



Incorporated No INC9876008

AUSTRALIAN SLEDDOG SPORTS ASSOCIATION NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Sunday 21st May 2023
16.00h WST/ 18.00h EDST

Committee:

Sean Hennessy (SH)	Emily Vourlides (EV)
Vanessa Joy (VJ)	Kirste Harrison (KH)
Courtney Orr (CO)	Kathleen Sprigg (KS)
Danielle Stewart (DS)	Tori Acres (TA)

1. Apologies /Member attendees

Member Attendee:

Apologies: Kathleen Sprigg, Tori Acres, Kirste Harrison

2. Minutes of previous meeting

- The Minutes of the last NC Meeting were accepted as true and correct by Tori Acres and seconded by Danielle Stewart.

3. Correspondence

Incoming

- Approval for junior to compete in Canicross
- Dryland affiliation
- Reimbursement Jazmine JDP 2021 Winner
- Kindred Body Application response from Dogs VIC for breed register
- Title application – Vanessa Joy
- IFSS WC response Canberra
- Urgent contact request Insurance
- Member list from all clubs
- Member number request Kirby WASSA
- IFSS WC applications response and payment request
- Payment exchange issue for IFSS WC
- Dinner Plains affiliation
- 2015 Race Judge course response from IFSS
- Membership renewal
- Multiple DID request emails

Outgoing

- Nationals support information
- IFSS WC Canberra
- Approval email for Junior in Canicross
- DID request to current members
- Reimbursement notification and closing of 2021 JDP winner
- Rhiannon Park drug exemption response
- Member list request and explanation of importance
- IFSS WC applications to IFSS
- Formal response to NVSDC questions
- Response to Rachael Salter regarding Rules 9.5 and 9.6
- Response to SDRQ regarding SDRV clash
- Information sent to insurance company
- Membership number Kirby – WASSA
- Responded to all DID requests
- Approval of Title – Vanessa Joy

4. Financial Matters

\$9884.97 is currently in the main bank account.

Credit

- \$120 affiliation
- \$10.36 interest
- \$120 affiliation fee
- \$450 DID payments
- \$40 Membership family individual
- \$30 Title payment
- \$40 Membership family individual

Outgoing

- \$557.80 IFSS affiliation
- \$25 reimbursement
- \$450 Reimbursement for JDP 2021
- \$170.31 WC payments

5. DID's

Vanessa will do a post reminding members DID applications close tonight.

Discussed we need to make payment via paypal with enough time to make sure it clears by closing date.

6. National Trophies

Discussed the winners of last year's Nationals classes and who has trophies we need to collect to get to QLD for Nationals.



Sean and Vanessa will get them all together to hand to Danielle at NVSDC Classic so we can get them all engraved at the same time before this year's Nationals.

7. Insurance

Discussion on Sean's conversations with Crystal our insurance broker.

Agreed to investigate brokers and what other options we have for ASSA in the future.

Agreed to accept the policy they come back to us with and then look into other options for going forward.

Danielle and Sean going to speak with brokers they know, and we will wait to see what PetPlan come back with this week.

8. IFSS WC 3 wheel rig exemption

Vanessa was asked by Our continental director Gabrielle if we were going to apply for 3-wheel rig exemption for 6 and 8 dog.

Discussion that we have been told multiple times in the past by IFSS that we would not be approved again for this exemption. Gabrielle was confident that this would be approved.

Vanessa will draft an email for Courtney to send to IFSS tonight which we will approve before end of the meeting.

9. IFSS Race Judge Training

Discussion on responding to the Sibex email now we have official information from IFSS.

Vanessa will draft a response and agreed to attach the IFSS response and offer that we are awaiting options for training in Australia.

10. IFSS payment WC event issue

Courtney will respond to IFSS treasurer with the PayPal receipt showing correct amount of Euros was transferred.

11. Other business

Emily raising that SRDQ had an incident in canicross with a competitor with a broken ankle. Emailing incident report form to Emily to have filled out.



Courtney raised DP response draft and RM Exam cover letter. Sean is going to get these to the committee ASAP.

Vanessa wanting to draft wording for if Novice class isn't running at an event they can run in touring for that race and use those points still for titles. Agreed to get the wording in a draft for approval.

Discussed SDRV rule exemption request.

Review of 12.4 gives room for RM to make the decisions requested.

Discussed this was not something that ASSA ever had for Goldseekers it was Goldseekers own rules last year that stated this.

NVSDC last year as an example Sean shortened tracks for this reason as RM.

Race pack to be sent to clubs and discussion that Emily and Vanessa will be on site for the Sibex and Canberra races and Vanessa alone for the SHCNSW race. Emily will take microchip reader with her for the two she is attending and Vanessa will see if she can borrow NVSDC Microchip reader for SHCNSW race.

12. Next meeting

9th July 2023

13. Meeting Attendance

	Nov 2022	Jan 2023	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sept 2023
Committee:									
Sean Hennessy (Chair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Vanessa Joy (VP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Danielle Stewart (Treasurer)	X	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Courtney Orr (Secretary)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
State Representatives:									
Hollie Tori Acres (NSW)	✓	✓	✓	✓	X				
Kirste Harrison (SA)	✓	✓	✓	X	X				
Kathleen Sprigg (WA)	✓	X	✓	✓	X				
Emily Vourlides (QLD)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Vacant (ACT)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA				