

THE KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF KUSA HELD AT 13H00 ON TUESDAY,
22 APRIL 2025, VIA MS TEAMS

1.	ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS
	<p>Mr RB Jenkins (BJ) (Chair), Mr V (Michael) Alberts (MA) (Vice-Chair), Mrs YC Jefferies (YJ), Mrs M Hancock (MH), Mrs GB Rossi (GBR), Mr L Coetsee (LC).</p> <p>Staff in Attendance: Mrs P Midgley (PM) (General Manager), Mr BG Robinson (GR) (KUSA Secretary), Mr B Delily (BD) (Finance & HR), Mrs Z Petersen (ZP) (Administrator), Mrs N Shortland (NS) (Shows & Judges), Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat (CPA) (Club Affairs & Communications)</p> <p>Apologies: Nil</p> <p>The following deaths were noted with sadness: Mr D Robinson (GAU) Mrs H Fricke (WC) Mr PJM Thiebaut (FS)</p>
2.	MINUTES
	The Minutes of the meeting held on 18.03.2025 will be circulated to the members of Exco for formal adoption, following round robin approval.
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
3.1	Exco-imposed Fines
	<p>Member 1007408 van Tonder – R500 – unpaid as at 15.04.2025</p> <p>Mrs van Tonder has let her membership lapse. She has been flagged on the K9 Admin System so, should she rejoin, the outstanding fine will be addressed.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
3.2	Exco 02-2025 Item 10.1
	<p>MH enquired whether the issues raised in the report she had submitted after the hosting of the KUSA Nationals in KZN, pertaining to the lack of sufficient Agility and Dog Jumping Trophies, had been addressed. The KUSA Office to follow up.</p> <p>CPA to bring the concerns raised to the Budget Committee for discussion at their next scheduled meeting.</p> <p>A list of trophies has been compiled, but has not yet been submitted to the Budget Committee.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

3.3	<p>Exco 02.2025 Item 5.2.2.1 Request for Dispensation – Amended Show Licence Fees 04-06.04.2025 <i>The following Clubs on a Cluster Breed weekend request dispensation:</i> <i>Port Elizabeth Kennel Club</i> <i>Uitenhage Kennel Club</i> <i>Baakens Valley Working & Herding Breeds Club</i></p> <p><i>Schedule 03 Regulation 6 Show Schedule:</i> <i>Reg. 6.1 The Schedule shall be treated as a contract between the Show Authorities and the Exhibitors. Once approved by the Executive Committee, no modification or amendment of any description may be made to the Show Schedule unless special dispensation is granted.</i></p> <p><i>Schedule 03 Regulation 1.1:</i> <i>The Executive Committee shall have the authority, delegated by the Federal Council to grant, withhold or cancel permission to hold any Show and to issue licences therefore in accordance with the Regulations relating thereto.</i></p> <p><i>Schedule 07 Regulation 14.3.7:</i> <i>Amendment or alteration to a Championship or Qualifying Show Licence already issued – 50% of Licence Fee.</i></p> <p><i>The above Clubs each have two Shows over the Cluster weekend. They had a change in show venue and paid the Licence Amendment Fees as per Schedule 07. The Clubs are requesting dispensation from paying two Licence Amendment Fees each.</i></p> <p><i>Email and letter attached.</i> <i>[Office Note: Unless provision is made in the Constitution, neither Exco, nor Fedco, is empowered to grant dispensation for the payment of Licence Fees, as regulated.]</i> <i>GBR explained that the venue change was out of the control of the Clubs, as the venue was no longer available and the Clubs had been notified at short notice.</i></p> <p><i>After discussion, it was accepted that neither Exco, nor Fedco, has the authority to grant the requested dispensation.</i></p> <p><i>MA suggested that a proposal be drafted for tabling to Fedco to have amendments to licences on account of circumstances beyond Clubs' control regulated under Schedule 03.</i></p> <p><i>Draft proposal attached for approval by Exco.</i></p> <p>The draft proposal, as tabled by MA, voided the “amendment fees” for Show Licences issued for Championship and Non-Championship Shows, in Schedule 07 – Subscription & Fees – which was approved, unanimously.</p> <p>PM cautioned that it might be necessary to amplify the Exco decision, if accepted by Fedco, in Schedule 03 Regulation 44.5, which was silent on the consequences of Show postponements and cancellations. She undertook to investigate whether Regulation 44.5 required amendment and, if so, to revert with a recommendation.</p>
4.	KUSA OFFICE
4.1	Office Report
	<i>Office Report attached to Agenda</i>

