



BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

SUMMARY MINUTES OF MEETING 15 - 23 JUNE 2025 ONLINE

PRESENT: Pete Simmons (Chair), Louise Collier, Andy Forman, Sue Forman, Collette Green, Nik Knight, Janeen Longhurst, Pete Longhurst, Helen Murfet, Sandra Newton, Mandi Oliver, John Preston, Sue Preston, Vonnie Simmons, Jill Spurr, Phil Surridge, Annette Walters, Alison Woodrow & Anita Gowing (Secretary).

1. **APOLOGIES & WELCOME TO NEW CO-OPTED MEMBER, SANDRA NEWTON**

2. **MINUTES OF MEETING 2 MARCH 2025**

The Minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING**

- **50th Anniversary 2026**

- Anita advised the following: Ch show judges all approved by KC; Special Properties judge appointed.
- Pete commented that we need to sort out commemorative mugs and pens and asked Collette to investigate.
- Pete S. will contact Chesford Grange regarding the dinner on the eve of the March Ch show.
- It was agreed that we omit Novice, Mid-Limit and Good Citizen classes at the March show, to reduce the classes by six.
- Collette will obtain costings for the key rings, based upon 7 main winners for each show, 4 POTY/VOTY and 5 Special Properties; total 30.

- **Show Sponsorship** – Collette has spoken to a few people; she and Mandi will catch up at the next show. The following offers have been received:

- Bernice Emanuel will sponsor Working Dog & Bitch classes at the March 2026 Ch Show. (If we do not schedule Working classes, she will sponsor Open Dog).
- Jill will sponsor AOC in October 2025 & both Ch shows in 2026.
- Tambuzi will sponsor Puppy Bitch.
- Anita will sponsor BVIS rosette at all Ch Shows from October 2025.

4. **EVENTS 2025**

- Mandi reported that so far for the BAD/MCE/Hands On, we have 8 bookings: 7 for talk, 5 MCE and 2 hands on. There have also been enquiries for mentoring.
- Herding Day: Alison has chased Ben to provide dates for September/October.

5. **CHAMPIONSHIP & OPEN SHOWS OCTOBER 2025 – BAER CLINIC**

Mandi will contact Ellen to confirm the arrangements; Ellen's logo will be required for the flyer.

6. **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 2025 NOTICE**

Anita tabled the draft Notice, which was agreed.

Anita had emailed those members who have not opted in to email Notices and 55 replied to confirm their opt in. This leaves 45 (including 12 with no email) to whom the SGM Notice will have to be posted.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- 2027 POTY/VOTY – Anita advised that our date (14 November) has been approved by the KC and our Regional Advisor has let her know that Richmond has moved its dates for 2027 to 12 - 14 November, but that it looks like Pastoral is on the Saturday. Jill confirmed that this is a permanent change for Richmond, so Anita contacted Darren Clarke (Richmond Secretary) to ask if they would be rotating the Groups; Darren confirmed that the Groups will not be rotated. It was noted that this change will be in our favour and also that for 2028, we will need to amend the criterion for qualifying shows to Darlington – City of Birmingham.
- Anita reported that at our March show, Sean asked if we have any plans for the old podium. If we are not keeping it, he is interested in buying it. There was agreement to let Sean have the podium without charge, as it was originally donated to the Club by Pete S.
- It was formally noted that the Club had received an email from Vikki Wong (VW) asking about our 'support' for the Border Collie Fitting Database. Nik provided background to the enquiry and Jill provided a response, to which VW replied thanking us for the prompt response and explanation of our support.

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Online, date to be advised