

National Cocker Spaniel Council (Australia)

Meeting Date: April 2023

Agenda Item: Criteria for National judge.

Motion: Amend the procedure wording from:

“that the judge for a National Show be selected from the current English “A(1)” list published in the The Cocker Spaniel Club (England) year book. Current is taken as meaning the latest at the time of selection”

to:

“that the judge for a National Show be selected from the breed specialists on the current English “A(1)” list published in the The Cocker Spaniel Club (England) year book. Current is taken as meaning the latest at the time of selection”.

Purpose:

This motion seeks to clarify the ruling regarding the selection of judges for Australian National Cocker Spaniel Shows, and align the procedure with the intent of the motion passed at the National Cocker Spaniel Council Meeting of 26 April 1997.

It has recently been brought to our attention that the current A1 list published on The Cocker Spaniel Club (England) website contains approximately 80 non-breed specialists. Research showed that many of these judges were specialists in other Gundog breeds, but a number were specialists in breeds in other Groups.

With the current wording of the procedure, it is possible that a non-breed Cocker Spaniel judge can be nominated and selected to judge at a National Cocker Spaniel Show.

Therefore to align with the intention for the selection of a Cocker Spaniel breed specialist to officiate at an Australian National Cocker Spaniel Show, the additional words added to the revised procedure ensures that only a Cocker Spaniel breed specialist can be selected from the English A1 list.

Cost / Resources: Nil

Club Proposing: Cocker Spaniel Society of NSW Inc.

Date Submitted: 23 November 2022

Delegate: S Strang (President)

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Outcome:

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NCSC (Aust) Position.....

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