	After discussion, the Office Report was approved.	
4.2	Finance and Stats	
	<i>Reports for March 2025 attached to Agenda.</i>	
	After discussion, the Financial Reports for March 2025 were approved.	
5.	ELECTION OF KENNEL UNION MEMBERS IN TERMS OF ARTICLE 10(1)	
	<i>31 new Members and 33 lapsed Members elected.</i>	
6.	FCI	
6.1	Communication sent to Fedco Members:	
	24.03.2025	FCI Commission: Rally Obedience – Minutes of the meeting held 14-16.02.2025
	24.03.2025	FCI Mondioring Commission: Minutes of the Meeting held 08.02.2025
	24.03.2025	FCI Flyball Commission: Minutes of the meeting held 07.12.2024 via Zoom
	26.03.2025	Cyprus Kennel Club: Suspensions
	27.03.2025	FCI Conference Recordings – Illegal Puppy Trade in the EU
	03.04.2025	Cyprus Kennel Club: Lifting of Suspension – Mr Kasianos Soteriou
	03.04.2025	FCI Judge's Directory: Suspensions – Italy
	03.04.2025	FCI Statistics 2024 – FCI Events, Titles and Kennel names
	04.04.2025	FCI Extraordinary General Assembly – Invitation and attachments
	04.04.2025	FCI Rally Obedience Commission: Invitation for Online Meeting to be held 15.05.2025
	07.04.2025	Bulgarian National Federation of Cynology: Exclusion - Gergana Georgieva Sirakova
	07.04.2025	Raad van Beheer op Kynologisch Gebied in Nederland: Suspension - M. Keuning
	09.04.2025	FCI Shows Commission: Minutes of the Meeting held 01.02.2025
	09.04.2025	FCI Agility Commission: Minutes of the Meeting held 01 and 02.02.2025
	16.04.2025	2025 FCI Extraordinary General Assembly: Invitation – Reminder
7.	SCHEDULE 01 MATTERS	
7.1	Disciplinary Sub-Committee	
7.1.1	Case 2024-03 – KUSA vs Ingram	
	<i>The Respondent has lodged an Appeal against the Finding and the Penalties imposed by the DSC. The Notice of Appeal was received in time. The Appeal documentation is currently under consideration by the Sub-Committee of Inquiry (SCI).</i>	
	Noted.	
7.1.2	Case 2024-04 – KUSA vs Botes	
	<i>The Respondent has lodged an Appeal against of the Finding and the Penalties imposed by the DSC. The Notice of Appeal was received in time. The Appeal documentation is currently under consideration by the Sub-Committee of Inquiry (SCI).</i>	
	Noted.	
7.1.3	Case 2024-05 – KUSA (Austen & NFSKC) vs Pieterse, Van den Doel & Katts	
	<i>A DSC has been appointed, and a face-to-face hearing has been scheduled for 16.05.2025 in Johannesburg.</i>	
	Noted.	
7.1.4	Case 2024-06 – KUSA (TKC & Witwatersrand Kennel Clubs) vs Van Zyl	
	<i>A DSC has been appointed, but the date of the hearing has not yet been set.</i>	

	<p><i>The hearing took place on 27.03.2025 and the DSC has finalised the Record of Proceedings. Exco to confirm the Record of Proceedings.</i></p> <p>Finding:</p> <p>After careful consideration of all the submitted evidence, documents and affidavits submitted in relation to Case 2024-06, the DSC unanimously found, on a balance of probabilities, that the complaint was fully substantiated.</p> <p>Penalties:</p> <p>In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.2, the Respondent is disqualified from taking part in, or having any connection with, or attending or participating or handling a dog at, a Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial or Field Trial or other event held under KUSA licence, for a period of six (6) months.</p> <p>The Respondent is to be notified of his right of Appeal as per Schedule 01 Rule 12.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
8.	SCHEDULE 02 MATTERS
8.1	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.6 & 4.7 – Dispensation for Registration of a litter after 12 months of the date of birth of the litter
8.1.1	<p><i>Caucasian Shepherd Dog: Dam – Merida Balkan Master – Reg No. ZA001059C24 – DoB 03.06.2019.</i></p> <p><i>Litter of four (4) puppies – DoB 12.07.2023. First litter</i></p> <p><i>Sire: Fadeyushka Aslan Balkan Master – Reg No: ZA001058C24</i></p> <p><i>Breeder – Mrs C van den Heever.</i></p> <p><i>Affidavit and DNA parentage verification attached.</i></p> <p>Approved.</p>
8.2	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.10 – Dispensation for Registration of an Extraordinary Nature
8.2.1	<p><i>The Breeder petitions the Executive Committee to rule on the registration of additional puppies to a litter already registered in terms of Schedule 02 Reg. 4.10.</i></p> <p><i>Boxer: Dam – Zia – Reg. No. ZA006820B19 – DoB 09.12.2018</i></p> <p><i>Sire: Pilot – Reg No ZA006819B19 – DOB 09.12.2018.</i></p> <p><i>Breeder: Mr ICK Payne.</i></p> <p><i>Litter whelped 10.10.2024, four (4) puppies in the litter.</i></p> <p><i>Date the litter was registered: 12.12.2024.</i></p> <p><i>The Breeder submitted the registration application on which only two (2) puppies were recorded. Request to register two additional puppies to the litter of two already registered. The breeder however only has the DNA parentage verification for one of the additional puppies but has applied and paid for both to be registered.</i></p> <p>Approved. The non-DNA parentage verified puppy's registration is to be suspended until such time as DNA Parentage Verification is received.</p>
8.3	Schedule 02 Reg. 9 – Amendments to Register
	Nil
8.4	Schedule 02 Reg.12 (12.1 to 12.5) – Adjudication for Registration
8.4.1	Regulation 12.2 – Litter whelped within 12 months of the date of birth of the Dam
	Nil.

8.4.2	Regulation 12.3 – Third litter whelped within 18 months
	Nil.
8.4.3	Regulation 12.4 – More than 5 litters whelped
	<p>Dachshund (Miniature Long-Haired) Dam: Lee-Mon – Reg. No. ZA004042B19 – DoB 23.09.2018. Litter of two (2) puppies Litters whelped: 04.03.2020 – 20.09.2020 – 11.04.2021 – 11.05.2022 – 20.07.2023 – 20.09.2024. Request permission to register a 6th litter. Breeder – Mr AE Krugel. Affidavit received.</p> <p>Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.4.4	Regulation 12.4 and 12.5 – More than 5 litters whelped and Litter whelped by Dam older than 8 years of age
	<p>Biewer Terrier Dam: Irmadu Macey – Reg. No. ZA001001A17 – DoB 05.08.2016. Litter of one (1) puppy. Litters whelped: 02.07.2018 – 02.02.2021 – 10.08.2021 – 07.02.2022 – 29.07.2022 – 18.11.2024. Request permission to register a 6th litter from a dam older than 8. Breeder – Dr MFS Bailey. Affidavit/Vet report received.</p> <p>Approved. No further dispensation to be granted. Letter: 6th litter whelped from a Dam older than 8 years of age. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.5	<p>AFFIX – VON BULGARI – CHANGE OF GRANTEE Mr AS Botes has applied for a change of Grantee on his Affix - Von Bulgari. Since the Affix is registered in the sole ownership of Mr Botes (1004554) and the application is to transfer the Affix to the sole ownership of Mr ME Diedricks (88578) the change falls under Schedule 02 Regulation 8.4.1, which states that “The Grantee may not cede, assign, bequeath, sell or dispose of a registered Affix without the consent of the Executive Committee.”</p> <p>The KUSA Office therefore requests guidance from Exco as to whether we may proceed with the transaction and change sole Grantee to Mr Diedricks.</p> <p>Deferred for decision until the Appeal process for Disciplinary Case 2024-04 has been completed.</p>
9.	SCHEDULE 03 MATTERS
9.1.	Temporary Exclusion Orders (Schedule 03 Reg. 14 & Reg. 19.8)
9.1.1	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Retriever (Flat-coated) – Sheadoes Sweet Talker – Reg No. ZA011488B20</p> <p>It was reported that the abovementioned dog had acted and behaved aggressively by attacking another Exhibit at the TKC Kennel Club Championship Show held on 13.10.2024. Both the Club and the Registered Owner have submitted documents relating to this incident. A preliminary TEO was issued on 18.10.2024.</p> <p>The dog is to complete a socialisation course (TEO Manual 12.2.1.3), provide KUSA with a letter of proof from the Training Club (TEO Manual 12.2.1.3.2 and 12.2.1.3.3) and then complete a CGC Silver (TEO Manual 12.2.1.4).</p>

	<p>The Owner has submitted the following documents in support of the TEO being lifted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unsigned letter from Club saying the dog had attended a training day and not shown any aggression - Unsigned letter from an observer at the training day and on the day the dog completed its CGC - Proof of CGC Silver <p>After discussion it was decided that the dog must complete a 3-month dog training course and it was noted that the dog has been enrolled with the Dog Training Club of Bredell. Once a suitable socialisation course has been completed, a letter of clearance needed to be obtained from the relevant Club before the lifting of the TEO would be considered by Exco.</p> <p>The owner of the dog has provided evidence of the dog having been enrolled in two training Clubs. Signed copies of the two letters provided had since been submitted to the KUSA Office.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Following the decision taken at Exco 01.2025 (that the dog complete a 3-month dog training course), the Registered Owner is applying to have the TEO lifted and has submitted the following document in support of this application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter from the Dog Training Club of Bredell dated 19.02.2025 <p>Subsequent to the TEO being issued, the dog successfully completed a CGC Silver on 30.11.2024.</p> <p>CPA to inform owner that she may apply to have the TEO lifted at the end of the 3-month period which would be 31.03.2025. BJ granted permission for the matter to be decided via round robin should the owner be unwilling to wait until the April Exco meeting for a decision.</p> <p>The Owner has submitted a letter from</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Birch Acres Dog Training Club dated 05.04.2025 - Bredell Dog Training Club dated 10.04.2025 <p>in fulfilment of the conditions required by the TEO Decision letter dated 20.11.2024.</p> <p>Decision by Exco required.</p> <p>TEO to be lifted.</p>
9.1.2	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Spaniel (English Springer) – Tanjo War Lord – Reg No. ZA001466B18</p> <p>The Office has received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the Western Cape Top Dog Invitational Show on 07.12.2024. All relevant documentation was attached.</p> <p>Preliminary TEO issued 20.12.2024.</p> <p>TEO to be issued.</p> <p>The handler of the dog at the time of the incident has subsequently submitted an affidavit. See attached.</p> <p>The matter was considered by Exco and it was decided that the decision made at Exco 01-2025 must stand.</p> <p>The Owner has requested that she be allowed to conduct the relevant training with Mr Johnny De Abreu Marques (see attached email).</p> <p>Decision by Exco required.</p>

	Owner to be informed that training is to be completed at the Cape Handlers Club.
9.1.3	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – American Akita – King's Throne J-Diamond – Reg No. ZA001150C23</p> <p><i>It was reported that the abovementioned dog had acted and behaved aggressively by attacking the Judge at the Northern Free State Kennel Club Championship Show held on 31.08.2024. The Club has submitted the Incident Report Form (Annex A) and a statement from the injured party.</i></p> <p><i>Preliminary TEO issued 17.09.2024. See attached.</i></p> <p>TEO confirmed.</p> <p><i>The Owner has submitted a letter from behaviourist Christa Henning (see attached). The Owner has requested assistance from the KUSA Office regarding the required Canine Good Citizen test, given that he is based in Bloemfontein. The KUSA Office has been in touch with the FS&NC Provincial Council, as well as the Owner, to see what assistance could be provided.</i></p> <p>Discussions are ongoing.</p> <p>To be carried forward to the next meeting.</p>
9.2	<p>Referral of TEO dogs to Fedco for Permanent Barring</p> <p><i>Extract from the TEO Manual:</i></p> <p><i>14.5 The Owner of any Implicated Dog, which has been issued with a confirmed TEO, has a maximum period of 12 (twelve) months from the date of the TEO (the date the TEO was confirmed by the Executive Committee) to successfully complete the requirements as provided for in Step 1, 2 and 3 of this Manual, failing which, the Executive Committee will apply to the Federal Council to have the Implicated Dog permanently barred from entry to and exhibition at any future KUSA-licensed Shows/Events subject to compliance with the procedure as provided for in Clause 11.11 hereof.</i></p> <p><i>11.11 The Owner of the Implicated dog must be informed by the Secretary of KUSA that the matter has been forwarded to the Federal Council and that he/she has the right to make written representations to the Federal Council as to why the Implicated dog should not be permanently barred from entering and exhibition at KUSA Shows/Events.</i></p> <p><i>Report submitted to Fedco – awaiting feedback.</i></p> <p>With permission from Exco, the list of dogs to be submitted to the Agenda of Fedco 06-2025. CPA to draft a letter to send to owners informing them of their right to appeal the decision, should they wish to do so.</p> <p><i>On 03.04.2025, all Owners of dogs with TEOs over the 12-month limit were informed that their dogs would be tabled to Fedco 06-2025 for permanent disbarring. Several responses have been received, advising the present status of the dogs. To date no appeals have been received.</i></p> <p>CPA Feedback List will be tabled at Fedco 06-2025.</p>
9.3	Schedule 03 Regulations 38.3.2 and 38.4 Veterinary Certificates
	Nil
9.4	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulation 7 – Entry for Exhibition</p> <p>7. ENTRY FOR EXHIBITION</p> <p><i>Except as otherwise provided in the By-Laws applicable to a particular Discipline, only Members of the Kennel Union shall be entitled to enter and have dogs in their registered ownership compete in any Championship Dog Show, Championship Obedience Class, Championship Working Trial, Field Trial Championship Open Stake or Field Qualifier or any other Championship event, licensed by the Kennel Union, save for Breed Classes offered at Specialist</i></p>

	<p><i>Club and Specialist Multi-breed Club Championship Shows, where entries will also be open to non-members' dogs, with the exception of dogs in the registered ownership of persons on whom persona non grata status has been imposed, such dogs not being eligible for exhibition at any KUSA-licensed event.</i></p>
9.4.1	<p>Participation at Championship Show by a non-member <i>A Boxer was entered at the Liesbeek Championship Show held 02.03.2025 and the KUSA Office noted that the Registered Owner, was not a KUSA Member. The entry and exhibition were in contravention of Schedule 03 Regulation 7.</i> <i>The Office sent Registered owner a Membership Application Form on 13.03.2025, inviting him to join KUSA.</i> <i>[Also refer Item 9.1.4]</i> After discussion, it was decided that the new owner needs to apply for KUSA Membership. As of 15.04.2025, Mr Bezzina has not joined KUSA. A reminder to be sent to Registered owner that he may not enter KUSA-licensed Championship Shows without being a KUSA member. This will conclude the matter.</p>
9.5	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 18. WITHDRAWAL FROM COMPETITION <i>18.1 Once a dog has entered the ring to be exhibited in one of the Classes for which he had been entered in advance of the Show, the dog shall be exhibited in all subsequent Classes entered and in all the Challenges and Competitions as contemplated by Regulations 21, 22 and 24 for which it has qualified at that Show. Failure to enter the ring when required to compete in subsequent Classes or Challenges and Competitions as described above shall, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, render the dog liable for disqualification and the cancellation of any awards gained, irrespective of any objection having been lodged in terms of Regulation 31.</i> <i>18.2 Withdrawal from competition at the Show is only permissible</i> <i>18.2.1 when the Judge listed in the Schedule is changed; or</i> <i>18.2.2 when a dog's Owner or its Authorised Agent deems it necessary due to the dog's illness, injury or other legitimate reason, and in either of the above eventualities, the dog shall be marked as ABSENT on the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets.</i> <i>18.3 Once a dog has entered the ring with the intention to be exhibited, it shall for purposes of these Regulations be deemed as having been exhibited and may not leave the ring before completion of the judging of that Class unless</i> <i>18.3.1 the dog is excused or dismissed by the Judge for any reason whatsoever; or</i> <i>18.3.2 the dog is withdrawn by the handler due to illness, injury, lameness, bad behaviour, or for any reason considered sufficient not to continue competing.</i> <i>18.4 When a dog is excused or dismissed by the Judge, the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets shall be marked accordingly, e.g. DISMISSED/EXCUSED – LAMENESS, DISMISSED/EXCUSED –</i> <i>AGGRESSION, etc.</i> <i>18.5 When a dog is withdrawn by the handler for any reason, the handler must inform the Ring Steward, after which the dog shall be marked as WITHDRAWN on the Judge's and Ring Steward's Sheets.</i> <i>18.6 If a dog's withdrawal from further competition is forced by an emergency, domestic or otherwise, formal permission shall be granted at the sole discretion of the Show Manager, once he is satisfied that sufficient cause has been shown why the dog should be withdrawn from further competition, after which the dog shall be marked as WITHDRAWN on the Judges' and</i></p>

	<p><i>Ring Steward's Sheets for the Class, Challenge or Competition from which the dog has been withdrawn.</i></p> <p><i>18.7 For the avoidance of doubt, once a dog has, for whatever reason, been withdrawn, excused or dismissed from any one Class, Challenge or Competition, it shall not be permitted to compete in any further Classes, Challenges or Competitions at that Show.</i></p>
9.5.1	<p>A Junior Bullmastiff bitch, I Bravi Ragazzi Moonlight Serenade of Farhills (ZA001048C24, after winning Best Junior in Group at the Outeniqua Kennel Club Championship Show on 08 March 2025, had failed to appear in the Best Junior in Show challenge.</p> <p><i>Letter from the Club and Catalogue excerpt attached.</i></p> <p>Awards are to be withdrawn. NS to inform member of the withdrawal of awards and imposed penalty and remind her of the Regulations governing "Withdrawal from Competition". Additionally, ShowAssist needs to be informed to amend the Final Marked Catalogue.</p>
9.6	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 Regulations</p> <p><i>7.10.1 A Judge may not enter a dog registered in his ownership in the same discipline on the same day at the same venue as he is officiating, save and except for Working Disciplines held under the licence of a different Club. Automatic disqualification of the dog(s) will apply and the Judge will be liable for disciplinary action under Schedule 01.</i></p> <p><i>7.2 In order to constitute a valid entry, the Registered Owner(s) or Authorised Agent of the dog shall submit a separate entry form for every dog entered by them, which shall be signed by the Registered Owner(s) or his/their Authorised Agent or, in the case of an online electronic entry, by insertion of full name and surname, and shall be accompanied by the correct and appropriate fees within the time limitation for the closing of entries.</i></p> <p><i>7.2.1 In the case of a co-ownership, the full name of all the Registered Owner(s) must be stated and in the case of a dog being owned by a Limited Company, the Directors of the Company will jointly be considered as the Registered Owners of the dog for purposes of Show Entry.</i></p>
9.6.1	<p>Allmark African Sunset - ZA008495B24 – is registered in the ownership of the Breeders who officiated at the Kleinmond Primary School at the Outeniqua Kennel Club on 08.03.2025. The Club was notified that the same dog was entered at the Whale Coast Kennel Club on the same day at the same venue.</p> <p><i>The dog resides with the new owner who admits to not transferring the dog into her name on time, and apologises profusely. The dog has subsequently been transferred.</i></p> <p><i>The Judge claimed to have not been aware that the dog had not yet been transferred to the new Owner's name, so was unaware of any indiscretion on the day of her appointment. The Owner of the dog has subsequently sought assistance in renewing her KUSA membership and transferring the dog into her name.</i></p> <p><i>Exco decision required on both the dog and the Judge.</i></p> <p>Decision: The awards were to be withdrawn, and the dog needed to be transferred into the new Owner's name. The new Owner was required to apply for KUSA Membership</p> <p><i>Ms J Hirsch (182716) has renewed her lapsed membership.</i></p> <p>Exco decision required whether a fine should be imposed on Ms Hirsch.</p> <p>A R500 fine to be imposed on the Registered Owner for the submission of an Official Show Entry Form in contravention of the Regulations.</p>

10.	CLUB AND SHOW MATTERS
10.1	<p>Applications for Second Championship Show Article 29 – Championship Shows – Frequency 29.1 No Club shall hold more than one (1) Championship Show in any calendar year, unless dispensation is granted by the Executive Committee.</p>
10.1.1	<p>Brede Rivier Vallei Kennel Club 18-19.10.2025 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show over their regular weekend. They are sharing International Judges in order for the weekend costs to be shared.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.2	<p>North West Staffordshire Bull Terrier Club 23.11.2025 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show over their regular weekend, sharing with the Pretoria & Jacaranda City Kennel Clubs' shows.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.3	<p>Outeniqua Kennel Club 13-14.06.2026 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show over their regular weekend, sharing with George Kennel Club.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.4	<p>George Kennel Club 14-15.06.2026 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show over their regular weekend, sharing with Outeniqua Kennel Club.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.5	<p>Victory Toy Dog Club 24.10.2025 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on the date of their Championship Show as per previous years.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.1.6	<p>Whale Coast Kennel Club 07.03.2026 The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on their usual weekend, as they had such a good turnout after hosting more events over their 2025 weekend.</p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>To be carried forward to the next meeting.</p>
10.1.7	The Gundog Club 10.10.2025 (Golden Retriever Club of KZN)

	<p><i>The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on the TKC weekend in order to assist the KZN Clubs to hold their shows on a Cluster weekend (Exco 03-2025). TKC has approved the show for 2025.</i></p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>Refer to the decision under 10.1.8 below.</p>
10.1.8	<p>Gauteng Golden Retriever Club 10.10.2025 (Golden Retriever Club of KZN)</p> <p><i>The above Club has made an application to hold a second Championship Show on the TKC weekend in order to assist the KZN Clubs to hold their shows on a Cluster weekend (Exco 03-2025). TKC has approved the show for 2025.</i></p> <p>Motivation attached.</p> <p>To be carried forward to the next meeting to afford the Chairman of the KZNPC the opportunity to discuss this matter the KZNPC Executive and the Club, given the potential of setting an untenable precedent and causing further prejudice to the interests of dogdom in KZN.</p> <p>It was important for Clubs “borrowing” licences to understand that, in terms of Schedule 03 Regulation 3.6, the Officers of a Club holding its event under a borrowed licence incur the same liabilities as the Officers of a Club acquiring a licence directly from KUSA. Moreover, under Clause 3.1 of the Constitution of the Golden Retriever Club of KZN, the Club is restricted to holding its Shows within the geographical area covered by the KZNPC.</p>
10.2	Show Documentation, Licence Fees and Penalties
10.3.	Late Submission of Show Documents
10.3.1.	Show Returns not received
	<p><i>The following Club is in contravention of Schedules 07 and 08 with regards to Show Return levies, and the Club is accumulating Penalties.</i></p> <p>26-Oct 2024 Free State Kennel Club (1) Dogsport 27-Oct 2024 Free State Kennel Club (2) Dogsport 02-Nov 2024 Free State Kennel Club (1) Breed 03-Nov 2024 Free State Kennel Club (2) Breed</p> <p><i>Schedule 07 – Regulation 15 Show Entry Levies Schedule 08 – Regulation 2.7 Return of Championship Show Entries</i></p> <p><i>The Show Return Forms and Catalogues for all four shows have now been received by the KUSA Office, but the Show Levies are still outstanding as follows:</i></p> <p>Show 1 – R10 484 Show 2 – R11 092 TOTAL – R21 576 Penalties will still be added to the above</p> <p><i>The deadline of 21 March 2025, as given by Exco 02-2025, for the Show levies to be paid has not been met. No clear instruction has been given to the Shows Department should the levies not be paid by the deadline, or whether 2025 licences should be issued if payment is received after the deadline.</i></p>

	<p><i>Exco decision required.</i></p> <p>NS was requested to send a letter informing the Club that only one licence will be issued for the Club's 2025 Championship Show. The letter should also reflect that, in order to assist the Club, KUSA was prepared to accept payment of the outstanding Show Levies and Penalties in three (3) instalments.</p> <p>On an enquiry from GR whether it would perhaps be possible for YJ and Mr Ron Juckes to meet with the Chairman of Free State Kennel Club face-to-face, YJ said she would do her best to arrange it at a forthcoming Show. She undertook to check with the Club Chairman on the earliest opportunity whether he would be available to meet at Goldfields Showgrounds.</p>
10.3.2	<p><i>Barks GSD Club of KZN – IGP Event held Contrary to the Regulations – 01.03.2025</i> <i>(Refer to Item 7.1.1 and 9.1.1 of Exco 03-2024)</i></p> <p><i>Exco directed that the Fedco Portfolio-holder for IGP, Ms Nikki Redtenbacher, should be approached to engage with Mr Swartz on the matter in final attempt to broker some form of resolution.</i></p> <p><i>[NOTE: Refer to Item 10.3.3 below.]</i></p> <p><i>Refer to decision under Item 10.3.3 below.</i></p>
10.3.3	<p>IGP Regulation requirements not being met at Shows</p> <p>Schedule 05B(02) 4.2 Notes for the execution of the REGULATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING DOG TRIALS AND INTERNATIONAL TRACKING DOG TRIALS OF THE FCI. 4.2.1 The minimum number of participants is four handlers.</p> <p>Schedule 05B(02) Appendix B Trial Participants The trial participant must meet the entry deadline for the event. The participant also agrees to pay the entry fee upon submission of the entry form. If the participant cannot participate for whatever reason, he/she must advise the Trial Secretary (PL) immediately. The participant is required to provide the vaccination certificate and uphold the animal rights guidelines. The participant must adhere to the instructions of the judge (LR) as well as the Trial Secretary. The handler must present his/her dog in a sportsmanlike manner regardless of the results in any given phase, he is obliged to continue for the remaining phases of the event. The trial ends with the results (awards ceremony) and the return of the scorebook. The examination (trial) must have a minimum of 4 participants per trial day. The minimum number of participants per day may only be less if for FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) examinations these dogs pass and try for a further examination (FCI-IGP-1, FCI-IFH 1) at the same event. A dog handler may only take part in an examination with the same dog. (A two-day test is considered as an examination event.) A dog handler may enter a maximum of two dogs for an examination at an event. A dog may only acquire one title within a event. Exception: FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) in conjunction with another level 1 (FCI-IGP) title. Prerequisite for entering a trial is that owner and dog handler belong to a club of the national organization which is recognized by the FCI. Exceptions to this can be determined by the national canine organization (FCI-NCO) only for FCI-BH/VT or BH/VT (NPO) examinations.</p> <p>Following the incidents listed in the minutes of Exco 02-2025 and Exco 03-2025, where Clubs failed to comply with the Regulations pertaining to the number of handlers on a day for FCI-IGP</p>

	<p>Trials, and at the Executive Committee's request, the IGP Fedco Portfolio-holder was approached to attempt to broker some form of resolution.</p> <p>Recommendations have been made as per the attached response received from Federal Councillor, Ms Nikki Redtenbacher.</p> <p>The members of Exco recorded their thanks to Ms Redtenbacher for attending to the matter and providing Exco with her recommendations. NS was requested to send a letter to Mr Swartz, copied to the members of the NIGPSC, conveying Ms Redtenbacher's recommendations and urging that the recommendations be actioned to, hopefully, resolve the ongoing non-compliance problem at IGP Trials.</p>
10.3.4	<p>Dispensation for postponement of Championship Shows due to adverse show conditions</p> <p>Toy Dog Breeders Association (14 Jun) Jubilee Toy Dog Breeders Association (14 Jun) Pretoria Toy Dog Club of SA (14 Jun) Sporting Dogs Association (14 Jun) Irish Wolfhound Club (26 Jul)</p> <p>Schedule 03 Regulation 44.3</p> <p>44.3 The Show Committee shall be entitled to cancel or postpone a Show in advance of the Show taking place as a result of a prior and/or prevailing force majeure event, including, natural disasters and Acts of God such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tornados and floods, but also catastrophic events which pose a threat to life such as acts of terrorism and strikes, as well as acts that pose a threat to health such as toxic emissions, pestilence and biohazards, whether under a declared national State of Emergency or national State of Disaster, or not. If a Show is so cancelled or postponed, Show Entry Fees shall, at the choice of and as directed by the Exhibitor, be partially refunded, or retained in full by the Club to be offset against the Show Entry Fees of a future Show in the same year, or as a donation. Any refund to Exhibitors shall be net of the Club's proportionately calculated reasonably incurred expenses up to the date of cancellation or postponement of the Show, whether disbursed, or pending disbursement, such expenses to be calculated and determined by the show-holding Club at its sole discretion. Show Entry Fees shall not be retained to be offset against Show Entry Fees payable for a Show in a future year.</p> <p>44.5 Once the KUSA Office has been informed of the cancellation or postponement of a Show, the previously issued Show licence shall either be cancelled, or be replaced by a new licence for the Show to be held on a later date in the same year. The Executive Committee shall grant special dispensation to Clubs applying for a postponement of the Show in order to sanction their compliance with Sub-Regulations 6.1, 12.2 and 34.1, as well as with Regulation 20, hereof.</p> <p>6. SHOW SCHEDULE</p> <p>No Show Schedule shall be issued to the public before being approved by the Executive Committee after submission in terms of Regulation 2, and within twenty-four (24) hours of issue to the public, a copy of the Show Schedules as so issued shall be dispatched to the Secretary.</p> <p>6.1 The Schedule shall be treated as a contract between the Show Authorities and the Exhibitors. Once approved by the Executive Committee, no modification or amendment of any description may be made to the Show Schedule unless special dispensation is granted.</p> <p>12.2 All licences issued shall include inter alia the date/s upon which each event for which the licence is issued is to be held and the venue of such event.</p>

