CKC Boards often face challenges during their terms, but the 2020 Board had two rather big challenges to deal with - the continuation of the TAVDU project issues and a new fast spreading virus putting all of us into uncharted territory.

The March Board meeting was the last in-person meeting held in this term. Several CKC committees, along with the Board, drafted guidelines for exhibitors and clubs, setting out allowances in processes and rules to deal with our changing environment. Clubs scrambled to cancel or postpone events. In due course, the Board, committees and councils eased rules and policies to enable clubs to host events if they were able to meet all the local restrictions, which unfortunately were always in a state of flux.

Shortly after the March Board meeting, new area restrictions started to take effect, and within a two-week period, processes were adjusted, and staff were sent home to continue the work of the CKC.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 uncertainty, with guidance from Ag-Canada, the AGM scheduled for Newfoundland in June was postponed to September. The June Board meeting was changed into a Zoom meeting allowing CKC members to be able to participate nationally as the gallery. Our Board continued as Zoom meetings for the rest of the year.

Along with other firsts for CKC, the Appeal, Discipline and Registration committees also held their hearings by Zoom. This allowed higher participation of involved parties from regions across Canada.

Traditionally the Board holds an informal monthly update call. By the end of April these calls became a weekly occurrence with a number being designated as Special Board Meetings to deal with a myriad of issues.

As the pandemic tightened its grip on Canada, it quickly became apparent that our major source of income for this year would be reliant on only dog registrations. The Board, having a fiduciary responsibility to keep the organization afloat, worked closely with the Audit Committee and management to produce reforecasts of the budget using worst case scenarios. Unlike many organizations that had to file for bankruptcy due to COVID-19, CKC remained afloat throughout and survived remarkably well thanks to the dedication and resilience of everyone involved.

In an effort to address new and emerging issues, the Board appointed members to the Non-Standard Colours Ad Hoc Committee, the Brachycephalic Breeds Advocacy Committee, the IT Steering Committee, which became a standing committee, and the new CGN Council (formerly an ad hoc committee). Legislation policy statements were also updated.

Internationally, CKC continued its participation in the International Partnership for Dogs and recognized the Korea Kennel Federation stud book.

Advocacy and stakeholder relations continued with a number of organizations across the country in order to support bred-reared dogs and CKC members. As a reflection of the present advocacy demands, the Responsible Dog Ownership Committee is being transformed in 2021 to the National Advocacy and Government Relations Committee, with member representation from across the country.

As 2020 was the third year of the Board’s term, an election and referendum were conducted in the final months of the year, with the result that the next Board would have 8 new members. The proposed By-law changes on the 2020 referendum all passed, but unfortunately the three new breeds seeking recognition - Japanese Akita, Parson Russell Terrier and Russkiy Toy - failed to meet the APA threshold of having 25% of the membership vote.

In the closing months of the year the Board was tasked to find a replacement for our retiring Executive Director, Lance Novak. Lance had been with our organization for eight years and we wish him all the best in the future. The Board, through the Executive Selection Committee along with Odgers Berndtson, proceeded with the search for the next Executive Director. In the closing weeks of the year Jeff Cornett was hired as the new ED with the task of leading CKC out of COVID-19 quarantines and into the future.

A heartfelt thanks is extended to the membership, management, staff and the Board for the resilience, patience and insight shown throughout a difficult year.
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On March 11th, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) outbreak sweeping the globe a pandemic. Within days the Ontario government mandated the closure of non-essential businesses. With health and safety a top concern, CKC sent staff home, computers in hand, to begin what we now know would be a year-plus of a “new normal” work-from-home lifestyle.

Luckily, CKC’s new IT system, launched in the fall of 2019, allowed all staff to work remotely, an action that would not have been possible with the previous computer system. Our dedicated in-house Ricoh team members have also worked throughout the closure to ensure all of our printing and mailing needs are met.

Early on in 2020, across the globe we realized that this would be a year like no other. Members were left wondering what would become of competition seasons, breeding programs, and dog-related livelihoods in the face of a quickly spreading global health crisis. Through the hard work and commitment of our members, Board, and staff, CKC quickly responded as life as we knew it ground to a halt.

