

**THE KENNEL UNION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF KUSA HELD AT 13H00 ON MONDAY, 15
DECEMBER 2025, VIA MS TEAMS**

1.	ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS
	<p><i>Mr V (Michael) Alberts (MA) (Chairman), Mrs YC Jefferies (YJ) (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M Hancock (MH), Mrs GB Rossi (GBR), Ms P Byleveld (PB).</i> <i>Staff in Attendance: Mrs P Midgley (PM) (General Manager), Mr BG Robinson (GR) (KUSA Secretary), Mrs N Shortland (NS) (Shows & Judges), Mrs C Patterson-Abrolat (CPA) (Club Affairs & Communications).</i></p> <p><i>Apologies: Mr B Delily, Mrs Z Petersen</i></p> <p>The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed the newly appointed Exco representative for the NAPC, Ms P Byleveld and wished her all the best for her tenure on the Executive Committee.</p> <p><i>The following deaths were noted with sadness: Ms MC Wilson (GAU) Mr L Jansen (GAU)</i></p>
2.	MINUTES
2.1	<i>The Minutes of the meeting held on 18.11.2025 were formally adopted.</i>
2.2	<i>The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 26.11.2025 were formally adopted.</i>
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
3.1	Exco-imposed Fines
	<p><i>R500 fine to members paid on 08.12.2025.</i> Noted.</p>
3.2	Guidelines to improve the financial reporting of Clubs (Exco 11-2025 item 15.2)
	<p><i>Proposed guidelines attached.</i> YJ requested that the members of Exco consider the list of proposed guidelines to improve financial reporting and revert with comments by the next Exco meeting. Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p>
4.	KUSA OFFICE
4.1	Office Report
	<p><i>Office Report attached to Agenda.</i> After discussion, the Office Report was approved.</p>
4.2	Finance and Stats
	<p><i>Reports for November 2025 attached to Agenda.</i> After discussion, the Financial Reports for November 2025 were approved.</p>
4.3	KUSA Online Portal
	<p><i>Report to be presented.</i> MA presented the KUSA Online Portal Report, which had been attached to the Agenda. Noted.</p>
5.	ELECTION OF KENNEL UNION MEMBERS IN TERMS OF ARTICLE 10(1)
5.1	<i>19 new Members and 21 lapsed Members elected.</i>
6.	FCI
6.1	Communication sent to Fedco Members
	<p><i>20.11.2025 FCI Shows and Judges Commission: Meeting Invitation – 07 & 08.02.2026.</i> <i>25.11.2025 FCI Agility Commission: Invitation for a Meeting to be held 07 & 08.02.2026.</i> <i>25.11.2025 FCI Hoopers Commission: Invitation for a Meeting to be held 31.01 & 01.02.2026.</i></p>

	<p>25.11.2025 FCI World Challenge of Top Dogs 2026: Invitation & Entry Form.</p> <p>27.11.2025 Minutes of the FCI Asia, Africa & Oceania Section General Assembly held 29.09.2025 (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia).</p> <p>27.11.2025 FCI Utility Dogs Commission: Minutes of the meeting held 22.09.2025.</p> <p>08.12.2025 FCI Utility Dogs Commission: Invitation for a meeting to be held 07 & 08.03.2026.</p> <p>08.12.2025 FCI Breeding Commission: Invitation and information for a meeting to be held 21.02.2026.</p>
7.	SCHEDULE 01 MATTERS
7.1	Disciplinary Sub-Committee
7.1.1	<p>Case 2024-02 – KUSA vs Ingram</p> <p>The Fedco Appeals Committee (FAC) heard the above case preliminarily on 15, 17 & 18.08.2025 (on Ms Teams), and on Tuesday, 19.08.2025 (face-to-face), finalised the hearing on Wednesday, 29 October 2025, during which proceedings the following Findings were made:</p> <p>Findings of FAC</p> <p>The FAC considered the Grounds for Appeal <i>seriatim</i> and found, by majority vote:</p> <p>Ground 1: DSC’s failure to consider or address relevant procedural issues raised by the appellant</p> <p>Having carefully looked at the procedural requirements of KUSA’s Disciplinary Rules, and the process followed, the FAC was happy that due process had been followed. The FAC thus rejected this point as a reason for appeal, and declined to overturn the findings of the DSC on this Ground.</p> <p>Ground 2: DSC’s failure to consider or address the appellant’s version of events</p> <p>Following careful scrutiny of all documents before them, the FAC concluded that the Appellant was involved in falsely declaring a Dual Sire mating as a natural mating and had not applied his mind fully to the application documents being submitted to KUSA. Given that the late Mr DW Thompson was a mentor to the Appellant, it was reasonable to expect that the Appellant would have used this opportunity more fully to improve his knowledge of procedures, which would have prevented the occurrence of this regrettable situation.</p> <p>However, the DSC took into consideration that the Litter Registration Application – Breed Register had been signed by the late Mr DW Thompson and not by the Appellant. Moreover, while the application received by KUSA was sent from the Appellant’s email address, it did not bear the Appellant’s name or provide any evidence that it had been scrutinised by the Appellant. On a balance of probabilities, the FAC could not be fully certain of the role played by the Appellant and found this sufficient cause to uphold the Appeal. The FAC thus rejected the finding of the DSC on this Ground.</p> <p>Ground 3: The DSC’s errors of fact</p> <p>The FAC noted the Appellant’s misunderstanding the process of attending the DSC hearing but as this argument was not grounds for an Appeal, it was not considered further.</p>

