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**KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY, 25,  
SATURDAY, 26 & SUNDAY, 27 JUNE 2021  
VIA SKYPE**

ITEM	Sub Item	Sub Item	MINUTES
1			<p><b>ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p> <p>Attendance:</p> <p>Clr JM Hubbard (Chairman of the Federal Council) – JH Clr BG Robinson Vice-Chairman of the Federal Council &amp; Chairman – DOGSPC) – GR Clr NJ du Preez (Chairman – NAPC) – NdP Clr CM Immelman (Vice-Chairman – DOGSPC) – CI Clr RB Jenkins (Chairman – Exco) – BJ – <b>Granted leave by the Chairman to absent himself from the meeting at 12.00 on Saturday to attend to an emergency.</b> Clr RD Juckes (Chairman - FS&amp;NCPC) - RJ Clr G Morison (Chairman – KZNPC) - GM Clr DC Sparg (Chairman – EC&amp;BPC) – DS – <b>Granted leave by the Chairman to absent himself from the meeting to attend to a work emergency on Saturday. The Vice-Chairman of the EC&amp;BPC, Clr JD Barrow, was unfortunately not available to stand in.</b> Clr L Thornhill (Chairman – WCPC) – LT</p> <p>Staff in Attendance:</p> <p>Mrs P Midgley (General Manager) – PM Mr K Farmer (Office Manager) - KF Mrs A Bastick (Clubs, Shows &amp; Judges Department) – AB</p> <p>The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all present to this virtual assembly of the Federal Council.</p> <p>With <b>nine</b> Federal Councillors present, the Chairman declared the majority for the changing of Articles and Schedules to be <b>six</b> (two-thirds), whereas <b>five</b> would constitute a <b>simple majority</b> as required for any other decision to carry.</p> <p>With <b>eight</b> Federal Councillors present on Saturday, the Chairman declared the majority for the changing of Articles and Schedules to be unchanged at <b>six</b> (two-thirds), whereas the <b>simple majority</b> for any other decision to carry would remain at <b>five</b>.</p> <p>With <b>seven</b> Federal Councillors present (Saturday afternoon), the Chairman declared the majority for the changing of Articles and Schedules to be <b>five</b> (two-thirds), whereas <b>four</b> would constitute a <b>simple majority</b> as required for any other decision to carry.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p>The Chairman requested all present to observe a brief period of silence in remembrance of the following persons who had passed away since Fedco 12-2020:</p> <p>Mrs RS Bezer (GAU) Miss RE Hanworth (EC) Mrs CM Hartley (GAU) Mr AM Wonfor (WC) Dr MR Bednarek (GAU) Mrs HV Rennie (GAU) Mr GRP Eva (WC) Mrs M Griffin (WC) Mr S Preiss (WC) Mrs EG Lotz (GAU)</p>

		Mr J Slabbert (WC) <b>Noted.</b>
2	2.1	<b>MINUTES</b> The Minutes of the meeting held on 4, 5 & 6 December 2020 to be formally <b>adopted</b> .  The Minutes of the meeting held on 4, 5 & 6 December 2020 were formally <b>adopted</b> and <b>confirmed, unanimously</b> . Proposed LT, seconded RJ.  There were no matters arising from these Minutes.
	2.2	The <b>adopted</b> Minutes of the Emergency Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on 25 March 2020 (Fedco round robin 31.3.2021) to be <b>ratified</b> .  The adopted Minutes of the Emergency Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on 25 March 2020 via round robin were <b>ratified, unanimously</b> .  Proposed GM, seconded LT.
	2.3	The adopted Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on 8 March 2021 to be <b>ratified</b> .  The adopted Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Federal Council held on 8 March 2021 via round robin were <b>ratified, unanimously</b> .  Proposed RJ, seconded GR.
3		<b>ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</b>
	3.1	<b>Declaration of Interests – Fedco Members Article 12.5</b> The Article reads: <i>“Any member nominated to sit on the Federal Council, Executive Committee of the Kennel Union as well as the Executive Members (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer) of any Provincial Council of the Kennel Union, shall declare within one (1) month of appointment to the Secretary in writing all their interests, of whatsoever nature, in dog related activities. Where the governing body of the Kennel Union, or such person or persons to whom the authority is delegated, determine that any interests are in conflict with those of the Kennel Union, such nominated members’ appointment shall ipso facto be terminated.”</i>
	3.1.1	Declarations of Fedco Members to be considered by Fedco.  It was <b>noted</b> that the interests of members of Fedco, as declared at Fedco 12-2020, had remained unchanged. It was <b>confirmed, unanimously</b> , that none of the interests earlier declared constituted any conflict with the activities or interests of KUSA.
	3.1.2	Declarations of Exco Members to be considered by Fedco, including the declaration of the new member of Exco, <b>Mr Michael Vorster</b> .  It was <b>noted</b> that the interests of members of Exco, as declared at Fedco 12-2020, had remained unchanged. Subsequent to the appointment of <b>Mr Michael Vorster</b> to Exco, his declaration, as submitted by the KZNPC, was <b>confirmed, unanimously</b> , and it was <b>noted</b> that, as with the other members of Exco, none of his declared interests constituted any conflict with the activities or interests of KUSA. Proposed GM, seconded BJ.
	3.2	<b>KUSA Budget 2021/2022</b>  The Chairman requested PM to address Fedco on the 2021/2022 Budget.  PM informed Fedco that the Budget for the next Financial Year had presented her with challenges not encountered in prior years. Not only were the projections complicated by the uncertainties related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, but Fedco’s decision <b>not</b> to renew the lease of the office space in Bree Castle Building was bound to impact heavily on cost-estimations of known as well as unknown expenses, <i>inter alia</i>

- Equipment procurement
- Moving costs
- Storage costs
- Acquisition of new premises
- Parking costs

Presenting a Budget to Fedco without having researched the potential costs and without having reached a decision on the KUSA Office's relocation, whether temporary or permanent, would be nothing short of a thumb-suck. Since the new Budget only needed to be in place by 1 September 2021, the permission of the Chairman and Fedco were sought to deal with it at a later meeting, convened for the purpose, as had also proved necessary in 2020. Although only a brief postponement of the finalisation of the Budget, it would at least permit the KUSA Office to put a relocation plan in place and obtain the necessary quotations in order to present a Budget based on realistic cost expectations. As had been the case in the previous year, once the Budget had been prepared with the assistance of KF, it would first be submitted to the Budget Portfolio-holders and, after fine-tuning, a meeting of Fedco would be convened in either late July, or early August to approve the Budget.

Should Fedco be agreeable to the above, PM thought that the time at the present meeting might be productively utilised by reaching consensus on issues which affect KUSA's income and expenditure on a macro level.

The Chairman enquired whether there were any objections to PM's request to present the Budget at a future meeting convened for the purpose. There were no objections and, on a proposal by CI, seconded by GM, it was **decided, unanimously**, to proceed as proposed by PM.

PM thanked Fedco for its indulgence and proceeded to apprise Fedco of the general financial situation of KUSA. Having provided the necessary context, she thought it prudent to solicit a decision on the across-the-board increase of KUSA's fees. To further assist Fedco in reaching a decision, PM provided the average inflation percentage which normally served the benchmark for setting the annual augmentation of all KUSA fee categories. Discussion ensued and, on a proposal from JH, seconded by GR, it was **agreed, unanimously**, that a five per cent (5%) increase, the same as that approved in the previous year, should be applied, always with the proviso that, if compelled by the circumstances contemplated in Schedule 7, a further mid-term adjustment could be authorised by Fedco.

PM queried whether the across-the-board increase would also apply to the levies on litter registrations of Rottweilers, Boxers and German Shepherd Dogs, since she had received a request from the Rottweiler Breed Council **not** to increase their levy. GR proposed that Breed Councils and Liaison Councils should be left to make their own decisions of fee increases and that they should be consulted individually at the start of each Budget cycle on adjustments to their litter registration fees. BJ seconded the proposal and it was **agreed, unanimously** that the Rottweiler Breed Council's request for levies to remain the same should be adhered to and that PM should consult with the Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council and the German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council on their respective preferences.

PM sought confirmation on whether there were any further exclusions to the "5% across-the-board" decision and received the necessary affirmation from Fedco that the increase should be consistently applied across any and all other charges with discretionary rounding off of figures entrusted to the KUSA Office.

On the expenses side, PM sought Fedco's guidance on whether certain provisions should be retained, discarded, reduced, or increased. Each expense was briefly discussed and the necessary recommendation given.

		<p>PM thanked the members of Fedco for their input and informed the Chairman that she was satisfied that she had received the necessary information to enable her to proceed with the part of the Budget affecting KUSA's conventional operations.</p>
3.3		<p><b>K9 Administration System Upgrade Project</b></p> <p>PM informed Fedco that, in her view, significant progress had been made with the K9 Administration System Upgrade Project, despite the disruptions COVID-19 had caused in the operations of not only KUSA, but also the developers. In-house testing should be able to commence in July, or August, and the launch of the upgraded system was still on track for completion by the end of the year.</p> <p>PM said that time-pressures had prevented her from compiling a detailed progress report but, on completion of Budget and the crucial testing phase, she would request the Chairman to arrange an assembly of the members of Fedco to enable her to properly apprise Fedco of the progress which had been made and, being on the home-stretch, to set realistic targets for completion of the Project.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked PM for her brief, but encouraging, report and assured her that she would convene the desired session of Fedco as soon as PM was ready with her brief.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
3.4		<p><b>Loss of Affiliation – Article 9</b></p> <p><i>Note: The following ruling was made at Fedco 06-2017:</i>  “Effective 01.01.2018, no licences will be issued for either Championship, or Non-Championship, Shows, unless Clubs are up to date with all returns required in terms of the KUSA Constitution.”</p> <p><i>The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2017:</i>  “Clubs that fail to comply with the provisions of Articles 9.1.3 and 9.1.4 for a period of eighteen months from the Fedco meeting where the breach was reported, will be recommended for disaffiliation.”</p>
3.4.1		<p><b>Article 9.1.3</b>  “Failure to submit minutes of Annual and/or Special General Meetings together with audited Financial Statements and balance sheets, where applicable, in terms of Article 8.6.2.”</p> <p><i>Information was tabled prior to the meeting.</i></p> <p><b>[Note from the KUSA Office:</b> Due to COVID-19, several Clubs had been unable to hold their AGMs at their customary times. When permission was granted to hold meetings utilising social media platforms, many Clubs obliged, but some held their meetings much later in the year.]</p> <p>(*) reported at Fedco 06-2020 (12 months) indicated in red  (**) reported at Fedco 12-2020 (6 months) indicated in red</p> <p><b>Districts of Gauteng &amp; Surrounds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (*)(**) Australian Shepherd Club of Eastern Gauteng (Fin Yr-end 31/01/20, AGM due by 30/04/20) Advised held, but no documents received to date.</li> <li>• Australian Shepherd Club Eastern Gauteng (Fin Yr-end 31/01/21, AGM due by 30/4/21)</li> <li>• Bearded Collie Club of Gauteng (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Chihuahua Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Collie Club of SA (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• (*)(**) Dalmatian Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/19, AGM due by 31/03/20). Advised held, but no documents received to date.</li> <li>• Dalmatian Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/3/21)</li> <li>• (*)(**) Golden City Poodle Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/19, AGM due by 31/03/20)</li> <li>• Golden City Poodle Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/3/21)</li> <li>• Highveld GSD &amp; ABTC (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Highveld Hound Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Highveld Pomeranian Breeders Assn. (Fin Yr-end 31/10/20, AGM due by 31/01/21)</li> </ul>

- Highveld Rottweiler Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- Meridian Rottweiler League (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- Pekingese Association (Fin Yr-end 30/06/20, AGM due by 30/09/20)
- Pretoria Kennel Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- Pretoria Toy Dog Breeders' Club (Fin Yr-end 30/06/20, AGM due by 30/09/20)
- Roodepoort & Districts KC - (Fin Yr-end 31/08/20, AGM due by 30/11/20) - Minutes received, pending financials
- **(\*)(\*\*)** SA Great Dane Assn. (Fin Yr-end 31/12/19, AGM due by 31/03/20)
- SA Great Dane Assn (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/3/21)
- Toy Dog Breeders Assn. (Fin Yr-end 30/09/20, AGM due by 30/12/20)

In terms of the "eighteen months" ruling at Fedco 12-2017, unless their constitutional breaches were remedied during the period leading up to Fedco 12-2021, Clubs preceded by **(\*)(\*\*)** would be recommended for disaffiliation at Fedco 12-2021.

#### **Northern Areas**

- Jacaranda City Kennel Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- **(\*)(\*\*)** Jubilee Toy Dog Club of SA (Fin Yr-end 31/12/19, AGM due by 31/03/20) - in process.
- Jubilee Toy Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- North West GSD Club (Fin Yr-end 31/10/20, AGM due by 31/01/21)
- Pomeranian Club of Gauteng (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- Pretoria Shepherd Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- S.A. Ladies Kennel Assn (Fin Yr-end 30/11/20, AGM due 28/02/21)
- **(\*\*)** Yorkshire Terrier Club of Gauteng (Fin Yr-end 01/03/20, AGM due by 31/06/20)

In terms of the "eighteen months" ruling at Fedco 12-2017, unless their constitutional breaches were remedied during the period leading up to Fedco 12-2021, Clubs preceded by **(\*)(\*\*)** would be recommended for disaffiliation at Fedco 12-2021.

#### **KwaZulu-Natal**

- Highway Agility Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- Natal Border Collie Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)
- **(\*)(\*\*)** Natal Rottweiler Association (Fin Yr-end 31/12/19, AGM due by 31/03/20)
- Natal Rottweiler Association (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/3/21)
- Natal W & H Breeds Assn. (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)

In terms of the "eighteen months" ruling at Fedco 12-2017, unless their constitutional breaches were remedied during the period leading up to Fedco 12-2021, Clubs preceded by **(\*)(\*\*)** would be recommended for disaffiliation at Fedco 12-2021.

#### **Eastern Cape & Border**

- **(\*\*)** Algoa Hound Club (Fin Yr-end 31/08/20, AGM due by 30/11/20).
- Herding Club of the Eastern Cape (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM 31/03/21)
- Terrier Club - Eastern Cape (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due 31/03/21)

#### **Free State & NC**

- Windhoek Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)

In terms of the "eighteen months" ruling at Fedco 12-2017, unless their constitutional breaches were remedied during the period leading up to Fedco 12-2021, Clubs preceded by **(\*)(\*\*)** would be recommended for disaffiliation at Fedco 12-2021.

#### **Western Cape**

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breede Rivier Vallei KC (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Cape Bulldog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/3/21)</li> <li>• Cape Rottweiler Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Cape Utility Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Cape Welsh Corgi Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Dobermann Club of the Cape (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• French Bulldog of the WC (Fin Yr-end 30/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Victory Toy Dog Club (Fin Yr-end 30/12/21, AGM due by 31/03/21) AGM Minutes received, pending Financials</li> <li>• Western Cape Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club (Fin Yr-end 31/03/20, AGM due by 30/06/20)</li> <li>• Western Province Boxer Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• Western Province Bull Terrier Club (Fin Yr-end 31/12/20, AGM due by 31/03/21)</li> <li>• White Swiss Shepherd Dog Club of the WC (Fin Yr-end 31/01/21, AGM due by 31/04/21)</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman requested all the Federal Councillors to get in touch with their Clubs in default as soon as practicable after this Meeting and to do whatever was possible to convince them to remedy their breaches as a matter of urgency.</p>
	3.4.2	<p><b>Article 9.1.4</b>  <i>"9.1.4 Failure to adhere to Kennel Union Constitutional requirements in respect of:</i></p> <p>9.1.4.1 <i>Any event to be held, being held, or which was held under a Kennel Union licence</i></p> <p>9.1.4.2 <i>Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to the Secretary of KUSA, Schedule 8."</i></p> <p><b>[Note from the KUSA Office:</b> In view of the cancellations and date changes, the KUSA Office would like to recommend that a list be submitted to Fedco at a later date, since there has been insufficient time to process returns and compile a list. The focus of the KUSA Office has been on current Show clearances/Protocols/AGM documents/Judges' Exams/qualifications.]</p>
	3.8	<p><b>FCI</b></p>
	3.8.1	<p><b>Rhodesian Ridgeback</b> (Fedco 12-19 item 9.18; Fedco 06-2020 Item 8.9; Fedco 12-2020 Item 3.11.1)  <i>Report on developments as recorded on the Fedco 12-2020 minutes:</i>  <i>JH informed the meeting that;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>the Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Standard on the KUSA website had since been adorned with the superb illustration commissioned from Ms Joy McFarlane, and that</i></li> <li>• <i>Ms McFarlane had requested time to revisit the PowerPoint presentation she had prepared a number of years ago, prior to its submission to the FCI.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>On 17 September 2020, PM followed up with the FCI on the status of the Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Standard after its scheduled submission to the FCI's Breed Standards Commission. A copy of the Breed Standard, featuring the new illustration, was attached to PM's reminder to the FCI.</i></p> <p><i>The Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Standard, inclusive of the amendments approved by KUSA, was due to be tabled at the meeting of the Breed Standards Commission scheduled for 20 May 2020 in Milan. Since PM's reminder had met with no response from the FCI, one might safely assume that the meeting in Milan did not take place, given the COVID-19 lockdown which had been in force in Italy at the time.</i></p> <p><i>PM undertook to follow up with the FCI and to report any further developments to Fedco.</i></p> <p>PM reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Breed Standard:</b></li> </ul> <p>The KUSA Office has been notified by the FCI Breed Standards Commission that it was mandatory that all FCI Breed Standards record "Aggressive or overly-shy dogs" as a <b>disqualification</b>. Originally, KUSA had proposed that "Overly-shy dogs" be listed under FAULTS, with 'Aggressive behaviour" listed under DISQUALIFYING FAULTS. The Breed Standards Commission further advised that, once rectified to</p>

		<p>align with the FCI's Breed Standards protocol, the Rhodesian Ridgeback Standard would be tabled at the next meeting of the General Committee for approval.</p> <p>This mandatory requirement has been accordingly actioned by the Breed Standard Committee and the FCI Breed Standard for the Rhodesian Ridgeback returned to the FCI Breed Standards Commission for presentation to the FCI General Committee.</p> <p>The amended Breed Standard was tabled by the Breed Standards Committee under Item 4.4 and <b>noted</b> by Fedco.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PowerPoint &amp; PDF Presentation – Breed Education</b></li> </ul> <p>Ms Joy McFarlane has resubmitted her Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Education Presentation for the FCI in the required two formats, PowerPoint and PDF. Once the KUSA Breed Standards Committee has approved the presentation, the two formats would be sent to the FCI Executive Director for upload to the FCI website. This Presentation would be available on the FCI website until updated by KUSA or replaced by another.</p> <p>Prior to the meeting, GR had obtained the permission of the Chairman to table an email, dated 4 June 2021, sent to DOGSPC from the Secretary of the Rhodesian Ridgeback Club. The email in question was read out, as was GR's response to the Club.</p> <p>The SARRC's communication challenged some of the decisions made at Fedco 12-2020 and advised that the Club had been working on a new presentation for the FCI stating, <i>inter alia</i>, that "A great deal of work had gone into the new presentation, in conjunction with Denise Flaim from the RRC of the United States and a couple of well-respected breeders in Europe."</p> <p>Fedco considered the comments contained in the email and, although grateful for the efforts of the SARRC to devise a new presentation, reiterated its decision at Fedco 12-2020 that, until such time as a new presentation materialised from the SARRC for consideration by KUSA, it was necessary to provide the FCI with Ms Joy McFarlane's presentation. This was in deference to the FCI's request, dating back several years, for a PowerPoint presentation to be supplied by KUSA, as the NCO of the country of origin of the Rhodesian Ridgeback, to be used for breed-specific education. As had been clearly stated in the Minutes of Fedco 12-2020 that, "This Presentation would be available on the FCI website until updated by KUSA or replaced by another", there was nothing preventing the SARRC from submitting its presentation for consideration when it was ready.</p> <p>Fedco was <b>unanimous</b> in its <b>resolve</b> that its decisions taken at Fedco 12-2020 stand.</p>
	3.8.2	<p><b>FCI Webinar – 02.4.2021 – “How to Fight Anti-breeding Propaganda and its Consequences. How to Effectively Disseminate the Spirit of the Materials sent by the FCI to its Target Groups”</b></p> <p>The FCI's "online workshop", tailored to its Africa, Asia &amp; Oceania Section, held on 2 April 2021, was attended by PM and KF and a number of Federal Councillors. The workshop contained the following informative presentations by senior FCI and Section Officials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>New Era, new Challenges – the aim of the Webinar</b> – Dr Tamás Jakkel (President of the FCI)</li> <li>• <b>The Toolkit of the FCI</b> – Mr Yves De Clercq (Executive Director of the FCI)</li> <li>• <b>The Nature of Anti-breeding Propaganda and how to fight it</b> – Mr Attila Márton (FCI Public Relations Adviser)</li> <li>• <b>Using Online Tools effectively</b> – Mr Gopi Krishnan (Immediate Past President of the Malaysian Kennel Association &amp; Vice-President of the Africa, Asia &amp; Oceania Section of the FCI)</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman asked those who had attended the online workshop for their impressions and received universally favourable comments. The FCI deserved credit for this laudable initiative to engage with its Section members and expose them to the considerable expertise of those involved in the governance of the world body.</p>

