



AGENDA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL GOLDEN RETRIEVER COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 17th November 2021 8.30PM (AEST)

ZOOM MEETING

1.	Attendees	Liz Molnar, Linda Rand, Jennie Coutlemanis, Ruth Thompson, Rachael Ohlrich, Ann Jones, Carla O'Donnell		
2.	Apologies	No response received from QLD, they haven't notified the NGRC who is their delegate. All other delegates happy to continue with meeting without QLD represented at AGM.		
3.	Minutes:	General Meeting Minutes September 2021 Accepted: Ruth Thompson Seconded: Jennie Coultemanis		
4.		Standing Items	Discussion	Action
	4.1	Health Registries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EBV • DNA Tests 	Nothing to update – New update planned for December	
	4.2	Breed Watch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU • Heart • MRD • ORCHID DATABASE 	<p>VIC: Received a reply from 3 ophthalmologists in Vic will forward emails to everyone. Summary of replies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Turner: Questions asked of ophthalmologists by GRCVIC need to be addressed by their national group. • Robin Stanley: No reply except a delay in response email due to COVID 19 • Chloe: Addressed retinol folds vs MRD – if a puppy has retinol folds but not evident after 12 months of age it is not classed as MRD but normal. If retinal folds present after 12 months of age it is classed as MRD. Glaucoma – Well known as a problem in golden retrievers, inheritance isn't known. No idea of numbers being diagnosed or the split of diagnosis between registered and unregistered golden retrievers. <p>? lack of statistics on number of effected individuals. Have an issue with it being stated as a problem in the breed but no evidence to support this.</p> <p>SA: Very concerned about asking breeders to test for glaucoma when there is no consensus amongst ophthalmologists and no statistics provided on the glaucoma. ACES ophthalmologists in other states not in agreement that it is an issue. Important to see what information comes out of the UK regarding glaucoma and the study they are doing.</p> <p>NSW: Received an email from a previous panellist, suggesting that the breed council needs to collect information across all states to decide on whether it is an issue in the breed. Looking at getting some talks from a few specialists in the next few months.</p>	<p>All clubs to look at eye testing issues and how this is best dealt with for the best outcome for the breed.</p>

			SA: The ACES panel needs to provide us with the statistics on the disease if they want to put it on the eye certificate.	
5		Correspondence		
	5.1 IN	GRCVIC 21/09/2021 GRCNSW 15/09/2021 GRCTAS 23/09/2021 ANKC 3/11/2021 Mark Hodges 28/10/2021	President & Secretary Nominations Nominations for the NGRC AGM Nomination for President NGRC Regulations Part 13: Regulations for the Conduct of National Breed Councils – Amendment Website Renewal - Agreed to pay	
	5.2 OUT	NGRC 03/10/2021	AGM Nominations Received – Sent to all clubs	
6.	6.1	Presidents Report	See attached	Action
	6.2	Secretary Report	See attached	
7		Nominations		
	7.1	President	Nomination received from NSW: Jane Hodges – 1 vote Nomination received from VIC: Jill Pearson – 4 votes Jill Pearson Appointed Liz welcomed Jill and wished her all the best.	Carla to email Jill letting her know of her appointment. And email Jane thanking her for her nomination.
	7.2	Secretary	Nomination received from NSW: Carla O'Donnell – unopposed and appointed.	
8.		General Business	Discussion	Action
	8.1	2022 National – GRC of NSW	Nothing to report. Planning a meeting in January once the government makes a decision on International travel.	
9.		Delegates Reports	Discussion	Action
	9.1	NSW	Planning a raffle to raise funds for the national. Organising some eye specialists to give a presentation to the club via zoom. Consultation paper has been released from NSW government to introduce a breeder's license scheme. DogsNSW asking for feedback, club is planning on putting a reply together.	
	9.2	Vic	Dog shows are back. Have a face to face meeting planned for next week to discuss next year. Working on a new website.	

	9.3	SA	AGM on Monday, Peter Pickard has retired as the president due to personal reasons. Phil Thompson has stepped into the role. Membership has increased have 352 members plus 80 CBS members – who have been visiting nursing homes virtually. Facebook is active have over 3000 members. Plan to hold Championship Show in May in conjunction with the winter festival shows.	
	9.4	WA	AGM tomorrow night. Had our Championship shows two weeks ago, Carolyn Murphy (SA) and Sherry Jewell (QLD) were judges, shows went well everyone enjoyed it over 70 dogs entered for each show. Have an information session on the breed on the 28 th November presented by Carla. Have a fun day Christmas function planned for the 19 th December.	
	9.5	QLD	Absent.	
	9.6	TAS	Have AGM via face to face and zoom in a couple of weeks, have updated code of ethics and hopefully it will be accepted at AGM. A group of golden retrievers and their owners have been visiting Jane Franklin Hall (a residential hall of The University of Tasmania) during their swat back week – A very stressful time for students especially during COVID due to not being able to visit family etc.. The golden retrievers have been visiting to help students destress. Got national coverage from ABC and local news broadcasters. Organised by Kathy Gardner and it has been very successful.	
9		New Business	Discussion	Action
			Jennie on behalf of GRCVIC thanked Liz for her 6 years of service on the national breed council and all the best in her retirement and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. All states seconded Jennie on thanking Liz and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Liz thanked everyone and wished the NGRC all the best for the future.	

The meeting closed at – 9:35 pm AEST
Next meeting – TBA (~ End of February)