Ground 4: The penalties imposed on the appellant by the DSC

The FAC considered the penalties imposed by the DSC on the Appellant and looked at each in light of the decision made on Grounds 1, 2 and 3. The FAC thus ruled that:

Issue 1 – Matters relating to the Application for Registration of a Complete Litter resulting from an undeclared Dual Sire mating

- 1.1 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.1, the Respondent is expelled from membership of KUSA **for a period of ten (10) years**, which penalty is suspended in full, provided that the Respondent is not found in breach of any Regulation as described in Schedule 02 or Schedule 03 during the period of suspension.

Given the FAC's finding based on Ground 2, **the FAC ruled that the decision be overturned in full**. However, the FAC would like to caution the Appellant that, as a member of KUSA, he is bound by the Rules and Regulations of the organisation and should make every effort to apply his mind in full to similar applications in the future.

- 1.2 In terms of Rule 11.1.2 of Schedule 01, the Respondent is excluded from acting as an Officer (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer) of a Club **for a period of five (5) years**.

Given the FAC's finding based on Ground 2, and the overturning of Penalty 1.1 above, **the FAC ruled that the decision be overturned in full**. However, the FAC would like to caution the Appellant that as a member of KUSA, and a representative of a Club, he is seen as a person in authority and should ensure that he sets a shining example for others and familiarises himself with the Rules and Regulations of the organisation, or at least becomes conversant with the location of such information, when required.

- 1.3 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.5, the Respondent is disqualified from officiating as a Judge at any Show or event held under KUSA licence, or from officiating as a Judge at any Shows licensed by a National Canine Organisation (NCO) holding any category of membership or contract partnership of the FCI, or from officiating as a Judge in any non-FCI country at a Show or event held under the jurisdiction of an NCO with which KUSA has arrangements of mutual recognition and reciprocity, **for a period of five (5) years**.

Given the FAC's finding based on Ground 2, and the overturning of Penalty 1.1 above, **the FAC ruled that the decision be overturned in full**.

- 1.4 In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.6, a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred rands (R2,500.00) in part compensation of the costs KUSA had incurred in the course of its investigation and in rectification of the contamination of its Primary Breed Register, caused by the misconduct of the Respondent.

