

NZ Dog Judges Association

Presidents Report 2018/19

It gives me great pleasure to report on the activities of the association for the past year.

The board continues to work well in a cohesive manner in an effort to provide a good learning platform for our fellow judges. This requires a lot of work from a dedicated committee, and I am fortunate to have had that. As in most committees some of our team have decided to move on, and there has been a change in the region 2 representative.

Our VP, Kaye Finlayson and region 5 representative Mark Lawrence are two that did not put their names forward again & I thank both of them most sincerely for their efforts over the last several years. Kaye in particular has had to shoulder some of my workload as I slowly regain my mobility. Her energy to the VP role & to her branch is tireless and can never be underestimated. Mark Lawrence has represented region 5 very well & will be missed on the board.

Linda Strongman's region 3 position was contested this year by Bruce Anderson who prevailed in that election. I thank Linda for her sterling no nonsense approach to her role on the board.

I congratulate Pam Douglas who will be ratified at the AGM as VP, and both Charmaine Hoeben & Bruce Anderson as their regional representatives onto the board.

To the balance of my board I thank them for their diligence to their tasks and their general effort over the last year, it is appreciated and makes my job just that much easier

We undertook 4 f2f meeting last term & with important topics in between those dates being dealt with electronically. This has again proved to be a good formula. High on that agenda was a review of the regional structure in our constitution and as per a recent conference we have bout back to this conference some changes to reflect that feeling.

We still have some work to do re our show regulations & show regulations within DNZ. I am pleased to say that there is a genuine will to iron a few of these anomalies out and we will further this during the coming year. DNZ have already flagged a simplification of the exam validation process and we will look at regulations to facilitate this. We also have an abbreviated version of glossary of terms sitting at the back of each of our standards and we are looking at a more updated version as a stand alone reference material.

As a board we look forward to another enjoyable and productive year.

R T Greer President NZDJA