		<p>For those interested, the four presentations were available at <a href="http://bit.ly/AntiBreedingWebinar-AAOSection">http://bit.ly/AntiBreedingWebinar-AAOSection</a> and the recorded video at <a href="https://youtu.be/F5qtKhtLrQk">https://youtu.be/F5qtKhtLrQk</a>.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	3.8.3	<p><b>Concession for International Championship during the COVID-19 Pandemic</b></p> <p><b>Report-back by KUSA Office.</b></p> <p>The correspondence between the KUSA Office and the FCI's Executive Director, Mr Yves De Clercq, was <b>noted</b> and it was further <b>noted</b> that the FCI had advised its concession to countries in the <b>Americas &amp; Caribbean</b> and <b>Asia, Africa &amp; Oceania</b> Sections in a Circular dated 7 January 2021. This concession has subsequently been re-affirmed by the FCI's General Committee. In essence, the concession enables the title of FCI International Champion (C.I.B. and C.I.E.) to be <b>"PROVISIONALLY obtainable using awards earned exclusively under Judges from the Member/Contract Partner applying for the title"</b>.</p> <p>The KUSA Office was awaiting the FCI's approval of a proposed Statement prepared for the KUSA website and PM undertook to send a reminder to Mr De Clercq.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	3.9	<p><b>Reduction in KUSA Membership Fees</b> Proposal from the KwaZulu-Natal Dog Athletics Association through KZNPC.</p> <p><i>Proposal was attached to the Agenda.</i></p> <p>Since KUSA's traditional revenue streams had also been gravely affected by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it was <b>concluded, unanimously</b>, that Fedco could not consider proposals which, if implemented, would adversely impact on KUSA's financial sustainability and place its future viability at risk. Apart from imperilling KUSA's survival, the implementation of a such a proposal would materially compromise the upgrade of the K9 system, currently in development.</p>
4		<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>
	4.1	<b>Any Matters Related to the Articles</b>
	4.1.1	<p><b>Article 38 – Secretary</b> Housekeeping Proposal: The voidance of Article 38.6. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</p> <p>38.6 Void <del>[38.6 The Secretary shall not communicate with the printed or electronic media on canine matters.]</del></p> <p>Motivation: Due to time-pressures and media deadlines, the Secretary of KUSA was sometimes required to respond to enquiries from print and electronic media, normally under guidance from the Fedco Portfolio-holder for Media/Press. In a dynamic society, Article 38.6 was proving a hindrance to KUSA's responsibility to respond swiftly and efficiently to media enquiries, and to expeditiously furnish the media with information and statements.</p> <p>After discussion, Fedco concluded that the restraint imposed on the Secretary by Article 38.6 needed to be qualified and accommodated in Best Practice Guidelines for the Secretary to be drafted by the KUSA Office in consultation with Fedco and that there was no need for accommodating it in Article 38.6.</p> <p>Accordingly, it was <b>decided, unanimously</b>, to void Article 38.6. Proposed GM, seconded LT. Effective on the date of publication of these Minutes.</p>
	4.1.2	<p><b>Article 2 – Interpretation of Terms</b> <b>Proposed Establishment of a Specialist Multi-breed Club</b></p>



**Proposal 1:**

Proposal to amend the current definition of “Specialist Club” in Article 2 to clarify that such Club caters for a single breed and its varieties which were accommodated in the same Breed Standard and to establish a new category of Club, called “Specialist Multi-breed Club”, to accommodate breeds which, despite their common ancestry and a partially-shared nomenclature, were considered sufficiently diverse to merit separate Breed Standards in their countries of origin and under Schedule 2 Appendix “A”

Proposal submitted by the Northern Areas Provincial Council.

Insertions underlined and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~].

**2. INTERPRETATION OF TERMS**

“**Specialist Club**” means a Club, the objects of which include [a] the welfare of, interest in, or breeding of a recognised specific single purebred [~~pure breed of~~] dog, or varieties of [a] such purebred [~~specific pure breed of~~] dog, ~~which varieties are accommodated in a single Breed Standard~~, which may include facilities for training of such dogs, in accordance with training tests approved for the breed, hold Breed Shows in terms of this Constitution, provide information on breeding and rearing such dogs and generally promote the Breed and any of its varieties through Club activities in bringing breeders, members and other interested parties together to encourage interest and involvement in Club affairs to the betterment of the Breed in all its varieties as described in its single Breed Standard [~~concerned~~].

**New Article slotted in alphabetically under Article 2 - Interpretation of Terms:**

“**Specialist Multi-breed Club**” means a Club, the objects of which include the welfare of, interest in, or breeding of one or more recognised purebred dogs with a common ancestry and a partially-shared nomenclature, but nevertheless considered sufficiently diverse as to warrant separate Breed Standards in their countries of origin and under Schedule 2 Appendix “A”, which may include facilities for training of such dogs, in accordance with training tests approved for these breeds, hold Breed Shows in terms of this Constitution, provide information on breeding and rearing such dogs and generally promote the respective Breeds through Club activities in bringing breeders, members and other interested parties together to encourage interest and involvement in Club affairs to the betterment of these separate Breeds under the Club’s custodianship.

**Motivation:**

Currently, the following “Specialist Clubs” were issued with Show licences by KUSA:

- Clubs for **single breeds** with a **single Breed Standard**, e.g. Northern Areas French Bulldog Club.
- Clubs for breeds with **varieties** with a **shared Breed Standard**, e.g. The South African Dachshund Club, being the custodian for the six Dachshund varieties.
- Clubs for **different breeds** with a shared ancestry and a partially-shared nomenclature, but with **their own Breed Standards**, e.g. the Welsh Corgi Club Tramordwy, which was the custodian for the two **different** Welsh Corgi breeds – the Welsh Corgi Pembroke and the Welsh Corgi Cardigan.

At all these Clubs’ shows, the dogs were being shown under a single Specialist Show licence, normally in successively-scheduled Breed Classes in the same ring, judged by the same Judge. The definition of “Specialist Club”, which was accommodating of **varieties** of a breed **under a single Breed Standard** (2<sup>nd</sup> Bullet above) did not fit Clubs under the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bullet, which catered for breeds with a common ancestry, but **not** a shared Breed Standard.

The purpose of this proposed amendment was to correct the historical error of issuing Specialist Show licences to Clubs categorised under the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bullet above, that should be holding their Shows under **Specialist Multi-breed Show** licences. This error was creating major confusion for certain Specialist Breed Clubs, that were expected to accommodate different breeds (despite their common ancestry) at their Shows *contra* the provisions of their Club constitutions and, in the interest of fairness and good order, this confusion and irregularity needed to be obviated.

**Proposal 2:**

Provided Proposal 1 was accepted, it was further proposed that Schedule 3 Regulations 24.2 & 24.3 be amended to accommodate Specialist Multi-breed Shows in the Regulations governing the Final Awards at various Championship Shows.

The following is proposed:

- Providing for Specialist Multi-breed Shows under Regulation 24.2.1
- Insertion of a new Regulation 24.2.5 to regulate the procedure of awarding of Best in Show at Specialist Multi-breed Championship Shows
- Sequential renumbering of Regulations 24.2.6 & 24.2.7
- Insertion of a new Regulation 24.3.1 to give Specialist Clubs which host multi-variety Specialist Shows the option to recall the Best of Breed of another variety to challenge for Reserve Best in Show.

Below are the proposed amendments to **Schedule 3**. Applicable amendments would apply to **Schedule 4** *mutatis mutandis*.

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24.2.1 At every Championship Show where dogs of more than one breed, but confined to one Group only, are scheduled, Specialist Multi-breed Shows included, dogs awarded Best of Breed and Best Puppy of Breed shall be eligible for free entry into their respective Best in Show Challenges.

24.2.4 At every Championship Show where dogs of more than one breed, but confined to one Group only, are scheduled, Specialist Multi-Breed Shows excluded, the first four (4) exhibits in the Best in Show and Best Puppy in Show shall be placed 1 to 4 in order of merit (and may be announced in reverse order).

24.2.5 At every Specialist Multi-breed Championship Show where two or more breeds confined to a single Group is scheduled, once the Judge has made his choice for Best in Show, the remaining exhibit(s) shall await the recall of the runner-up to the Best in Show in the Breed Challenge, i.e. the Reserve Best of Breed exhibit, to challenge for Reserve Best in Show. All other best Class of Breed awards shall be made on an inter-breed basis.

24.2.~~[5]~~6 The various Best in Show Challenges, whether at a Group, multiple Group or All-Breeds Championship Show, shall be judged by the same Judge.

24.2.~~[6]~~7 Details of the order of judging of the various Best in Show Challenges on offer shall be published in the show schedule and in the catalogue.

24.3 At every Championship Show where dogs of one breed only are scheduled, the exhibits eligible to compete free of entry fees for Best in Show are Challenge Certificate winners and unbeaten prize winners in any restricted class as defined in Appendix 1 of this Schedule, and the exhibits eligible to compete free of entry fees for Best Puppy in Show are all the Minor Puppy and Puppy class winners.

24.3.1 At ever Specialist Championship Show where two or more varieties of a Breed are scheduled, the Club shall be entitled to elect whether, for Reserve Best in Show, there would be a call-back of the runner-up to the dog awarded Best in Show (i.e. the Reserve Best of Breed in that variety), or whether Reserve Best in Show would be awarded the Best of Breed winner of the other variety/one of the other varieties. The procedure for awarding Best in Show should be clearly stipulated in the Show Schedule.

**Motivation:**

In a scenario where only two, or three, breeds competed for Best in Show at a Specialist Multi-breed Championship Show, the situation could easily arise that the Reserve Best of Breed to the dog awarded Best in Show was infinitely superior to the other/any of the other Best of Breed winners remaining in contention for the title of Reserve Best in Show. It was therefore believed that the Judge should not be

forced to award Reserve Best in Show to an inferior specimen, but be granted the liberty and courtesy of making this award to the Reserve Best of Breed to the Best in Show winner, should this dog be considered a superior specimen of his breed compared to the other dog(s) in the line-up. The Judge would obviously still be able to award Reserve Best in Show to the one of the other Bests of Breed, but only **after** he has had a second look at the runner-up in Breed to the Best in Show.

For the reasons given above, it was further believed that **Specialist Clubs** should also be at liberty to extend the same courtesy to a Judge judging a Show where multiple varieties of a Breed were exhibited, i.e. to judge Reserve Best in Show **after** the call-back of the runner-up (Reserve Best of Breed) to the Best in Show dog in its variety.

**Proposal 3:**

**Provided Proposals 1 & 2 were accepted, it was proposed that the necessary adjustments be made to the Subscription and Fees Document, issued pursuant to Schedule 7, to accommodate the Licence Fees and Affiliation Fees payable by “Specialist Multi-breed Clubs”.**

Insertions underlined.

**13 AFFILIATION FEES**

**13.2 Annual Affiliation Fee Championship Show-holding Club**

13.2.3 Specialist Breed Club & Specialist Multi-breed Club R933.00

**13.3 Annual Affiliation Fee Non-Championship Show-holding Club**

13.3.2 Non-Championship Show-holding Club (Group[er-]/Specialist/Specialist Multi-breed Club) R544.00

**14 LICENCE FEES**

**14.1 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS**

14.1.4 Specialist Club & Specialist Multi-breed Club (Breed/Discipline) R310.00

**14.2 QUALIFYING SHOW**

14.2.3 Specialist Club & Specialist Multi-breed Club (Breed/Discipline) R310.00

**14.3 NON-CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS**

14.3.1 Non-Championship Shows – Specialist, Specialist Multi-breed and Group Clubs R168.00

**Motivation:**

The need for providing for the Affiliation Fees and Licence Fees of the new category of Club was self-evident. There was no reason to make the Affiliation Fees and Licence Fees for a Show held by a Specialist Multi-breed Club more expensive than the Affiliation Fees and Licence Fees for a Show held by a Specialist Club.

NdP explained that, although the above proposals seemed complicated, they were, in fact, very simple. The distinction between “breed” and “variety” turned on whether separate breed standards applied (different breeds), or whether a breed’s different varieties were accommodated under a single breed standard. The object was to correct the historical error of **not** providing for two categories of Specialist Clubs, by simply applying the “breed standard test”.

Accordingly, if the above proposals were to be accepted, the following Clubs under the various Provincial Councils would qualify as **Specialist Multi-breed Clubs**:

**Districts of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council**

Collie Club of South Africa

\* Eastern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club

Golden City Poodle Club

Witwatersrand Welsh Corgi Club Tramordwy

\* Subject to confirmation that the Club would be providing classes for Miniature Bull Terriers at its future Championship Shows.

**Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council**

None

**Free State & Northern Cape Provincial Council**

\* Northern Free State Bull Terrier Club

\* Central Free State Bull Terrier Club

\* Subject to confirmation that the Club would be providing classes for Miniature Bull Terriers at its future Championship Shows.

**KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council**

None

**Northern Areas Provincial Council**

Golden City Fox Terrier Club

\* Limpopo Bull Terrier Club

\* Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club

\* Subject to confirmation that the Club would be providing classes for Miniature Bull Terriers at its future Championship Shows.

**Western Cape Provincial Council**

Cape Heritage Bull Terrier Club

Cape Welsh Corgi Club

Mother City Poodle Club

\* Western Cape Bull Terrier Club

\* Subject to confirmation that the Club would be providing classes for Miniature Bull Terriers at its future Championship Shows.

Regarding **Proposal 3**, NdP explained that the call-back of the Reserve Best of Breed to the Best in Show winner, seemed like a sensible courtesy to be extended to not only the Judges of Specialist Multi-breed Shows, but also the Judges of **Specialist Shows**. In the latter case, the procedure for awarding Reserve Best in Show would be at the **discretion of the Club** and **needed to be disclosed in the Show Schedule**.

Further discussion ensued, after which **Proposal 1, Proposal 2 and Proposal 3** were **accepted, unanimously**.

Proposed NdP, seconded GR.

Effective 01.02.2022.

With the introduction of a Specialist Multi-Breed Club having been approved by Fedco, NdP pointed out that it was necessary for the above-mentioned Clubs to adopt fresh Constitutions, **clearly identifying themselves as Specialist Multi-breed Clubs**. GR was charged with drafting Specimen Constitutions for the various Clubs' consideration (after clarity had been obtained from the identified Bull Terrier Clubs), inclusive of the POPIA-compliance clause contemplated in Item 8.8.1 below.

[**Note:** The Effective Date above was advisedly set by Fedco to allow the Clubs in question sufficient time to adopt new Constitutions prior to the Specialist Multi-breed Club coming into effect.]

On a proposal from NdP, seconded by GR, Fedco **directed, unanimously**, that the affected Clubs should adopt new **Specialist Multi-breed Club Constitutions** prior to the Effective Date.

CI informed Fedco that the introduction of a new category of club would impact on the Points Table set out in Schedule 3 Appendix 2 - Breed Supreme and Grand Champion – Points - and, following deliberations on the adjustments *pre* and *post* the introduction of the new category of club (01.02.2022), the following was agreed:

Insertions underlined.

**APPENDIX 2  
BREED SUPREME AND GRAND CHAMPION – POINTS**

Points towards Supreme and Grand Champion title shall be awarded as follows:

**At all Championship Shows and FCI International Dog Shows held under KUSA licence held before 1 February 2022:**

**BREED-BASED POINTS:**

First place in the Champions Class (after 1 February, 2017)	1 point
Best of Breed (after 1 January 2012)	2 points
Best in Show at Specialist Club Show (after 1 January 2012) Best of Breed)	1 point (in addition to 2 points for Best of Breed)
Best of Breed at Specialist Club Show (after 1 January 2012)	2 points

**BONUS POINTS:**

Best in Group (after 1 January 2012)	2 points
All-breeds Club Best in Show (after 1 January 2012)	2 points
All-breeds Club Reserve Best in Show (after 1 January 2012)	1 point
Group Club Best in Show (after 1 January 2012)	2 points

**At all Championship Shows and FCI International Dog Shows held under KUSA licence after 31 January 2022:**

**BREED-BASED POINTS:**

<u>First place in the Champions Class</u>	<u>1 point</u>
<u>Best of Breed at All-Breeds or Group Club Show</u>	<u>2 points</u>
<u>Best of Breed at Specialist Club Show</u>	<u>3 points</u>
<u>Best of Breed at Specialist Multi-breed Club Show</u>	<u>2 points</u>
<u>Best in Show at Specialist Multi-breed Club Show Best of Breed)</u>	<u>1 point (in addition to 2 points for Best of Breed)</u>

<u>Best in Show at Specialist Club Show (after 1 January 2012)</u>	
<u>Best of Breed at Specialist Club Show (after 1 January 2012)</u>	<u>2 points</u>

**BONUS POINTS:**

<u>Best in Group at any Show</u>	<u>2 points</u>
<u>Group Club Best in Show Best in Group where Show includes 2 or more Groups)</u>	<u>1 point (in addition to 2 points for Best in Group)</u>
<u>All-Breeds Club Best in Show</u>	<u>2 points</u>
<u>All-Breeds Club Reserve Best in Show</u>	<u>1 point</u>

Points earned at any one Show would be cumulative.

The above changes become **effective on 01.02.2022**.

The proposed changes to Schedule 3 Appendix 2 *pre* and *post* the introduction of the new **Specialist Multi-breed Club** were **agreed, unanimously**.

Proposed CI, seconded NdP.