	<p>Given the FAC's finding based on Ground 2, and the overturning of Penalty 1.1 above, the FAC ruled that the decision be overturned in full and that the fine paid be refunded to the Appellant.</p> <p>The rulings of the FAC in respect of 1.1 to 1.3 above shall become effective upon the date of signature of this Record of Proceedings and Minutes by the Chairman of the FAC.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
7.1.2	<p>Case 2025-01 – Olivier vs Fyfe</p> <p>As previously reported, the Disciplinary Sub-Committee (DSC), at its Hearing on Tuesday, 28 October 2025, made a Finding and, accordingly, imposed Penalties on the Respondent. Certain complicating factors have since been brought to the attention of the DSC by the Executive Committee which, on Wednesday, 26 November 2025, impelled the Chairman to call an Extraordinary Meeting of Exco. Later, on the same day, the DSC reconvened to recall its Finding and Penalties for review, as contemplated in Schedule 01 Rules 10.16 and 10.17.</p> <p>Following its review, the DCS issued the following Finding and Penalties to replace the Finding and Penalties previously handed down:</p> <p><i>Finding:</i></p> <p>The DSC thoroughly perused the documentation before them to determine whether the Respondent had indeed infringed the two main points of the complaint. In particular, they noted the various photographs of the dog in question, and the comments made by the Complainant, the Respondent, the breeder of the dog and other members of dogdom and broader society. These were weighed and assessed, on a balance of probabilities, to determine whether or not the Respondent had indeed infringed the Rules and Regulations she allegedly breached.</p> <p>The DSC further noted that cyber-bullying was becoming more prevalent within dogdom and had the potential to discredit the sport and damage the credibility of those involved in dog-showing, whether they were competing as exhibitors, officiating as Judges, or acting in the capacity of Show Officials. This, in turn, tarnishes the image of KUSA and its licensed activities, purebred dogs, and KUSA membership in the eyes of the general public.</p> <p>It had been brought to the attention of the DSC that an application for KUSA membership had been received from the Respondent's husband on 16 June 2025, which was duly processed on 18 June 2025. On 20 June 2025, the KUSA Office received and processed an application from the Respondent to transfer five (5) of her dogs into her husband's name after disciplinary action had been instituted against her by the Complainant.</p> <p>Taking the Respondent's transgressions of KUSA Regulations and Codes into account, and having fully considered the papers, screenshots and other evidence entered into the record of this Case 2025-01, the DSC found, unanimously, and on a balance of probabilities, that the complaint by the Complainant was fully substantiated.</p>

	<p>Penalties:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.2, the Respondent is excluded 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 any other event held under KUSA licence, or from acting as an officer of a Club for a period of thirty-two (32) weeks. 2. In terms of Schedule 01 Rule 11.1.3, the Respondent is disqualified from registration, recording, transfer, exhibition or competition or evaluation of a dog owned by him or her or registered or recorded in his or her name, or jointly with another or others, or in the name of a nominee, for a period of thirty-two (32) weeks. 3. The DSC ruled that the Penalties as described above would run concurrently and these Penalties shall take effect on Thursday, 20 November 2025 and terminate on Wednesday, 1 July 2026. <p>The Respondent is to be notified of her 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
	Nil.
8.2	Schedule 02 Reg. 4.10 – Dispensation for Registration of an Extraordinary Nature
	Nil.
8.3	Schedule 02 Reg. 9 – Amendments to Register
	Nil.
8.4	Schedule 02 Reg.12 (12.2 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
	<p>Hungarian Vizsla: Dam – Montessa Vaq Barley – Reg No. ZA009511B24 – DoB 24.03.2024. <i>Litter of one (1) puppy. DoB: 17.03.2025</i> <i>Breeder – Mrs IK Schneyder.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Not approved. Affidavit does not meet the requirements of a statement under oath and must be resubmitted containing the personal details of the deponent as required on the Affidavit template. <i>Amended Affidavit received.</i> Approved, with mandatory twelve (12) month restriction on breeding with this Dam.</p>
8.4.2	Regulation 12.3 – Third litter whelped within 18 months
	<p>Russian Black Terrier: Dam – Milana of Hercon – Reg No. ZA011580B22 – DoB 05.04.2022. <i>Litter of two (2) puppies.</i> <i>Litters whelped: 24.04.2023 – 11.03.2024 – 29.08.2024 – 16.07.2025.</i> <i>Breeder – Mrs C Bothma.</i> <i>Affidavit received.</i> Approved. No further dispensation will be granted. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months (2nd)</p>

