



BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

MINUTES OF MEETING 9 JULY 2017 ONLINE

PRESENT: Pete Simmons (Chair), Julie Barratt, Gary Clarke, Doug Collier, Louise Collier, Colin Dowson, Glynis Dowson, Hannah Fawcett, Pat Hales, Karen Hayward, Nik Knight, Lisa Newman, Richard Newman, Yvonne Simmons, Jill Spurr, Phil Surridge, Annette Walters (Vice-Chair), Tracey Wilkinson & Anita Gowing (Secretary).

1. **APOLOGIES**

None

2. **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 5 MARCH 2017**

The Minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING**

- **2017 Photographic Competition** – This was launched at the March Ch show. It was agreed that it now needs to be promoted as widely as possible.
- **Breed Seminar & Judging Assessment** – This was a very successful event with excellent feedback on Gary's seminar.
- **Talk on Structure by Chris Kink 2018** – Jill advised that she is waiting to hear if Dr Zink has any contractual obligations; Lincoln University had an exclusion contract, so she wasn't able to do talks for anyone else all year. No final decision was made about this proposal.

4. **NEW ITEMS**

- **Year Book 2018** – Doug & Louise remain as editors, along with Anita & the team will liaise re the various aspects of the 2018 edition.
- **POTY/VOTY 2017** – Various suggestions were made, but it was agreed to retain the usual four classes but judged on the points system. The winner of each class will receive a prize. Tracey will look at simplifying the points system.
- **Herding Day 2017** – This will be held on 12 August & Anita advised that all 10 handling places have been booked & there will be a few spectators too. Tracey will organise a picnic. Pete's suggestion to purchase a gazebo was agreed. This will be custom branded with the club name & logo. Pete agreed to accept delivery.
- **Breed Council Reps** – Tracey has been replaced by Jill, who joins Annette as our reps. Pete thanked Jill for taking this on.
- **Open Breed Show 2017** – Royal Canin will sponsor. Kathryn Entwistle is the appointed Stakes classes judge with Junior d/b (with an award for the highest placed puppy), Post Grad. d/b & Open d/b. Prize money of £15 1st place, £10 2nd place & £5 3rd place per class, with rosettes to 5th.

It was also agreed to add Flyball, HTM & Rally to the Working Class definition. Wording as follows:- "Confined to exhibits who have gained the following placings at KC Licenced Open, Limited or Championship Shows: 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Obedience class, Agility or Jumping class, Flyball class, HWTM Class, or dogs who have qualified CD, UD, WD, TD, PD at a Working Trial, or who have attained Rally titles RL1, RL2, RL3, RL4, RL5 or RL6, or who have gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd at a Sheepdog Trial, or who have passed the Show Border Collie Herding Test.."

Bitch judging will commence at 9.00am followed by dogs at 9.30am.

5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Anita advised that following submission of the 2017 Annual Return, the KC has approved the Rule changes ratified at the 2017 AGM. The KC has also requested several amendments to the Rules, as well as specifying a quorum for General Meetings. Anita's suggestion to set this at 15 members was agreed. Anita will make the necessary amendments to the Rules.
- Anita shared an email received from the KC re the new Judges Competency Framework. The KC is at the point where it wishes to establish a pilot study working with breeds to design the delivery of the breed club responsibilities; in particular scoping for the appointment of a Breed Education Co-ordinator, Mentors, Observers and general administration.
The KC has identified one breed from each of the seven groups to ask for co-operation in the pilot study and BCCGB has been suggested due to its already established judges' education programme. Two representatives, preferably experienced in organising our education programme, are invited to attend a meeting at the Kennel Club. As Gary Clarke made such an excellent job of the recent seminar it was agreed that he & Tracey would represent the club as requested.

6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – October, online.