4.2 **Any items Relating to Disciplinary Matters – Schedule 1**

4.3 **Any Matters related to the Registration of Dogs – Schedule 2**

4.3.1	<p><b>Breed Health – Advanced Registration Certificate/Enhanced Registration Certificate</b> (Fedco 06-2020 item 8.3, Fedco 12-2020 item 4.3.1)</p> <p><i>Further discussion took place on the envisaged implementation of the Grading Scheme and whether the issuing of an Advanced Registration Certificate (ARC) could be used as a possible method of encouraging Health testing and screening. As also alluded to under item 4.3.2, the ARC had, for whatever reason, not proved popular and maybe a less elitist form of Enhanced Registration Certificate should be considered for breeders who voluntarily subject their dogs to Health testing and screening.</i></p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p><b>PROPOSAL</b> submitted by CI: To introduce an Enhanced Registration Certificate/Status (provisional nomenclature) for which dogs qualify by undergoing <b>breed-specific health screening</b>.</p> <p><b>PURPOSE</b> To encourage health screening and establish and maintain a central health information database in a manner that would support research into canine disease and provide health information to owners, buyers and breeders.</p> <p><b>BENEFITS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FOR BREEDERS: Providing a reliable source of information on dogs suitable for using in breeding programmes. Breeders would be able to analyse the pedigrees of a proposed mating for health strengths and weaknesses, as well as for the usual conformation, type and performance strengths and weaknesses.</li> <li>• FOR BUYERS: Providing an accurate source of information about the results of a breeder's health testing. For diseases limited to phenotypic evaluations, there were unfortunately no guarantees. However, the probability of an animal developing an inherited disease was reduced when its ancestry has tested normal.</li> <li>• FOR RESEARCHERS, BREED CLUBS, VETERINARIANS &amp; ANYONE INTERESTED IN BREED HEALTH: Accessible data maintained in a secure environment, providing information on multiple generations of dogs, available for use to monitor disease prevalence and measure progress.</li> </ul> <p><b>BREED-SPECIFIC</b> Core to the Enhanced Registration philosophy is the realisation that each breed has different health concerns. Not all diseases have known modes of inheritance, nor do all diseases have screening tests. Some screening tests were based on a phenotypic evaluation, others on genetic testing.</p> <p>With all these variables, a key element of Enhanced Registration was to customise, or tailor, the requirements to the needs of each breed.</p> <p>These unique requirements would need to be established on a breed-by-breed basis, through input from Clubs, breeders, and veterinarians.</p> <p>Breed-specific requirements should typically consist of the inherited diseases that are of the greatest concern and for which screening tests are available.</p> <p><b>INFORMED CONSENT</b> The Enhanced Registration database would operate on informed consent. In order to qualify for an Enhanced Registration, owners must agree to release all results into the public domain.</p> <p>An Enhanced Registration would be issued once test results have been entered into the database, satisfying each breed-specific requirement, and when the owner of the dog has consented to the release of the results into the public domain.</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT</b> The Enhanced Registration would not seek to <b>imply that the dogs test results are normal or good,</b></p>
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		<p>only that all the required breed-specific tests have been performed and that the results were publicly available.</p> <p>As new results were recorded, online information would be updated.</p> <p>Once included in the Enhanced Registration programme, the breed-specific requirements would be dynamic. As health priorities within a breed change, or as new screening tests become available, the breed-specific requirements might well be modified to reflect the current environment. If the breed-specific requirements were modified, existing Enhanced Registrations would not be revoked. The Enhanced Registration would be issued to a dog that had completed all required tests at a particular time.</p> <p><b>ESTABLISHING BREED HEALTH SCREENING CRITERIA</b></p> <p>Any Club, or person, may submit recommendations for health screening they deem appropriate to address major health concerns within their breed. In doing so, they should take cognisance of what tests were currently available and being used, and the age at which the tests were deemed appropriate and reliable.</p> <p>These recommendations and any questions should be submitted, in writing, to the KUSA BREED HEALTH TASK TEAM and would be considered for implementation.</p> <p>Breed-specific criteria would be published on the KUSA website and breeds would be added as their criteria were established. The criteria would include basic health screening recommendations and would not necessarily be all-encompassing. There might be other health screening tests appropriate for each breed and, there might also be other health concerns for which there was no commonly-accepted screening protocol available.</p> <p>To obtain an Enhanced Registration, not all results need to be normal, but they must all be in the public domain to enable responsible breeders to make informed breeding decisions. For potential puppy-buyers, Enhanced Registrations would also be an indication that breed health had been factored into the breeder's selection criteria.</p> <p>In principle, Fedco <b>unanimously supported</b> the motivation for the provisionally-termed "Enhanced Registration". In consequence, the Health Task Teams were requested to explore nomenclature possibilities for this type of Registration which acknowledged and rewarded Health Testing. While the implementation date was still under review, the Health Task Team was requested to work closely with the KUSA Office on the development of the new Certificate and the manner in which the data would be managed. The provisions of the POPIA also needed to be taken into consideration.</p> <p><b>Proposal carried.</b> Proposed CI, seconded GM. (This decision ties in with Items 4.3.2 &amp; 4.3.4 below.)</p>
4.3.2		<p><b>Schedule 2 – Appendix "C" – Breed-specific Litter Requirements</b> (Fedco 06-2020 item 4.3.2; Fedco 12-2020 item 4.3.2)</p> <p><i>Proposal from the Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club, supported by the Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of the Western Cape. (Letter of support was <b>attached to the Agenda</b>). Supported by the NAPC:</i></p> <p><b>Note:</b> Carried forward from Fedco 12-2020: <i>Discussion ensued on whether it would not be preferable to introduce an Enhanced Registration Certificate than impose restrictions on registrations. The Federal Council had, in the past, resolved that it would not introduce further breed-specific restrictions on litter registrations and, instead, introduced the Advanced Registration Certificate (ARC).</i></p> <p><i>After thorough deliberation, it was concluded that the introduction of breed-specific restrictions was part of a much wider discussion relative to the improvement of Breed Health. It was noted that the uptake of ARCs had been poor, but conceded that, perhaps, the availability of ARCs had not been sufficiently</i></p>

		<p>marketed. It was further noted that ARCs were only available to Breed Champions, which might also have proved a deterring factor.</p> <p>There was general consensus that, given the worldwide preoccupation with Breed Health, this was a matter which required careful consideration, perhaps with a view to introducing a universal system of reward, instead of restraint. It was <b>agreed</b> that matters of this nature needed to be more appropriately considered by the Fedco Breed Health Portfolio-holders, who would make recommendations to Fedco.</p> <p>JH and LT undertook to arrange a Skype call with the Clubs concerned to explain Fedco's position on the issue.</p> <p><b>Deferred to Fedco 06-2021.</b></p> <p>Fedco supported the discussion and decision taken at the Fedco 12-2020 as set out above. With the acceptance of the proposal under Item 4.3.1 of these Minutes to introduce Health Testing by way of an encouragement and reward system, i.e. the issuing of what was provisionally termed an "Enhanced Registration Certificate", Fedco once again requested JH and LT to engage with the Belgian Shepherd Dog Clubs to explain the rationale behind the decision. They were also requested to thank the two Specialist Belgian Shepherd Dog Clubs for their fresh proposal as circulated.</p> <p><b>Revised proposal not carried.</b></p> <p>[Note: Items 4.3.1 and 8.4 (now item 4.3.3. below) have further relevance.]</p>
	4.3.3	<p><b>Inter-variety Breeding of Belgian Shepherd Dogs</b> (Fedco 12-2020 item 8.4)</p> <p><i>Note: Carried forward from Fedco 12-2020.</i></p> <p><i>The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2020:</i></p> <p><i>Given the fact that Inter-variety Breeding of Belgian Shepherd Dogs was permissible in a number of FCI member-countries under certain circumstances, the Highveld Belgian Shepherd Dog Club had requested Fedco to explore the possibility of permitting it in South Africa between those varieties identified by the FCI, under strict conditions. The latter would include an assessment and adjudication of the intended breeding on submission of pedigrees and motivations, as well as compliance with Health and temperament requirements.</i></p> <p><i>After interrogation, Fedco concluded that the shortage of bloodlines in South Africa, across all four varieties, made Inter-variety Breeding an appealing option, but that the onerous requirements currently envisaged by the Belgian Shepherd Dog fraternity might defeat viability. Moreover, with the required Health requirements for an Advanced Registration Certificate still to be identified, it would be difficult for Fedco to consent to Inter-variety Breeding at this stage.</i></p> <p><i>Fedco invited the Belgian Shepherd Dog fraternity to revert with a formal proposal for Fedco 06-2021 which was not only simplified, but also vastly improved in practicability, with the Health Test requirements covered.</i></p> <p><i>Proposed RJ, seconded CI</i></p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously.</b></p> <p><i>Fresh proposal attached to the Agenda.</i></p> <p>To assist Fedco in considering this proposal and reaching a sensible conclusion, CI had distributed an extremely useful article, <b>Changes to Intervariety Breedings of the Belgian Shepherd Dog in Australia</b>, by Kathryn Winton, which not only focussed on the Australian experience in implementing inter-variety breeding of Belgian Shepherd Dogs, but also on the established practices in several foreign countries.</p> <p>In the South African context, this article lent a fresh perspective to the salutary objectives of inter-variety breeding of Belgian Shepherd Dogs and how these objectives might be successfully accomplished through collaboration with the Specialist Breed Clubs, and KUSA. It was accordingly <b>resolved, unanimously</b>, that the South African breeders of Belgian Shepherd Dogs, in conjunction with their Clubs, should be given the opportunity to implement inter-variety breeding in accordance with their tabled proposal.</p>



		Proposed CI, seconded JH. Effective 01.10.2021.
4.3.4		<p><b>Breed Health - Genetic Health Testing</b> (Fedco 12-2020 item 8.9) <b>Report-back from the appointed Fedco Task Team:</b> An extremely productive meeting was held with the various Task Teams on Breed Health and Genetic Testing. Functions were allocated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LT compiled the letter for the KUSA Office to be sent to The Kennel Club in respect of BOAS testing. (This will be addressed at the next meeting.)</li> <li>• CI – submitted a proposal for the Enhanced Registration.</li> <li>• CI designed a Form for the submission of Health Tests.</li> </ul> <p>With the decision made to initially start the Genetic Health testing with a selection of breeds and progress from there, the Blank Health Test Form and provisional examples of completed forms were presented for the following breeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DACHSHUND</li> <li>• LABRADOR</li> <li>• SHETLAND SHEEPDOG</li> <li>• BELGIAN SHEPHERD DOG</li> <li>• DALMATIAN</li> <li>• FRENCH BULLDOG</li> <li>• AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD</li> <li>• BORDER COLLIE</li> <li>• BOUVIER DES FLANDRES</li> </ul> <p>Fedco thanked the various Health Task Teams for their proactive approach to encourage Genetic Health Testing and concluded that the project would continue to be work in progress for some time to come.</p> <p>The following was <b>approved, unanimously</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Breed Health Test Form</li> </ul> <p>The following was <b>approved, provisionally</b>, subject to the Task Team’s verification and confirmation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The submissions made on the various breeds listed above on the Breed Health Test Form.</li> </ul> <p>Proposed LT, seconded JH.</p>
4.3.5		<p><b>Breed Health – BOAS</b> (Fedco 12-2019 item 9.8; Fedco 06.2020 item 8.3) <b>Report-back from the Fedco-appointed Task Team.</b></p> <p>The Chairman drew the attention of Fedco to the correspondence between the KUSA Office and The Kennel Club. Due to time-pressures and other factors, the proposed meeting with certain officials of The Kennel Club had not yet been scheduled. Apart from its Health Welfare and Breeder Service Executive, Bill Lambert, and its Health Scheme Manager, Fern Mc Donnell, The Kennel Club had also envisaged involving Dr Jane Ladlow, the Chief Scrutineer who had conducted the research at Cambridge University, in the virtual meeting with the KUSA delegation.</p> <p>The Chairman explained that The Kennel Club’s imminent AGM, which required the attention of its senior staff members, was one of the delaying factors in scheduling the meeting. With the AGM having taken place on 23 June 2021, she assured Fedco that the BOAS meeting would be convened as soon as practicable.</p> <p>Regarding attendance from KUSA’s side, the Chairman suggested that the KUSA delegation should be confined to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and LT from Fedco and PM &amp; KF from the KUSA Office. There was <b>general acceptance</b> of the Chairman’s suggestion to restrict the KUSA-attendance to these five officials.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>

	4.3.6	<p><b>Breed Health – HD/ED</b> (Fedco 06-2019 item 8.21.1 &amp; 8.21.2)</p> <p><b>Report-back from the appointed Fedco Task Team.</b></p> <p>The Chairman said she was pleased to have attended the Hill’s webinar of Dr Kurt De Cramer on Wednesday, 23 June 2021, which focussed on Health Tests and, quite extensively, on HD/ED. She believed that KUSA would be well advised to meet with Dr De Cramer and Dr Charmaine MacGregor and, once the view of these veterinarians in private practice had been obtained, to schedule the proposed meeting with SAVA. LT mentioned, for the interest of anyone who had missed the De Cramer webinar, that the recording has since been released. She would be prepared to forward it to any member of Fedco on request.</p> <p>CI said that, when KUSA met with SAVA, it needed to be impressed upon SAVA that KUSA was 100% in favour of recording HD/ED results; the contentious issue was <b>where</b> the results should be recorded, i.e. on the face of the Registration Certificate, or on the Annexure where all (other) Health Tests were recorded.</p> <p>PM reminded Fedco that the HD/ED Scheme was a joint KUSA/SAVA initiative. KUSA was therefore perfectly entitled to apprise SAVA of its view on how the Scheme should operate, including the controversial appeals procedure.</p> <p>The Chairman requested whether there were any objections to her proposed course of action of first meeting with Dr De Cramer and Dr MacGregor and, thereafter, scheduling the meeting with SAVA. No objections or counter-proposals were raised.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	4.3.7	<p><b>Schedule 2 – Appendix “D” - Emerging Breeds Register</b>  <b>Maluti Mountain Dog – Proposed Emerging Breed</b> (Fedco 12-2020 item 8.2)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Carried forward from Fedco 12-2020:  There was <b>unanimous support</b> for JH to continue exploring the possibilities around the registration of Maluti Mountain Dogs and to establish whether KUSA ought to be proffered as a possible home for the breed.  Proposed RJ, seconded LT.  Work in progress (JH &amp; NdP)</p> <p>JH informed Fedco that COVID-19 and other constraints had unfortunately impeded progress on this matter, which conceivably included inspection of dogs in different locations in order to finalise the Maluti Mountain Dog Breed Standard. Hopefully, the latter half of the year would provide a more enabling environment for the preliminary objectives to be accomplished.</p>
	4.3.8	<p><b>NFTA Registrations</b> (Fedco round robin 03.2021)  Round robin email generated to Fedco on 25 March 2021 and concluded on 30 March 2021.  Proposal in respect of Registration of NFTA Dogs on the KUSA Primary/Appendix Register (document was attached for information).</p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously, by Fedco.</b> The proposal carried with the support of the KUSA Office and the Chairman of the KUSA Field Trials Liaison Council.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by RJ, the Fedco decision on the registration of NFTA Dogs on the KUSA Primary/Appendix Register, obtained via round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously.</b></p>
	4.4	<p><b>Breed Standards Committee</b>  List of Breed Standards Amended/Revised under the KUSA Protocol to be tabled.</p> <p>It was noted that changes to the following Breed Standards had been approved by the Breed Standards Committee in accordance with the KUSA Protocol:</p>

		<p><b>The Kennel Club</b> Löwchen</p> <p><b>FCI</b> Giant Schnauzer Rhodesian Ridgeback (as directed by the FCI Breed Standards Commission)</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p> <p>Effective immediately.</p> <p>[<b>Note:</b> The KUSA Breed Standards Protocol does not state the Effective Date for Breed Standard changes accepted by the Breed Standards Committee under the Protocol. GR undertook to rectify this and it was <b>noted</b> that such changes should become effective immediately.]</p>
4.5		<p><b>Any Matters Relating to Shows &amp; Schedule 3</b></p>
	4.5.1	<p><b>Schedule 3 – Regulation 42 - Champion Dogs – Proposed new Regulation 42.1.1.1</b> (Fedco 06.2020 item 4.5.2, Fedco 12-2020 item 4.5.1)</p> <p><b>Resubmission from KZNPC to Fedco 12.2020:</b> <i>Motivation:</i> <b>Minutes of Fedco 12-2018 on the subject of the Elimination of the Away CC</b> 9.5 <i>Elimination of the “away-CC” for Championship Status</i> <i>At Fedco 06-2018, Schedule 3 Regulation 42.1.1.1 was voided:</i> 42.1.1.1 <i>not more than four (4) of the minimum five (5) points were gained in one Centre.</i> <i>Effective 01.02.2019</i></p> <p>Proposal: KZNPC strongly motivated for the Regulation voided in 2018 to be replaced by one providing for an <b>out-of-Province CC</b>, rather than an <b>out-of-Centre CC</b>, as follows:</p> <p><u>Insertions underlined and deletions in [struck through square brackets].</u></p> <p><b>New Regulation 42.1.1.1</b> 42.1.1.1 <u>not more than four (4) of the minimum five (5) points were gained in one [Centre] national Province.</u></p> <p><i>The Chairman opened the floor for comment.</i></p> <p><i>GM spoke to the proposal submitted through KZNPC.</i></p> <p><i>From the ensuing discussion it appeared that some Provincial Councils, notably the Western Cape and Eastern Cape, would be seriously prejudiced if this proposal were to be accepted. LT said the Western Cape would be amenable to an “out-of-Centre” CC, but GR pointed out that, in effect, “Centre” equated to “geographical Province” in the Regulations.</i></p> <p><b>(Note: Schedule 3 Regulation 2.1.1:</b> <i>In this context and for better administration by the Kennel Union, the area of Southern Africa falling under its jurisdiction shall be divided into geographical Centres as follows:</i> Gauteng KwaZulu-Natal Free State Northern Cape Eastern Cape Western Cape Mpumalanga Limpopo North West Namibia</p>

		<p>and such additional Centres as defined by the Federal Council from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of KUSA.)</p> <p>RJ proposed that, in the interest of fairness, this matter ought to be properly investigated and a proposal, acceptable to <b>all</b> the Provincial Councils, be brought to the table at Fedco 06-2021. CI said she would be prepared to second the proposal.</p> <p>There were no objections and the deferment of the matter to Fedco 06-2021 was <b>accepted, unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>Carried forward from Fedco 12-2020</b></p> <p>In the absence of a proposal, the Chairman permitted this issue to be further debated. As deliberations progressed, it became evident that a viable solution to the problem of the “away-CC” would remain elusive if continued to be based on “out-of-Province” or “out-of-Centre” criteria.</p> <p>NdP expressed the opinion that, in the interest of fairness to all Provinces, a solution based on travelling distance should be investigated. There was general acceptance that this opinion might present a possible solution and the Chairman enquired which Federal Councillors would be prepared to pursue this option and revert to Fedco 12-2021 with a proposal.</p> <p>LT declared herself willing to be involved, but would require the assistance of NdP in drafting the proposal. NdP pledged his assistance, but also requested the collaboration of GR in the preparation of the proposal.</p> <p>PM expressed the view that, since an “out-of-Province” or “out-of-Centre” solution had now effectively been shelved by Fedco, there should be no point in retaining the “baggage” which preceded this latest development. Hopefully the process could be started afresh at Fedco 12-2021 with a distance-based proposal, which was no longer tethered to the discarded prior proposals.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	4.6	<b>Any Matters Relating to Schedule 3A</b>
	4.7	<b>Any Matters Relating to Schedule 4</b>
	4.8	<b>Any Matters Relating to Schedule 4A – Qualifying Shows</b>
<b>5</b>		<b>WORKING DISCIPLINES</b>
	5.1	<b>Schedule 05A – Regulations for Obedience Classes</b>
	5.1.1	<p><b>Dispensation for affected Disciplines Judges due to COVID-19</b> (Fedco round robin 02.2021)</p> <p>Background: The Convener of the National Obedience Sub-Committee, Mr Rex Koning has, on behalf of the Provincial Obedience Sub-Committees, requested that dispensation be granted to Judges who had been unable to meet the requirements of the Regulations due to the closure of Shows and Events under the COVID-19 lockdowns. Through no fault of their own, their judging status had come under threat from the current Regulations.</p> <p>Proposal: It was proposed that, due to the effects of COVID-19 on judging opportunities for Disciplines Judges, a waiver be authorised, until further notice, of any Regulation imposing an obligation of any kind to be fulfilled by Disciplines Judges who had not been able to officiate within prescribed time periods, i.e. similar to the examples of Schedule 5A, Regulation 1.7.3 and Schedule 5M, Regulation 8.1.11 cited.</p> <p>The two examples cited in the above proposal regulate as follows:</p> <p><b>Schedule 5A (Obedience), 1.7.3 - Inactive Judge</b> <i>A judge, whether learner or licensed, who has not carried out a judging appointment for a period of three (3) years or more and wishes to resume judging must pass a written examination on Schedule 5A Regulations. This examination shall be set and the papers marked by the Provincial Council. The judge may not accept an obedience judging appointment until they have passed this examination. The pass</i></p>

		<p>mark shall be as determined from time to time by the National Obedience Sub-Committee. KUSA shall be so informed and they in turn shall inform the judge in writing (copied to the Provincial Council) that they have passed the test and may now accept judging appointments up to the highest level that he was previously entitled to judge.</p> <p><b>Schedule 5M (Flyball), 8.1.11 - QUALIFICATION OF JUDGES AND OFFICIALS</b>  <i>In the event of a judge not judging for a period of two (2) calendar years or more such a judge may not judge a Championship show but shall first judge a Non-Championship show.</i></p> <p><b>Dispensation granted.</b> Fedco <b>agreed</b> that to the dispensation would extend to all affected Disciplines Judges.</p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by CI, the waiver granted by Fedco round robin in respect of Regulations which impose obligations on Disciplines Judges who, as a result of COVID-19-restrictions, had not been able to officiate during specified periods, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p>
5.2		<p><b>Schedule 05B(01) – Regulations for Working Trials (Classic)</b> (Fedco round robin 21.04.21 – 23.04.2021)</p> <p><b>Proposal:</b>  Housekeeping amendments to rectify errors in Schedule 05B (01) which were unanimously approved at Fedco 12-2020, effective 01.04.2021.  Document was attached. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</p> <p><b>Motivation:</b>  The Convener of the National Sub-Committee for Working Trials alerted the KUSA Office to certain errors in their original submission to Fedco 12-2020.</p> <p>At the first Working Trials event held in Gauteng after the effective date of 01.04.21, it was discovered that the dimensions of the tables did not match the dimensions of the diagrams (Appendix A attached) submitted. Since several WT Shows were scheduled to take place prior to Fedco 06-2021, it was preferable for the Schedules to be corrected to avoid further confusion.</p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously</b> by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by RJ, Fedco’s approval of certain housekeeping changes to Schedule 05B(01), obtained via round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p>
5.3		<p><b>Schedule 05B(04) – Regulations for Working Utility Dog (WUD)</b> (Fedco round robin 21.04.21 – 23.04.2021)</p> <p><b>Proposal:</b>  Housekeeping amendments to rectify errors in Schedule 05B (04) which were unanimously approved at Fedco 12-2020, effective 01.04.2021.  Document was attached. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</p> <p><b>Motivation:</b>  The Convener of the National Sub-Committee for Working Trials alerted the KUSA Office to certain errors in their original submission to Fedco 12-2020.</p>