	<p>Dam status: Exco restriction</p> <p>French Bulldog: Dam – Avorza Zoe – Reg No. ZA002641B23 – DoB 18.08.2022. Litter of two (2) puppies. Litters whelped: 27.12.2023 – 05.08.2024 – 12.05.2025. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st) French Bulldog: Dam – Avorza Lilliput Lane – Reg No. ZA009302B22 – DoB 22.02.2022. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 17.12.2023 – 25.08.2024 – 01.06.2025. Breeder – Mr AJ Perry. Affidavit received. Approved. Letter: 3 litters within 18 months Dam status: Exco – 3 litters (1st) Letter to be sent to Mr Perry cautioning him that, due to the numerous requests received for dispensation for the registration of litters whelped within 18 months, future requests for dispensation would be subjected to closer scrutiny by Exco.</p>
	<p>Dachshund: (Miniature Smooth-haired): Dam – Santitia Hestia – Reg No. ZA012706B19 – DoB 24.05.2019. Litter of three (3) puppies. Litters whelped: 20.06.2021 – 20.02.2023 – 11.12.2023 – 12.10.2024 – 01.05.2025. Breeder – Dr S Nieuwoudt. Affidavit received. Approved. Since five (5) litters have been whelped from the Dam, no further dispensation will be granted. Dam Status: Exco Restriction</p>
8.4.3	<p>Regulation 12.4 – More than 5 litters whelped</p> <p>Nil.</p>
8.4.4	<p>Regulation 12.4 and 12.5 – Dam older than 8 years of age</p> <p>Nil.</p>
9.	<p>SCHEDULE 03 MATTERS</p>
9.1.	<p>Temporary Exclusion Orders (Schedule 03 Reg. 14 & Reg. 19.8)</p>
9.1.1	<p>Temporary Exclusion Order – Border Collie – Mackland Pink Panther – Reg No. ZA005661B17 The Office has received a report regarding an incident of aggression that took place at the Baakens Valley Working & Herding Breeds Club Championship Show on 05.10.2025. All relevant documentation was attached. Preliminary TEO issued 07.11.2025. Affidavit from Judge and Injured Party attached. Owner of Border Collie has requested an extension for the submission of her statement. For noting. Noted. Carried forward to the next meeting. Statement received from Owner (see attached). TEO to be lifted.</p>
9.2	<p>Referral of TEO dogs to Fedco for Permanent Barring Extract from the TEO Manual: 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</p>

	<p><i>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>Provisional list of dogs for Fedco 06-2026 <i>Nil.</i> Noted. The following dogs were permanently barred from entering KUSA Shows as their TEOs had exceeded 12-months:</p> <p>Saint Bernard – Baynest Maverick (ZA010834B22) American Akita - King's Throne J-Diamond (ZA001150C23)</p> <p>Confirmed by Fedco 12-2025. For Noting. Noted.</p>
9.3	Schedule 03 Regulations 38.3.2 and 38.4 Veterinary Certificates
	<i>Nil.</i>
10.	CLUB AND SHOW MATTERS
10.1	<p>Applications for Second Championship Show Article 29 – Championship Shows – Frequency <i>29.1 No Club shall hold more than one (1) Championship Show in any calendar year, unless dispensation is granted by the Executive Committee.</i></p>
10.1.1	<p>Cape Field Trial Club – 19-21.09.2026. <i>The above Club is making an application to hold a second Field Trial to be run in conjunction with their first in order to keep the attraction of two consecutive weekends of trialling for the Exhibitors.</i> Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.1.2	<p>Transvaal Terrier Club – 16.08.2026. <i>The above Club is making an application to hold a second Show along with their first in order to cover expenses and utilise an out of Province Judge.</i> Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.1.3	<p>Jubilee Toy Dog Club – 12.04.2026. <i>The above Club is making an application to hold a second Show along with their first in order to attract more exhibitors.</i> Motivation attached. Approved.</p>
10.2	Applications for Club Affiliation/Notification of Closure
10.2.1	<p>Collie Club of South Africa <i>At their Special General Meeting held 17.08.2025, the members of the Club agreed to close the Club (see attached).</i> <i>For decision. Confirmation of transfer of funds to Border Collie Rescue to be requested.</i> <i>No response received.</i></p>

