



## **AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.®**

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### Secretary's Report

October 1-31, 1999

This report details the day to day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors and includes issues before the ASCA Board and communications done by mail, fax, email and/or phone

93:16 Aussie Times---Color pictures

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to allow Vicki Rand to spend up to \$300 to use color photos in the coverage of the 99 Stock Dog Finals.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

93:17 Stock Dog Rules---Trial Division and Classes

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to add to CH. 3 Trial Divisions and Classes Section 3.2 at the end of "d" the following:

NOTE: Points for ASCA's Open Working Junior are awarded from scores earned in started, open and the advanced divisions using the Official Stockdog Trial Program Judging Score sheet. Points for the ASCA's Working Junior Handler are earned from the Working Junior Handler division, using the Working Junior Handler score sheet. See ASCA's Junior Program Rules (section 3) for further information.

Add to "d" at the beginning"

Working Junior Handler is open to all Juniors up to 17 years of age.

Effective 6/1/00

Comments: Many comment have come to the SDC about how confusing the two Working Juniors Classes are. This motion is intended to clarify and help explain the differences when entering a trial.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

93:17 Stock Dog Rules---Dogs that may not compete

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to change CH. 3, Sec. 4 Dogs That May Not Compete A judge cannot compete nor can any dog owned or co-owned by that Judge compete at the same sanctioned trial he/she is officiating. The Judge shall not judge any dog which he/she or member of his/her immediate household or immediate family owns or is currently handling. The Judge's immediate family include: spouse, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, or any person residing with that individual. Immediate family members of an officiating Judge may show under another officiating Judge at the same trial.

Effective 6/1/00

Comments: This is not a new rule but a clarification of a rule already in place that is hard to understand as written. The current rule does not specifically say that a judge can not compete at the same trial he/she is officiating but that is the intent. This clarifies it.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

### 93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Limitations of Entries

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to eliminate CH. 3, Section 9 Limitation of Entries in it's entirety. Effective 6/1/00

Comments: As there are a number of ways to circumvent this rule the SDC decided to try it without the rule entirely. It was felt the cost of entering trials would limit the entries.

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Hawley, Toft, Tubbs, Trumbull-Clark,  
Warren

Disapprove: Harrell, Martin

Motion carries

### 93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Trial Entries

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to add to CH. 5 Trial Entries Section 3.3: 3. A host club must allow substitutions of another dog owned or co-owned by the same owner who originally entered the dog. Effective 6/1/00

Comments: It has been a standard practice to allow substitution of dogs owned by the person who pays for the original entry at trials. Somewhere along the way during the Nationals substitutions were not allowed. The SDC feels that substitutions should be allowed at all trials. You pay for that spot, it remains yours for your dog until you give that spot up.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

### 93:17 Stock Dog Rules---Apprentice Stockdog Judge Program

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to change CH. 8, Section 3.2 to read:

2. The acceptance of an Apprentice Judge applicant is made after the ASCA Business Office forwards the application to the ASCA Stockdog Committee.

All Applicants for Apprentice Stockdog Judges will have their names published in the Aussie Times for comments before being voted on by the SDC. Once published, there will be 45 days for comments to be received by the Stockdog Committee Chair before the SDC will vote. The applicant will then be notified by the ASCA Business Office for acceptance or denial as an Apprentice Judge. If the applicant is turned down, the reason for denial will be sent to the ASCA Business Office to be

forwarded to the applicant. The applicant can reapply after a minimum of one (1) year. Effective 6/1/00

Comments: The SDC feels the current process used for voting on an apprentice applicant does not give the general membership a chance to send comments in.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

### 93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Stock Dog Finals

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to change CH. 11 ASCA Stockdog Finals, Section 3 Verification #3 to read:

3. When more than twenty (20) dogs qualify in any class of stock, notification will be sent out to up to ten (10) alternates per class of stock. Notifications will be sent out at the same time qualifiers are notified. Alternates must verify their intent to

compete at the National Finals by filling out an official entry blank and sending it to the ASCA Business Office by due date. Alternates will pay when they become eligible. Alternates become eligible when a qualifier fails to verify his/her intent to attend the Finals by due date.

Change #3 to #4 and #4 to #5  
Effective 6/1/00

Comments: Sometime during the changes made to the Finals rules, instructions on notifying alternates was left out. Currently the Business Office has been sending out 5 alternates however with as many as 40 dogs qualifying 10 alternates should be notified as we went well past the fifth alternate this year.

Voting:  
Approve: Unanimous  
Motion carries

93:17 Stock Dog Rules---Finals Changes

Motion by Warren, second by Gray  
I move to make the following changes to the Finals Rules and Regulations CH. 11:

Delete Sec. 1.3 and Sec. 6.2 (and adjust number through 6) and replace with Sec. 8-Stock:

1. Stock can not be owned by a Finals competitor. Finals handlers and family members can not act as stock handlers during the Finals as long as the competitor is still competing.
2. A minimum of 5 head per run must be used.
3. In the elimination go-round, the stock will not be reused.
4. Sheep and cattle will be gate sorted rather than presorted.

Sec. 7.2 delete sentence 3 and replace with:

The Host Club must select the Finals Judges from the Finals list supplied by the SDC. If more than two Judges decline contact the SDC Chairperson for the alternate Judge.

Add Sec. 6.7:

All ASCA Stockdog Rules and Regulations will apply with the following exceptions:

1. Qualifying scores and High awards will not be applied towards ASCA certification or towards the next year's Finals.
2. Only dogs eligible for the Finals may compete.
3. Only ASCA registered Australian Shepherds are eligible to compete.
4. The Stockdog Judges will be allowed to Judge more than 40 runs per day, for a period longer than 10 hours.