FACING A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

GOING VIRTUAL

Little did they know at the time, but in early 2020 the CKC Board of Directors met for what would be the last in-person board meeting of the year. The next Quarterly Board Meeting held in June would be the first opportunity for CKC to join to quickly growing virtual landscape. The first virtual board meeting was met with enthusiasm by the membership, as members from all zones could now join the gallery and view the meeting procedures.

This enthusiasm extended to CKC’s AGM. After the initial postponement of the in-person June meeting, CKC’s 2020 AGM shifted to a virtual format. For the first time in CKC’s history, the CKC Annual General Meeting was available to members across the country online and featured simultaneous interpretation for CKC’s French-speaking members. Held on September 12th, over 200 members participated.

*“Raksha” Raksha du Lac • Bouvier des Flandres • Owner: Ariane English • Photographer: Laurie Neron*
Government-mandated restrictions and closures enacted to combat the spread of COVID-19 impacted CKC’s dog events immensely in 2020. Limits set on the number of individuals who could gather, both indoors and outdoors, forced many clubs to postpone and cancel events, while travel bans limited the availability of judges and competitors for events that managed to continue.

**SUPPORTING CLUBS DURING COVID-19**

Early on in 2020, the CKC Board and staff quickly realized that unique and specialized exceptions to existing Policies and Procedures and Event Rules and Regulations were needed to support clubs trying to navigate the impact of COVID-19.

Through frequent special Board meetings, the Board and staff met throughout 2020 to quickly respond to shifting regional regulations and club and member needs. This included provisions for flexibility of rescheduling events, adjusted ring procedures and trial protocols, and extensions to judge’s education requirements.

**JUNIOR HANDLING**

Out of an abundance of caution for Junior Handlers’ safety, very few clubs held Junior Handling events in 2020. This trend continued with the cancellation of the National Championships scheduled for September in Chomedey, Québec.

Plans are in place for the Nationals to be held September 2021 in Chomedey, with the invitees for each Zone based on wins accumulated during the 2019 competition year.

Like many youth sports, COVID-19 had a devastating impact on the Junior Handling program. CKC’s Junior Handlers are exceptional members of the CKC community. The Junior Kennel Club Council in 2021 will continue to consider every effort possible to support our Juniors, whose years of hard work and dedication ground to a halt in 2020. Now, more than ever, it’s of vital importance to showcase the triumphs of our young competitors and the future of purebred dog sports.

From Conformation shows to Agility trials, breed-specific field tests, and more, CKC events highlight dogs’ working heritage and deep reservoir of canine instinct and skill. In a typical year, the Canadian Kennel Club recognizes over 3,000 dog events. In 2020, less than 700 events were able to proceed in the “new normal.”

"Rooster" • Hearthside Wake Up Call • Australian Shepherd • Owner: Sharon Gibbons • Photographer: Erika Anderson • "Luto" • MOTCH Tiramisu’s Bella’s (in The One, BM, FHY, UPY, RE, EA, HIC, GIC • Rottweiler • Owner: Deena Hanes • Photographer: Mike Johnson • "Nate" • AK-Ch-Cascile Nathaniel RE • Papillon • Owner: Donna McMillion • Photographer: Chipshepherd Photography • "Esskay" • Shadehill’s Esskay • American Cocker Spaniel • Owner: Myrna Carlson • Photographer: Lynn Rinting • "Freya" • Luxus Avenida’s Freya of Rocheaussan • Rottweiler • Owner/Photographer: Christine Roeme • "Rodeo" • Envercreek Not My First RN • Labrador Retriever • Owner: Lisa Bieck • Photographer: Christie Roeme • "Ruby" • Polo’s Swiftwind Red Rubicon • Afghan Hound • Owner: Laurel Deptuch • Photographer: Bev Holoboff

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LAUNCHING A NEW IT SYSTEM

As part of the IT4YOU project, in late-2019, CKC launched the first phase of its brand-new IT system. Originating in 2015 from a need to replace CKC’s outdated, 30-year-old computer system, the IT4YOU project is a multi-level, cross-departmental work effort.

The old system CKC depended on for collecting, storing, processing, and distributing all of our membership, registration, and event information, was built in the 1980’s. The IT4YOU project was the first time the CKC would be replacing its core operating system and it was long overdue.

2019 LAUNCH

Unfortunately, the risks of the outdated system became a reality when the online registrations failed in the summer of 2019. This not only caused significant, negative impacts on the turnaround time for registration applications, but it also placed increased pressure on the timely launch of the new IT system and the new Online Portal.