	<p>CPA to send a reminder to the Club, requesting confirmation of the transfer of the surplus funds to the Border Collie Rescue, after which the closure of the Club will be finalised. The Club has submitted all outstanding documentation – see attached. YJ requested a “final report” from the Club.</p> <p><i>Final report submitted (see attached).</i></p> <p>Club closure confirmed and matter may be removed from future Agendas.</p>
10.3	<p>Application for Affiliation</p> <p>Nil.</p>
10.4	<p>Club Constitutions</p>
10.4.1	<p>Cape Handlers Dog Club</p> <p><i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 19.10.2025</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.4.2	<p>Northern Transvaal Bull Terrier Club</p> <p><i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 16.11.2025</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.4.3	<p>Roodepoort & Districts Kennel Club</p> <p><i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 21.11.2025</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.4.4	<p>Umbogintwini Dog Training Club</p> <p><i>The new Constitution was adopted at the AGM held 01.12.2025</i></p> <p>Noted.</p>
10.5	<p>OTHER</p>
10.5.1	<p>Belgian Shepherd Dog Club of the Western Cape</p> <p><i>This Club, which had been inactive for some time, recently acquired a new Committee who arranged for an AGM to be held on 31 August 2025 (see attached). In the AGM Minutes, under the Treasurer’s Report, it is reflected that “The Previous Committee dissolved the Club and donated the funds elsewhere”, presumably in anticipation of the dissolution of the Club. There are no financial records available for the Club and the last Financial Statements submitted to KUSA were for the Financial Year Ending 30 September 2023 (see attached).</i></p> <p>CPA to send a reminder to the members of the previous Committee, requesting the Minutes of the meeting confirming the closure of the Club and the Financial Statements presented at the meeting, as well as proof of the disbursement of surplus funds as per the Club’s Constitution. WCPC to be copied on all communications with the Club.</p> <p><i>Letter sent 23.10.2025 – no response received.</i></p> <p>MA to follow up with the Club’s previous Committee regarding the outstanding documentation.</p> <p>For discussion and decision.</p> <p>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p>
10.5.2	<p>Northern Areas Agility & Dog Jumping Club – 16.11.2025</p> <p>Dispensation request for moving a Show due to Force Majeure without a Licence Amendment Fee</p> <p><u>Schedule 07</u></p> <p><i>14.3.9 Amendment or alteration to a Non-championship Licence already issued, if due to unforeseen circumstances as adjudicated by Exco - No Charge</i></p> <p><i>14.3.10 Amendment or alteration to a Non-championship Licence already issued, if amendment is at the Club’s discretion (not unforeseen) - R 384.00</i></p>

	<p><u>Schedule 03</u> 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 within six (6) months of the original Show date. 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. In the case of the cancellation of a Show, the Show Licence Fee paid shall be non-refundable, whereas the replacement of a Show Licence, in the case of postponement, shall be free of charge.</p> <p>The above Non-Championship Dogsport Show was rained out at Goldfields on 16.11.2025. The Club rescheduled the events for 29.11.2025. The Show Committee requests that the Licence Amendment falls under Schedule 07, Regulation 14.3.9, and no Licence Amendment Fee be charged.</p> <p>Decision required. Dispensation granted. No Licence Amendment Fee to be charged.</p>
10.5.3	<p>Margate Kennel Club – 27.09.2025 Schedule 03: 5.17 Where a Club, for any reason whatsoever, has been unable to finalise its Draft Schedule twelve (12) weeks before the first day of the Show, no licence shall be issued for that event. If a licence has already been paid for, Licence Fees will be refunded to the Club, subject to the deduction of Penalty Fees incurred up to twelve (12) weeks and, should the Penalty Fees be in excess of the Licence Fees, the Club shall be responsible for payment of the shortfall.</p> <p>The above Club applied for their September Championship Show licence on 27.03.2025. The Office proceeded to process the application while waiting for further documents, and requested Clearance from the Clubs Department on 30.04.2025 before issuing the licence.</p> <p>The Club was not cleared due to outstanding AGM documents (Financials). The Club was informed on 27.06.2025 that they were still not in good standing and could not be granted a licence. No licence was issued; however, the Club went ahead with the Show. The Office was alerted to that fact, when Show Returns were received on 09.10.2025.</p> <p>Carried forward to the next Agenda.</p> <p>Club statement attached. Decision required. Unlicensed Show and therefore not a valid event. All awards to be withdrawn. MH agreed to ensure that Record Cards of all dogs that had received awards are amended. For this purpose, NS undertook to provide MH with a list of awards made at the unlicensed Show.</p> <p>Upon informing the Club and handlers that the Show was considered invalid, and awards were to be withdrawn, an appeal has been received from the National Agility Sub-Committee (NAGSC) for reconsideration of the status of the awards. The qualifications received on the day enabled two dogs to move up a grade and one of those has subsequently won a Qualifying Certificate (QC) towards making the dog a Champion. In addition, one of the QCs awarded on the day of the Margate Kennel Club event made a</p>

