

**Dobermann Club of WA (Inc.)**  
**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016, 8.00pm**

**PRESENT:** 19 Ordinary Members

1. **APOLOGIES:** Donelle Sheppard, Stratton Towers & Ruth Blonde

2. **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 were read and accepted.

**Moved: Denise Ball, seconded: Max Thomas**

**All in favour**

3. **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Des Kehoe presented

**Moved to accept: Laurie Ive-Smith, seconded by Max Thomas**

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Marilyn Ive-Smith presented the Treasurers report and advised that the club made a small loss of \$281 with the main income raised from trials throughout the year, obedience training and new memberships.

**Moved: Debbie Barnett, seconded Catherine Murphy**

The Auditor's Report was distributed to Members, and it was agreed to retain the Auditor for 2016.

**Moved: Jenny Cattell, seconded Zoe McCormick**

**All in favour**

5. **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

The current executive stood down, and Carol Freele chaired the election of office bearers. All office bearers elected unopposed.

President:	Des Kehoe	Elected unopposed
Snr Vice president	Laurie Ive-Smith	
Jnr Vice president:	Eddy Foggiano	Elected unopposed
Treasurer:	Marilyn Ive-Smith	Elected unopposed
Secretary:	Danielle Grosse	Elected unopposed
Committee:		
	Zoe McCormick	Elected unopposed (2yrs)
	Justin Fonte	Elected unopposed (2yrs)
	Ruth Blonde	Elected unopposed (2yrs)

Continuing on Committee

Denise Ball	(1 yr)
Max Thomas	(1 yr)
Catherine Murphy	(1 yr)
Glenn Grosse	(1 yr)

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION****6.1 Proposed by Des Kehoe:**

That Laurie and Marilyn Ive-Smith be awarded Life Membership to the Dobermann Club of WA (Inc).

*Rationale: The Committee of the DCWA unanimously recommends this proposal based upon the reasons presented to them.*

*As per the DCWA constitution, the reasons that the honour should be awarded to Laurie and Marilyn Ive-Smith are that they have been:*

- *Actively involved in the Club since 2003,*
- *Participated in and 'ran the office' at Obedience training since 2005. This has entailed travelling to the Dogswest grounds every Tuesday night for more than 10 years.*
- *Marilyn has been the Treasurer since 2009.*
- *Both have been actively involved in fund raising since joining the Club . Giving up their time and generously donating to assist in the many many years of catering undertaken by the Club. I don't believe there was a catering event they didn't assist at.*
- *To summarise the above: They have been actively involved in and given tirelessly to both the Breed and this Club for more than 12 years here in WA. Nothing is too much trouble.*

NOTE: Rule D12 (HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP) of the DCWA constitution reads:

Any member may be proposed for honorary life membership of the Dobermann Club of W.A. (Inc.) and shall be elected provided that:

- a) The proposal is from an ordinary financial member of the Dobermann Club of W.A. (Inc.).
- b) The proposal is in writing and sets out the reasons why the honour should be conferred.
- c) The proposal is recommended by not less than 75% of those present and entitled to vote at the next Committee Meeting.
- d) The recommendation of the Committee is approved by not less than 75% of the members present and entitled to vote at the next Annual General

Meeting of the Club, notices calling for that meeting must advise members of the recommendation.

- e) Honorary Life Members of the Dobermann Club of W.A. (Inc.) shall not be required to pay any nomination or subscription fees, and shall be entitled to hold office, speak and vote at any General Meeting of Club Members.

This proposal has satisfied conditions a), b) and c) above and to be successful must now meet condition d)

### **Moved: Des Kehoe, seconded Carol Freele**

The motion was put to vote and was moved unanimously with all in favour.

### **6.2 Proposed by Des Kehoe:**

That

1. the Club's existing points score rules for
  - Dobermann of the Year
  - Up & Coming Dobermann of the Year
  - Top Show Dog
  - Top Obedience Dog
  - Top Agility Dog
  - Top Jumping Dog

be declared Null and Void AND

2. The attached document be the rules for the Dobermann Club of WA's competitions for
  - Dobermann of the Year
  - Up & Coming Dobermann of the Year
  - Top Show Dog
  - Top Obedience Dog
  - Top Rally O Dog
  - Top Agility Dog
  - Top Jumping Dog

*Rationale: The Club's competition rules are unwieldly with the same sections being repeated and not always updated. This version takes the common points from all the competitions and places them together in a common area thus allowing each section to focus on the method of calculation.*

*It is important to note that the only changes made in the calculation methods are*

- *Top Obedience Dog – addition of CCD class and UDX classes*
- *Top Agility and Jumping Dog – inclusion of the OPEN class*
- *Top Rally O Dog – New section recognising this discipline.*

### **Moved: Des Kehoe, seconded Catherine Murphy**

The motion was put to vote and passed on the vote of 18 x in favour, 0 x against & 1 x abstained

**6.3 Proposed by Denise Ball**

Move to amend tattooing of puppies being COMPULSORY for breeder members of DCWA and amended to being OPTIONAL for breeder members of the DCWA.

*Rationale: It has been compulsory to microchip prior to registering puppies with Dogswest since 1 January 2012. I personally know of several dogs who have been reunited with their owners due to microchipping. ALL councils now have multi-chip readers. By being optional it gives the breeders members a choice. NO other Dobermann Club in Australia enforces tattooing. Tattooing is unnecessary in this age of technology.*

The motion was put to vote and failed on the vote of 11 x in favour, 4 x against & 4 x abstained

**6.4 Moved by Des Kehoe**

That the current Constitution and Domestic Rules of the Dobermann Club of WA (Inc) be declared Null and Void AND be replaced with the updated Constitution and Domestic Rules

*Rationale*

*The Department of Commerce requires all Incorporated bodies to accept the changes to their basic constitution. We are simply complying with this requirement. The Constitution is the 'CAWA basic Club Const 0113 pre-approved by Dept of Commerce' document updated with the Dobermann Club of WA information.*

**Moved: Des Kehoe, seconded Danielle Grose**

The motion was put to vote and was moved unanimously with all in favour

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

7.1 Justin Fonte suggested that a trophy in the name of Jacky Georgiades who had passed away during 2015 be named in her honour.

**8. PRESENTATION OF CLUB AWARDS – appendix a**

There being no further business, the President thanked all present for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed.

(Meeting concluded at 9.00 pm.)

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President