Despite all-hands-on-deck preparation, training, and testing throughout the fall of 2019, CKC’s new IT system was far from complete when launched in November. To accommodate the additional development and testing time needed, the development team spread the launch into phases.

November 4th, 2019 featured the new online Portal launch; members’ access point to CKC’s new internal IT system. November 25th, online Membership renewals were launched. The first online application was launched on December 3rd, allowing members to submit all types of dog registrations online, including Individual Canadian-Born Dogs, Imported and Foreign-Born Dogs, MCNs, ERNs, PENs, CCNs, and TCNs. Online litter registrations quickly followed, with the online application launched on December 30th.

STUMBLING BLOCKS

Even though most registration applications could once again be submitted online, CKC started 2020 with a significant backlog of registration documents and a new year’s worth of event results on the imminent horizon. Most applications were still being submitted on paper through CKC’s office, and CKC’s staff struggled to keep pace with the incoming levels while processing on a brand-new system. A further setback happened when COVID-19 shut down CKC’s main office and the staff literally picked up their desktops, keyboards and monitors and looked for a suitable corner in their homes to plug back in.

Staff pushed throughout 2020 to tackle the backlog. In June, the first phase of events processing functionality was launched with Conformation event processing. By year’s end turnaround times were once again returning to normal operating levels for the vast majority of applications, and final testing had begun for the launch of the first performance events results processing.

NEW FEATURES AND AN IMPROVED MEMBER EXPERIENCE

Retiring and transitioning our old IT system has been one of the most expansive projects CKC has ever undertaken. Despite a rocky launch, we are at a stage where we can see a future for CKC with an IT system that is reliable, sustainable, and convenient and features rich functionality that has never before been available to members.

CKC’s most used applications can now be submitted quickly and easily online, including Litter Registrations, Transfer of Ownerships, New and Lapsed Memberships, and all types of dog applications. Equally as important, a host of information is now at the fingertips of members, including detailed dog information like event results and titles, application status tracking, and personal contact information. Online, pay-as-you-go transactions have shortened processing times and simplified CKC business for staff and members.

From the start, the heart of the IT4YOU project has been about building relevant online tools that put CKC members in control. We have also gained a much higher level of data security and a modern fit for purpose registration and data management system.

Launching the new IT system has not been without its challenges. Today’s successes are a testament to all CKC member volunteers, staff, and Board members’ continued hard work and the support and understanding members have shown throughout the project.

“Daisy” • Canis Major Bulldogs • Just Doggin’ Daisy • Bulldog • Owner: Rhonda Anderson • Photographer: Kim Yarick
ADDING 12 NEW BREEDS

As the primary registry body for purebred dogs in Canada, the Canadian Kennel Club is the definitive authority in Canada for purebred dogs. As part of its dedication to preserving and promoting purebred dogs, CKC supports the recognition of new pedigree dog breeds through a member-driven new breed recognition process.

In a year full of the unexpected, in late 2020, CKC received news that many of its members had been waiting on for years; 12 new breeds would be added to the Canadian Kennel Club’s Recognized Breeds list.

As an organization incorporated under the Animal Pedigree Act, the process of adding a new breed to CKC’s list of recognized breeds is an extensive task undertaken by respective breeders. The preparatory work for this process was completed in 2017 and then submitted to the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food Canada (AAFC) for approval.

On September 24th, 2020, CKC received that approval, and 12 new breeds joined the CKC Family.

- Anatolian Shepherd Dog
- Australian Kelpie
- Black Russian Terrier
- Finnish Lapphund
- Glen of Imaal Terrier
- Lagotto Romagnolo
- Mudi
- Portuguese Sheepdog
- Rat Terrier
- Shikoku
- Spanish Water Dog
- Tibetan Mastiff

The Australian Kelpie, the Finnish Lapphund, the Mudi, and the Portuguese Sheepdog were added to CKC’s Herding group. The Hound group expanded by one with the Shikoku. The Lagotto Romagnolo and the Spanish Water Dog officially joined the Sporting group, while the Terrier group welcomed the Glen of Imaal Terrier and the Rat Terrier. The Working group also expanded in size, and strength, with the addition of the Anatolian Shepherd Dog, the Black Russian Terrier, and the Tibetan Mastiff.