	<p>dog a Champion. The NAgSC's letter of recommendation is attached for Exco's consideration.</p> <p>For discussion and decision. After discussion and deliberation, the matter was put to a vote. By majority vote, it was determined that the decision made at Exco 11-2025 must stand. NS to communicate the Exco decision to the Club and advise that the Show Return Fees paid could either be refunded, or held as a credit on the Club's account.</p>
10.5.4	<p>Entry in Contravention of Schedule 03 – Champion Application</p> <p><u>Schedule 03</u> 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.</p> <p>A Champion Application was received for Weimaraner Gatebeautiful Purple Rain ZA007643B23 from the Owner.</p> <p>Three of the five entries were made incorrectly in the name of the breeder. Email & certificates attached.</p> <p>For discussion and decision. 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>
10.5.5	<p>Dispensation Request - Eastern Districts Kennel Club Supa 7's – 23.01.2026</p> <p>Schedule 05E(15): 5. JUDGES 5.1 The Host Club will appoint Judges who shall be cleared by KUSA not less than three (3) months before the date of the competition. 5.2 Judges – To be qualified to judge Best in Show in their country of domicile. 5.3 The names of the Judge or Judges is/are not made publicly known until the start of the event.</p> <p>Eastern Districts Kennel Club seeks dispensation from Regulation 5.1, as the Judge was cleared by the Chairman of the Federal Council on 03 December 2025. The Chairman of Exco gave permission for the licence to be issued on 05 December 2025.</p> <p>For noting and confirmation. Noted and confirmed.</p>
10.6.	KUSA CLASSIC
10.6.1	KUSA Classic Breed 2026 – Gauteng
	Week 22 – KUSA National Event, KUSA Championship A20 Show, KUSA FCI International Show, KUSA Winners Show.
10.6.2	KUSA Classic Dogsport 2026 – Gauteng Week 17 – KUSA National Event – Dog Jumping & Agility Week 18 – KUSA Championship Show & KUSA National Event – Dog Dancing Week 21 – IGP Meisterschaft (Cape Town) Week 22 – KUSA Championship Show – Obedience, Rally Dog, Flyball, Carting, Dog Jumping, Agility, Hoopers

	Week 22 – KUSA National Event – Rally Dog, Obedience, Flyball, Carting Week 22 – KUSA FCI CACIAG International Show
10.6.3	KUSA Classic 2027 – Gauteng
10.7	Show Clearance for Exhibition Only Waiver of DNA Profile marker requirement for the issue of a Show Clearance Certificate for Exhibition only. Proposal attached. Approved. To be submitted for consideration by Fedco at a forthcoming Fedco Discussion Forum. The proposal was considered by the Federal Council at the Fedco Discussion Forum held on 19.11.2025. The Federal Council supported the proposal and agreed to waive the requirement of a DNA Profile for the issue of a Show Clearance Certificate for Exhibition purposes. [Office Note: A DNA Profile remains a mandatory requirement for the issue of a Clearance Certificate for Exhibition and Stud and issue of a Clearance Certificate for Stud only purposes.] For noting. Noted.
11.	JUDGES
11.1	Judges Education Council (JEC)
	Nil
11.2	Judges who have become inactive/retired/deceased 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.
	Ms MC Wilson (GAU) (Deceased) Mrs P Cox (KZN) (Retired) Noted.
11.3	Judges who have passed exams/assessments
	Indicates a distinction Mrs M Halmi (WC) – Working Ms M Tregoning (GAU) – Utility Ms J Kern (FS) - Hounds Mr J Taute (FS) – Junior Showmanship Ms G Brits (GAU) – Junior Showmanship Mr S Smith (GAU) – Field Trials Mrs D Crawshaw (GAU) – Obedience Mrs D Fischer (GAU) – Rally Dog Mrs T Winter (WC) – Fields Trials* Mrs ME Wilson (WC) – Field Trials Ms K Roos (GAU) – Flyball* Mrs N Moss (EC) – Rally Dog* Noted with congratulations.
11.4	Judges who have become licensed
	Ms S van de Pijpekamp (GAU) – Hoopers Mr LL Keel (GAU) – Hoopers Mr S Smith (GAU) – Retriever Trials B Panel Mrs T Winter (WC) – Retriever Trials B Panel

