

OCTC Committee Meeting 18th August 2022

Minutes

Meeting opened: 7:07pm at ALSCO tearoom, Leith St

Present: Dianne Sprott, Sharyn Baxter, Melissa Paterson, Anne McLachlan, Jean McKinnon, Donna Burns, MaryRose Scoular

Apologies: Helena Akesson, Marjo Buis, Teo Georgescu, Ailsa Hawkins

Absent: Grace Fleury

Quorum: As there were insufficient attendees no motions nor votes were able to be actioned.

Visitor: Pip Hoskens
(DS/MR)

- **Minutes of Last Meeting (21st July)**

Corrections:

The previous minutes were accepted as a true & correct record. (DB/DS)

Matters Arising:

- **Agility Equipment Standardisation**

In progress but not urgent.

- **Alternate Venues to be investigated:**

- For Scent work: Brooklands, Chingford Park, Bland Park (Waitati), Waikouiatu Race Course

- **Ongoing (no progress to report but not forgotten)**

- Electronic Storage of Club Records
- Instructor Resources on Website (Manuals, Course Notes etc)
- Children at Training Policy - Jean to progress. Progressing.
- Champions List – MaryRose to discuss further with Diana. Anne to look for list and send to Mary Rose. Done
- Fundraising night eg. Quiz Night & Have a Go event, Bingo – to progress
- Policy Document update – Elaine updating

Coordinator Reports:

- **Agility (Mary Rose) (MR/SB)**

- I am sorry but I may not be able to be at committee meeting this time due to work commitments as my boss is overseas and I am it. Nothing much to report for agility. There us s good core of people attending classes and some awesome numbers joining the ranks through this. I am eternally lucky and grateful to have some great and loyal trainers giving these guys all the encouragement and assistance they need to surpass their own limitations. Not that many new people coming through at present which I feel is probably winter related. I know also there are some that only like training at Forrester Park as are also people who prefer equestrian centre. We are in week 2 of classes this week with few people moved up levels which is nice to see.

- **Canine Companion (Lynn) (JMCK/SB)**

- Nothing else to report
- Im swamped, dealing with currently 28 people and getting more daily, all hoping to get a space in the 14 Handler CC1 Course for 21st Sept-26th Oct.
- If they were to all go ahead, that is the year booked out, and I have even now received Feb course enquiries hoping to book in

- Lynn
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- **Rally-O(Ailsa) (JMCK/MR)**
 - Things are ticking along nicely. Our three new beginners appear to be enthusiastically participating. Angela is doing a fabulous job with their training.
 - We had a wee practice run for the Nov A people on Monday. They are being encouraged to try a run with their dogs off lead. This is a wonderful idea of Marjo's, so that they feel more comfortable by the time they reach Advanced. Huge thankyou to Carina for judging them.
 - Little else to say, except we are now counting down to our September show.
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- **Flygility(Elaine) (JMCK/SB)**
 - Nothing new really. Training is still enthusiastically attended at RDA by up to 15 people. As fly only runs every second Saturday it is difficult to set a course fee so after each training session I send Dianne a list of who attended to make sure they have paid and details to pay RDA.
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- **Scent Work (Helena) (JMCK/DS)**
 - A new block of classes is starting tonight (Sunday 14/8) and I have two full Foundation classes. One class has 7 dogs and the other has 8 dogs enrolled. Out of the 15 people 5 are existing members, the rest are new people, mostly private clients of mine. Hopefully some of them will continue and become members of the club.
 - The classes will be 5-6pm and 7.30-8.30pm on Sunday nights at the St Kilda hall (my own private basic obedience class is run in the middle).
 - My plan is to run just Novice classes in the next block but no Foundation. I just had too many people interested in Foundation for this block and seeing as it's winter and dark outside, running Novice classes is a little harder as having daylight to run exterior searches and vehicle searches is difficult.
 - I've got a lot of things organised for the December scent work trial.
 - ☑ Venue is booked. Equestrian centre.
 - ☑ I have decided on what classes we're going to run.
 - ☑ I have got judges organised and contracts should be under way and with them soon.
 - ☑ The judge coming from the north island has flights organised with Diana's help.
 - ☑ All details are with Diana to get into the Dogs world magazine schedule by the end of this month.
 - ☑ Diana will get the Judges Choice ribbons ordered asap.
 - It's going to be a huge weekend....in my mind it works....hopefully I can pull it off.
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- **Treibball (Helena) (JMCK/MR)**
 - We are a quarter of the way through this block and there is nothing much to report at this stage. We have booked Forester park on Sunday 20/11 to run a tournament (charged as a ribbon trial) so we can have a go at competing during the day, not 8pm on a Friday night. This will also help handlers and dogs get some more experience with competing by having a few runs all in one day

Forrester Park Report (Donna) (DB/JMCK)

I email the FPMC and asked them to review Their charges for our Agility show. I have not heard back from them as yet.

I forwarded them the report from Tansley's

It is now in their ball court to check their insurance before we negotiate connecting through Forest Park.

Angela is working on a quote for 2023 Hire so we can apply for a grant

Secretary Report (Anne McLachlan) (AM/JMcK)

• Correspondence

Inwards

- 27/07 Lynn van Beer's resignation as Canine Companion Coordinator at the 2022 AGM
- 27/07 Diana's reply to the request re holding Rally shows with Agility
- 28/07 Karen Grant, AC don't have a social media policy & doesn't think DNZ do either. DNZ did not reply to query.
- 29/07 Sportsfield, Donna & me, conversation about availability of soccer fields
- 01/08 Jean, from Elaine re changes to Inc Societies
- 01/08 Teo, how to get necessary approval from a legal point of view for taking photos & videos & posting online. Teo happy to organise when she returns
- 03/08 Nigel Trainor, FPMC, code of compliance, both line & usage charges & where is toasted sandwich maker
- 05/08 Diana, reply to Helena re SW Trial procedure
- 09/08 Jayne Pritchard, Animal Attractions, re OCTC having a demo day at Bark in the Park, 18/12/22
- 09/08 Dawn Barry, seeking support for re-surfacing Sth Field Days Trust pavilion. Would suit horses & dogs & be available at reasonable rates. 100 x 50m so take 3 agility rings. Does OCTC wish to send a letter of support?
- 13/08 Elaine, Jo Miller's response to query re barking dogs
- 13/08 Elaine, refunds for July Rally that was cancelled
- 15/08 Karen Grant, AC, 2023 Calendar, sent to MR, Melissa & Belinda
- 16/08 Jess Tansey, NZDAC, FAQ Posters, sent to MR & Belinda for circulation to Agility people

Outwards

- 27/07 Diana, any chance of running Rally O shows with Agility
- 27/07 Lynn, requesting she send her resignation to either admin or secretary address
- 31/07 Donna, references for soccer field booking
- 02/08 FP, Nigel & Simon, advising Tansleys would be in the hall checking OCTC power on 03/08
- 09/08 Ob discussion papers to Grace, Ailsa & Helena

Treasurer's Report (Dianne Sprott) (DS/MR)

Attached

Treasurer's Correspondence 18th July-14th August 2022

- 18/07 Helena, list of people attending 22nd July Treibball course.
- 19/07 Dianne asking Helena if FP hall was used on 15th July.
- 19/07 Elaine advising of club \$ payment for agility course.
- 19/07 to Melissa, asking her to chase up bank account number for June Jumpers REFUND. Paid
- 19/07 to Jackie Thomas (EC) asking for all overdue invoices to be sent to OCTC treasurer.
- 20/07 Ailsa, list of people attending Rally course.
- 21/07 to Elaine regarding Fly training payments.
- 21/07 Lynn, confirming people attending CC classes.
- 24/07 Elaine, supplying list of names for Fly training payments.
- 25/07 Dianne to Lynn, re incoming CC payment from H Langsbury.
- 26/07 Helena, request from Olivia White for Scent work course refund. Hospitalization. Olivia said she had paid for the course, but I have no record of a payment.
- 29/07 Helena, request from Nicola Dennis for Treibball course refund. Misunderstanding re trainer.
- 31/07 Anne McLachlan. Travel subsidy invoice. Paid
- 01/08 Helena, list of people attending 14th August Scent work class.
- 01/08 Equestrian Centre invoices x 11. All have since been paid.
- 01/08 MaryRose Scoular. Travel subsidy invoice. Paid

07/08 to Leanne Pryde (FP) with dates for July's OCTC usage of hall.

