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Notices

Governing Council Elections 2024

Voting for the 2024 Opened for eligible members on 1 August 2024 with email being sent direct from Vero Voting

Members Eligible to Vote include;

Nominated Photographer at Dogs West Sanctioned Events



Dogs West conducted a survey with all Clubs and members earlier this year and the results showed support for Clubs to be able to nominate a photographer. Most wanted the Photography regulation - A86 -

- Pensioner Single and Pensioner Double/Joint
- Country Single and Country Double/Joint
- Life Members

If you are eligible and cannot find your email to vote, or if you are a joint member and only one email is received, please ensure you:

- Check your junk/spam mailbox.
- Search your inbox for 'Vero'.
- If you still cannot find your voting email, **call 1300 702 898.**

For voting members who requested to vote by post. Postal packs are expected to arrive early August. Please allow at least one week for your postal vote pack to arrive (after 8 August), if you have not received your pack by then, **please call 1300 702 898.**

More information is available on the Dogs West website [here](#).

Our Focus

PD Insurance Supports Ethical Breeding 🐕

Prospective puppy parents don't always know the difference between backyard breeders and ethical ones.

PD Insurance and Dogs West are committed to upholding ethical breeding

right to take their own photographs at events. However, the results were inconclusive regarding defining a nominated photographer in the regulations.

Based on the survey results, Governing Council moved:

THAT following inconclusive results of the recent survey regarding photography at events.

Governing Council on 22 May determined that regulations are not to be amended.

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While the regulations will not be amended, Clubs can still nominate a photographer in the event schedules, on the proviso that it does not impede on regulation A86. You can check out the A86 regulation [here](#).

How can I find out more as a member?

Clubs will be sharing information about any nominated photographer and photographer areas on their schedules and/or Club Facebook pages. Ask the Club if you are unsure and look for signage on the day.

Anything else I need to know?

From time to time, you may find more than one person in an area trying to take photos, here are some hints on popular photography etiquette:

- Be mindful of your surroundings and other photographers
- Get in and out quickly
- Be polite and patient if your ring has more than one photographer

Guide to Finding an Ethical Breeder, aimed at people looking to buy a puppy.

Dogs West members can [access this resource here](#) to share it with potential puppy buyers, friends, family and the dog-loving community in general.

From PD Insurance

Breeder Referral Rewards and up to 7 Weeks Free Cover 🎉

Since launching our partnership with PD Insurance in April 2024, we are delighted to have onboarded several breeders to the PD Insurance and Dogs West Breeder Referral Program.

Via this partnership, new puppy parents can get up to seven weeks free cover for their fur baby. This is a combination of three weeks FREE STARTER COVER plus one additional month free if new puppy owners sign up for a paid PD pet insurance plan.

Dogs West breeders can automatically provide their puppy buyers with three weeks of FREE STARTER COVER to protect their new puppies. If the owner opts to take out a paid PD Insurance plan after the Starter Cover period, they also get their first month FREE - making a total of nearly two months free cover.

Sportsmanship regulations. If there is a particular concern, liaise with your Chief Steward.

Canine News Changes 📄

Print is now opt-in only for Canine News Issues.

From the September/October edition onwards Canine News will be provided digitally to all members via email and website.

If you would like to 'OPT-IN' for the hard copy Canine News and haven't already advised us, please email k9@dogswest.com with your NAME and MEMBERSHIP NUMBER.

From Dogs Australia

June 2024 Special Board Meeting - Meeting Summary

The meeting summary is available from our website [here](#) and will be published in the next Canine News.

The summary will also be made available from the Dogs Australia website and social medial pages.

Find the latest updates from Dogs Australia online [here](#).

week free cover period, Dogs West breeders earn a \$100 referral reward.

FREE STARTER COVER is designed to help cover the costs of tests and treatment, helping give these puppies a great start in life. This initial period of free cover allows the new owner to settle in their fur baby with fewer worries about the costs related to unexpected vet bills.

PD Insurance will be in touch with Dogs West breeders individually to share more information about the Breeder Referral Program. In the interim, you are also welcome to reach out directly at partner@pd.com.au. Full details of what is covered by FREE STARTER COVER are available [here](#), and 1 Month Free [here](#).



Stay up to date with our latest updates by joining our Members Group on Facebook.

Murdoch University Pet First Aid Workshop

If your pet got stung by a bee at the park, or got a bit too friendly with a blowfish on the beach, would you know when and whether a trip to the emergency vet is needed and how to support your pet until you get there?

Join Murdoch University for their next Pet First Aid Workshop at The Murdoch University Animal Hospital and find out.

Date: Saturday 26 October 2024

Location: Murdoch University

Cost: \$245 incl GST

Time: 9am - 1pm

Registrations close Monday, 21 October 2024 and limited places are available now via the link [here](#).

If you have any questions about the workshop please email PetFirstAid@murdoch.edu.au

Friday Funny

Why are there no losers in a dog race?

Because they are all Wieners! 🌭 🌭



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