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	5.4	<b>Schedule 05B(02) – Regulations for International Working Trials and International Tracking Trials (IGP)</b>
	5.5	<b>Schedule 05B(03)TT – Regulations for Tracking Trials</b>
	5.6	<b>Schedule 05C(01), (02), (03) &amp; (04) – Field Trials</b>
	5.6.1	<p><b>Schedule 05C(04) – Regulations for Shooting Ratings (Weimaraner)</b> Proposed changes to Schedule 05C(04), submitted by the Field Trials Liaison Council.</p> <p><i>Document was attached to the Agenda. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and highlighted and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>]. Clean copy was also attached to facilitate comparison.</i></p> <p>The Chairman explained the proposed changes, after which she called for their approval.</p> <p>On a proposal from GR, seconded by CI, the changes to Schedule 05C(04) were <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	5.6.2	<b>Schedule 05C (05) &amp; (06) – Hunting Tests</b>
	5.7	<p>5.7.1 <b>Schedule 05D – Regulations for Dog Jumping Grades</b> Proposed changes to Schedule 05D, submitted by the National Dog Jumping Sub-Committee. All changes were agreed to at the NDJSC General Meeting held on 11 May 2020.</p> <p><i>Document was attached to Agenda. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</i></p> <p>On a proposal from CI, seconded by NdP, the changes to Schedule 05D were <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	5.7.2	<p><b>Schedule 05E(04) – Regulations for Dog Jumping Championship of Southern Africa</b> Proposed changes to the Schedule 05E (04), submitted by the NDJSC. All changes were agreed to at the NDJSC General Meeting held on 11 May 2020.</p> <p><i>Document was attached to the Agenda. Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</i></p> <p>On a proposal from CI, seconded by NdP, the changes to Schedule 05E(04) were <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	5.8	<b>Schedule 05E - Regulations for Special Events</b>
	5.8.1	<p><b>Proposal from DOGSPC for Goldfields Kennel Club to vary Schedule 5E(07) Regulation 5.1 for 2021 only in order to permit Exhibitors to submit Best of Breed Certificates awarded to their dogs over <u>two</u> award periods on account of the Goldfields Dog of the Year Competition not having been held in 2020.</b></p>

		<p><b>Current Qualifications and Conditions of Entry as per Schedule 5E(07):</b> 5.1 Entry will be strictly by invitation only to the registered owner of the dog or bitch in any pure_breed of dogs, currently recognised by the Federal Council of The Kennel Union of Southern Africa for the purpose of classification, registration and competition in terms of Schedule 2 of the Constitution of The Kennel Union and which has been awarded the highest number of Best of Breed Certificates between weekend 29 in the year preceding this event and weekend 28 in the year in which the event is to be held.</p> <p><b>Proposed Qualifications and Conditions of Entry as per Schedule 5E(07) <u>for 2021 only</u>:</b></p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u>.</p> <p>5.1 Entry will be strictly by invitation only to the registered owner of the dog or bitch in any pure_breed of dogs, currently recognised by the Federal Council of The Kennel Union of Southern Africa for the purpose of classification, registration and competition in terms of Schedule 2 of the Constitution of The Kennel Union and which has been awarded the highest number of Best of Breed Certificates between weekend 29 in the <u>two years</u> preceding this event and weekend 28 in the year in which the event is to be held.</p> <p><b>Motivation:</b> Goldfields Dog of the Year Competition, held annually in conjunction with the Goldfields Championship Show, was cancelled in 2020 along with dog shows countrywide, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Competition is planned to go ahead in 2021 under appropriate COVID-19 protocols, with the qualification period extended to include the preceding <b>two</b> years. That way, dogs and bitches that had enjoyed success in the showring during the latter half of 2019 and early part of 2020 would be given a fair chance to gain entry to the Competition by submitting the most Best of Breed Certificates.</p> <p>Under this proposal, the qualification period for 2021 would run from Weekend 29 in 2019 (19-21 July 2019) to Weekend 28 in 2021 (9-11 July 2021).</p> <p>On a proposal from CI, seconded by RJ, the above proposal was <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p>
	5.9	<b>KUSA Classic – 2021</b>
	5.9.1	<p><b>Change from Week 38 to Week 39</b> (Fedco Special Meeting 08.03.2021 item 3.3.1) <i>Fedco <b>agreed</b> as follows:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>That, due to the conflict with the Rottweiler Sieger Show in Cape Town, the KUSA Classic Organising Committee (KCOC) should investigate the practicability and viability of changing the date of the KUSA Classic 2021 from Week 38 to Week 39 for Breed, leaving the Working Disciplines on Week 38. This would also involve securing the Sponsor's agreement on splitting the Show.</i></li> <li>• <i>Should problems with the date-change prove insurmountable, either logistically, or from the Sponsor's perspective, the KCOC should revert to Fedco with a request to approve Week 38 inclusive of the compromise brokered by the KCOC with the Western Cape Rottweiler Club.</i></li> </ul> <p>Round robin email generated by Exco upon the request of the KCOC on 7 May 2021, finalised on 10 May 2021, whereby Exco unanimously agreed to the change of date for Breed from Week 38 to week 39, leaving the Disciplines on Week 38. <b>Ratified</b> at Exco 05-2021.</p> <p><b>For noting.</b></p> <p>The above was duly <b>noted</b>.</p>
	5.9.2	<p><b>Update on 5.9.1 above</b></p> <p>The Chairman informed Fedco that, at this stage, the KCOC remained positive that the Working Disciplines might go ahead on Week 38, since they did not depend on securing the services of foreign Judges.</p>

		<p>The uncertainty around the Breed Shows proceeding on Week 39 was far greater. Holding them was dependent on the lifting of travel restrictions for foreigners, both into and out of South Africa. With the country in the midst of a third wave of COVID-19 infections, with an alarming spike in Gauteng, the prospects didn't seem favourable at present. However, the KCOG was mindful that the situation was extremely fluid and had therefore decided to keep its options open till nearer the time.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	5.9.3	<p><b>Schedule 05E(11) - Regulations for KUSA National Awards KUSA Classic Weekend 2021 – (Fedco 12-2020 item 8.3.1)</b></p> <p><b>Report-back on KUSA National Puppy</b></p> <p>Due to the cancellation of the KUSA Classic 2020 and its postponement in 2021, Fedco <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, to accommodate qualifiers who would have been able to compete if the 2020 <b>KUSA National Puppy Competition</b> had taken place, by granting the following dispensation:</p> <p><b>QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY IN 2021 ONLY: For dogs under thirty-three (33) months on 1 October 2021.</b></p> <p>Please note the following in terms of SCHEDULE 5E (11):</p> <p>5. QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY: To have been obtained on or before the closing date for the Show. The qualifying dates indicated below shall be determined by the dates on the relevant award cards.</p> <p>5.1.2.1 The winner of Best Puppy in Show at the KUSA Championship Show shall have automatic entry to the competition for National Puppy.</p> <p>5.1.2.2 Dogs which have been awarded Best Puppy in Show at All Breeds Club Championship Shows.</p> <p>Proposed GM, seconded LT.</p>
	5.9.4	<p><b>Schedule 05E - KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition (Fedco Special Meeting 08.03.2021 item 3.3.2)</b></p> <p>Report-back on end-date of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition, should the KUSA Classic 2021 be cancelled.</p> <p>Following discussion, it was proposed by BJ, seconded by GM, that, should the KUSA Classic be cancelled in 2021, the end-date of the KUSA Showdog of the Year Competition should be <b>Sunday, 26 September 2021</b>. The new Competition period would therefore commence on Monday, 27 September 2021. There was <b>unanimous support</b> for this proposal.</p>
	5.9.5	<p><b>Proposal for the inclusion of Dog Dancing - Musical Freestyle and Heelwork to Music - in the KUSA National Competition.</b></p> <p><b>Proposed</b> changes to Schedule 05E(11), submitted by the Dog Dancing Sub-Committees of NAPC and supported by DOGSPC.</p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u>.</p> <p><b>5. QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENTRY:</b> <b><u>5.13 Heelwork to Music - Advanced: Singles, Handy Dandy, Veteran</u></b> <u>Dogs may be entered which have been awarded a minimum of one (1) Advanced Heelwork to Music Qualifying Certificate.</u></p> <p><b><u>5.14 Musical Freestyle - Advanced: Singles, Pairs, Brace, Group, Handy Dandy, Veteran</u></b> <u>Dogs may be entered which have been awarded a minimum of one (1) Advanced Musical Freestyle Qualifying Certificate.</u></p>



## **9. DETERMINATION OF WINNERS**

### **9.2.12 Heelwork to Music - Advanced: Singles, Handy Dandy, Veterans**

The winner of these events shall be declared KUSA NATIONAL HEELWORK TO MUSIC DOG (Category) for [year].

### **9.2.13 Musical Freestyle - Advanced: Singles, Pairs, Brace, Group, Handy Dandy, Veteran**

The winner of these events shall be declared KUSA NATIONAL MUSICAL FREESTYLE DOG (Category) for [year].

## **13. PRIZES AND AWARDS**

### **13.11 Heelwork to Music - Advanced: Singles, Handy Dandy, Veterans**

Each person whose dog is awarded the title NATIONAL HEELWORK TO MUSIC DOG [Category] [year] shall receive a special KUSA Award Certificate and be entitled to have the abridgement "NAT. HEELWORK TO MUSIC [Category] [year]" added to the dog's Certificate of Registration *after* the dog's name.

### **13.12 Musical Freestyle - Advanced: Singles, Pairs, Brace, Group, Handy Dandy, Veteran**

Each person whose dog is awarded the title NATIONAL MUSICAL FREESTYLE DOG [Category] [year] shall receive a special KUSA Award Certificate and be entitled to have the abridgement "NAT.MUSICAL FREESTYLE [Category] [year]" added to the dog's Certificate of Registration *after* the dog's name.

#### **Motivation:**

Although Dog Dancing was a relatively young KUSA Dogsport, it has been in South Africa for over 20 years and had reached a high standard. The South African Championships have always been one of the highlights at the World of Dogs & Cats (WODAC) exhibition and handlers from South Africa have competed internationally at the highest level (International Championships), including competing at the International Freestyle event at Crufts.

One of our Judges was among the first to be appointed as official FCI Judge when the sport was adopted by FCI a few years ago. Since its acceptance by KUSA, several Champions and Grand Champions have qualified and the Dog Dancing enthusiasts are actively hosting shows, training new Judges and presenting Judging workshops on Zoom.

Unfortunately, Dog Dancing was poorly represented in provinces outside Gauteng, with the exception of one Handler and Learner Judge in KZN and one person flying the flag in the Free State. Hence, no Sub-Committees, other than those in DOGSPC and NAPC, have been established and, in consequence, there is no National Sub-Committee.

Despite the above challenges, and given the high level of proficiency of our Handlers and dogs, the NAPC Dog Dancing Sub-Committee would like to propose that Musical Freestyle and Heelwork to Music be added to the Schedule 05(E)11 in order to make it possible for Dog Dancing enthusiasts to compete for the title of "KUSA National Musical Freestyle/Heelwork to Music Dog".

On a proposal from LT, seconded by RJ, the changes to Schedule 05E(11) were **approved, unanimously**, subject to the corrections in **red** below:

## **13. PRIZES AND AWARDS**

### **13.11 Heelwork to Music - Advanced: Singles, Handy Dandy, Veterans**

Each person whose dog is awarded the title NATIONAL HEELWORK TO MUSIC DOG [Category] [year] shall receive a special KUSA Award Certificate and be entitled to have the abridgement "NAT. **HTM** [Category] [year]" **added to the dog's Certificate of Registration as a suffix to the dog's registered name.**

### **13.12 Musical Freestyle - Advanced: Singles, Pairs, Brace, Group, Handy Dandy, Veteran**

Each person whose dog is awarded the title NATIONAL MUSICAL FREESTYLE DOG [Category] [year] shall receive a special KUSA Award Certificate and be entitled to have the abridgement "NAT.**MF** [Category] [year]" **added to the dog's Certificate of Registration as a suffix to the dog's registered name.**

Effective immediately.

	5.9.6	<p><b>Schedule 05E(12) – Regulations for KUSA National Handler of the Year Competition – (Fedco 12-2020 item 8.3.1)</b></p> <p><b>Report-back.</b></p> <p>Due to the cancellation of the KUSA Classic 2020 and its postponement in 2021, Fedco <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, to accommodate qualifiers who would have been able to compete if the 2020 <b>KUSA National JUNIOR Handler of the Year Competition</b> had taken place, by granting the following dispensation:</p> <p><b>KUSA NATIONAL JUNIOR HANDLER CLASS</b> Will be open to Handlers whose eighteenth (18th) birthday did not fall on or before 31 May 2020.</p> <p><b>KUSA NATIONAL CHILD HANDLER CLASS</b> Will remain the same: For persons of eight (8) but under twelve (12) years of age on the day of the National Competition.</p> <p><b>KUSA NATIONAL ADULT HANDLER CLASS</b> Will also remain the same, i.e, For persons over eighteen (18) years of age. <b>However, no person may enter both the Junior Handler Class and the Adult Handler Class.</b></p> <p>Please note the following in terms of SCHEDULE 5E(12):</p> <p>3.2.1 Qualifications gained as Child Handler are invalid as qualifications for Junior Handler. 3.2.2 KUSA National Junior Handler of the Year shall only be open to winners of Junior Handler Classes. 5.2.1 A Handler will be considered as having qualified if he/she has won first place in his/her relevant class at any All-breeds Championship Show held between the day after the current Competition until the day before the next Competition.</p> <p>Proposed GM, seconded LT.</p>
	5.10	<b>Schedule 05G – Regulations for Dog Carting</b>
	5.11	<b>Schedule 05K – Regulations for Handler Classes</b>
	5.12	<b>Schedule 05L – Regulations for Agility</b>
	5.12.1	<p><b>Schedule 05L Appendix C (Fedco round robin 01.2021 - 02.2021)</b> <i>NAGSC and AWC Committee request:</i> <i>Extensions on Closing Dates.</i> <i>AWC Qualifying rounds, Schedule 5L App C, due to show licences being suspended as a result of the COVID-19 lockdown, we request that the competition be extended to end May 2021, with the option of extending it to end July 2021.</i></p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by CI, the extension of the closing date for the AWC Qualifying rounds to <b>31 May 2021</b>, with the option of a further extension to <b>31 July 2021</b>, granted by Fedco round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p>
	5.12.2	<p><b>Schedule 05L Appendix D (Fedco round robin 01.2021 - 02.2021)</b> <i>NAGSC and AWC Committee request:</i> <i>Extensions on Closing Dates.</i> <i>SA Agility Champs Regional Trials, Schedule 5L App D, due to show licences being suspended as a result of the COVID-19 lockdown, we request that the competition be extended to end May 2021, with the option of extending it to end July 2021.</i></p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p>

		On a proposal from LT, seconded by CI, the extension of the closing date for the SA Agility Championships Regional Trials to <b>31 May 2021</b> , with the option of a further extension to <b>31 July 2021</b> , granted by Fedco round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b> .
	5.12.3	<p><b>Schedule 05L Appendix F</b> (Fedco round robin 01.2021- 02.2021)  <i>NAGSC and AWC Committee request:  Extensions on Closing dates.  National Agility League 2021, Schedule 5L App F, due to show licences being suspended as a result of the COVID -19 lockdown, we request that the competition be extended to end March 2022.</i>  <b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by CI, the extension of the closing date for the National Agility League 2021 to <b>31 March 2021</b>, granted by Fedco round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>.</p>
	5.13	<b>Schedule 05M – Regulations for Flyball</b>
	5.13.1	<p><b>Schedule 05E(11) – KUSA National Awards</b> (Fedco round robin 06.04.21 – 09.04.2021)  Dispensation requested by the National Flyball Sub-Committee in respect of item 5.11 of the above Schedule.</p> <p><i>5.11 Flyball Any team of six (6) dogs may be entered. <b><u>Dogs should have at least competed in 4 shows</u></b> in a team (points are not the deciding factor) and the team must have had a run clear. The onus will be on the entering team captain to verify the information as indicated on each dog's record card. The event shall be run as a normal Flyball event.</i></p> <p>Due to COVID-19 restrictions during the past 12 months, there have only been 3 Flyball competitions in Gauteng and 2 in Western Cape since April 2020, and none in KZN. New Flyball dogs that were ready to run in a team and would have entered in competitions since April 2020, were unable to compete in 4 shows to qualify to run at Nationals.</p> <p>We are formally requesting that, due to the COVID-19 restrictions and the limited number of competitions during the past 12 months, this requirement be waived for the 2021 Nationals which takes place at the end of April in Gauteng.</p> <p><b>Dispensation granted.</b>  <b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>On a proposal from RJ, seconded by GM, the waiver of the condition imposed by Schedule 05E(11), Regulation 5.11, relating to competition in <b>four shows</b>, granted by Fedco round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>.</p>
	5.14	<b>Aptitude Testing</b>
	5.15	<b>Schedule 05Q – Regulations for Rescue Dog Trials (RDT)</b>
	5.16	<b>Dancing with Dogs</b>
	5.16.1	<p>Schedule 05R Heelwork to Music (HTM)  Submission from the NAPC – inadvertently omitted on the Fedco 06-2021 Agenda.</p> <p>Housekeeping – Clerical type errors that resulted from the previous Regulation change.</p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>]</p> <p><b>Amendments to Schedule 05R – Regulations for HTM</b>  <b>VIDEO CLASSES</b>  2. The handler will have an allocated 60 seconds to set up their prop, (if one is being made use of).  <u>The setting up of the prop has to be videoed for judging purposes.</u>  <u>Therefore, 3 video clips can be sent, i.e., Hall video, Set-up of Prop video and Routine video. The Prop and Hall video may be included on one clip, or all may be in a single clip.</u></p>

~~[Therefore, recording of the routine must start whilst the prop is being set up, to enable the Judge to check the timeframe. Judging will start when the handler returns to the area, with their dog, for the start of the their routine.]~~

11. Music must be ~~[placed]~~ played concurrently with the routine and may not be added in afterwards.

### 5 Deductions

The following table details deductions for violations.

Occurrence	TM score deduction		AI score deduction	
Use of prop as motivator	0.1 - 0.5	Total		
Prop not an integral part of routine	1.0	Total	1.0	Total
Prop setup longer than 60 seconds	1.0	Total	1.0	Total
Excessive talking			0.1 – 0.3	Animation/Interaction
Excessive barking			0.1 – 0.3	Spectator Appeal
Each instance of physical manipulation of the dog (less than 50% of the routine)	0.3	Precise execution	0.3	Animation/Interaction
Loss of heelwork proximity in HTM routines	0.1 – 1.0	Precise execution		
Distance work, <del>[-weaving / in-between legs or arms,-]</del> or jumping in HTM routines	0.3 – 1.0	Content		

On a proposal from NdP, seconded RJ, the above housekeeping changes were **accepted, unanimously.**

Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.

5.16.2

Schedule 05S Musical Freestyle (MF)

Submission from the NAPC – inadvertently omitted on the Fedco 06-2021 Agenda

Housekeeping – Clerical type errors that resulted from the previous Regulation change.

#### Amendments to Schedule 05S – Regulations for MF

##### VIDEO CLASSES

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11. Music must be ~~[placed]~~ played concurrently with the routine and may not be added in afterwards.