	<p>34.1 The Executive Committee or the appropriate Standing Sub-Committee shall be empowered to approve the appointment of all Judges at all recognised Shows at which Kennel Union awards are offered for competition and no Judge shall officiate at any such Show unless he has been approved by the Executive Committee</p> <p>Schedule 07 14.3.7 Amendment or alteration to a Championship or Qualifying Show Licence already issued 50% of Licence Fee</p> <p>The above five Clubs have moved their Show date due to the saturation of the Goldfields Showgrounds. All documents are within their correct timeframes, and Judges have been re-approved for the new dates. The Shows Department has reported no clashes with the proposed temporary dates for 2025. The Clubs wish to move their Shows.</p> <p>Approved.</p>
10.4	<p>Applications for Club Affiliation/Notification of Closure</p> <p>Jikeleza Dog Training Club An application has been received for a new Club in the Border (East London) region. The following documents have been submitted in support of this new Club:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request for affiliation - Letter of Support x 2 - Agenda and Minutes of Inaugural meeting - Draft budget for year 1 - Payment of Preliminary Affiliation Fee (Affiliation fee would need to be paid if approved) - Constitution <p>Noted that the affiliation of this Club was still under consideration by the Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council. A meeting is scheduled for 17.11.2024 where the matter will be discussed.</p> <p>Approved.</p> <p>Brakfontein Dog Training Club An application has been received for a new Club in the Border (East London) region. The following documents have been submitted in support of this new Club:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request for affiliation - Letter of Support x 2 - Agenda and Minutes of Inaugural meeting - Draft budget for year 1 - Payment of Preliminary Affiliation Fee (Affiliation fee would need to be paid if approved) - Constitution <p>Noted that the affiliation of this Club was still under consideration by the Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council. A meeting is scheduled for 17.11.2024 where the matter will be discussed.</p> <p>[NOTE: A meeting of the Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council was held on 23.03.2025. Minutes of the meeting are awaited. The KUSA Office has received notification of the resignation of the Provincial Council Secretary with immediate effect.]</p> <p>GBR confirmed that at the Ordinary Meeting of the EC&BPC, held on 23 March 2025, the KUSA affiliation, through the EC&BPC, of the above two Clubs had been approved.</p> <p>In consequence, Exco directed that the two affiliations should be confirmed.</p>
10.5	<p>Club Constitutions</p> <p>Cape Gundog Club</p>

	<p><i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 05.04.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Highway Kennel Club <i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 19.03.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Mpumalanga GSD Club <i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 21.02.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Natal Sporting Hound Association <i>The Club adopted the new Constitution at an Annual General Meeting held on 19.03.2025. (See attached)</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.6	Other
10.6.1	Change of Club Affiliation Status
	<p>Wild Coast Dog Training Club change from a Non-championship Show-holding Club to Championship Show-holding Club</p> <p><i>This Club hosted a Qualifying Show on 19.01.25. The Club has <u>NOT</u> paid the fees for a Championship Show-holding Club in accordance with Schedule 03, Regulation 1.2.3.4, “In those years where a Championship Show-holding Club elects not to hold a Championship Show, and in any year it holds a Qualifying Show, in terms of Regulation 1.2.3.2 or 1.2.3.3, it shall remit the Affiliation Fee of a Championship Show-holding Club.”</i></p> <p>Approved, on the proviso that the outstanding fees are paid. Payment not received as of 11.03.2025.</p> <p><i>The Club paid the balance of the Affiliation Fee owing for a Championship Show-holding Club on 20.03.2025.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.7	KUSA CLASSIC
10.7.1	KUSA CLASSIC 2025 (Cape Town)
	<p>KUSA CLASSIC 2025 29 May – FCI-CACIB International Show 30 May – KUSA Championship Show 31 May - KUSA National Event 01 June - KUSA Winners Show</p> <p>KUSA CLASSIC DOGSPORT 2025 – Agility, Dog Jumping, Rally Dog, Obedience, Flyball, Carting 30 Oct – FCI International Agility Show 31 Oct – KUSA Championship Show 01 Nov – KUSA National Event</p>
10.7.2	KUSA National Dogsport Events 2025 (held independently)
	<i>KUSA National Dog Dancing & Championship Show (hosted by the Dog Dancing Ad-hoc Sub-committee) – Week 18 – 01 May 2025</i>

