



1st May 2018

6.30pm – 7.40pm

RDOC Clubrooms
Bennetts Road
Koutu
Rotorua

Minutes of the Rotorua Dog Obedience Club 2018 AGM

- Attendees:** Ginny Christians, Melissa Evans, Jeanette Peacock, Dawn Williams, Jo Klein, Julie Cowell, Saskia Murray, Aine Davis, Emily McGowan, Peter Franz, Robin Harland, Fiona Leighton, Ann McSweeney, Heather Mitchell, Gloria Parkinson
- Apologies:** Judy Moody and Eunice Brothers
- Meeting Opened** 6.30 PM
- Minutes of previous Meeting** The previous AGM minutes were accepted as a true and correct record
Moved Melissa Evans
Seconded Ginny Christians
Carried
- Business Arising** No matters arising
- Presidents Report** Jo Klein read the report on the year's activities as President.
The report was accepted as presented.
Moved Jo Klein
Seconded Melissa Evans
Carried
- Agility Report** Dawn Williams read the report on the year's agility activities.
The report was accepted as presented.
Moved Ginny Christians
Seconded Jo Klein
Carried
- Financial Report:** Opening Balance: \$12,714.67 Closing Balance \$10,258.84 Surplus (yearend) \$ 8,557.00
Heather Mitchell spoke to the financial report and Balance sheet. It was accepted as presented.
Moved Heather Mitchell
Seconded Melissa Evans
Carried
- Business Arising:**
- Heather Mitchell spoke about the huge contribution that our club members make towards our club shows and especially the Obedience show.
 - Jo Klein thanked Heather for her contribution to the club as the treasurer.

Election of Officers

Position	Name	Nominated By	Seconded	Result
President	Jo Klein	Heather Mitchell	Dawn Williams	Carried
Vice President	Ann McSweeney	Jo Klein	Julie Cowell	Carried
Secretary	Melissa Evans	Ginny Christians	Dawn Williams	Carried
Treasurer	Peter Franz	Heather Mitchell	Jo Klein	Carried

The signatories to the bank accounts as per the rules remain the Secretary, Treasurer and President as elected.

Election of Committee

Name	Nominated By	Seconded	Result
Saskia Murray	Julie Cowell	Dawn Williams	Carried
Aine Davis	Ginny Christians	Dawn Williams	Carried
Gloria Parkinson	Jo Klein	Emily McGowan	Carried
Dawn Williams	Gloria Parkinson	Jo Klein	Carried
Leah Evans	(Ginny Christians to Co-opt)		
Jeanette Peacock	Julie Cowell	Heather Mitchell	Carried

There being no further nominations, all nominees were declared elected

Moved: Melissa Evans
Seconded: Emily McGowan
All in Favour, Motion Carried

Election of training coordinators

Field	Name	Nominated By	Seconded
Obedience	Ginny Christians	Melissa Evans	Jo Klein
Agility	Dawn Williams	Jo Klein	Ginny Christians
Rally-O	Ann McSweeney	Ginny Christians	Jeanette Peacock

Resolutions to the Meeting

Motion that the club covers the costs of the executive committee to become a financial member of the Dogs NZ membership.

Moved Ginny Christians

Seconded Emily

All in favour. Carried

Nominations for Life Membership

There were no nominations for Life membership

Subscriptions for the following Year

We keep at 70 for an individual and 95 for a family with a 10 discount paid prior to the AGMD

Moved Jo Klein

Seconded Jeanette Peacock

All in favour. - Motion Carried

Training Fees

It was agreed unanimously that training fees for each term will be decided by the committee at the monthly meeting preceding each term beginning.

Moved: Ginny Christians

Seconded: Melissa Evans

All in favour - Motion Carried

Honorariums

A motion was passed that we should keep the President, Treasurer, Secretary honorariums at \$300, and increase the honorarium for the Obedience Coordinator role to \$350 and reduce the Agility Coordinator honorarium to \$200.

Moved Jo Klein

Seconded Jeanette Peacock

13 Aye 1 Nay 1 Abstain - Motion Carried

General Business

- Thank you to Melissa Evans for her presentation on our club values and we hope to complete this in the coming year.
- A huge thank you to Ginny Christians who has made a huge contribution to the club. The committee held a farewell for Ginny and the club has provided a gift of a pet dog sitting and we are calling for donations for professionally framing.
- The club extends our thanks the outgoing committee, especially the members who are not standing for reelection for their service.
- Julie Cowell has raised that she will be mentoring our new young trainers Saskia Murray and Aine Davis. They have both been to junior training camp and we hope to continue their training in the coming year.

- Key Holders 2018-2019
Jo Klein
Dawn Williams
Peter Franz
Ann McSweeney
Julie Cowell
Melissa Evans

Meeting Closed: 7.40pm

I, Melissa Ann Evans, holding the position of secretary of the Rotorua Dog Obedience club hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of the decisions made at this properly notified Annual General Meeting of the Rotorua Dog Obedience Club held at the clubrooms on Bennetts Road this 1st day of May 2018

Presidents Report

Rotorua Dog Obedience Club

Presidents Report May 2017-2018

The Rotorua Dog Obedience Club has had a busy and positive year.