It is thanks to the hard work and dedication of all involved that CKC was able to achieve this tremendous milestone.
CKC acts as the voice of all dogs in Canada, and for years has worked to carve out a seat at the table for government relations, both nationally and internationally. This has included forming critical partnerships with stakeholders from various government and dog-related industries, actively engaging in key media opportunities, and offering expert opinions from the wealth of expertise found within our 18,000 strong membership.

STAKEHOLDER RELATIONS

CKC’s strong relationships with its stakeholders proved vital this year as much of our guidance and information on national and global responses to the COVID-19 pandemic was anchored in knowledge provided by our many stakeholders.

Consultations with the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA), Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA), AKC Canine Health Foundation, and the Canadian Animal Health Institute (CAHI) kept us up to date on findings regarding COVID-19 and potential implications on canine health.

CKC also engaged in consultations with the CVMA, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), and the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council of Canada (PIJAC) in response to the tragic loss of canine life on a Ukrainian International Airlines flight in June of 2020. Discussions continue, with CKC participating in multiple working groups to help guide regulatory changes and facilitate public education and awareness campaigns.

Discussions on the U.S. Healthy Dog Importation Act also continued in 2020 with the AKC Government Relations team and the National Animal Interest Alliance (NAIA). Canadian dogs and potential impacts for CKC Members continue to be well-represented during the process of establishing regulations for this act.

NATIONAL EFFORTS

CKC with its members lends its voice to many discussions on the national stage, and provincial and municipal levels. In 2020 this included working with the Government of Manitoba to provide input on their kennel program, discussing surveys on dog boarding and day care issues with the BC SPCA, discussing the proposed changes to dangerous dog legislation with the Quebec Government, updates on the revoked Ordre des médecins vétérinaires du Québec ban on cropping and docking, and many others still ongoing.

It also involved engaging with many municipalities on issues of responsible dog ownership and for By-law and city ordinance consultations, including the Town of Newmarket, Ontario, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, City of Montreal, Québec, City of Pickering, Ontario, City of Halifax, Nova Scotia, City of Calgary, Alberta, and others.

As a national, member-based organization, CKC’s small advocacy team works tirelessly to promote and advocate for dogs across Canada. But CKC’s advocacy efforts are more than just our staff. Collectively, CKC members are a strong, highly informed lobbying group. It is through dedicated members keeping a finger on the legislative pulse in their locales that CKC is able to continue to strengthen our advocacy efforts.

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Key performance indicators (KPIs) are designed to illustrate the financial well-being of the Club from a variety of perspectives that align to the strategic plan. They should not be considered static as they are subject to amendment and/or replacement as the objectives of the Club may evolve.
Please note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting government and public health restrictions, most events were cancelled during 2020.
Appeal Committee

In accordance with the By-laws, the Appeal Committee, an Independent Standing Committee, shall be appointed by the Board as a whole and shall have such authority and perform such duties as noted therein.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair:

Members:
- J. Gary Cohen
- William Miller
- Anil Singh
- Vancouver, BC

The Appeal Committee met via Zoom on November 16, 2020, and rendered decisions in connection with the following matters:

1. Appeal launched by a defendant respecting the following decision of the Discipline Committee:
   - Suspended privileges for a minimum period of one (1) year and continuing until such time as private breeding records are provided from January 1, 2012 to November 20, 2017 to the Registration Committee; and provides DNA parentage testing for the parents and progeny of the litter in question to the Registration Committee; and provides the new owner with certificates of registration for three (3) German Shepherd Dogs.

The Appeal Committee dismissed the appeal and upheld the decision of the Discipline Committee.

2. Appeal launched by a defendant respecting the following decision of the Registration Committee:
   - Denied a request to accept the Biewer Terrier as a new breed.

The Appeal Committee allowed the appeal in its entirety and directed that the decision of the Registration Committee be quashed as procedurally the matter was not properly before the Registration Committee.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lionel Whittaker, Chair
Appeal Committee

Audit Committee

In accordance with the By-laws, the Audit Committee, an Independent Standing Committee, shall be appointed by the Board as a whole and shall have such authority and perform such duties as noted therein.