##### ADVANCED LEVEL QUALIFYING EXPLANATIONS

~~[The routine must be done off leash (except for option in Veteran or Handy Dandy divisions for blind and /or deaf dogs)]~~

On a proposal from NdP, seconded RJ, the above housekeeping changes were **accepted, unanimously.**

Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.

5.17

#### Schedule 05T – Regulations for Rally Dog Classes

5.17.1

##### Changes to Schedule 05T

Proposal submitted by the Western Cape Rally Dog Sub-Committee

The following documents were attached to the Agenda:

- Motivation from the Chairman of the WC Rally Dog Sub-Committee for the changes.
- Schedule 05T - Insertions underlined and deletions in ~~[struck through square brackets]~~.
- Rally Judging Guidelines

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rally Signs</li> <li>• For information only: Rally Report delivered at the Western Cape Provincial Council meeting held on 18 January 2021</li> </ul> <p>The proposed changes to Schedule 05T were <b>approved, unanimously</b>. Proposed LT, seconded CI. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p> <p>PM enquired whether “Rally Judging Guidelines” should be changed to “Rally <b>Dog</b> Judging Guidelines”, and received a <b>unanimous confirmation</b> from Fedco.</p> <p>GR queried the purpose of retaining “<b>CLASSES</b>” in the heading of Schedule 05T with the renaming of the dogsport as <b>Rally Dog</b> (refer Item 5.17.3 below). It was <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, that there was no reason for “<b>CLASSES</b>” to be reflected in the heading of the Schedule and that it should be <b>removed</b>.</p>
	5.17.2	<p><b>Rally Dog - Approval of Branding and Logo</b> (Fedco round robin 19.04.21 – 20.04.21) Proposal: To approve Rally Dog logo and the inclusion of the KUSA and FCI logos as part of Rally Dog branding.</p> <p><i>Document attached to Agenda.</i></p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously</b>, by Fedco via round robin.</p> <p><b>For ratification.</b></p> <p>The approval of the Rally Dog logo and the use of the KUSA and FCI logos in Rally Dog branding, obtained via Fedco round robin, was <b>ratified, unanimously</b>. Proposed LT, seconded CI.</p>
	5.17.3	<p><b>Rally Dog – Naming Convention</b></p> <p><b>Proposed</b> by the Western Cape Rally Sub-Committee that Schedule 05T be renamed: Insertions <u>underlined</u>, deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>]. Removal of <b>CLASSES</b> from the heading of the Schedule was approved under Item 5.17.1 above.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REGULATIONS FOR RALLY DOG [CLASSES]</b> (Effective 01.10.2020)</p> <p><b>DEFINITION OF RALLY DOG</b></p> <p>Rally <b>Dog</b> (<u>hereinafter referred to as ‘Rally’</u>) is a dogsport based on Obedience. Instead of requiring the Judge to provide a heel pattern (for example), Rally competitors proceed around a course with designated stations, the dog in heel position. At each station an exercise is performed and the dog and handler are marked on their ability to execute the commands at the stations correctly, as well as the connection between dog and handler between and at the stations.</p> <p><b>Motivation:</b> The Rally Sub-Committee, through the Western Cape Provincial Council, requests approval from the Federal Council to change the naming convention as stipulated in Schedule 5T from ‘Rally’ to ‘Rally Dog’. ‘Rally Dog (hereinafter referred to as ‘Rally’) is inserted so that there would be no further change to the already-printed KUSA record cards for dogs, and Judges respectively, as well as Judges Guidelines and Signs.</p> <p>This request follows on from the motivation already submitted to Fedco for inclusion of KUSA and FCI Logos on Rally Dog documentation, and the approval of the new branding – see extract below. As the Rally Sub-Committee has also taken note of the subsequent Notification received from the KUSA General Manager to confirm that the Federal Council, via round robin vote, had unanimously approved the proposed amended Rally Dog branding, incorporating the KUSA and FCI logos. This decision is due to be ratified at Fedco 06-2021. In the meantime, the approved branding may be used with immediate effect.</p>

		<p>Extract noted in the motivation letter under Item 5.17.2 above:</p> <p><b>2. Rally Dog versus Rally as a naming convention</b></p> <p>The market research conducted supports a request to submit a change to the naming convention of Schedule 5T.</p> <p>As more and more dogsport enthusiasts are using social media to access information, it is necessary to differentiate Rally Dog from Rally Cars. The name Rally Dog is to ensure that people searching online for information and receiving information know that it is the <b>dogsport</b> and not rally motorsport.</p> <p>The change in the naming convention to <b>Rally Dog</b>, as proposed above, was <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Proposed LT, seconded CI. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p> <p>PM pointed out that the above change in the naming convention would necessitate changes to Schedule 3 and to Appendix 1 (Show Entry Form).</p> <p><b>Noted and authorised.</b></p>
	5.18	<p><b>Canicross</b></p> <p><b>Report-back on developments.</b></p> <p>KF reported that there had been no further developments and that he would revert to Fedco with any developments when they occur.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	5.19	<b>Schedule 05U – Regulations for Mondioring</b>
	5.20	<p><b>Schedule 07 - Subscriptions &amp; Fees</b></p> <p>It was necessary to provide for the Specialist Multi-breed Club (Item 4.1.2) in the Subscriptions &amp; Fees document issued pursuant to Schedule 7, even though this category of Club would only become effective on 01.02.2022.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	5.21	<p><b>Schedule 08 – Schedule of Documents and Returns to be sent to the Secretary</b></p> <p>AB briefed Fedco on the challenges imposed on Clubs by COVID-19, with the resultant delays in Clubs' providing documentation to the KUSA Office.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	5.22	<b>Schedule 10 – Any Matters related to Breed Judging</b>
		<p>5.22.1 <b>Judges Education Council (JEC)</b></p> <p>GR presented the Chairman's Report of the Judges Education Council, which was accepted with appreciation by all present.</p> <p>GR invited questions for the JEC and LT queried a procedural issue which she had recently been confronted with at a Show. JH provided LT with some guidance on how the situation in question might best have been handled.</p> <p>JH appealed to the members of Fedco to acquaint themselves with the JEC Study Guides (Guide – How to work through Level 1 and Guide – How to work through Level 2), which would be of great value to them should their counsel be sought on any issue related to the KUSA Breed Judges' Learning Programme. These Study Guides made for much more interesting and enjoyable reading than Schedule 10!</p> <p>JH undertook to send the Study Guides in question to the members of Fedco at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>

	5.22.2	<b>Schedule 10 – Any Matters related to Breed Judging</b>
5.23		<p><b>Schedule 11 – Regulations for Companion Events</b> (Fedco 12-2020 item 5.19)  <b>Note:</b> <i>The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2020 item 5.19:</i>  <i>Discussion ensued on whether canine activities, although practised competitively, which did not strictly conform to the rigours of Working Disciplines, ought to be classified separately. The embracing term “Companion Events”, as used in certain countries, was mooted, which found favour with the majority of Fedco members. Further discussion showed an inclination towards “Companion Events” being accommodated in their own Schedule, with the different activities being subsumed into a single Schedule.</i></p> <p><i>On a proposal from CI, seconded by RJ, and <b>supported, unanimously</b>, it was decided that <b>Companion Events</b> should be given their own Schedule (conceivably Schedule 11) and that <b>Canine Good Citizen, Trick Dog Test and Scent Work</b> (see item 5.20) should be accommodated as sub-sections of the Schedule, supplemented by any future Companion Events.</i></p> <p><i>GR suggested that Claire Patterson-Abrolat (CPA), Gaby Grohovaz and Liz Chamberlain be approached to assist with the drafting of the composite Schedule and that this also formed part of the CGC discussion which KF would be scheduling with CI and CPA in January 2021. All present <b>agreed</b>.</i></p> <p><i>PM cited the definition of “Disciplines” in Article 2...:</i></p> <p><i>“Discipline” means a particular activity at an exhibition of dogs or competitive canine event, including those detailed in Schedule 5E, which may be held by any Affiliated Club qualified to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution for which there is a Schedule containing Regulations for Judges, Judging, and the form in which the exhibition or competition shall take.”</i>  <i>Disciplines currently recognised by KUSA are: (Breed, Obedience Classes, Working Trials (Classic), IGP, Breed Working Test, Field Trials, Dog Jumping, Agility, Dog Carting, Flyball), TT (Tracking Trials), Handler Classes, Working Utility Dog (WUD), Dancing with Dogs and Testing Standards for Rescue Dogs).</i></p> <p><i>...and cautioned that this definition needed to be amended to accommodate Companion Events, or that “Companion Event” should be given its own definition as follows (wording subject to the approval of the KUSA Legal Adviser):</i></p> <p><i>“Companion Event” means a particular activity or competitive canine event detailed in Schedule 11, which may be held by any Affiliated Club qualified to do so in terms of the KUSA Constitution”.</i></p> <p><i>Additionally, the definition of “Working Discipline” in Article 2 needed to be amended as follows:</i></p> <p><i>“Working Disciplines” mean[s] all [d]Disciplines other than Breed <u>and Companion Events</u>.</i></p> <p><i>Proposed GR, seconded JH</i>  <i>Effective 01.02.2022, but may be implemented immediately under the sanction granted by Article 43.3.</i></p> <p><b>Following on from the decision made in respect of Companion Events at Fedco 12.2020 above, it is proposed that Schedule 11 below be inserted under the Schedules of KUSA:</b></p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SCHEDULE 11</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN BRANCHES OF DOGSPORT AS</u></b>  <b><u>COMPANION EVENTS</u></b>  <b><u>(Effective.....)</u></b></p> <p>1. <u>At the discretion of the Federal Council, certain branches of Dogsport shall be classified as “Companion Events” in accordance with a decision reached at the meeting of the Federal</u></p>

		<p><u>Council on 4 &amp; 5 December 2020.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <u>Such Companion Events shall be regulated under subsections of this Schedule.</u></li> <li>3. <u>The Federal Council shall be entitled to add to, or reduce, the Companion Events hereby classified and amend the Regulations applicable to any or all of them in accordance with Article 40.1.</u></li> <li>4. <del>For the time being, I</del><u>The following branches of Dogsport shall be classified as Companion Events:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Canine Good Citizen (Schedule 11A)</u></li> <li><u>Scent Work (Schedule 11B)</u></li> <li><u>Trick Dog Test (Schedule 11C)</u></li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>Motivation: Pursuant to the decision at Fedco 12-2020, the above wording is proposed for the covering Schedule 11. The Regulations for Canine Good Citizen, Scent Work and Trick Dog Test will be slotted in as Schedules 11A, 11B &amp; 11C respectively, as also envisaged by the Fedco decision.</p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by BJ, the above Schedule 11, intended to serve as the cover for Schedules 11A, 11B &amp; 11C, was <b>unanimously approved</b>, subject to the removal of the introductory wording of Regulation 4, as indicated in red.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021.</p>
	5.23.1	<p><b>Schedule 11 A – Regulations for Canine Good Citizen (CGC)</b> (Fedco 06-2019 end of item 5.1, Fedco 12-2020 item 5.1.2)</p> <p><i>Carried forward from previous meeting:</i></p> <p><i>It was noted that Canine Good Citizen (CGC) was not formally regulated in a Schedule. The current CGC Task Team comprised KF and CI and it was suggested that Claire Patterson-Abrolat (CPA) should be requested to officially join the Task Team. Following CPA's acceptance, it would be advisable for the Task Team to meet in January 2021 with a view to formalising new and workable Regulations for CGC. KF undertook to convene the virtual meeting in January.</i></p> <p><b>[Note: Refer to the decision taken under item 5.19 (now item 5.22) below regarding the accommodation of "Companion Events", including CGC, in a separate Schedule.]</b></p> <p><i>Draft Schedule 11A (incomplete) was attached to the Agenda.</i></p> <p>The Chairman invited comment, initially from LT.</p> <p>LT explained that the Western Cape Obedience Sub-Committee had expressed dissatisfaction that CGC had been severed from Obedience and placed under a Fedco Task Team, which was not considered to be representative of all the Provincial Councils. She had been requested by the WCPC to table a letter from the WC Obedience Sub-Committee when the matter came up for discussion, which she intended to do at the appropriate time during the discussion.</p> <p>CI reminded Fedco that provincial representation was not a requirement when the Task Team was appointed; the selection of Task Team members was based on those possessed of the expertise to achieve Fedco's stated goal of establishing CGC as a duly-regulated, independent branch of dogsport under KUSA, with a properly-maintained list of qualified and competent Evaluators.</p> <p>PM said that, when the WCPC Minutes, in which the reservations about the Fedco Task Team were expressed, were tabled at an Exco meeting, it was suggested that the Chairman of the WC Obedience Sub-Committee, Mr Rex Koning, would be given sufficient opportunity to contribute to the CGC Schedule, once a first draft had been prepared and circulated for comment by the Task Team. KF added that, subsequent to the Exco meeting, he had brought the views of Mr Koning and the WC Obedience Sub-Committee to the attention of Ms Claire Patterson-Abrolat, the KUSA-appointed Task Team Leader,</p>



		<p>which had prompted her to send a detailed explanation of the Task Team’s objectives and mode of operation to Mr Koning. KF promptly located Ms Patterson-Abrolat’s letter of 4 June 2021 to Mr Koning and, with the permission of the Chairman, read it out.</p> <p>Fedco noted that Mr Koning had not responded to Ms Patterson-Abrolat’s rational and conciliatory letter, which made it difficult to gauge whether Mr Koning and the WC Obedience Sub-Committee were open to persuasion. The Chairman said she believed that Fedco’s decision to place the various branches of dogsport in the custody of their dedicated practitioners, even though there might be a degree of overlap, i.e. the same people serving on more than one committee, had been taken in the best interests of KUSA.</p> <p>After further discussion, the Chairman contended that the matter should be brought to a conclusion and invited one more round of comments from the Federal Councillors. The members of the Fedco expressed their views in turn, upon which the Chairman called for a proposal.</p> <p>It was proposed by CI, seconded by NdP, that the rationality of Fedco’s current objective of giving CGC its own Schedule under the umbrella of Companion Events be reaffirmed, and that the Fedco Task Team under leadership of Ms Claire Patterson-Abrolat be retained until this objective had been accomplished.</p> <p>On a vote, the proposal <b>carried</b>, with one objection.</p> <p>GR reminded Fedco that the Schedule, as presented by the Fedco Task Team, was incomplete and at this stage a work in progress. It was therefore not tabled for approval.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	5.23.2	<p><b>Schedule 11 C - Regulations for Trick Dog Test</b> (Fedco 06-2020 item 8.10, Fedco 12-2020 Item 5.19)  <b>Note;</b> <i>The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2020 item 5.19:</i>  <i>JH urged the KUSA Office to peruse this Schedule to ensure that the Office was comfortable with its content, especially as related to fees and awards. She was prepared to propose acceptance of the Schedule, subject to the KUSA Office’s ultimate approval.</i></p> <p><b>[Note:</b> To be read in conjunction with 5.22 above.]</p> <p><i>Updated Schedule 11C was attached to the Agenda.</i></p> <p><b>Motivation for the appointment of Evaluators for Trick Dog Tests</b> - submitted by the Trick Dog Steering Committee:</p> <p>May 2021</p> <p>In terms of the proposal for Trick Dog as approved at the FEDCO meeting of December 2020, we would like to propose the following KUSA members be accepted as Evaluators for Trick Dog:</p> <p><b>In terms of section 7.1 which states:</b>  <i>Evaluators already qualified under the DMWYD programme can automatically apply to KUSA to become KUSA Trick Dog evaluators providing they are in good standing with KUSA. If any aspirant evaluators qualify under DMWYD within a year of this Test first coming into effect, such aspirant evaluators may also apply to KUSA to become evaluators.</i></p> <p>That the following be appointed as Evaluators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sonelle van Wyk (KUSA Membership – 1027586)</li> <li>• Liz Chamberlain (KUSA Membership – 100709)</li> <li>• Kathy Clayton (KUSA Membership – 15772)</li> </ul> <p>The following individual is a qualified DMWYD evaluator, but not a KUSA Judge, so will need to complete Schedule 3 prior to being appointed as an Evaluator for Trick Dog:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bronwyn van Dyk (KUSA Membership – 1023545)</li> </ul>

In addition, in terms of **section 7.2:**

*Any person who has the qualifications listed below may also apply to KUSA to become an Evaluator:*

- *Judged multiple working disciplines (e.g. Agility, Obedience, Flyball, Dog Dancing, Working Trials); and*
- *Has successfully handled a dog to at least Intermediate level; and*
- *Is a member in good standing with KUSA.*

In this regard, we request that the following be appointed as Evaluators:

- Claire Patterson-Abrolat (KUSA Membership – 43750)
- Gaby Grohovaz (KUSA Membership – 949822)

Short CVs of both candidates are included below:

#### **Judges CVs**

##### **Claire Patterson-Abrolat (KUSA Membership Number: 43750)**

Claire got her first dog, a Pembroke Welsh Corgi, in 1982 and started participating in Breed competitions. She made several dogs into Champions and handled different breeds for a number of owners. Claire also won several Junior Handling competitions. However, Claire soon realised that her interest lay in the Working Disciplines and purchased her first Border Collie in 1985. She has since participated in Obedience, Working Trials, Tracking Trials, Agility (Contact and Non-contact), Canine Good Citizen, Flyball and Carting. In addition, she has taken part in international competitions such as the European Open (Agility).

Claire currently judges Obedience, Working Trials, Tracking Trials, Agility (Contact and Non-contact), Canine Good Citizen and Flyball.

She sits, or has sat, on multiple committees, including: Chair of DOGSPC Working Trials Sub-Committee and representative on the National Sub-Committee, Gauteng Agility, Chair of DOGSPC Flyball Sub-Committee. In addition, Claire was a member of the Organising Committee for the Agility World Championships held in South Africa in 2013.

Claire's youngest Border Collie, Kilt, was the first dog in South Africa to be awarded the title of Trick Dog Grand Champion (under DMWYD). Her dogs have also reached Grand Champion and/or Champion status in Obedience, Flyball and Working Trials. Her dogs also have various levels of Canine Good Citizen (most Gold).

Claire has won numerous KUSA National events as well as speciality events such as Best of the Best, Top Dog and Goldfields Dog of the Year in various disciplines.

Claire runs an Obedience/Trick Dog Class at her local social centre for domestic handlers. This popular Class is well attended and attracts a range of dogs from a variety of backgrounds.

##### **Gaby Grohovaz (KUSA Membership Number: 949822)**

Gaby has been a member of KUSA since the early 1990s. She is a licensed Agility (Contact and Non-contact), Dog Jumping and Dog Dancing Judge and has competed in a variety of disciplines including: Obedience, Carting, Dog Jumping, Agility, Dog Dancing, Working Trials and will soon be entering her first Tracking Trials competition. Gaby has numerous champions to her name across several disciplines and has won multiple KUSA National events.

Gabi has represented KUSA Agility at FCI for many years and has qualified several of her dogs, on numerous occasions, to represent KUSA at the Agility World Championships. In addition, she has sat on a number of committees, such as provincial Agility and Dog Dancing Sub-Committees.