We have held a very successful Obedience and Rally O Championship show in January, a much larger than expected CGC show, a very busy Agility Championship show and Agility Ribbon Show.

Thank you to all the members who have volunteered with their time and baking to help make these shows successful.

The committee has worked very hard throughout the year and have been looking at ways to improve our club for all our members and their dogs.

We have brainstormed the values of Rotorua Dog Obedience Club and this exciting job is still a work in action.

We now have a well stocked library, including books for pleasure and instruction as well as DVDs. Thanks to Heather Mitchell for her librarian skills.

We were lucky enough to receive more funding from Mercury which has been used to replace our old and no longer safe tunnels. Thanks to Peter Franz for organising this.

We have also replaced our ancient heaters with new efficient ones that are currently keeping you all toasty.

We have run many Pet Dog Classes over the last year. This is one of our most important roles, both raising the standard of dog care in Rotorua and encouraging new members into our club. A huge thank you to all of our trainers who have put their hands up to instruct a Pet Dog class. Thank you also to all those who have attended a Pet Dog class, and hopefully we can hook you into our love of dogs.

We currently have classes running in Pet Dog, Canine Good Citizen, Rally-O, Obedience and Agility.

I also need to say a big thank you to all of our other trainers who take CGC, Rally -O, obedience and agility classes. You are the ones who turn up week after week and put so

much effort into your training and upskilling yourselves as more research into dog behaviour improves the way we train and our relationship with our dogs.

I would like to give a massive thank you to our awesome committee for this year. Everybody in the committee has been working hard behind the scenes to keep the club running smoothly and implement improvements. With hard work from everyone we have come from very much a them and us club to an inclusive and supportive club of all the different codes within the club.

I would like to ask that everyone here think of how they can contribute to the club this year. We need new committee members, trainers, plus we need those who will help at our shows.

And lastly, I would like to thank Ginny Christians. Ginny has put an extraordinary amount of work into the club over the last 6 years. Ginny has held the position of secretary, obedience show secretary, and also obedience co-ordinator – this is the first person that you speak to when you are looking at coming to the club. The co-ordinator role also involves organising all the classes and ensuring we have enough trainers to cover these classes. When there has been a short fall Ginny has stepped in and at sometimes been instructing 4 classes in a week. Ginny has also taken on the very involved role of agility show secretary and has managed this role with the skill and competence that we will all miss.

Ginny has taken up the offer of a very good job down Wellington way and so we be leaving us this week. We all send our best wishes for your and Bob's future down the island and we are sure a club down there will snap you up quickly. And there is always a place for you back here if you decide you miss Rotorua too much.

Agility Report

The Agility group has had a great year. Our membership continues to grow. We currently have 11 members at Foundation/Starters level, 9 at Novice level and 4 Intermediate/Senior level. Six of us are competitive, proudly wearing our Club T-shirts at events around the Bay of Plenty and beyond.

I would like to thank our excellent Committee for their help and support this year. We have extended our book library and introduced a small DVD library (thanks go out to Gloria) to help grow our members knowledge and enthusiasm. We contributed to Chelsea Marriners' "Paw Blacks" trip to compete in Australia, by paying for a sweatshirt with the logo. She made us proud, bringing home a gold medal!

We have been fortunate to be awarded a grant from Mercury Energy for \$1200, thank you to Peter Franz for applying for that. We also obtained a grant from the Dogs NZ Agility Committee of \$650. With these funds we purchased three new tunnels to replace our damaged ones.

Earlier this month we held our annual Championship show, held at beautiful Lake Rerewhakaaitu. The sun shone, the dogs swam, and handlers enjoyed camping ringside and a delicious BBQ dinner. Thanks to great leadership and a huge amount of preparation from Show Manager Jo Klein, our feedback from competitors was overwhelmingly positive. This year Ginny Christians took on the job of show secretary, with over 1600 entries to manage. She did an amazing job.

A huge thank you to the Committee members, general members, partners husbands and friends who pull together to help us out. You generously and selflessly give your time and energy, and we simply could not do it without you! Your support is greatly appreciated. We would also like to thank our generous sponsors Fond foods and Palamountains for donating their product.

We are now preparing for our Ribbon Trial which will be held in a few weeks on 19th May. This year, for the first time we have incorporated Junior Dog Training events, which we hope will help encourage our growing number of handlers under the age of 21 to participate. The future is bright with our amazingly talented youngsters onboard.

We still have only two trainers, Jo Klein and myself. Going forward a priority is to recruit some assistant trainers in the first instance. Over time giving them the confidence and tools to teach others. We will also strive to provide a supportive and knowledgeable environment for our handlers at all levels. We hope to encourage more to take up the sport competitively in the future.

Thank you