	<p>Mrs ME Wilson (WC) – Retriever Trials B Panel Ms CA Smith (GAU) – Spaniel Trials B Panel Ms G Brits (GAU) – Gundog Group 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	<p>Dispensation to appoint a Judge for the South African Agility Championships who does not yet meet all the requirements under Schedule 05L, read with Schedule 05E(29) – Regulations for the KUSA South African Agility Championships – to officiate as one of the Judges for the South African Agility Championships 2026</p> <p>Submitted by the National Agility Sub-Committee (NAgSC).</p> <p>Circumstances: The call for judge applications was open for the required period, during which only two applications were received — from Mr Wayne Arneil and Ms Tam White. Upon reviewing the documentation submitted by Ms White, we identified two areas where she does not yet fully meet the standard judging criteria, as detailed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duration as an Official Judge: Ms White completed her schedule 03 exam on the 13.08.2022, but only completed her qualifying judging rounds in April 2023 – this is due to Ms White residing in Cape Town and as is very well known, Cape Town has a very limited number of shows and thus opportunity for her to complete the assessments in any faster time. As such, she will only meet the requirements of Schedule 05L Appendix E Regulation 4.2.1 namely, “Only KUSA Championship Show Agility Judges with a minimum of three (3) years’ experience in judging Agility will be considered”, in April 2026, shortly before the Championships take place. • Number of Judging Appointments: The requirement stipulates a minimum of six (6) Contact and six (6) Non-Contact judging appointments within the three-year period. To date, Ms White has completed four (4) Contact and five (5) Non-Contact appointments. In light of these factors, we respectfully submit the following supporting considerations for your evaluation: • Re-opening of the Application Period: Upon identifying that Ms White did not currently fulfil all requirements, the AWC Working Group re-opened the application period for an additional one and a half weeks (until 19.10.2025) and circulated the opportunity again to all provincial judging groups. Unfortunately, no further applications were received during this extended period. • Qualification Timeline: Although Ms White is not currently eligible under the three-year rule, she will be fully qualified by the time of the KUSA SA Agility Championships 2026 (scheduled for May/June 2026). • Upcoming Judging Appointments: Ms White has several confirmed judging commitments, which will ensure she meets and exceeds the required number of appointments by the time of the event, as follows: 25 October 2025 – NAL 2 & 3 (Cape Town): 2 Contact & 2 Non-Contact rounds 2 November 2025 – Championship Show (KUSA Classic) 22 November 2025 – NAL 4: 1 Contact & 1 Non-Contact round 7 March 2026 – Championship Show