07/08 Elaine, supplying list of names for Fly training payments.

07/08 Elaine. Travel subsidy invoice. Paid

02/08 Otago Equestrian Centre, notice of AGM

04/08 Jean advising of RDA training payment.

05/08 Diana, asking to reimburse Shiree Brockie her flights to judge December's Scent work trial.

10/08 MaryRose, list of people attending 9th August agility course.

13/08 Dianne to Helena. Everyone has paid to attend Scent work classes.

13/08 Elaine, requesting refunds for July Rally show Saturday entries for those who paid with club\$.

14/08 Dianne to MaryRose. List of those who have/have not paid for agility course.

14/08 Dianne to Anne Hill reminding her to pay membership and agility fee.

Membership

Current membership is 98

Awaiting approval. Georgia Cooke. Approved

General Business

April 2023 agility and rally show dates. (DS)

Obedience training advertised on OCTC website. Should this be removed? (DS)

Fixed Term in Office. (DS)

Term Deposit. \$9,197.82 matures on 20th September 2022. Should this be reinvested for a minimum period given there may be large expenses coming up?

Show Secretary Report

Adele is Show Manager for Sept Ag show. (MP/JMcK)

Visitor

Pip Hosken spoke about the outcome for OCTC in the future if Obedience is allowed to be removed from their show & R/T agendas. She had several ideas of ways that Obedience can be retained &, hopefully, be include into the training schedule. The committee agreed to reinstate the Ob R/T in Nov.

They will also look at reinstating the 2023 March R/T & Sept 2023 Ch OB Show to be held with the Agility Ch Show.

Donna is going to talk to Grace to about, maybe, stepping down as Ob delegate to SRO.

General Business

- **Committee Members**

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- **Videoing at Training**

MR to put together a document together for the process &/or legalities. In progress

Teo/Jean's correspondence. Rolled over to August meeting.

- **OCTC Posters**

Have a standard template for all OCTC shows, R/T's etc. In progress. Teo

- **Barking Dogs at training (Elaine)**

- Jo Millers response to my email "there are many reasons for dogs to bark. It is one of the few ways they have to communicate with us. And, to be honest, it is probably not something that can be permanently addressed in a class setting unless using aversives (think e-collars). From your email it sounds like these dogs are either excited or demanding or both. Teaching a dog to do something other than barking may be the best course. So settling quietly on a mat or some low energy tricks (hand touches, heel work, etc.) might work. The handlers would need to make these tricks reliable at home in a low distraction

environment and then gradually increase the distractions, maybe practising way over to the side of agility etc. Barking in a class situation is hard to fix".

- **Bark in the Park**

Animal Attractions want OCTC to hold a demo at Bark in the Park on 18/12/22.

- **Grants:**

- **FPMC:** Have not responded to correspondence about dates, what we get for our bookings or request for a new gate key. Donna to progress??

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- **Fixed Terms:** Dianne's suggestion re fixed term in office. Rolled over to Sept meeting.

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Agility Equip: Donna to get quotes from CoverMarc for 10x sets of sandbags & small sandbags. In progress.

Cards: Condolence card sent to Helena on her loss of Echo

Electricity to Garage: A quote has been received from Tansley's

Donna moved that "OCTC offer FPMC \$25/month for the power connection." (DB/MB) Approved. 1 abstension. No action at this point.

NZDAC: Ribbon sponsorship, agreed to sponsor one group for \$250. Prefer JC, JB, JDT or a class that isn't already covered but prefer not the games. No response yet

AGM: Will be at FP on Monday 28th November 2023 at Forrester Park. Donna to check kitchen availability & cost.

Vouchers: Suggestion that Jean discuss with Lynn the possibility of a half price off voucher for the 1st block of one discipline to encourage new people completing CC2 to stay in the club. Roll over to 2023.

Law Changes for Inc. Societies:

Meeting closed: 923pm. Next meeting: 7pm 15th September 2022