

# QWCDTAI Annual General Meeting held at Comet on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

Meeting commenced at 5:53 pm

**ATTENDANCE:** Pauline Kehl, Barrie Hughes, Elizabeth Hughes, Nathan Carr, Paul Wroe, Danni-ann Hogan, Will Hogan, Samantha Connolly, Ross Kehl, Steele Cannell, Charlie Brummell, Jamie Sturrock, Andrew Jansen, Kathy Wolgast, John Pointon, Tom Berrie, Robyn Sherewood, Barry Cooper, Dave Steel, Glenn mackay, Wyatt Judd, Luke Aisthorpe, Juanita Joy, Dean Smoothy, Tim Stewart, Cassie Kratzmann, Sam Donovan, Leonie Davey, Shaun Durdin, Judy Hamilton, Jake Swift, Anita Albeck, Allan Cardelli.

**APOLOGIES:** Chris Witney, Ray Witney, Martin Holzwart, Glenn Dickson, Steve Biles, Dan Killey, Tash Killey,

**Minutes of A.G.M. held at Rockland Spring on 11.09.2021:** Minutes read and moved by Liz Hughes, seconded by Sam Connolly that it was a true and correct reading of the minutes. Carried.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Opening Balance:	\$ 17877.76	Bank of Qld Opening Balance:	\$ 15556.51
Income:	\$ 37529.65	Interest Earned:	\$ 31.12
Expenses:	\$ 39010.42	Closing Balance:	\$ 15587.63
Closing Balance:	\$ 55407.41	Total Assets:	\$ 26396.99

Moved Liz Hughes, seconded AJ Jansen that the treasurer's report be adopted. Carried.

## Previous AGM minute actions

**1 - APPOINTMENT OF AN AUDITOR:** Treasurer Elizabeth Hughes was successful in engaging Vicki Graham Accountants in Bundaberg.

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## ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:

President Adam Sibson declared all positions open and thanked members for their nominations for positions.

PRESIDENT:	Tom Berrie	NOMINATED BY	Pauline Kehl
VICE PRESIDENTS:	Dan Killey	NOMINATED BY	Jake Swift
	Ross Kehl	NOMINATED BY	Pauline Kehl
SECRETARY:	Cassie Kratzmann	NOMINATED BY	Pauline Kehl
TREASURER:	Liz Hughes	NOMINATED BY	Steele Cannell
REGISTRAR:	Steele Cannell	NOMINATED BY	Elizabeth Hughes
POINT SCORER:	Marcia Berrie	NOMINATED BY	Tom Berrie
SPONSORSHIP:	Tim Stewart	NOMINATED BY	Wyatt Judd
NEWSLETTER:	Chris Whitney	NOMINATED BY	Pauline Kehl
WEBMASTER:	Peta Aitchison	NOMINATED BY	Elizabeth Hughes

PUBLICITY:	Wyatt Judd	NOMINATED BY	Glenn Mackay
JUDGES PANEL:	Tom Berrie	NOMINATED BY	Marcia Berrie
	Richard Davis	NOMINATED BY	Chris Whitney
	Paul Wroe	NOMINATED BY	Elizabeth Hughes
	Chris Whitney	NOMINATED BY	Joel Davis
	Glenn McKay	NOMINATED BY	Elizabeth Hughes

Both the Sponsorship and Publicity Officer roles remained vacant with no nominations received via formal voting. Nominations were taken from the floor at the AGM and accepted.

All positions received single nominations, so members were duly elected.

### **QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIP NOMINATIONS 2023:**

Queensland Championship nominations for 2023 expression of interest had been emailed previous to the meeting. The Southern Zone is due to hold these championships in 2023.

The Wallumbilla committee had nominated that they would be happy to hold the championships should no other southern zone committee nominate.

There being only one EOI, a vote was taken at the meeting - Wallumbilla was nominated by Glenn Mackay and Paul Wroe and this was voted on by the members present. Wallumbilla will hold the 2023 Queensland Championships in August 2023.

