

PRESIDENTS REPORT TO NZ DOG JUDGES ASSOCIATION 2021/22 YEAR.

It is with pleasure that I present my annual report for the 21/22 year.

Financially we have operated on a bottom- line basis very much in line with our projections, but with several line items considerably below and above our budget as presented last AGM. Our income line items were well adhered to in most cases with an overall income excess of \$2100.

Our f2f board meeting costs were up due to an extra meeting, and the AGM costs in conjunction with an annual meeting alongside ACOD continues to show why we are here in Christchurch this year. As I reported last year in my President's report the high workload forced a re-think of our venue whilst our budget had reflected a venue change last year that did not eventuate. Our two seminars came in under budget and our nett operating deficit was surprisingly close to budget.

Our budget will be spoken to by our treasurer, but reflects a similar income but with expenditure items that reflect an AGM cost held here and a need for one less f2f board meeting, and one less practical examination.

Our two budgeted seminars in April and May were highly successful, and amongst other things served as a perfect platform for our FCI shows and the commencement of our JBO system in July, of last year. As far as feedback information on JBO we had resolved that we would simply let it run for 12 months and then look at the results. That 12 months however was full of stops and starts and shut down and cancellations, so that initial report period may need to be pushed out for another 6 months or so to achieve information that is meaningful.

Our regulations were changed back again to almost pre covid levels and these were effective 1st December 2021, or last year. At the AGM last year, we flagged that two intakes per year was unsustainable on our current resources. As a matter of interest our second North Island practical's needing three attempts for completion. It did however generate considerable interest in judging and for our only intake this year we received 55 applications, as compared to our usual 25. Our written exams that have just been completed are the forerunner of our database of questions that will hopefully only need some additional questions per group as apposed to a complete rewrite. Of course, anything that goes into a future database has to be 100% correct in all aspects, and that is a considerable task in anyone's language.

The above workload has been willingly undertaken by your current committee. A special mention has to go to our new secretary Robynne Trainor who experienced the deep end effect but is still alive today. Our Treasurer Lesley, who reined us in to a close to a budget result as possible, as well as being a big contributor in other aspects as well. Betty and Kathleen for their exam writing skills. Our on-line learning committee headed by Charmaine, with Bronwyn, Lavina and Karen McIntyre have made huge strides and the first new breed

open book exam in electronic distance format is up running. Sadly we saw a resignation from a hard working Kathleen Hardwick last year, and her place has been taken the next highest polling candidate and that person was Linda Strongman, who is no stranger to the board, and slipped into her first meeting seamlessly.

We hope that this year will see less interruptions, and we will be able to deliver our services in a more manged and predictable way. I thank the members and committee of the NZDJA for their support over the last year, making my role all that much easier, and a role that I willingly undertake.

R T Greer

President NZ Dog Judges Association.

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