardiner, Evan Rahurahu, Tony Gibson, Jon and Amy Field, Deb Renga, Bruce and Judy Mayhew, Joan Evans, Nikki Flanagan, Karen Wilson, Maureen Mullany, Corey McNally, Sue Campbell, Linda Smit, Giuliana Petronelli, Rosie.

Apologies – Tash, Lee and Andy Connor, Carol Dayman, Christine Eastgate, Andy and Helen Hill, Lisa and Lori Amlehn, AJ Renga, Annette Gibson, Bev Rahurahu, Kathy Morton, Peter Van Kempen.

Moved Lynette Baker

Seconded Evan Rahurahu

Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and accepted.

Incorrect date (2014)

Moved Allan McKernan

Seconded Sandra Van Kempen

Matters arising from Minutes

Deb R recommended having a board available for measuring at shows. Discussion held about requesting to have your dog remeasured on concrete, this unfortunately is not often an option, as handlers are not always told what the dog is measured at. Allan agreed to supply a board

Moved Blue Gardiner

Seconded Evan Rahurahu

Presidents Report – Allan read presidents report. Sandra commented that obedience and agility were not mentioned in the report and this part of club activities were seen to be swept to the side. She was disappointed, and in the future would like it to be mentioned. Allan apologised.

Moved Allan McKernan

Seconded Lynette Baker

Auditors Report presented, taken as read and accepted

Accounts for payment –

Zane Colville (Accountant) \$230.0015.00 (Letter of thanks to be sent to Zane)

Quality Presentations – Sashes for AGM \$205.28

Moved Sandra Van Kempen

Seconded Blue Gardiner

Allan thanked those committee members who were standing down, and presented Jane with a gift.

Election of Officers

Nominations for

President – Allan McKernan

Nominated by Tony

Seconded Deb B

Nominations closed

Moved by Liz

Seconded Tony

Vice president –

Liz Wilkinson

Nominated by Lynette

Seconded Tony

Blue Gardiner Lynette Baker	Nominated by Sandra Nominated by Tony	Seconded Linda Seconded Sandra
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Tony</i>	<i>Seconded Maureen</i>
Vote held – Liz Wilkinson won, Blue and Lynette voting tie, Moved to destroy 1 st voting Second vote held, Lynette elected.	<i>Moved by Allan</i>	<i>Seconded Bruce</i>
<u>Secretary –</u> Lynette Baker	Nominated by Allan	Seconded Tony
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Jon</i>	<i>Seconded Evan</i>
<u>Treasurer –</u> Lynette Baker <i>Nominations be closed</i>	Nominated by Deb B <i>Moved by Allan</i>	Seconded Allan <i>Seconded Tony</i>
<u>Show Secretary –</u> Deb Bannan	Nominated by Maureen	Seconded Tony
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved Tony</i>	<i>Seconded Maureen</i>
<u>Club Captain –</u> Sandra Van Kempen	Nominated by Tony	Seconded Liz
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Deb B</i>	<i>Seconded Deb R</i>
<u>Committee –</u> Evan Rahurahu Andy Connor Blue Gardiner Phil Baker Nikki Flanagan	Nominated by Tony Nominated by Deb R Nominated by Sandra Nominated by Lynette Nominated by Deb R	Seconded Deb B Seconded Barbara Mc Seconded Deb R Seconded Allan Seconded Deb B
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Tony</i>	<i>Seconded Deb R</i>
<u>Patron -</u> Bruce Mayhew	Nominated by Allan	Seconded Deb R
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Liz</i>	<i>Seconded Tony</i>
<u>Honorary Vet -</u> Total Vets	Nominated by Tony	Seconded Sandra
<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Deb R</i>	<i>Seconded Liz</i>

Honorary Auditor –

Zane Colville	Nominated by Allan	Seconded Liz
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<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Deb B</i>	<i>Seconded Liz</i>
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Honorary Solicitor –

Christine Eastgate	Nominated by Jane	Seconded Liz
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<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Deb B</i>	<i>Seconded Liz</i>
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Honorary Members -

Darron Willett	Nominated by Deb B	Seconded Sandra
Duguld Thomas	Nominated by Tony	Seconded Deb B
Bill Townsend	Nominated by Liz Wilkinson	Seconded by Deb B

<i>Nominations be closed</i>	<i>Moved by Deb R</i>	<i>Seconded Deb B</i>
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General Business

Life membership. Liz mentioned that Allan and Barbara Mckernan had been nominated for length of time and service to the club, and that the committee had accepted this.

Nationals. Deb R suggested that the South island should look at hosting the 2019 Nationals and proposed that this could be held at the Ashburton Race course. She had already done some research on the facilities available at the racecourse with the Celtic rugby team being able to run the bar and the Rakaia plunket the catering. Rakaia Motor Camp would be available for campers with dogs, and two trucking firms would be interested in sponsorship. Deb B mentioned concerns about carting all the obedience and agility gear to Ashburton. Deb R mentioned that we could possibly borrow South Canterbury's agility gear. Liz mentioned that this may work as our club now can hold all breeds' obedience tests. Jon field suggested that Deb R put this proposal in writing and sent it to SIGSL committee.

Allan mentioned that it would most likely be in the South Island, and questioned whether running the Nationals would be the responsibility of SIGSL club alone or whether the other South island clubs will need to be involved. He has approached the other clubs in conversation for their thoughts but has not had a response yet. He suggested that our club write to the other clubs to ask them if they would be prepared to share the running of the nationals.

Liz spoke about the protocol of running the Nationals. Dates need to be confirmed and agreed on by all clubs. We can apply for national dates 2 years prior and a notification could be presented at this years nationals. Show dates still needs to comply with NZKC ruling that shows cannot coincide with other show dates.

Tony offered the CKA grounds and said double handling would be allowed if we were the only event. Deb B suggested that the SIGSL will start the ball rolling.

Newsletter – Allan asked the members whether we should still have a newsletter as it is now, or send a notice every few months to members. If we were to go with the notice idea then how would we advertise the Stud dogs and breeders directory. Nikki mentioned that as a club we should be promoting the club through social media (Facebook) and the website. Tony reinforced her ideas and commented that other clubs run a very active Facebook page and that it was a very good way to get out information to all members. Deb B moved *“that the SIGSL put out an information page either*

emailed or sent by post to those who didn't have email addresses every 2 months, promote and update Facebook and the website" Jon Field seconded. Carried.

Club Grounds and A & P Society. Allan mentioned that our club currently does not have a licence to occupy the clubrooms. The clubrooms are located on A & P grounds. Allan is currently getting the correct documents sent to him. This is an issue for the club as it is becoming increasingly more difficult to get November show dates, as it coincides with the A & P shows. Judy M mentioned that Andy Anderson could be consulted as he would have all the historical information. Liz mentioned that the situation has changed since then. The committee will follow this up.

Allan also mentioned that he was very concerned with the state of the grounds after our last June show and that he had met with Duguld. Duguld didn't appear to be too concerned as he believed the rain would wash the mud back into the grounds, but appreciated Allan in meeting with him.

SV recommendations

Allan mentioned that the SV are making proposed changes that will affect all clubs affiliation to the SV. Our club needs to be seen to follow these recommendations if we are to contract SV judges. The proposals include initially x-raying all dogs for hips and elbows to eligible for an excellent medal, and then have all dogs breed surveyed. Louis Donald is in close communication with the SV and is beginning to make these changes in Australia. Once he has started implement this in Australia he will then come to New Zealand to help the NZ clubs with this. Discussion was held about the merits of this proposal. Most people saw x-raying as a perquisite for breeding and generally were positive about the idea of awarding only x-rayed dogs with excellent. A few concerns were expressed about limiting those pet people who have no intention of breeding not necessary wanting to x-ray their dogs. Further discussion was held about the health and well being of all dogs, and this may not be a bad thing for all people.

Allan mentioned that this has complications for NZ as NZKC doesn't recognise hip and elbow x-rays qualifications and how would these results be included on the entries to indicate which dogs were x-rayed. He suggested that for NZKC to make changes to show entry requirements then all clubs have to be in agreement. Tony mentioned that NZKC already have hip and elbows as the prerequisite for credited breeders scheme. Allan also suggested that the GSDAC needs to become proactive to set up a data scheme where owners can register their dog's hip and elbow results, and any other medical testing data. Again all the clubs would need to support this scheme to be affected and accountable. Further discussion was held about council and club involvement needing to be more unified

Allan said he would pass on information as he received it. Deb B mentioned that the SIGSL has already sent a letter to the GSDAC about possible club involvement and suggestions, but no response has been received. Allan said he would follow this up at the next GSDAC meeting.

Meeting closed 9.25pm

Committee meeting to be held 24th September 6.30 pm at the clubrooms.