		<p>Gaby has helped develop the Trick Dog Class and has made her current Border Collie a Trick Dog Grand Champion through the Do More With Your Dog programme.</p> <p>Gabi has vast experience in TV and other media work with animals where the performance of tricks is often required.</p> <p>Gabi runs her own dog training school, providing instruction in Obedience, Agility, Scent Dog and Trick Dog (amongst others). Many of her handlers have gone on to compete successfully in KUSA disciplines.</p> <p>PM reminded AB that, in that case of the acceptance of Claire Patterson-Abrolat and Gaby Grohovaz as Evaluators, it would require an update to the K9 Administration System. AB confirmed that these two Evaluators would be added as “Core Panel Judges” for Trick Dogs, but she was not sure whether there were any others who had qualified under the American DMDV Programme.</p> <p>GR stressed that the Schedule presented was an enhanced version of the one provisionally accepted at Fedco 12-2020, but was still not a final product. The Schedule would hopefully be presented in its final form at Fedco 12-2021.</p> <p>PM and AB confirmed that, with the extra workload, the KUSA Office had not been able to check the earlier version of the Schedule for anomalies, but every effort would be made to check the latest version and give feedback to the drafters.</p> <p>On a proposal from GR, seconded by RJ, Claire Patterson-Abrolat and Gaby Grohovaz were <b>accepted, unanimously</b>, to serve as Trick Dog Test Evaluators.</p> <p>The undertaking of the KUSA Office to check the latest version of the Trick Dog Test Schedule for compliance with KUSA Regulations in accordance with standard KUSA practices, was <b>noted</b>.</p>
	5.23.3	<p><b>Schedule 11 B - Regulations for Scent Work</b> (Fedco 12-2020 item 5.20)  <b>Note:</b> <i>The following ruling was made at Fedco 12-2020 item 5.20:</i>  <i>GR spoke to this proposal submitted via DOGSPC and, as she did in the case of item 5.19, JH urged the KUSA Office to peruse this Schedule to ensure that the KUSA Office was comfortable with its content, especially as related to fees and awards.</i></p> <p><i>From the general discussion, it appeared that there was general support for accommodating this activity under KUSA and, on a proposal from BJ, seconded by RJ, and <b>approved, unanimously</b>, the proposal was <b>accepted</b>.</i></p> <p><i>BJ said he hadn't studied the proposal in detail but trusted that the use of “live scent” was not permitted under the Scent Work Regulations. He urged the KUSA Office to make sure that the Regulations excluded the use of “live scent”.</i></p> <p><i>It was confirmed that, as in the case of Trick Dogs (item 5.19 - <b>now item 5.22 above</b>), Scent Work was deemed to be a Companion Event and its Regulations were therefore destined to form part of the new Companion Events Schedule contemplated under item 5.19 - <b>now item 5.22 above</b>.</i></p> <p>Work in progress (KUSA Office).</p> <p>The Chairman reminded PM and AB that the Scent Work Schedule also needed to be checked for anomalies and quoted the above Minute from Fedco 12-2020 pertaining to Scent Work as well as Trick Dog Test.</p> <p>PM acknowledged that both these Schedules needed to be subjected to rigorous scrutiny by the KUSA Office and thought she might involve Nadine Shortland in this exercise. The Chairman declared this to be an excellent idea.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
6		<b>BREED/LIAISON COUNCILS</b>

6.1		<b>Rottweiler Breed Council of KUSA (RBC)</b>
	6.1.1	<p><b>Amendments to Schedule 2 Appendix E - Rottweilers – Imported</b></p> <p>Housekeeping: Prepared and submitted by PM 18.01.2021 on behalf of RBC (in response to Mr Andries Botes’s application for registration of a bitch imported in whelp.) <i>Document attached to Agenda.</i></p> <p>On a proposal from LT, seconded by RJ, the above was <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	6.1.2	<p><b>Proposal to amend the current BA Schedule to allow for IGP Helpers previously qualified to officiate at RBC Breed Assessments in accordance with a decision at the RBC meeting of 29 November 2020.</b></p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in [<del>struck through square brackets</del>].</p> <p><b>Schedule 5F Regulations 9.1.3 &amp; 9.1.4 (BA &amp; BST)</b></p> <p>3.12 Equipment requirements</p> <p>3. 12.10 A KUSA approved IGP Helper, <u>including those IGP Helpers who have previously qualified but who have not necessarily maintained their status as required for IGP competition (Schedule 5J 5.1), provided they are members in good standing of KUSA.</u></p> <p><b>Motivation:</b> Recently, RBC member clubs have found it rather difficult to get current IGP-approved Helpers to officiate at their Breed Assessments or Breed Suitability Tests. The issue stems from a lack of Helpers that are “current” as per the IGP rules. The IGP National Convener has, in the past, given “dispensation for IGP Helpers who had previously qualified to officiate at these events, since they were not actual IGP trials, but rather breed-specific tests.</p> <p>The RBC proposes that the Breed Assessment requirements be amended to allow for previously qualified IGP Helpers to officiate at the Breed Assessments (where the dog does not actually grip the manwork sleeve during the Character Test).</p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by GM, the above proposal to permit previously-qualified IGP Helpers to officiate at Rottweiler Breed Assessments was <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	6.1.3	<p><b>National Sieger Title Awards to include a Character Test</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b> The current requirements for SA Sieger title are very similar to our Regional Sieger titles. We want to distinguish the importance of the National Titles and align them closer to International trends. The international trends are to include a character test on the same weekend of the show and award the Sieger Title to a dog of ideal looks and character. The ADRK has followed this thinking for decades, awarding the prestigious title only to the Working or Champions class.</p> <p>The International Federation of Rottweilers (IFR) has, in 2019, adopted the similar approach to award the Sieger Title only to the dog or bitch that has successfully passed and completed a Character Test evaluation on the same weekend as the show and was assessed as having passed the Character Test. Any dog failing the test, is still eligible to compete, or even be awarded the BoB award, but cannot be awarded the Sieger Title.</p> <p>We have debated this issue for a few years with the RBC clubs and recognise the importance of placing the emphasis of overall quality and working ability of the Rottweiler. In addition, we see the importance of aligning with International best practice and awarding a prestigious National Title. However, given where we currently are in South Africa, we propose that the Sieger Title award be made to a dog that has previously been awarded:</p>

1. Breed Suitability Test or
2. Character Test

Both these tests will provide reasonable character assessment of the dog's working ability, mental state, although it is not a requirement for full IGP.

**Proposed: (Effective 1 January 2022)**

1. Only applicable to National Sieger/Siegerin Titles (Regional Sieger shows remain unchanged)
2. Only a requirement for the National Adult Sieger/Siegerin Titles – over 24 months (the National Youth Sieger/Siegerin titles do not require it)
3. Entry must have passed either a BST or CT (New Character Test) obtained in South Africa
4. Entry must be the highest placed V1 graded (Excellent) dog in its Class
5. The CC/RCC and BiS and RBiS titles are unaffected, and these are judged per the normal KUSA Rottweiler Specialist rules
6. The Judge officiating at the National Sieger Show, may NOT judge a BST/CT 1 month prior to judging the Sieger Show

In the event that no V1 graded dogs have the required BST or CT, the National Sieger Title will be withheld for that year.

SCHEDULE 5E(18) – REGULATIONS FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN SIEGER SHOW attached to the Agenda. Insertions underlined and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~].

Clean copy attached to the Agenda to facilitate comparison.

We will also include a Character Test element, as part of the Breed Assessment and Breed Suitability Test schedule to facilitate the testing of the Character Test portion to exhibitors wanting to qualify for the National Sieger Title and make this more accessible to exhibitors.

SCHEDULE 5F 9.1.3 & 9.1.4 – BREED ASSESSMENT & SUITABILITY TEST PROCEDURE. Insertions underlined and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~].

Clean copy was also attached to the Agenda to facilitate comparison.

**Motivation:**

The aim of the test is not to establish the degree of training or the ability to successfully participate in trials, but to establish the presence and minimal intensity of the drives that are needed and typical for a utility dog. Not just the nature and intensity of reactions, grips and of the guard is to be established, but also the ability to change drives and to remain (self-)controlled at all times. Especially given the genetic stamp on the breed that the title may imply, the RBC wants to recognise and reward the complete Rottweiler, a utility breed.

All dogs that have the qualification, will be eligible to compete, and those that do not have the qualification, can continue to compete for CC and BiS, but will not be entitled to compete for the National Sieger Titles.

While it is acknowledged that, internationally, dogs must perform the Character Test in conjunction with the breed show, this may be a stretch initially. Therefore, we propose that the dogs having previously achieved the qualifications in South Africa, currently keep those for life, and remain eligible. We also hope to see an improvement in character training and breed tests performed.

On a proposal from GR, seconded by LT, the above amendments to Schedules 5E(18) and 5F to provide for Sieger winners to have previously passed a Breed Suitability Test or a Character Test, was **approved, unanimously**.

Effective 01.01.2022 but may be implemented immediately.

6.1.4 **Proposal to confine the “rider” with in the Rottweiler Breed Standard with regard to non-discrimination of between docked and undocked exhibits in the showing to dogs born before 1 January 2022.**

**Background:**

Currently the KUSA Rottweiler Breed Standard is the full ADRK/FCI Standard, but contains the following rider, the insertion of which was directed by Fedco in 2017 into the Breed Standards of all previously-docked breeds:

\*Regardless of the provisions of the current KUSA-adopted standard, docked and formerly docked breeds may be shown at all FCI- and KUSA-licensed shows in South Africa, whether their tails are docked, or natural. Under no circumstances are judges permitted to discriminate against exhibits on the grounds of docked, or natural tails and equal consideration for awards must be given to either.  
(Fedco 12/2017 amended 02/2018)

The RBC proposes that the rider in the Rottweiler Breed Standard be extended by the addition of the following underlined insertion: **The above rider is only applicable to dogs born before 1 January 2022.**

**Motivation:**

Many top International Judges ask us to explain how they are expected to equally evaluate a dog with a tail versus one without. Where an exhibit is presented with a natural tail, judges are still required to judge the tail. The dog exhibited with a tail will be judged entirely and, should a tail fault be observed, the dog will be penalised accordingly, which is expected. Another dog that was perhaps born with a tail fault and docked would enjoy an unfair advantage.

Our main concern is that, perhaps inadvertently, the current rider approved by Fedco is encouraging cosmetic surgery (docking), which has additional implications when breeders unknowingly breed to this dog and the genetic fault is perpetuated. In this day and age when managing the perception of our purebred dogsport is of critical importance, we cannot incur such reputational risk where a mere rider to a Breed Standard encourages breeders to amputate faults.

The RBC has implemented the judging of a full tail per the Breed Standard, and this has now been in place for about a decade. We no longer view our breed as a docked breed and, the removal of the rider eliminates ambiguity and encourages correct behaviour.

Discussion ensued on the wisdom of modifying the docking clause for one breed only and the Federal Councillors were invited, in turn, to express their views on the proposal. For a number of Fedco members, an important consideration was that the proposal had been put forward by one of only two Breed Councils in KUSA and that it therefore presumably reflected the collective view of all the Rottweiler Clubs in the country.

In view of the reservations expressed by some members of Fedco and the hesitancy detected in some of the comments, the Chairman was of the view that the matter could not be brought to resolution other than by means of a vote. She therefore called for a proposal.

GM, seconded by LT, called for the acceptance of the RBC’s proposal that the tail rider in the Rottweiler Breed Standard be extended by the addition of the following underlined insertion **\*“The above rider is only applicable to dogs born before 1 January 2022”**, which proposal **carried** on a vote of six (6) in favour and one (1) against, but supplemented by the following **extra text** as proposed by NdP:

**\*The decision to exclude dogs born after 1 January 2022 from the docking concession was taken by the Federal Council on the basis that this step towards ultimately phasing out tail-docking in the breed in line with the practice in the country of origin was petitioned by the Rottweiler Breed Council, representing all Specialist Rottweiler Clubs in South Africa.**

		<u>[Note: Only seven (7) Federal Councillors were present at the meeting on account of leave of absence having been granted to two (2) Federal Councillors on Saturday, as reported in Item 1 above.]</u>
	6.2	<b>Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council (FBCSA BC)</b>
	6.3	<b>GSD Liaison Council</b>
7		<b>GENERAL</b>
	7.1	<p><b>Lines of Communication</b> (KUSA Office, Fedco &amp; Exco) (Fedco Special Meeting item 3.1)</p> <p>KF explained the difficulties the KUSA Office had experienced with the current telephone system, which prompted the decision to instal a cloud-based system. Telephonic enquiries were a major source of frustration for the KUSA Office, coupled with members' demands to receive immediate answers and service. LT said that, for that very reason, very few companies provided immediate telephonic access to staff and she offered to bring some expertise to the table in order to assist the KUSA Office with the management of telephonic enquiries.</p> <p>PM and KF expressed their frustration about their personal mobile numbers being abused by members and others in contacting them by WhatsApp or by mobile phone at all hours in an attempt to "jump the queue". Apart from being intrusive, especially the frequent and persistent WhatsApp messaging was proving incredibly disruptive.</p> <p>It was <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, that email was the preferred method of communication with the KUSA Office and the members of Fedco and Exco were requested to observe this method of communication wherever possible. Skype was currently the designated platform for meetings, whereas WhatsApp messaging should be reserved for informal exchanges. KF said that he was currently looking into other applications for WhatsApp in KUSA's operations and must admit that there were some great solutions and fantastic offers available.</p> <p>The Chairman urged KF to consider compiling a circular to members to guide them in their future communication with the KUSA Office.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	7.2	<p><b>Proposal to terminate the use of the SA Post Office as KUSA's customary service provider for the dispatch of documents and goods.</b></p> <p>Proposed by the KUSA Office.</p> <p>Due to the volumes of returned, undelivered, or lost mail, it is no longer viable for KUSA to make use of the South African Post Office (SAPO) in the dispatch of documents. PostNet and Aramex currently offer reliable courier services - the one PostNet-to-PostNet and the other Store (Checkers or Pick n Pay)-to-Door – at a reasonable fee, both trackable. In the interest of security and speed, it is proposed that, as from 1 September 2021, KUSA should cease using the SAPO for dispatches and levy a Courier Fee from the consignee of a package prior to dispatch through either of the aforementioned service providers.</p> <p>The KUSA Office accepts that this change in the method of dispatch should be notified to all members, be publicised on the KUSA website and be amplified by way of regular alerts on the KUSA Facebook page. Documents will only be dispatched once the courier fee has been received.</p> <p>In essence, the following services would be subject to a payment of a Courier Fee:</p> <p>All forms of Registration which require the issuing and delivery of Registration Certificates and Health Certificates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transfers of Ownership, requiring the re-issuing of Registration Certificates</li> <li>• Re-issuing of any Registration Certificates, except in the case of bona fide Office errors</li> <li>• Issuing of Replacement (duplicate copies of) Registration Certificates</li> <li>• Issuing of Registered Affix Certificates</li> <li>• Issuing of Export Pedigrees</li> <li>• Issuing of Champion, Grand Champion, Supreme Champion and Junior Merit Certificates</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dispatching of Award Certificates, Workbooks and Record Cards</li> <li>• Dispatching of National Award Certificates</li> <li>• Dispatching of Canine Good Citizen Packs</li> <li>• Sending All-breeds Judges' Badges upon qualification</li> </ul> <p>The Subscription and Fees document issued pursuant to Schedule 7 will be amended to make all services involving the dispatch of documents or goods subject to the payment of the Courier Fee. The request and payment for one or more of the above services (inclusive of the Courier Fee) must be accompanied by a Courier Delivery Form (downloadable from the KUSA website) on which the consignee can indicate his/her preference of Courier Service and provide the essential information applicable to the particular Courier Service.</p> <p>It should be borne in mind that, once the much-anticipated KUSA Online Transaction Portal is operational, Members would be able to download and print their own Registration Certificates. Original copies of Registration Certificates will only be issued and dispatched by the KUSA Office upon application and receipt of the required Courier Fee.</p> <p>To facilitate the identification of services requiring dispatches, it is proposed that a <i>Note</i> be inserted as part of the heading of the Subscriptions &amp; Fees document, issued pursuant to Schedule 7, worded in substantially the following manner:</p> <p><i>Due to the extremely high volumes of returned, undelivered or lost mail, KUSA no longer makes use of the SA Postal Services. Prices below DO NOT include Courier Fees to enable courier delivery. Please add R99.00 [or whatever amount is decided] to the services highlighted in blue [or another colour] to enable courier delivery via Aramex or PostNet and complete and submit the COURIER DELIVERY FORM, which can be downloaded here.</i></p> <p>It is contemplated that the <i>Note</i> as well as the services which will attract the Courier Fee will be banded in blue [or another colour] for ease of identification of services involving dispatches and, therefore, Courier Fees.</p> <p>A debate ensued on the implementation on future courier-delivery, considering the cost implications for the users of KUSA's services. PM confirmed that there was a "heap of undelivered mail" at the KUSA Office, which needed to be sifted through every time there was an enquiry related to the non-receipt of documentation. KF said that he had done some research into the services on offer from PostNet and Aramex and had also received a "cold call" from a service called Calibri.</p> <p>Fedco ultimately <b>concluded</b> that dispatches via the SAPO needed to be phased out due to its unreliable service and that it should be left to the KUSA Office to pursue the most suitable and convenient courier solution(s). For the moment, previously "postage free" dispatches should be banded in colour in accordance with the proposal above to indicate that they would attract a courier fee. It was <b>noted</b> that, in the case of Registration Certificates, whether sent to the breeder, or directly to new owners, a courier fee would only be a factor until the implementation of digital delivery of Registration Certificates.</p> <p>It was further agreed that a circular should be sent to members to prepare them for the introduction of courier charges.</p> <p>Proposed CI, seconded GM.</p>
8		<b>MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIRMAN</b>
	8.1	<p><b>German Shepherd Dog Federation of South Africa (GSDFSA) vs Department of Agriculture, Land Reform &amp; Rural Development (DALRRD) and Others</b></p> <p>NdP updated Fedco on developments in this case.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
	8.2	<p><b>Participation of Non-members in KUSA Events whose presence there is, for whatever reason, not considered conducive to a harmonious and peaceful Show environment</b></p>



The Chairman alerted Fedco to the fact that, people participating in KUSA-licensed Shows and Events, who were **not** members of KUSA, found themselves comfortably outside the reach of KUSA's Disciplinary Rules. In other words, they could not be disciplined for the same offences KUSA-members were liable to be disciplined for.

It was pointed out that non-members participating in KUSA-licensed Shows and Events essentially fell into the following three categories:

- People who did not hold membership of KUSA, but attended Shows as the employees, assistants, or guests of the Registered Owners whose dogs were entered at the Show, or as the handlers of Registered Owners' dogs.
- People who had held membership of KUSA, but had allowed their membership to lapse, but attended Shows as the employees, assistants, or guests of the Registered Owners whose dogs were entered at the Show, or as the handlers of Registered Owners' dogs.
- People who had held membership of KUSA, but had allowed their membership to lapse and, on application to re-join, had been refused, but attended Shows as the employees, assistants, or guests of the Registered Owners whose dogs were entered at the Show, or as the handlers of Registered Owners' dogs.

It has been brought to the attention of certain Federal Councillors that discreditable behaviour of non-KUSA-members while attending KUSA-licensed Shows or Events was becoming an increasing problem for show-holding Clubs. Several KUSA members have expressed their disenchantment with the situation, to the point of openly advocating that KUSA was applying "double-standards" by subjecting loyal members to strict codes and rules, whereas others were free to do as they pleased. The guidance of the Legal Adviser was therefore sought on ways in which non-members might be brought within reach of KUSA's Disciplinary Rules.

The Legal Adviser stressed the importance of the **DISCLAIMER** and **RIGHT OF ADMISSIONS RESERVED** Notices being on prominent display at all show venues, either as composite Notices, or separate Notices. He reminded all present that the suggested wording for these Notices was agreed at Fedco 06-2020 as follows:

#### **DISCLAIMER**

*Those entering and/or lingering on these premises do so entirely at their own risk and agree, on behalf of themselves and on behalf of those accompanying them, e.g. their invitees, guests and/or minor children, that (insert name of show-holding Club) and/or the Kennel Union of Southern Africa, their Members, Officers, Officials, Employees and/or Representatives, shall not be liable for the bodily harm or death of any person, or the loss or destruction of, or damage to, any property or belongings brought onto the premises, howsoever arising or resulting from any act, omission, or conduct of those entering or present on these premises.*

#### **RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED**

By displaying a Notice "Right of Admission Reserved" the show-holding Club reserved the right to instruct any person conducting him(her)self in a manner which was not conducive to a harmonious and peaceful atmosphere at the Show to leave the showgrounds. Should the Show Manager fail to convince the person to remove him(her)self from the showgrounds, the show-holding Club was entitled to summon the South African Police Service to the showgrounds to take charge of the situation.

The Legal Adviser further recommended that the Owner of a dog entered at a Show/Event, in other words, a person holding KUSA membership, ought to be held liable under Schedule 1 for the actions of those who act as his(her) agent(s), handler(s), representative(s), employee(s), guest(s) and assistant(s) at a KUSA-licensed Show or Event. This could be achieved by making certain amendments to the Declarations on Entry Forms and the Regulations in Schedules 1 & 3, by which Registered Owners are bound when entering a Show/Event.

