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Dogs West Open Day – Let’s Make It Our Biggest Yet! 🐾

Our 2026 Dogs West Open Day is just around the corner, and we’d love to see as many of our members there as possible!

This is one of our most important opportunities to showcase everything Dogs West is about, from responsible dog ownership and breeding, to the wide range of dog sports and activities we’re so

Message From the President

Your Governing Council met in March to consider a range of governance, operational and member matters. Here are the key updates:

Membership Recognition

Work is progressing on length of membership award items, with quotes for and design of badges, development of application forms and finalisation of internal processes almost complete.

answer questions, and inspire the next generation of dog lovers.

We encourage all members to come along, get involved, and help us create a welcoming and positive experience for the public.

You can also play a big part in spreading the word! Please share the event on your social media, invite your friends and family, and help us reach as many people as possible.

Together, let's make this year's Open Day our biggest and best yet!



Governing Council Elections 2026

Nominations open Friday 3 April 2026 for the positions of

- President, (2-year position) until 2028 AGM
- Governing Councillor, three (3), (3-year position) until 2029 AGM
- Deputy Councillor, three (3), (1-year position) until 2027 AGM

42 new membership applications were approved this month. Welcome to all new members joining Dogs West.

Policy & Regulation Updates

Council determined that, for Regulation A42.4, when a complaint is heard and determined to be upheld by the Protests and Disputes Tribunal, that lodgement fees are refundable following that decision being advised by the Tribunal.

Further clarification was provided regarding Regulation A49, specifically in relation to access to sanctioned events for disqualified members, confirming that a disqualification prevents attendance at sanctioned events.

Semen Use Policy

Council confirmed a Semen Use Fee policy, to be applied to the semen owner upon lodgement of a Certificate of Use, regardless of outcome. Implementation will commence from 1 July 2026.

Fees previously charged this financial year will be refunded, as the policy had not been clearly communicated to the Members.

Grounds & Infrastructure

A storage shed for the Earthdog/Barn Seek area has been approved in line with requirements for safety and maintenance. Four additional benches will also be purchased for use around the grounds, including two on the Terrace area in front of the main building.

Engagement

Planning is underway for a Club Forum,

Forms will be made available on the Dogs West website at the link below.

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Upcoming Events

25th and 26th April

Metropolitan Kennel Club, Championship Shows

2nd May

Non Sporting Dog Club of WA (Inc.), Championship Shows

Working Dog Club of WA, 50th Anniversary Championship Show

9th and 10th May

Canine Stewards Association of WA, Championship and Open Shows

Find all our Upcoming Events online [here](#).

Thank you to our members, volunteers and clubs for your continued support and contribution to Dogs West.

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