	<p><i>All SAC Rounds: 4 Contact & 4 Non-Contact rounds</i> <i>These scheduled appointments will ensure she has the necessary experience and practical exposure well in advance of the KUSA SA Championships.</i></p> <p><i>Taking all of the above into account, we respectfully request Exco to grant dispensation for Ms White to serve as a Judge for the 2026 KUSA SA Agility Championships, and that Mr Arneil, who is fully qualified, be appointed as the National Coordinator for the same. Mr Arneil will, of course, oversee and support Ms White through the process as required. We trust that the above demonstrates our position and due diligence.</i></p> <p>For decision.</p> <p>Dispensation granted, on the proviso that the qualification requirements are met by the time the judging takes place.</p> <p><i>The National Agility Sub-Committee has been informed and confirmed that they will contact Exco should Ms White have not achieved the necessary qualifications by the time the event takes place.</i></p> <p>For Noting. Noted.</p>
12.	PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS
12.1	Districts Of Gauteng & Surrounds Provincial Council
	<p><i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the DOGSPC Ordinary meeting held 11.11.2025 via Zoom. Circulated 08.12.2025.</i> <i>Quorum present.</i> Noted.</p>
12.2	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Council
	<p><i>Ordinary Meeting held 27.11.2025. Minutes awaited.</i> Noted.</p>
12.3	Northern Areas Provincial Council
12.3.1	<p><i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the NAPC AGM Ordinary Meetings held 17.09.2025. Circulated 02.12.2025</i> <i>Quorum present.</i> Noted.</p>
12.3.2	<p><i>Unconfirmed Minutes of the NAPC AGM and Ordinary Meeting held 29.10.2025. Circulated 02.12.2025</i> <i>Quorum present.</i> Noted.</p>
12.3.3	<p><i>Ordinary Meeting held on 03.12.2025. Minutes awaited.</i> Noted.</p>
2.4	Western Cape Provincial Council
	<p><i>Ordinary Meeting held 17.11.2025. Minutes awaited.</i> [Note: Unconfirmed Minutes of the WCPC Ordinary Meeting held 17.11.2025 via Zoom circulated 18.12.2025] Deferred to the Exco 01-2026 Agenda for noting.</p>
12.5	Eastern Cape & Border Provincial Council
12.5.1	Nil.
12.6	Free State & Northern Cape Provincial Council
	Nil.

13.	BREED COUNCILS/LIAISON COUNCILS
13.1	Federation of Boxer Clubs of Southern Africa Breed Council
	Nil.
13.2	Field Trial Liaison Council
13.2.1	Nil.
13.3	German Shepherd Dog Liaison Council
13.3.1	AGM held on 11.11.2025. Minutes awaited. [Note: Unconfirmed Minutes of the GSDLC AGM held 11.11.2025. Circulated 19.12.2025. Quorum present.] Deferred to the Exco 01-2026 Agenda for noting.
13.4	Rottweiler Breed Council
	Meeting held 29.11.2025. Minutes awaited. Noted.
4.	NATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES AND AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEES
14.1	Agility
	Nil.
14.2	Canine Good Citizen (Exco Sub-Committee)
14.2.1	CGC Report December 2025 Chairman of CGC Sub-Committee: Mr Ron Juckes A Refresher Evaluator Training Course was held on 24.11.2025 and was well received by the 33 Evaluators in attendance. The CGC Sub-Committee is hoping to run another refresher course in 2026 and also training for new Evaluators. For noting. Noted.
14.3	Carting
	Nil.
14.4	Dog Dancing (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.5	Dog Jumping
	Nil.
14.6	FCI-IGP
	Nil.
14.7	Flyball
	Nil.
14.8	Hoopers
	Nil.
14.9	Obedience
	Nil.
14.10	Rally Dog
	Nil.
14.11	Temperament Testing – Health
	Nil.
14.12	Tracking Trials (Ad hoc)
	Nil.
14.13	Trick Dog
14.13.1	A Speciality (fun) event was run during October which saw 29 entries being submitted. The theme was “Barkour” which challenged participants to think about how the tricks that they have learnt relate to the sport of Parkour. It was wonderful to see how people thought out the box and event explored new tricks with their dogs.

	<p><i>Another Speciality will be run in December with the theme of “My 2025 Trick Journey” and we are looking forward to seeing the submission in the new year.</i></p> <p>For noting. Noted.</p>
14.14	Working Trials (Classic) & Working Utility Dog
	Nil.
14.15	Other
	Nil.
14.15.1	Aptitude Testing
	Nil.
14.15.2	Mondioring
	Nil.
14.15.3	Rescue Dog
	Nil.
15.	ANY OTHER MATTERS
15.1	MA proposed that an informal briefing session be scheduled for January 2026 for the members of Exco. This proposal was enthusiastically supported by all the Exco members and MA undertook to revert with proposed dates.
16.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	<p>20 January 2026.</p> <p>The members of Exco all extended their best wishes for the Festive Season to colleagues and the KUSA Staff. The Chairman thanked everyone for their participation during the year and added his best wishes to those celebrating or travelling.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 14h26 with a vote of thanks to the Chair</p> <p>[Note: Unless otherwise stated, all decisions taken at this meeting are based on consensus of the members of Exco present.]</p>