	<p><i>KUSA National IGP (Meisterschaft) (hosted by Rotek GSD Club of Northern Areas) – Week 24 – 13-15 June 2025</i></p> <p><i>KUSA National Working Trials & WUD – Week 24 – 14-16 June 2025, Western Cape</i></p> <p><i>KUSA National Tracking Trials & KUSA Championship Show – Week 38 – 20-21 September 2025, Gauteng</i></p>
10.7.3	KUSA Classic 2026 – Gauteng, hosted by NAPC
	Week 22 – Gauteng.
10.7.4	KUSA Classic 2027 – Gauteng, hosted by DOGSPC
11.	JUDGES
11.1	Judges Education Council (JEC)
	Nil
11.2	<p>Judges who have become inactive/retired/deceased</p> <p><i>Article 25.2: Judges shall maintain continuous and unbroken membership of the Kennel Union from the time their formal studies or activities towards a judging qualification commence until their voluntary retirement from judging, advised in writing to the Executive Committee, or their incapacitation (at the discretion of the Executive Committee), or their death.</i></p>
	Nil.
11.3	Judges who have passed exams/assessments
	Nil.
11.4	Judges who have become licensed
	<p><i>Ms MJ van Vuuren (GAU) – Working Group</i></p> <p><i>Mrs D Foster (BO) – Rally Dog</i></p> <p><i>Mrs SB Stringer (WC) – Rally Dog</i></p> <p><i>Mrs K Day (WC) – Rally Dog</i></p> <p><i>Mrs S du Toit (WC) – Hound Group & All-breeds Judge.</i></p> <p>Noted, with congratulations.</p>
11.5	Helpers, Stewards and other Ring Officials
11.5.1	IGP Tutor Helpers accepted by the National IGP Sub-Committee
	Nil.
11.6	FCI Agility Judges
11.6.1	<p><i>The following Judges to be approved by Exco to be added to FCI Judges' List – Agility</i></p> <p><i>Dr C Chelchinsky (GAU)</i></p> <p><i>Mr R Hall (GAU)</i></p> <p><i>Ms C van der Merwe (GAU)</i></p> <p>Approved.</p>
12.	PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS
12.1	Districts Of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council
	<p><i>Meeting held 15.04.2025. Minutes awaited.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
12.2	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council
12.2.1	<p><i>Unconfirmed Minutes and supporting documents for the KZNPC Ordinary meeting held 19.02.2025.</i></p> <p><i>Circulated 26.03.2025</i></p> <p><i>Quorum present.</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>

12.3	Northern Areas Provincial Council
	Nil
12.4	Western Cape Provincial Council
12.4.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the WCPC Ordinary meeting held 24.03.2025 via Zoom. Circulated 14.04.2025.</i> Noted.
12.5	Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council
	<i>Meeting held 23.03.2025. Minutes awaited.</i> Noted.
12.6	Free State & Northern Cape Provincial Council
	<i>Meeting held 10.04.2025 Minutes awaited.</i> Noted.
13.	BREED COUNCILS/LIAISON COUNCILS
13.1	Federation of Boxer Clubs of Southern Africa Breed Council
	<i>Meeting held 19.11.2024. Minutes outstanding.</i> Email reminder to be sent to the liaison Council Secretary.
13.2	Field Trial Liaison Council
	Nil.
13.3	German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council
	Nil.
13.4	Rottweiler Breed Council
	Nil
14.	NATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES AND AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEES
14.1	Agility
	Nil.
14.2	Canine Good Citizen (Exco Sub-Committee)
14.2.1	<i>I submit this as a short report and update regarding the work that has so far been carried out by the CGC task team. At the last meeting I was elected Chairman of the Task Team and therefore will be overseeing the upcoming meetings. So far, we have worked through the Guidelines for Evaluators, the CGC Puppy and the CGC Bronze paperwork. Our next meeting on 22.04.2025 will be to complete the CGC Silver documentation and thereafter we will begin on the CGC Gold. I express my gratitude to my fellow Task Team members for sharing their expertise and giving up their time to get this important work done. Regards Ronald Juckes</i> Noted.
14.3	Carting
	Nil.
14.4	Dog Dancing (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.5	Dog Jumping
	Nil.
14.6	FCI-IGP
	<i>AGM due by 31.03.2025. Unable to confirm whether held.</i>

	Noted.
14.7	Flyball
14.7.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the National Flyball Sub-Committee AGM held 24.03.2025. Circulated 11.04.2025. Quorum present.</i>
	Noted.
14.8	Hoopers
14.8.1	Nil.
14.9	Obedience
	<i>Meeting held 16.04.2025. Minutes awaited.</i>
	Noted.
14.10	Rally Dog
14.10.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the National Rally Dog Sub-Committee AGM held 31.03.2025 via MS Teams. Circulated 07.04.2025. Quorum present.</i>
	Noted.
14.11	Temperament Testing – Health
	Nil.
14.12	Tracking Trials (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.13	Trick Dog
	Nil
14.14	Working Trials (Classic) & Working Utility Dog
14.14.1	<i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the National Working Trials Sub-Committee AGM held 31.03.2025 via MS Teams. Circulated 07.04.2025. Quorum present.</i>
	Noted.
14.15	Other
14.15.1	Aptitude Testing
	Nil.
14.15.2	Mondioring
	Nil.
14.15.3	Rescue Dog
	Nil.
15.	ANY OTHER MATTERS
15.1	<p>GBR enquired what the Show Levies, paid by Clubs on an “per entry per dog” basis, are used for by KUSA. In the interest of saving time, PM undertook to revert to GBR and the other members of Exco by email.</p> <p>[Note: In an email dated 25.04.2025, PM responded to GBR, copied to all the attendees, informing Exco that Show Levies, on average, constituted around 8% of KUSA’s annual income. These funds contributed to Show- and Dogsport-related administrative expenses, which include printing (certificates, Dogsport Record Cards, IGP Workbooks, Critique Pads, etc.), Public Liability Insurance premiums, cost of KUSA Award Medals, cost of engraving of trophies, staffing, etc.</p>

	The revenue generated by Show Levies is, in fact, not sufficient to meet KUSA's annual Show- and Dogsport-related expenses and the shortfall is covered by income from Registrations.]
16.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	<p>20 May 2025</p> <p>There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 14h40 with a vote of thanks to the Chair</p> <p>Unless otherwise stated, all decisions taken at this meeting are based on consensus of the members present at this meeting of the Exco.</p>