The following amendments were proposed:

Insertions underlined and deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~]

**Amendments to the Declaration of the Registered Owner/Authorised Agent on the Show Entry Form:**

By attaching my signature to this form, or where the form is submitted electronically, by inserting my full name and surname I, the Registered Owner of, or I, the Authorised Agent for, the dog hereby entered for exhibition, affirm that I have read and understood the full contents of this Entry Form and hereby declare that:

1. I am aware that only Members of the Kennel Union are entitled to enter and have dogs in their registered ownership compete in any Championship Dog Show, Championship Obedience Class, Championship Working Trial, or any other Championship event licensed by the Kennel Union, save for Breed Classes offered at Specialist Club Championship Shows where entries will also be open to non-members, and am in full compliance with this requirement at the time of entry and shall remain in full compliance up to and including the time of exhibition of the dog hereby entered.
2. \*The dog hereby entered is eligible to be exhibited at a KUSA-licensed Dog Show and its Registration Certificate is free from any endorsement restricting such exhibition.
3. By entering, exhibiting or handling a dog at any Show held under a Kennel Union licence, or by permitting a dog in my registered ownership to be so exhibited or handled by another person who is not a member in good standing of KUSA, I agree to be bound by the KUSA Constitution in its entirety, including all the Schedules thereto ("the Constitution").
4. I am aware that it is against the Constitution for a dog that has either suffered from, or been exposed to, any infectious or contagious disease(s) within six (6) weeks prior to the Show, or that is suffering from such disease(s) at the time of the Show, to attend a Show and that the contravention of this Regulation might render me liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 1 Rule 4.
5. That the dog hereby entered for exhibition is entered to be exhibited entirely at my own risk. Accordingly, unless specifically authorised to be off-lead by a Judge while in the ring carrying out a licensed activity as part of the competition, or while engaged in a practice session prior to participating in the Show, I shall ensure that the dog hereby entered is at all times properly confined, either in an animal crate of suitable size, or on a lead/leash, either hand-held, or securely anchored.
6. I acknowledge that a dog is capable of causing damage, injury or harm to other dogs, persons or property at the Show and I accept full responsibility for the safety and behaviour of the dog hereby entered for the duration of the Show, to the extent that I accept personal liability in respect of any claim made in respect of any damage or injury caused by the dog and/or my failure to adequately prevent such catastrophe.
7. I indemnify KUSA, its Officials and Officers, the KUSA-affiliated show-holding Club and its Officers, and any employee(s) of the Club, against any and all claims of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising that may be levelled against them, jointly or severally, in respect of any damage or injury or harm caused by the dog hereby entered and/or any failure on my part to adequately control the dog, or arising out of any act, omission, conduct or utterance by me, my appointed agent(s), handler(s), representative(s) or employee(s).
8. I am fully responsible and liable for any damage, injury, or harm caused to any person, animal or property arising out of any action by a minor child for whom I am legally responsible, and who may be accompanying me, or handling the dog hereby entered, such legal responsibility to continue for the duration of the Show and thereafter during the continued presence of the child on the grounds or in the buildings or amenities where the Show is held. I indemnify and hold harmless KUSA, its Officials and Officers, the KUSA-affiliated show-holding Club, and the Officers and employees of the Club, against any and all claims of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising that may be levelled against them, jointly or severally, in respect of any damage, harm or injury caused by any minor child for whom I am legally responsible at the Show.
9. I am fully responsible and liable for any damage, injury, or harm caused to any person, animal or property arising out of any action of a person attending the Show as my employee, assistant

or quest and who may, or may not, handle the dog hereby entered, such legal responsibility to continue for the duration of the Show and thereafter during the continued presence of the person on the grounds or in the buildings or amenities where the Show is held. I indemnify and hold harmless KUSA, its Officials and Officers, the KUSA-affiliated show-holding Club, and the Officers and employees of the Club, against any and all claims of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising that may be levelled against them, jointly or severally, in respect of any damage, harm or injury caused by any person attending the show as my employee, guest, assistant or handler of my dogs entered at the Show. I further understand and accept that disciplinary action may be lodged against me in this regard as provided for in terms of Schedule 1 Rule 2.3.2.

10. My appointed agent(s), handler(s), representative(s), employee(s), guest(s), assistant(s), any minor children for whom I am legally responsible, and the dog hereby entered for exhibition, shall enter the Show premises, buildings and amenities entirely at my/their own risk and I hereby indemnify and hold harmless KUSA, its Officials, Officers, Members, employees and agents, from and against any and all claims, damages, injury, death, liabilities, judgements, awards, costs, losses and expenses (including all forms of legal fees) caused by, or resulting from, any of the aforesaid at the Show.
11. I am familiar with Schedule 3 Regulation 44 with regard to the cancellation or postponement of Shows and the refund or retention (fully or partially) of Show Entry Fees and unreservedly accept and agree to it.
12. This Entry Form and the information recorded on it is complete, accurate and true and the document is entirely free of misstatement or any false declaration.
13. Should any information on this Entry Form be found to be inaccurate or fraudulent to any degree whatsoever, I am aware that I may be liable for disciplinary action in terms of Schedule 1 Rule 4, resulting in any awards and/or prizes won by the dog hereby entered being withdrawn and/or cancelled.

**\*This insertion is applicable to Item 8.6 and is reflected here for purpose of context and numbering only.**

#### **Amendments to Schedule 1 Rule 2:**

#### **2. SUBJECT OF A COMPLAINT**

Unless the context indicates otherwise, a complaint may be lodged against:

- 2.1 a Provincial Council ("PC");
- 2.2 a KUSA affiliated Club ("Club");
- 2.3 a member of KUSA "(member)";
- 2.3.1 as the subject of the complaint in his/her personal capacity, or
- 2.3.2 as the person responsible for agent(s), handler(s), representative(s), employee(s), guest(s) and assistant(s), attending Shows or Events in any of these capacities, and for whose conduct the KUSA member has accepted responsibility, or any minor children accompanying the member of KUSA and for whom he/she has accepted responsibility, as per the Declaration of the Registered Owner/Authorised Agent on the Official Show Entry Form.
- 2.4 a person making application to KUSA for the registration or transfer of a dog or the registration of an affix;
- 2.5 a person exhibiting or handling a dog at a show or other event held under a KUSA licence;
- 2.6 a person appointed to officiate or judge at a show or event held under a KUSA licence or sanctioned by KUSA, who has violated a condition of a judge's or other agreement or who has acted in a improper, disgraceful, or discreditable manner during the execution of his or her judging assignment;
- 2.7 any person holding membership of any Club affiliated to KUSA; or
- 2.8 any member or person who has been elected or appointed to serve on any Club Committee, PC, or Sub-Committee established in terms of the KUSA Constitution or approved Club or PC Constitution.

#### **Amendments to Schedule 3 Regulation 7:**

#### **7. ENTRY FOR EXHIBITION**

		<p>7.1 The Show Secretary shall be held responsible for reporting any known violation of Regulation 7, which may be dealt with under Rule [2]4, Disciplinary Rules (Schedule 1).</p> <p>7.2 stet</p> <p>7.3 stet</p> <p>7.4 stet</p> <p>7.5 <u>No part of the Declaration of the Registered Owner/Authorised Agent as it appears on the official KUSA Show Entry Form may be deleted, redacted or amended so as to render such part not applicable for purposes of attestation and any such Show Entry Form must be discarded and the entry not accepted by the Show Secretary. Should the Show Secretary inadvertently accept such entry, the deleted, redacted or amended parts thereof shall remain in force and be regarded as binding on the Registered Owner/Authorised Agent.</u></p> <p>7.6 stet</p> <p>7.7 stet</p> <p>7.8 stet</p> <p>7.9 stet</p> <p>7.10 stet</p> <p>7.11 stet</p> <p>7.12 Any exhibitor who enters a dog after disqualification under Regulation 32 is liable to disciplinary action under Rule [2]4, Disciplinary Rules (Schedule 1).</p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously.</b> Proposed NdP, seconded BJ. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
8.3		<p><b>Labrador Retriever Kennel Club - Non-standard Colours</b></p> <p>Exco had referred to Fedco a document prepared by the Labrador Retriever Kennel Club containing a detailed motivation for KUSA to regulate the registration of imported dogs purported to be Labrador Retrievers, affected by the dilute gene, resulting in non-standard (“designer”) colours such as silver, charcoal and champagne. To counter the proliferation of such non-standard colours in South Africa, the following was proposed in the document:</p> <p>That the following wording be included in Appendix E of Schedule 02 “Regulations for the Classification, Registration and Transfer of the Registered Ownership of Dogs”:</p> <p>Retriever (Labrador) – Imported</p> <p>An imported Retriever (Labrador) may only be placed on the KUSA Breed Register upon presentation of a clear test result for the dilute colour gene for the dog in question, from a recognised genetic laboratory in the country of origin or South Africa, or by being proven hereditarily clear, of either carrying the Dilute gene (“Dd”), or of being affected by the Dilute gene (“dd”). For the avoidance of doubt, the test result must reflect a result for the D Locus of “DD” for the dog, or for both its parents, to be eligible for Breed Registration.</p> <p>In order to govern imported semen, we request that the following wording be included in Appendix C of Schedule 02 “Breed Specific Litter Registration Requirements”:</p> <p>Retriever (Labrador) Litters</p> <p>No offspring from imported Retriever (Labrador) semen, collected on or after 1 October 2021, may be placed on the KUSA Breed Register, unless a clear test result for the dilute colour gene for the dog in question can be produced, either from a recognised genetic laboratory in the country of origin or South Africa; or, the semen donor can be proven to be hereditarily clear of either carrying the Dilute gene (“Dd”), or of being affected by the Dilute gene (“dd”). For the avoidance of doubt, the importer must furnish the KUSA with proof of a Dilute gene result of “DD” for the semen donor, or for both his parents, in order for the litters sired by the donor to be eligible for Breed Registration.</p>

The above proposal was considered by Fedco and the KUSA Office and Fedco re-confirmed its earlier decision **not** to expand on Schedule 2 Appendix “C”. The KUSA Office was, however, of the view that the Club’s second proposal could be adequately accommodated in Appendix “E” and tabled the following amendments to the Schedule:

Insert underlined and renumber Appendix “E”, now using the 1, 1.1, 1.1.1 numbering convention.

**SCHEDULE 2  
APPENDIX “E”**

**Breed Specific Requirements for Imported & Exported Dogs and Imported Semen**

**1. KUSA Recognised Breeds**

A Certified Export Pedigree may only be issued to a dog that has been micro-chipped and has a standardised international marker DNA profile.

**2. Irish (Red) Setters – Imported**

- 2.1. No imported Irish (Red) Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of Canine Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency (CLAD).
- 2.2. No imported Irish (Red) Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd 1 (PRA rcd 1 -early onset).
- 2.3. No imported Irish (Red) Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd 4 (LOPRA4 – late onset).

**3. Irish (Red) Setters Exported**

- 3.1. No Export Pedigree will be issued by KUSA for an Irish (Red) Setter unless DNA tested or proven hereditarily CLEAR of Canine Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency and Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd1.
- 3.2. All Export Pedigrees will be issued with an Annex to Certificate of Registration (Health Certificate) reflecting Canine Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency (CLAD) and Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd1 (PRA rcd 1) CLEAR status in addition to other Health Screening Test results undertaken i.e. LOPRA rcd 4 DNA testing and Hip Dysplasia (HD) scores.

**4. Irish Red & White Setters Imported**

- 4.1. No imported Irish Red & White Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of Canine Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency (CLAD).
- 4.2. No imported Irish Red & White Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of von Willebrands Disease (vWD).

**5. Irish Red & White Setters Exported**

- 5.1. No Export Pedigree will be issued by KUSA for an Irish Red & White Setter unless DNA tested CLEAR or proven hereditarily clear of Canine Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency.
- 5.2. All Export Pedigrees will be issued with an Annex to Certificate of Registration (Health Certificate) reflecting Leucocyte Adhesion Deficiency (CLAD) CLEAR status in addition to the results of any other Health Screening Test results undertaken for i.e. von Willebrands Disease (vWD) and Hip Dysplasia (HD) scores.

**6. Gordon Setters – Imported**

- 6.1. No imported Gordon Setter will be placed on the KUSA Breed Register unless cleared either by DNA testing or by being proven hereditarily CLEAR of Late Onset Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd4 (LOPRA rcd 4).

## **7. Gordon Setters – Exported**

- 7.1. All Export Pedigrees will be issued with an Annex to Certificate of Registration (Health Certificate) reflecting the Health Screen Test results undertaken for Late Onset Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd 4 (LOPRA rcd 4) and Hip Dysplasia (HD) scores.

DNA Testing for LOPRA rcd 4 in Irish (Red) Setters and Gordon Setters to commence by no later than 31.12.2012.

## **8. Retriever (Labrador) – Imported**

- 8.1. An imported Retriever (Labrador) may only be placed on the KUSA Breed Register upon presentation of a clear test result for the dilute colour gene for the dog in question, from a recognised genetic laboratory in the country of origin or South Africa, or by being proven hereditarily clear, of either carrying the Dilute gene (“Dd”), or of being affected 2 by the Dilute gene (“dd”). For the avoidance of doubt, the test result must reflect a result for the D Locus of “DD” for the dog, or for both its parents, to be eligible for Breed Registration.
- 8.2. No offspring from imported Retriever (Labrador) semen, collected on or after 1 October 2021, may be placed on the KUSA Breed Register, unless a clear test result for the dilute colour gene for the dog in question can be produced, either from a recognised genetic laboratory in the country of origin or South Africa; or, the semen donor can be proven to be hereditarily clear of either carrying the Dilute gene (“Dd”), or of being affected by the Dilute gene (“dd”). For the avoidance of doubt, the importer must furnish the KUSA with proof of a Dilute gene result of “DD” for the semen donor, or for both his parents, in order for the litters sired by the donor to be eligible for Breed Registration.

## **9. Rottweilers – Imported**

- 9.1. All Rottweilers being imported under twelve (12) months of age must be screened in South Africa once the animal is at least eighteen (18) months. Any HD/ED gradings given to Rottweilers under twelve (12) months of age are not accepted.
- 9.2. HD requirements for the importation of Rottweilers or semen for breeding or Championship purposes:
- 9.2.1. The animal must be x-rayed and scored over the age of twelve (12),
- 9.2.2. The animal must receive an official FCI/ADRK grading according to FCI/ADRK Regulations,
- 9.2.3. Any grading given must either be performed or endorsed by the Veterinary University of the country, ADRK or hip dysplasia panel of the country. This must be clearly reflected on the official HD/ED certificate. Alternatively, the grading veterinarian must be officially recognised (in writing) by the Veterinary University of the country as being qualified to perform gradings according to the FCI system.
- OR**
- 9.2.4. Animals receiving an official recognised grading in a country (as per list lodged with KUSA by RBC) over the age of twelve (12) months are accepted.  
The following additional list of institutions is currently lodged with KUSA by RBC as approved:

- Germany
  - GRSK- Gesellschaft für Röntgendiagnostik genetisch beeinflusster Skeletterkrankungen bei Kleintieren e.V
- Italy - ENCI - Ente Nazionale della Cinofilia Italiana
  - Centrale Di Lettura Delle Malattie Scheletriche Gentetiche e/o Ereditarie Del Cane (CeLeMaSche) - <http://www.celemasche.it>
  - Fondazione Salute Animale (FSA) - <http://www.fondazionealutemeanale.it>
- Serbia - Kennel Club of Serbia
  - Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Belgrade, Belgrade
  - Veterinary practice "Novak", Belgrade
  - Veterinary practice "Alessandra", Belgrade
  - Veterinary practice "Pan Vet", Subotica
  - "PVS Pet Company", Nis

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ "PET-VET", Novi Sad</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "ROYALVET", Belgrade</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "VETLAND", Vrsac</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "LEO", Novi Sad</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "BARAK", Sombor</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "VET MAGIC", Jagodina</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "INTERVET"</li> <li>○ Veterinary practice "Ambulanta NS Vet"</li> </ul> <p>Alternatively: 9.2.5 If the dog fails to meet the above requirements, the animal must be re-graded in South Africa over the age of eighteen (18) months.</p> <p>The above proposal from the Labrador Retriever Kennel Club and the manner of accommodation proposed by the KUSA Office was <b>accepted, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Proposed RJ, seconded LT. Effective 01.10.2021.</p>
	8.4	<p><b>Amendment to Condition 3 of the KUSA Membership Application Form and the KUSA Membership Renewal Form</b></p> <p>By expecting a new or renewing member to attest to the <b>Current Condition 3</b>...</p> <p><i>3. I confirm that I have not now or have ever been suspended to expelled from KUSA, or any Club, Registry or Association concerned with animals</i></p> <p>...KUSA was publicly acknowledging the validity of "registries" which were not recognised by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) and therefore operating without any legal base. Moreover, the concept of "concerned with animals" was too broad and had the potential of excluding people from holding KUSA membership under the flimsiest of pretexts.</p> <p>It was proposed the current <b>Condition 3</b> be replaced by the following:</p> <p><u>3. I confirm that I have not in the past been suspended or expelled by KUSA, or by another Registering Authority accredited by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform &amp; Rural Development (DALRRD), for any breach of their Codes of Conduct, or Ethics, and further confirm that I have not been expelled from any legitimate Club or Association on account of having been found guilty in a Court of Law, or by the Club's/Association's duly constituted Disciplinary Committee, of cruelty to animals.</u></p> <p><b>Approved, unanimously.</b> Proposed GR, seconded DS. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
	8.5	<p><b>Deaths of People in the Dog World</b></p> <p>The Chairman reminded the Provincial Council members of Fedco that it was customary for the Provincial Councils to circulate a notice, or brief obituary, when they were advised of the death of a "dog person" in their provinces. However, with the dog world being small and with many of its participants known outside their provinces of residence, the Chairman requested that, as a courtesy to other provinces, notices or obituaries also be sent to the Chairmen and Secretaries of the other Provincial Councils.</p> <p>All present <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, that this was a good idea and that it should be left to the Chairmen and/or Secretaries in each province to decide whether to on-distribute such death notices received from other provinces.</p>
	8.6	<p><b>Expansion of Schedule 2 Regulation 16 – Breeders' Restrictions (Endorsements)</b></p> <p>Submitted by the Executive Committee.</p>

		<p>Many dogs being bred display unfavourable breed traits that do not accord with their Breed Standards and/or suffer from congenital conditions. Responsible breeders normally sell dogs so afflicted under explicit agreements that, although they were registered on the KUSA Breed Registry, they should not be bred from, or exhibited. Examples were dogs displaying physical deformities, or undesirable breed characteristics, or that have a genetic predisposition likely to produce progeny with an incorrect coat, coat colour, eye colour, markings, size, or even with genetic deformities, congenital ailments or diseases.</p> <p>The current Breeder's Restrictions (Endorsements) provided in Schedule 2 Regulation 16 do not assist responsible breeders in their quest to restrict the dogs with undesirable features, characteristics or ailments being bred from, or publicly exhibited. It was not sufficient to restrict these actions by contract only; they also needed to be restricted on the Registration Certificate issued by KUSA.</p> <p>Schedule 2 Regulation 16 currently provided for two endorsements only:</p> <p>N/P – Progeny not eligible for Registration N/E – Not eligible for the issue of an Export Pedigree</p> <p>It was proposed that the intention of the N/P endorsement should be more clearly stated in the Regulations and that a dog's ineligibility to be publicly exhibited should be provided for. Accordingly, the following <b>amendments to Schedule 2 Regulation 16</b> were recommended:</p> <p>Insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions in <del>[struck through square brackets]</del>.</p> <p><b>16. BREEDERS' RESTRICTIONS (ENDORSEMENTS)</b> The owner (breeder) of a puppy shall be entitled to request KUSA to place any or all of the following endorsements on its records of a dog upon initial registration, and mark the relevant application form for the registration of a litter accordingly, using the applicable symbols. N/[P]B <del>[Progeny n]</del> <u>Not [eligible] authorised for [Registration]Breeding.</u> N/S Not Eligible for exhibition at a KUSA <u>Breed Dog Show.</u> N/E Not eligible for the issue of an Export Pedigree. Any endorsement imposed by the breeder in terms of this Regulation <del>[can]</del><u>may</u> only be lifted at the written request of the person imposing it, or their heirs or executors.</p> <p>The above proposal was <b>approved, unanimously</b>, subject to the amendments in <b>red</b>. Proposed GR, seconded DS. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p> <p>It was further advisable for a Registered Owner/Authorised Agent to attest to the absence of an N/S endorsement on the dog's Registration Certificate as part of the Declaration on the Official Show Entry Form.</p> <p>It was therefore proposed that the Official Show Entry Form be amended by inserting a new Declaration 2 (also refer to the full Declaration under Item 8.2 where the insertion appears in <b>red</b>):</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>2. The dog hereby entered is eligible to be exhibited at a KUSA-licensed Dog Show and its Registration Certificate is free from any endorsement restricting such exhibition.</u></p> <p>The above proposal was <b>approved, unanimously</b>. Proposed GR, seconded DS. Effective 01.10.2021, but may be implemented immediately.</p>
8.7		<p><b>Renewal of the lease at Bree Castle Building, Bree Street, Cape Town</b></p> <p>The Chairman invited PM to address Fedco on the post-2021 location of the KUSA Offices.</p> <p>PM reminded the members of Fedco that the lease for the 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> Floors of Bree Castle Building, 68 Bree Street, Cape Town, was due to expire on 31 October 2021 and that three months' notice had to be given in the case of non-renewal. Following the downsizing of KUSA in 2020, and in anticipation of the</p>



2021 lease renewal, the decision was taken by the KUSA Office last year, as reported to Fedco, to vacate the staff from the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor and to accommodate the substantially reduced staff complement on the 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, comprising 209 square metres.

The rationale was that, should it be concluded that KUSA needed to continue to lease office space in Bree Castle Building, it would be **one** Floor only. This meant that a solution needed to be found for the surplus furniture on the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, including the Board Room table and chairs, as well as the books, magazines and papers constituting the KUSA Library, which occupied the shelving in the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room.

The Chairman informed Fedco that the Budget Committee (JH & GR) had met with PM & KF ahead of Fedco 06-2021 to discuss the advisability of KUSA's remaining in the Bree Castle Building post 2021 and requested GR to report to Fedco on the discussion.

GR informed Fedco that, in his view, it would be unwise for KUSA to renew the Bree Castle lease for a further term. The building was in a parlous state with a number of its amenities in disrepair. For instance, the air-conditioning units were perpetually on the blink and the rickety lifts were often out of order, forcing staff to use the stairs. The toilet facilities were barely adequate and certainly well below the expectation of staff and visitors. The location of the building in downtown Cape Town also posed serious safety concerns for staff approaching their workplace in the morning and leaving in the afternoon.

GR recommended that new premises be sought in a location – a business hub – in suburban Cape Town which would be convenient for staff to reach by public transport and that the necessary budgetary provision be made to vacate Bree Castle Building later this year. Should Management be unable to source ideal premises prior to the move, the necessary arrangements needed to be made for staff to work from home during the bridging period.

NdP agreed with GR and added that Bree Castle Building no longer met the required safety standards employees expected from their workplace. In his view, new premises should be found as a matter of urgency to serve as the headquarters of KUSA. He expressed the view that a substantial amount of money was being spent on leasing office space, whereas these funds could be more effectively used towards paying off a bond on premises which might one day be fully owned by KUSA.

LT wholeheartedly agreed with NdP and was of the view that a suitable "house with business rights" in suburban Cape Town should not be too difficult to find. She also made mention of the impossible parking situation at or near Bree Castle Building, which effectively rendered the KUSA Office out of bounds for those who wanted to deliver something, or visit KUSA's headquarters.

A general discussion took place and it was **agreed, unanimously**, to terminate the lease at Bree Castle Building, 68 Bree Street, Cape Town, and for KUSA to source premises elsewhere, making whatever interim arrangement that would prove the least disruptive to KUSA's operations.

With the decision made to vacate Bree Castle Building, PM sought a decision from Fedco on KUSA's movable assets, in essence office furniture surplus to requirement, books, magazines and papers in the KUSA Library, memorabilia and paraphernalia donated to KUSA by Clubs and NCOs, trophies and shields (some still used, and others no longer being presented), figurines, paintings and framed photographs.

After discussion it was **decided, unanimously**, that as much as possible of value, whether monetary or sentimental, should be preserved and ultimately accommodated at the new premises. It might be necessary for some judicious "cleaning out" to be done of the books, magazines and papers in the KUSA Library prior to the move and that duplicate volumes might have to be donated to the National Library in Cape Town. During the period spent on searching for new premises, the books, memorabilia, trophies and *objets d'art* might have to be kept in storage and, after settling in the new premises with the most desirable assets once again on display, magazines and papers with research potential could remain in storage until such time as a customised structure could be prepared, or erected, at the new KUSA headquarters to accommodate them.

		<p>Regarding the surplus furniture, there was <b>general agreement</b> to the KUSA Office's proposal that the pieces should be offered for sale, either directly, or by auction.</p> <p>Proposed RJ, seconded GR. Effective immediately.</p>
8.8		<p><b>Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), No. 4 of 2013 – appointment of an Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer</b></p> <p>The Chairman informed Fedco that, over the past two weeks, she has done considerable amount of research into the POPIA, with which all organisations involved in the collection, holding and processing of people's personal information would need to comply in a proportionate and demonstrable manner by 1 July 2021. She further reported that CI had introduced her to Ms Sandy du Preez, a relative and KUSA member, currently employed by InfoSecEnforcer, who had offered to assist KUSA with its compliance with the POPIA.</p> <p>The urgent first step was to appoint an Information Officer and a Deputy Information Officer. From her research and the advice obtained, the Chairman advised that these two appointments needed to be made at the most senior level in KUSA. She therefore recommended that PM be appointed Information Officer and KF Deputy Information Officer.</p> <p>PM and KF accepted the appointments and, on a proposal from JH, seconded by RJ, and <b>approved, unanimously</b>, they were duly appointed KUSA's Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer under the POPIA.</p> <p>Effective immediately.</p> <p>The Chairman urged PM and KF to register on the portal of the Department of Justice as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>NdP said that he was pleased that KUSA had secured professional assistance on POPIA-compliance and declared himself available to assist should matters of legal interpretation arise.</p>
	8.8.1	<p><b>Amendments to Provincial Council Constitutions, Club Constitutions, Breed Council Constitutions and Liaison Council Constitutions to provide for the requirements under the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA)</b></p> <p>As set out in the recently-distributed document from the KUSA Office, part of Provincial Councils', Affiliated Clubs', Breed Councils' and Liaison Councils' POPIA compliance is the appointment of an Information Officer and a discretionary Deputy Information Officer. This requirement needed to be provided for in the Constitutions of the above-mentioned KUSA organisational structures, compelling the appointment of an Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer as part of AGM proceedings in the case of Provincial Councils, Breed Councils and Liaison Councils and, in the case of Affiliated Clubs, either as part of the AGM, or part of the Committee Meeting following the AGM, depending on the provisions of the Club Constitution.</p> <p>The position regarding the Constitutions of the identified structures was currently as follows:</p> <p><b>Provincial Councils</b> As per Fedco's <b>directive</b>, GR was charged to maintain the homogenous Provincial Council Constitutions and would therefore be able to make the necessary POPIA amendment to all the Constitutions and distribute them to the various Provincial Councils for adoption and signature. Should there be any housekeeping adjustments to the PC Constitutions, such as the expanded clause dealing with virtual meetings subsequently developed for Club Constitutions, this could also be included.</p> <p><b>Clubs</b> The POPIA-clause needed to be inserted into the various Specimen Constitutions and Clubs should be encouraged to adopt new constitutions containing the POPIA-clause as a matter of urgency. GR was charged with assisting Clubs to adopt "new generation" constitutions which provided for POPIA compliance. This was obviously a process which needed to be accomplished over time.</p>

### **Breed Councils**

- The **Rottweiler Breed Council**'s Constitution was an outdated document and in need of updating. The Chairman undertook to speak to the Chairman of the RBC about adopting a "new generation" Constitution, but mentioned to Fedco that he was currently indisposed and that she would need to wait for his recovery before having this conversation.
- The **Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council** had a fairly recent Constitution, but without the POPIA-clause. The Chairman undertook to contact the Chairman of the **Federation of Boxer Clubs of SA Breed Council** with a view to the Committee reviewing the FBCSABC Constitution and submitting it with any proposed changes to GR for vetting and insertion of the POPIA-clause.

### **Liaison Councils**

- The Constitution of the **German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council** was also relatively new and the Chairman also undertook to contact the Chairman of the GSDLC with a request to review the Constitution and submit it for the insertion of the POPIA-clause.
- The Constitution of the **Field Trails Liaison Council** was old and would probably require a thorough review to bring it in line with the "new generation" Constitutions. The Chairman undertook to consult with Dr Alan Kloeck on the best way the FTLC's adoption of a fresh Constitution could be achieved.

NdP made it clear that this was a statutory obligation placed on all "private bodies", including the stand-alone structures under KUSA's oversight. Accordingly, he believed it was appropriate for KUSA to **direct** its enabled structures to provide for this statutory obligation in their Constitutions, as they would have been compelled to do with any other statute or by-law regulating the structure's activities on a macro level.

It was accordingly **decided, unanimously**, for Fedco to **direct** KUSA-enabled structures, in particular the **Provincial Councils, Affiliated Clubs, Breed Councils** and **Liaison Councils**, to expeditiously take the necessary steps to upgrade their Constitutions to the most recent versions and, at the same time, to provide for POPIA-compliance.

Proposed GR, seconded NdP.  
Effective upon publication of these Minutes.

GR reminded the Federal Council that, since it would be incumbent on KUSA to oversee its structures' commitment to POPIA-compliance being reflected in their founding documents, and to monitor the Information Officer appointments, the above decisions needed to find resonance in Articles as follows:

### **Article 2 – INTERPRETATION OF TERMS**

Insert new term alphabetically:

"Protection of Personal Information Act, No. 4 of 2013" or "POPIA" means South Africa' data privacy and data protection law enacted in 2013, which became effective on 1 July 2021, imposing acceptable standards of security on companies, organisations and other bodies in the capturing, management and storage of people's personal information.

### **Article 8 - AFFILIATION**

deletions in [~~struck through square brackets~~] and insertions underlined.

8.1 – 8.5 stet

8.6 Upon receipt of advice granting affiliation, the applicant shall, within twenty-one (21) days, forward the appropriate fees and annual public liability insurance premium as specified and shall observe and be subject to the following obligations:

8.6.1 stet

8.6.2. details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Club's balance sheet shall be forwarded to the Federal Council. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited accounts shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Club shall ensure that the Club Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, ~~and~~ Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, ~~and~~ Treasurer, Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Club's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Club Officers to KUSA, the Club shall also advise the names of the Club Committee members with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Club's bank accounts.

## **Article 20 - PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, LIAISON COUNCILS, BREED COUNCILS AND KUSA REPRESENTATIVES**

Change numbering - deletions in ~~[struck through square brackets]~~ and insertions underlined - and insert new Articles.

### **20. PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, LIAISON COUNCILS, BREED COUNCILS AND KUSA REPRESENTATIVES**

~~[20.4]~~ All persons appointed, elected, delegated or co-opted to sit on any Provincial, Liaison, Breed Council, any committee or sub-committee thereof or to be a Kennel Union Representative at Licensed Shows shall be current members in good standing of the Kennel Union.

#### **20.1 Provincial Councils**

20.1.1 stet

20.1.2 Provincial Councils shall submit to the Federal Council details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Provincial Council's balance sheet. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited accounts shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Provincial Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Provincial Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Provincial Council Officers to KUSA, the Provincial Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Provincial Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Provincial Council's bank accounts.

#### **20.2 Liaison Councils**

20.2.1 stet

20.2.2 Liaison Councils shall submit to the Federal Council details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Liaison Council's balance sheet. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited accounts shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Liaison Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with

		<p><u>signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Liaison Council Officers to KUSA, the Liaison Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Liaison Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Liaison Council's bank accounts.</u></p> <p><b>20.3 Breed Councils</b></p> <p><u>20.3.1 stet</u></p> <p><u>20.3.2 Breed Councils shall submit to the Federal Council details of every Annual General Meeting and any other Special General Meeting specifying the names of persons present and resolutions adopted, together with one copy of the annual audited accounts of income and expenditure and the Breed Council's balance sheet. Minutes of Annual/Special General meetings shall be supplied within thirty (30) days of any such meeting and the copy of the audited accounts shall be supplied once in each calendar year. The Breed Council shall ensure that the Council's Officers' (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer) names and contact details are sent to KUSA for recording each time there is a change and shall further ensure that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and POPIA-compliance Information Officer and Deputy Information Officer, as well as any Committee Member with financial banking powers, i.e. with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts, are members in good standing of the Kennel Union. At the same time of sending the names and contact details of Breed Council Officers to KUSA, the Breed Council shall also advise the names of the members of the Breed Council's Executive, i.e. Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, with signing or transacting powers, in whatever form, on any of the Breed Council's bank accounts.</u></p> <p>The above amendments to the various Articles were <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Proposed GR, seconded NdP.  Since mandatory POPIA-compliance was an unforeseen event and one not provided for in the Constitution, the Federal Council invoked Article 43.3 to declare the Effective Date to be the date of the publication of these Minutes.</p>
	8.8.2	<p><b>Notification to Clubs – from 1 July 2021 only Owners Names to be listed in Show/Events Catalogues in accordance with the requirements under the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA)</b></p> <p>NdP advised that, although the KUSA Official Show Entry Form contained the following statement: "Unless otherwise indicated, I consent to the publication of my contact details in the Show Catalogue and the posting of the Show Catalogue on the KUSA website" and provided for acceptance or rejection by way of two tick-boxes, he thought that KUSA should err on the side of caution and not permit personal information to be published in Clubs' Show Catalogues, effective 1 July 2021. At present, it was not clear whether a statutory provision could be overridden by the type of consent given in the Official Show Entry Form and, until we had confirmation of that, it was prudent to confine the published information to the Owner's Name and KUSA Membership No.</p> <p>NdP's advice was <b>accepted, unanimously</b>.</p> <p>Proposed CI, seconded NdP.  Effective immediately.</p>
8.9		<p><b>Promotion of Access to Information Act (PAIA), No. 2 of 2000 – Change of Name of Responsible Person ("Head of Body")</b></p> <p>Housekeeping.</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, the Chairman clarified that the POPIA was not a replacement for the PAIA. Both were so-called 'Information laws', but effective on opposite sides of the spectrum. Being an "Access" Law, the PAIA was mainly about Freedom of Information. In contrast, the POPIA sought to protect Privacy by limiting access to information and preventing the disclosure of information.</p>

		<p>The Chairman referred Fedco to KUSA's PAIA Manual on the KUSA website, in which the previous Chairman of the Federal Council, Mr CJL Griffith, was cited as "Head of Body". She wondered whether this should change to PM, but NdP informed Fedco that the KUSA's Administrative Head was the Chairman of the Federal Council and that Mrs JM Hubbard should therefore be named as the "Head of Body" in KUSA's PAIA Manual</p> <p>All present were accepting of NdP's explanation and, on a proposal from GR, seconded by NdP, it was <b>agreed, unanimously</b>, to replace the name of Mr CJL Griffith with that of Mrs JM Hubbard in the KUSA PAIA Manual on the website. Effective immediately.</p>
8.10		<p><b>Schedule 3A Regulations for FCI International Dog Shows</b></p> <p>Housekeeping: Following the FCI's decision to register its key international awards as Trade Marks, it was necessary to update Schedule 3A Regulation 2 to reflect the revised initialisms of awards.</p> <p>2. An FCI Show is a Show at which the relevant FCI Regulations generally apply. Dogs are judged according to FCI Breed Standards for all FCI-recognised Breeds where any [<del>FCI-CACIB</del>] <b>FCI-C.A.C.I.B.®</b> (<del>[Certificat Aptitude d'International Beauté]</del><b>Certificat d'Aptitude au Championnat International</b>) and/or [<del>FCI-CACIAG</del>] <b>FCI-C.A.C.I.A.G.®</b> (<del>[Certificate of Aptitude to the International Agility Competitions]</del><b>Certificat d'Aptitude au Championnat International d'Agility</b>) and/or [<del>CACIT</del>] <b>FCI-C.A.C.I.T.®</b> (<del>[Certificate d'Aptitude de Travail]</del><b>Certificat d'Aptitude au Championnat International de Travail de la FCI</b>) award is on offer. Such Show may be held by the Kennel Union or by an All-breeds Club granted a licence by the Executive Committee to hold such Show in addition to their Annual Championship Show(s).</p> <p>It was further necessary to insert a <b>new Regulation 3.1</b> to regulate whether, or not, Reports (Critiques) would be on offer at the Show, and under which conditions, taking into account the provisions of the <b>BREED ASSIGNMENT</b> section in the FCI's <b>Regulations for FCI Dog Shows</b>:</p> <p><b>BREED ASSIGNMENT</b> <i>A judge must be informed not later than 3 days before the event about what breeds and numbers of dogs he is scheduled to judge, as well as his duties in the ring of honour. It is the responsibility of the show organiser to send this information in advance and in writing to the judge.</i></p> <p><i>A judge should not be expected to judge more than approximately 20 dogs per hour and up to 80 dogs per day if the national organization requests an individual written report for each dog. He should not have to judge more than 150 dogs per day if such a written report is not required. In cases of force majeure, for instance last minutes cancellations of judges because of illness, weather conditions, etc., these figures can be extended to 100 and 200 with or without written report. In these situations, there must be a mutual agreement between the organiser and the judge who should be provided with very experienced ring stewards and assistants. If a judge is asked to judge more than 100 dogs the judging should be done without a written report.</i></p> <p>Exhibitors entering FCI Shows normally expect a Report (Critique) on their dog and it is therefore necessary for Clubs hosting FCI International Shows to make it clear in their Show Schedules whether every dog entered could expect a Report (Critique), or only selected dogs (e.g. Bests of Breed), or none.</p> <p>The proposed <b>new Regulation 3.1</b> should provide as follows:</p> <p><b>3.1 <u>Clubs holding FCI-C.A.C.I.B.® International Shows must specify on their Show Schedules whether, or not, Reports (Critiques) would be on offer at the Show and, if so, under which conditions and to which exhibits. (In this regard, refer to the BREED ASSIGNMENT section of the Regulations for FCI Dog Shows).</u></b></p> <p>On a proposal from JH, seconded by BJ, the above two amendments to Schedule 3A were <b>approved, unanimously</b>.</p>

		Effective immediately.
	8.11	<p><b>Application to Revoke a Tutor Helper’s Licence issued and registered in terms of Schedule 5J (IGP)</b></p> <p>Fedco considered the motion put forward by the National IGP Sub-Committee, supported by three of the five relevant Provincial Council Sub-Committees, thereby constituting a majority of them, to take action against Mr JQ Swartz as contemplated in Schedule 5J Regulation 5.2. The documentation supplied by the National IGP Sub-Committee in support of its motion had subsequently been sent to Mr Swartz by the KUSA Office for comment and/or rebuttal, with no response received.</p> <p>After consideration, Fedco <b>decided, unanimously</b>, to exercise the rights extended to KUSA in terms of Schedule 5J Regulation 5.2 and revoke Mr Swartz’s Tutor Helper licence for a period of three (3) years, of which one (1) year shall be effective, with the remaining two (2) years only becoming effective should any further transgression(s) of KUSA Regulations be reported to Fedco by the National IGP Sub-Committee on a majority decision and accepted by Fedco as such on a majority vote.</p> <p>Should duly reported (by the IGP Sub-Committee) and accepted (by Fedco) transgression(s) occur during the effective period of one (1) year, the effective period shall automatically be extended to three (3) years. Should such reported and accepted transgression(s) occur in the course of the two (2) year period following the effective period of one (1) year, the further effective period of two (2) years shall commence on the date the transgression(s) is(are) accepted and confirmed as breaches on a majority vote by Fedco round robin.</p> <p>The date of publication of these Minutes shall serve as the commencement date for the initial effective period of one (1) year.</p> <p><b>Noted.</b></p>
9		<p><b>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS – CONFIRMED</b></p> <p>2021: 3, 4 &amp; 5 December 2021</p> <p><b>TO BE CONFIRMED</b></p> <p>The Chairman appealed to AB and CI not to allocate these dates to Shows.</p> <p>2022: 24, 25 &amp; 26 June 2022 2, 3 &amp; 4 December 2022</p> <p>The Chairman requested KF to write to the members of Fedco in December 2021 to request them to save these dates.</p>
10		<p><b>CLOSING</b></p> <p>Before closing the meeting, the Chairman paid tribute to GM, who was relocating to the UK with her husband, Les.</p> <p>The Chairman afforded each member of Fedco, in turn, to express thanks and appreciation to GM for her long and dedicated service to South African dogdom and KUSA, and to wish the couple all the best for the future.</p> <p>As there were no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 16h05 with a vote of thanks to the Chair.</p>