Change Sec. 6.7 to read:

All dogs will work the Advanced Course and/or the Post Advanced Course. If the Post Advanced Course is used it can only be used for the second or third (last) go-round of the Finals.

Effective 6/1/00

Comments: Most of these changes are just fine tuning the rules a bit. Some of them we are doing already but they have not been written down in rule form.

Voting:  
Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Harrell, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs,  
Warren  
Disapprove: Hawley, Martin  
Motion carries

98:16 Affiliate Club Bylaw Changes

Motion by Toft, seconded by Warren  
I move to suspend approval of foreign affiliate applications until the Bylaws Committee develops an acceptable method for their approval.

Comments: In light of the current problems with the German club (regarding the show rules and our inability to truly enforce those or our dispute rules), some consideration and review must be given to the approval process of foreign affiliate applicants.

Voting:

Approve: Martin, Tubbs, Trumbull-Clark, Warren, Toft

Disapprove: Harrell, Berryessa, Hawley

Abstain: Gray

Motion carries

99:10 Tracking Committee

Motion by Warren, second by Gray

I move to form the Tracking Committee with the following people.

Paula Diggins, Audrey Wartman, Debra St. Jacques, Ralph Swingle, Christine Reedy, Anne Hershey, Nancy Seaman

Comment: This committee will just have to start short until more people become interested in the Committee. If any of you need to see the resumes contact Jo Kimes as she has them on file.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion carries

Appointments: Agility---Chair-Paul Kirk, Board liaison-Kyle Trumbull-Clark  
ARPH---Chair-Diana Oliver, Board liaison-Sandy Tubbs  
Bylaws---Chair-Jerry Aufox, Board liaison-Kris Toft  
DNA---Chair-Pete Adolphson, Board liaison-Linda Gray  
Hall of Fame Committee---Chair-Cheri Preciado, Board liaison-Kris Toft  
Junior---Chair-Kristyn Maddox, Board liaison-Sandy Tubbs  
Most Versatile Aussie---Chair-DeeDee Baldwin, Board liaison-Kathy Warren  
Obedience---Chair-Nancy Link, 2260 Bald Hill Rd, Auburn, CA 95603 (530)823-0639, Board liaison-Kyle Trumbull-Clark  
Stock Dog Committee---Chair-Sharon Simmons, Board liaison-Kathy Warren

Approvals: Marge Stovall as ASCA Senior Breeder Judge

Marie Murphy as ASCA Breeder Judge

Hirings: Darthie Kees as Bookkeeper

Board Conference Call  
October 29, 1999

Meeting was called to order at 8 PM CDT by President Kathy Warren

Present: All Directors and Executive Secretary

Motion by Tubbs, second by Harrell to ratify all business conducted since September 18, 1999. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Tubbs, second by Harrell to ratify the motion to hire Darthie Kees as bookkeeper for ASCA. Approved: Berryessa, Gray, Harrell, Hawley, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren Abstain: Martin Motion carries

Motion by Berryessa, second by Harrell to approve up to \$1,000 to conduct an independent audit of the ASCA books per Treasurer's request. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Gray, second by Hawley to continue centralization of all ASCA business to Bryan, TX, bonding the ASCA Business Office Manager (\$500/3 years), hire a payroll firm (\$120/month plus \$40 and \$2.25/W-2 for year end), and open checking and savings accounts in Bryan. Effective Jan. 1, 2000. Approved unanimously.

Motion by Warren, second by Trumbull-Clark to enter into a three year agreement with The ImageMaker to produce Finals shirts. Approved unanimously.

Comments: Jo sent you all a letter dated 9-27-99 from ImageMaker outlining an agreement for the sale of Finals shirts. Take the time to read it over. We will be voting on it during our conference call Friday. If we are to do this again with ImageMaker then we need to get it approved in time to do advertising. Chuck Carnese will draw up a royalty agreement.

Board Directive: A direct mailing will be made to all affiliate clubs requesting their immediate response if they are interested in hosting the 2001 ASCA National Specialty. Deadline to apply will be 1-1-2000.

(Note: this directive was later found to be out of order. Notification of prospective Host Club was to be made by Oct. 1)

Assignments: Check on insurance liability regarding affiliates--Harrell  
Develop new affiliate organization rules---Gray and Toft  
Dues terminology change and restructuring of dues---Trumbull-Clark and Toft

Reported: Cost of living increase in the Bryan area is 4.7%

Discussion regarding ASCA reorganization flow chart and centralization timetable.

Discussion regarding the formation of an ASCA Finance Committee.

Discussion regarding the feasibility of using the Purina site for a National Specialty.

Motion by Harrell to adjourn.

## BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

The Business Office has a new address: PO Box 3790, Bryan, TX 77805-3790

### REGISTRY

Ind 464  
NFB 51  
Litter 226  
Trans 82  
Lease 9  
LEP 8  
Dups 16  
Hardship 7  
Pedigree 59  
New Ken 8  
Rnw Ken 13

### MEMBERSHIP

New-Single 59  
New-Dual 11  
New-Foreign 4  
New-Canadian 0  
Renew-Single 183  
Renew-Dual 60  
Renew-Foreign 3  
Renew-Canadian 4  
Jr Times 6

### SHOW/STOCK

Sanc. Rec'd 18  
Sanc. Proc'd 25  
Sanc. Pend 6  
Results Rec'd 45  
Results Proc'd 35  
Results Pend 10  
S & T Sub. 16  
Certificates 669

Judge Apps 2  
Email 1008  
DNA Kits 12  
DNA Tests 12

### SHOWS HELD

Conf/Obed shows 54  
Stock 22  
Ranch 0  
Agility 17  
Tracking 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Toft, Secretary