

National Cocker Spaniel Council (Australia)

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 2nd MAY 2009 IN BRISBANE AT CCCQ SHOWGROUNDS DURACK

CHAIRPERSON: Karlene Bennett

OPENED: 3.30pm

ATTENDANCE; DELEGATES

ACT	-	V. Jones
Qld	-	M. East
SA	-	S. Bruno
VIC	-	M. Bellamy
NSW	-	L. Kantek

VISITORS; Tina Crocker

In the absence of the Secretary Tina Crocker recorded the minutes of the meeting.

MINUTES; of the previous meeting were read

Moved Linda Kantek Seconded Vic Jones that minutes be adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE;

IN; ANKC - Conference of National Breed Councils Minutes
- ANKC Membership fees
- Notice of 2009 Conference of National Breed Councils
- Confirmation of National status awarded to Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld
CSC Vic - Payment of Subs
- Notification of delegate for National meeting
CSC SA - Notification of delegate for National meeting
- Nomination for President for National meeting
- Payment of Subs
CSS NSW - Payment of Subs
- Notification of delegate for National meeting

OUT: ANKC - Payment of fees
- ANKC National Breed Council 2008 Reps
All Clubs - Notification of National Meeting date
- Agenda for National Meeting
- Minutes of meeting held 26th April 08
- Conference of National Breed Councils Minutes
- ANKC Membership fees
- Notice of 2009 Conference of National Breed Councils

V Jones moved the correspondence inward be received and the correspondence outwards be endorsed, seconded L. Kantek and carried

BUSINESS ARISING;

ELECTIONS; Margaret East has been nominated as Secretary for the next 2 years
Judith Balfour has been nominated as President for the next 2 years.

AUDITORS REPORT; Auditors report presented, V Jones moved the report be received, seconded M East and carried. No questions arose from the report and moved V Jones the report be adopted, seconded M. East and carried

Account for affiliation 2009 presented for payment.
Cocker Spaniel Club of WA is not financial for 2008 and 2009.

AUDITORS APPOINTMENT; Secretary to arrange for auditor for next year.

AGENDA ITEMS;

1. Affiliation fees to be increased to \$100 per club – Moved M Brodie, seconded G Kill. (3 For 2 Against – motion carried)
2. Each Club to assist nominated club with raising funds for the National show – Moved Cocker Spaniel Society of NSW, seconded Cocker Spaniel Club of ACT. (4 For 1 Against – motion carried)
3. Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld moved that the clause stating “Judged for the national Shows must come from the UK” be rescinded and replaced with “judges may be selected from any country as long as they can issue the equivalent to our Challenge Certificate in their country of residents and are considered Cocker Spaniel Specialists” (The meaning of Specialists would be a person who has been in the breed for at least 20 years with success) (1 For 4 Against – motion lost)
4. With reference to the Cocker Spaniels Extension of the breed standard we draw your attention to page 7. In regards to the part for MOUTH.

This paragraph “Nevertheless, I must confess that I have seen working dogs with mouths far from perfect, yet able to carry the game without leaving tooth marks. A “soft” mouth is just as much a matter of a dog’s temperament as of the structure and placement of its teeth. A Cocker Spaniel with the correct gentle, merry nature will not “mouth” game, an aggressive dog will.

Teeth should be even but in my opinion it is the jaws that are important. A good dog should not be too heavily penalized for one or 2 teeth out of line, or a tooth missing as this can be caused very easily by accident or in the field (a vets certificate can be carried to explain such an accident).

Distemper teeth, i.e. teeth that have been discoloured or the enamel "spotted" as a result of a high temperature such as that which occurs in distemper or some other acute infections also should not be heavily penalized. A cocker which has been strong enough to survive such infection is a worthy representative of the breed. His stamina is what we want in our dogs. A mouth that is not perfect is a fault NOT a disqualification. A personal opinion ought not be part of the standard and it should be withdrawn forthwith. The written standard says "with a perfect, regular and complete scissor bite"

And the opinion in the extension is directly opposite

We know this extension was accepted by the ANKC in 1988 however it has only recently been brought to the Cocker Spaniel Club of QLD's attention by one of our members who has been associated with our breed for over 54 years and has recently renewed his activities in our club and his concern is, the number of dogs he has judged in recent years that do not have the "perfect" (the word called for in the standard) bite. (Item was agreed to be deferred until new proposal is put forward by new secretary by the next meeting in February 2010 – Moved M Bellamy, Seconded Linda Kantek)

GENERAL BUSINESS;

We would like to thank the past secretary Judith Balfour for all the hard work put in to running a very successful National in South Australia and for becoming our new president, and also a welcome of thanks to Margaret East who is the current secretary and are sure she will have a very pleasing time of being the secretary for the 2010 national in Qld, also a big thankyou to Karlene Bennet for being the chairperson for the meeting and a wonderful job done.

Please note next meeting for the National is to be held at the NSW Specialty show in February 2010.

Meeting Closed: 4.00pm

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NATIONAL COCKER SPANIEL COUNCIL (AUSTRALIA)

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

2008	2009
\$	\$
Balance at Bank on 1 January 2008	1564.87

Receipts

Annual Member Fees

60.00	Cocker Spaniel Club of ACT	60.00
60.00	Cocker Spaniel Society of NSW	60.00
60.00	Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld	60.00
60.00	Cocker Spaniel Club of SA	60.00
60.00	Cocker Spaniel Club of Vic	60.00
	Cocker Spaniel Club of WA	
<hr/> 300.00		300.00
11.09	Interest Received (Commonwealth Bank)	5.56
<u>311.09</u>		<u>\$305.56</u>

Payments

Bank Fees and Govt. Taxes	
Accountant Fees	
<hr/> Affiliation – ANKC	294.53

AT BANK ON 31 DECEMBER 2009	\$1575.90
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AUDITORS REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COCKER SPANIEL COUNCIL (AUSTRALIA)

I report that I have examined the books and records of the National Cocker Spaniel Council (Australia) for the year ended 31 December 2009 and have received all the information that I have required.

In my opinion the books and records have been properly kept for that year and the Statement of Receipts and Payments has been properly drawn up in accordance with those books and records produced so as to show a true and fair view of the Council's financial activities for the year

Ch. Coffin M. McLAFFER
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 30/6/10