### **DAY MEMBERSHIP:**

Discussion with members present, day membership fee to be kept the same.

- Fee will remain at \$10
- If a day member wins a place at any trial, maiden, novice or open trial – it is an expectation that they register their dogs formally with the association.

### **VOTING:**

Electronic voting was discussed to maybe increase response rate to motions. It was raised by Dean Smoothy that this was discussed last meeting (*see previous minutes, Joel Davis moved a motion that the committee investigate the use of an online platform for voting to lessen the workload of the Secretary and it may also result in a high percentage return of ballots. Seconded Glenn McKay. FOR 27 AGAINST 0. Motion carried.*)

Options were to be put to members at this AGM. Unfortunately, the information was unable to be collated prior to the meeting so this will be investigated further to try to increase the response rate to motions and voting.

3 options for voting going forward were discussed:

- 1 – postal voting option for those without electronic voting capability
- 2 – emailing option for those with email and this preference
- 3 – electronic voting to be set up via links

### **MOTIONS**

- 1 – That the current system of making the draws be changed.

The draws to be run in reverse order to how they are currently prepared, to give the competitors with one or two dogs a more equal playing field; to give them a chance at the cattle once they have been re-run, when they are usually better. This should keep newcomers to the sport more enthusiastic.

**Moved: Bo Hatfield, Seconded: Sam Connolly**

The member ballot saw motion 1 with a return of 29 votes: 11 votes FOR and 18 votes AGAINST. Majority of seventy-five percent required for the motion to be passed. MOTION DEFEATED.

2 - That nomination fees be open (At the discretion of the Trial Committee). All other current regulations around nominations and prize money remain the same, (First place to be at least ten times the nomination fee and prize money to be paid to at least sixth place). Committees charging more than \$25 nomination must advertise in the newsletter.

**MOVED Glenn Dickson, SECONDED Glenn Mackay**

The member ballot saw motion 2 with a return of 30 votes: 19 votes FOR and 11 votes AGAINST. Majority of seventy-five percent required for the motion to be passed. MOTION DEFEATED.

President Adam Sibson closed the AGM at 6:15 pm

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### **General meeting opened by new president Tom Berrie at: 6.19pm**

Tom thanked previous members for all their hard work and commitments.

Touching base on comments around the Association and the rulings on changing rules. Need to abide by guidelines – need to have 75% voting by members to change ruling or add rulings. Has to go past executives and be approved by at least the judge's panel.

Members discussed new courses and wanting to change rulings on the handlers peg perhaps in the open only – Dave Steele will submit a new idea to executives. A motion can then be put forward.

Opened meeting for general meetings at 6.23pm by Tom Berrie.

Jake swift brought up the subject of wanting to know the stipulations between an affiliated event and a non affiliated event. Wanting clear rules on the difference and if a dog wins the event at the non affiliated trial and standings on if a dog wins does it change It's status?

If they can put up prize money or how they can run their events. Wanting to know how the rule book applies even if it's a non affiliated event. Even if they change the name to a jackpot or a stock dog challenge – status still changes. It is a broad statement and has broad spectrum in rule book.

Jake was advised that he needs to make a motion and get 75% support to change the rules.

Tom advised, as a sporting body it may not pass – you can move the motion but legal advice will have to be associated with it so that we can get the ball rolling. Further investigation was advised, properly move the motion through the correct people.

Score sheets – make sure Marcia is getting the trial sheets asap, so they can be done in sequence. They can't go into the program until they are sent in sequence. Tom is just asking all committees to make the effort and make sure they get them in as soon as possible. Should Wyatt Judd be collecting them and sending them to Marcia? Tom mentioned they can be scanned and sent to Marcia, but original documents need to be sent to Marcia regardless.

Tom Berrie declared the meeting closed at 6.45pm.

