

**Minutes – Subject to final approval at January 2021 Meeting.**  
**Australian Flyball Association Inc. – Minutes of Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020.**

**Present:** Richard Mellon, Jenny Millar, Brian Lindsay, Josh Ellen, Michael Ashton, Sam Brown, Steve Pitt, Ben Royes, Sally Elsom, Drew Harrison, Belinda O'Shea and Konrad Moskal.

**Apologies:** Pat Byrne, Carmel Nottle, David Strong, Jennifer Crane and Frank Lux

Meeting Opened at 7.30 pm via Go to Meetings Conference.

**ITEM 1. Starred Items.**

The following Items were adopted without discussion:

- 1) Minutes of the November Meeting.
- 2) New Memberships
- 3) Treasurers Report. End December Bank Balance  
\$ 1041.48 plus invested funds of \$84143.71.

**ITEM 2. Matters Arising**

The Committee reviewed the Action Sheet for November. Sam to check whether Ulna Video has been sent to Judges.

**ITEM 3. Correspondences In.**

**Nil.**

**ITEM 4 Sanctioned Events**

Comp - Ballarat – Santa Ball Comp – Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Dec – Subject to Vic restrictions being lifted and Council approval obtained. Approved on 9/11.

Comp – Belconnen – Sat 27/02/21 – No Canberra Show so go at BDOC – Flemington Rd Mitchell (Open, Handicap options, Training in ring).

Comp – Pine Rivers – 6/03/21 – Welcome 2021 – Bells Pocket Rd Strathpine – (Open).

Comp – Norwest – Sat 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – Hounds in Hills – Dog Complex Castle Hill Showgrounds – (Open, Handicap Options, Training in Ring).

Comp - Tassie Flying Paws – 24/04/21 – Pontville Recreation Oval Pontville Tas. – (Open, Handicap) – may become a two day comp closer to date.

Comp – Norwest – Sat 24/04/21 – Hawkesbury Show Flyball – Off Racecourse Rd Clarendon – follow signs to Dog Rings –  
(Regular only with handicap option, Training in ring).

Comp – Sydneysiders – 1/05/21 – Sydneysiders Southerly Stampede – Waratah Field Rawson Ave Sutherland (Open, Handicap option, handicap regular, Training in ring).

Comp – Belconnen – Australian Flyball Nationals 2021 –2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Belconnen Dog Club Flemington Rd Mitchell. (Open with Handicap option, Handicap option in Regular), Champions Trophy). Teams Sat and Sun, Singles/pairs etc Monday. (Note the Committee agreed that the formal name of this race meeting should remain as the Australian Flyball Nationals 2021).

## **ITEM 5 – Admin Matter**

### **I) New Members –**

Su-ellen de Ruiter

Alisha Tirrell

Jessica Tanti

Sami Lowe

Peter Potamianos

Robyn Scherer

Debra Wylie

Renee Higgs

### **II) Exam Passes – nil advised**

**iii) Corona Virus update.** Brian to check and update statement on web to reflect latest position.

**iv) Replacement printer for Certificates.** Item deferred – Pat to report to January Meeting

**v) Consideration of criteria for Life Members nominations.** Brian introduced the draft criteria developed by himself and Sam post November Meeting. The criteria had been developed taking into account the AFA Constitution and its requirements re honorary life members. After discussion the Committee agreed that the draft provided a suitable explanation statement of what was expected in order to support a Life Member nomination and should be adopted and placed on the AFA Web as a guide to members. Drew suggested that a Life Member Proposal Form also be developed so that members understood the information to be supplied. Drew agreed to develop a draft and submit to January Meeting. The best location on the web was discussed and suggestion made to locate Guideline with list of Life Members. Nomination Form to be located with other AFA Forms and make reference to Guideline.

### **vi) Role Statements for positions and Sub Committees.**

Brian outlined the draft role statements that had been circulated to the Committee. General acceptance of the statements as providing a sound outline of roles and responsibilities. Brian indicated that he had received some suggestions from Frank and that in line with the input he would prepare an introductory statement re Sub Committee positions being open to non- Committee members. Richard also

requested that the statement stress the requirement for confidentiality to be exercised by all involved. Statements to be placed on AFA Web.

- vii) **New Australian Record 16.229 at Woofers 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday comp.** Committee noted the new record that had been confirmed in line with requirements.

**viii) 2021 Nationals - Appointment of Nationals Rep on Committee and approval of Officials.**

Committee appointed Michael Ashton as the Committee Rep on the Nationals Planning Committee. In considering Officials the Committee endorsed the nominated Judges and requested that a Supervisory Judge be selected and advised. Suggestion made that a second AFA Rep be appointed. It was also pointed out that an independent Entry Receiver was required. Michael to take these points up with Planning Committee.

**ix) Dog Honour Board update.**

The Committee noted the suggested Ezri Board design submitted by Pat and Louise and that there was a plan to develop a similar Board for Jedda dogs. One suggestion made that owner names be added to info. Agreed to list matter for final discussion at January Meeting.

**Item 6 General Business.**

**Report from Dog Incident Sub Committee.**

Nil to Report.

**Report of Rules Sub Committee.**

Sub Committee had meet recently to consider matter of fees for equipment use – no report as yet available – further report to January Meeting.

**Report from Sub Committee on Flyball Development.**

Steve indicated that the Sub Committee had appointed Ben Royes as 2021 Chair. He also requested approval to add Shireen Pitt to membership of Sub Committee – agreed. Ben then outlined that the Sub Committee was in process of finalising new Landing Page design and would plan a suitable launch for new year. The President thanked Steve for his contribution and leadership since the Subcommittee was formed.

**ITEM 7 New Business.**

Nil

**Item 8 Other Business.**

Brian advised that he had just received quotes from our insurance brokers for 2021 Public Liability Insurance and Members Personal Accident cover. Premiums are \$744.12 and

\$1775.57. Payment to be made prior to Christmas 2020 with cover commencing January 2021.

Date of Next Meeting- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021** There being no other business the Meeting was closed at 8.35 p.m.

Signed as a true record.

President.