



A TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD Monday
27th August at 8.30 pm

Item 1 Attendance & Apologies

Marion, David, Sheree, Alex, Jo, Ross, Marie,
Treasurer: Marion
Secretary: Chris
Alex (delay joining the conference)

Item 2 Discussion:

Code of Conducts

David: some further information has been circulated by Ross today, suggest that we take on board the recommendations and read with the suggested changes to the Code of Conducts which has already been circulated for discussion. To date there has been no feedback from EC.

- The rehoming of ex breeding cats to be included in the Breeders code. Also need to include consequences for non-compliance which could include termination of membership.
- Concern expressed about threatening of our members
- Clear information is what is required – we have rules but there are no consequences when rules are breached – that is what is lacking
- Refer General Rules & Policies 2.27 relating to cessation of membership this should be included in the Constitution
- This was a restricted agenda that went to EC members only, so the membership has not at the time had the opportunity to discuss any of the recommendations. The membership will be asked to read and make further submissions relating to the code of conducts – this is purely a discussion at this point in time

Social Media Policy

The putting together of a policy will be addressed especially now with the increased postings on Facebook focusing on cats wins and details of cats being entered at shows - it is likely that the Show Bylaws will include a policy.

(a) Codes of Conducts:

1. Members Code of Conduct – refer page 2

NZCF members who do not adhere to the provisions of this code of conduct (other than the recommendations section) may be subject to NZCF disciplinary procedures, including nonacceptance of membership applications **OR suspension until asked requirements are met.**

2. NZCF Breeders Code of Conduct – refer page 3 “In addition, the NZCF recommends.....

NZCF Breeders who do not adhere to the provisions of this code of conduct (other than the recommendations section) may be subject to NZCF Disciplinary procedures, including non-renewal of membership **OR suspension until asked requirements of the breeders are fully met.**

3. 2019 Membership Application Form: declaration amendment

The New Zealand Cat Fancy Inc. (NZCF) is bound by the provisions of the Privacy Act. Personal information collected by the NZCF will only be used for purposes essential to conduct the business of the NZCF and will not be divulged to a third party unless authorised by the person providing the information. EXCEPTIONS: I/We understand that the NZCF may, when requested, confirm whether or not I/We have current financial membership of the NZCF. I/We understand that the NZCF may share information with other registries where there are proven concerns relating to the safety or health of cats or kittens in my care. I/We consent to be bound by and submit to the Constitution, Disputes & Discipline Procedures, By-Laws, Rules and Codes of Conduct of the NZCF **and accept that failing to do so could lead to being disciplined OR membership being suspended.** I/We confirm that the NZCF club indicated above has my permission to confirm my membership of that club to the NZCF Secretary

4. Judges Code of Conduct

NZCF Judges who do not adhere to the provisions of this code of conduct may be subject to NZCF Disciplinary procedures, including non-renewal of membership OR suspension of your Judges Licence until asked requirements are fully met.

5. Judges Annual Return

Declaration: to read Judges not providing a return and undertaking to abide by the Judges Code of Conduct and completing all relevant NZCF Health & Safety requirements, **and accept failing to do so could lead to being disciplined OR my Judges License being suspended.** (You will not be included on Judges List circulated to Clubs and published on the NZCF website)

FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY	ACTION
Executive Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Further recommendations to be

	included and placed on the agenda for the next EC meeting in November 2018
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(b) **Judges Promotions –**

Judges School Confirmed that two applications have been made by Christine Yeung & David Colley for transfer panel and that it also appears that Emma Kimberley – has indicated that she may seek admission to the next school (no application has been made)

- Kapiti-Horowhenua has announced in their schedule that Emma Kimberley will be working at the show in her capacity as a student judge.

Promotion Paul Henry – promotion to Senior All Breeds accepted.

FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY	ACTION
Shows & Judges PM – Sheree Russell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact Kapiti-Horowhenua to change the wording in their schedule
Ross Townshend (offered to prepare draft letter)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be sent to Exhibitor concerned regarding behaviour at Hamilton Show

Reported Behaviour at NZCF Show

- Language
- Inappropriate interaction with an international judge
- Judges code of conduct issues
- Ability to suspend under the Judges Code – Judges Manual
- Complaint laid under the DDP – has been dealt with by the National Disputes Coordinator
- Conduct not becoming – including intimidating behavior
- NZCF shows are a family environment – it must be ensured that exhibitor behavior does not offend

(c) **Financial Report – Accounts for payment**

Marion: These are still approval of accounts in retrospect. Our accounts are paid on the 20th of the month. If retrospect approval is not what you wish to do then EC need to think about making a change from what has been in effect since 2005.

David: the purpose to include financials as part of the monthly teleconference meetings is really to just take some of the pressure of the quarterly meeting. These accounts will just need to be ratified at each meeting.

David / Sheree

“That the creditor’s accounts for the period 01/07/18 to 31/07/18 totalling \$5,556.53 (inclusive GST) be approved for payment in retrospect.” **Carried**

Marion: advised the EC that there was one query on the accounts which related to the use of EC expenditure v the allocation of no budget for entertainment expenses. The EC have always been very good at keeping expenditure to a minimum and if it was the intention to include payment of non EC member meals then a budget should be considered.

David: this will be dealt with and addressed on an as required basis.

Clubs Liability Insurance

Marion reported that a replacement invoice has been Prepared by the stand in Insurance Broker. There has been an assurance that the Clubs are covered by the Insurance Company despite that the appropriate invoice had not been raised or paid.

FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY	ACTION
Marion (Treasurer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="852 1025 1374 1120">Liaise with the appropriate Portfolio Managers regarding the liability insurance

(d) Any Other Matters

Change of Colour

Jo reported that an exhibit had been shown at CABCC show that was clearly the incorrect colour entered as a Tortie and it is a Tortie bi-colour. This will be followed up with the owner and registrar to ensure that the appropriate changes are completed. The challenges (8) that have been issued will of course be withdrawn.

Complaints at Shows

Further discussion regarding the appointment of show Representative’s to ensure that complaints can be dealt with in a timely manner on the day. This also needs to be included as part of the governance documentation.

National Show 2019

Concern expressed by several EC members who had Attended the CABCC show that people are not happy with a one ring National Show probably because they simply don’t know how it is going to be run. Information needs to be released. Chris confirmed that the host club Patches & Pointed have set up a new website and have secured sponsorship and it is their intention to publish newsletters to keep members well informed – there have already been two newsletters released – perhaps it would be appropriate for the EC to give approval for the host to

issue updates on the membership forum and the NZCF website.

David/Sheree: That the host Club Patches & Pointed Inc. are given approval to utilise the membership forum and NZCF website to keep the membership up to date regarding the format for the 2019 national show. AND that the intention to appoint an NZCF judge (returning from leave of absence David Scadden) is approved.” Carried

Meeting closed 9.50 pm