The purpose of the Committee is to assist the Board in discharging its fiduciary responsibilities by acting in an advisory capacity in areas of financial policy development, assessment of control environment, review of financials and appointment of external auditors.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair:

Members:
- Laurie Coady, CPA, CMA
- Robert Ernst, CPA, BCom
- St. John’s, NL
- Vermilion, AB

The Audit Committee, comprised of three Chartered Professional Accountants, met seven times throughout 2020, by teleconference. The Chair attended the quarterly Board meetings.

The Audit Committee supported the Canadian Kennel Club with the review of the external auditor selection and services; the review of the audited financial statements, management letter, and documentation related to the audit processes. The Committee reviewed the strategic investments of the organization and monitored the financial health of the Canadian Kennel Club by reviewing the monthly financial statements and cash flow, quarterly financial reports, and the annual operating and capital budgets. In addition, the Committee monitored the IT4YOU project’s progress and backlog issues resulting from the transition to the new IT system. Stabilization of the IT4YOU was of prime objective this year.

COVID-19 has resulted in revenue loss to CKC due to cancellation of shows and trials. Due to the uncertainty of when shows and trials will come back in 2021, the Audit Committee recommended expense reductions and postponement of new program initiatives for the 2021 budget. In collaboration with CKC Controllership, the Committee will be reviewing monthly reforecasts including cash flow. If COVID-19 uncertainty declines and revenue levels resume to pre-COVID-19 levels, the Committee may advise the Board to resume all internal controls related to the IT4YOU project.

Tanya Hatton is the Audit Committee Liaison to the IT4YOU Steering Committee whose role is to provide input to the budget and internal controls related to the IT4YOU project.

The Audit Committee reviews and challenges the organization’s accounting policies.

Respectfully submitted by:
Tanya Hatton, CPA, CGA, MBA, Chair
Audit Committee

Discipline Committee

In accordance with the By-laws, the Discipline Committee, an Independent Standing Committee, shall be appointed by the Board as a whole and shall have such authority and perform such duties as noted therein.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair:

Members:
- Ed Gravelle
- Karsten Kaemling
- Maura Romeo
- Alan Parkinson
- Boucherville, QC
- Vancouver, BC
- La Pêche, QC
- Regina, SK

The purpose of the Committee is to assist the Board in discharging its fiduciary responsibilities by acting in an advisory capacity in areas of financial policy development, assessment of control environment, review of financials and appointment of external auditors.
Due to COVID-19, the Discipline Committee meeting scheduled for April 25, 2020 was canceled.

The Discipline Committee met via Zoom on October 31, 2020 and November 1, 2020 to hear 28 cases in which appearances were made in 13 cases. Of the 28 cases heard, 2 files are being appealed.

As of the date this report was created (December 4, 2020), 10 of the 20 cases opened this year remain open. The cases remaining opened are scheduled to be heard in 2021. The Committee levied costs of the investigations and hearings in the amount of $4,800 (plus applicable taxes) of which $750 (plus applicable taxes) have been paid.

In 2020, 112 files concerning non-delivery of certificates were opened and 85 of those files were closed. Of the 85 files that were closed, 6 Discipline Committee files were opened. In accordance with Section 15.1 of the By-laws, non-delivery complaints involving first alleged offences are within the jurisdiction of the Executive Director, so an additional 8 files were opened for referral to the Executive Director.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lucy Bender, Chair
Discipline Committee

The Following are the registration Committee Statistics for 2020:

- 129 files were opened in 2020 concerning registration matters and 76 were closed because the issues were resolved by staff.
- 53 Registration Committee files were heard, including 2 files from 2019, and
  - 1 file was referred to the Appeal Committee
  - 9 files were referred to the Board of Directors
  - 3 files requested DNA testing
  - 1 file calling for Private Breeding Records

Artificial Insemination

- A total of 166 litters were registered from Artificial Insemination.
- 125 from frozen semen and 41 from chilled semen.

Kennel Names

- 1 Objection of kennel names received
- 0 Objections of kennel name not sustained

Examining Committee

152 files were set up to examine dogs that were imported to Canada from clubs that are not on the CKC’s List of Recognized Foreign Stud Books and 107 files were closed.

As prescribed in Sections 27.9 and 28.12 of CKC By-laws, the Registration Committee cancelled the following dog’s records:

Female Poodle, Angolly’s Mazikeen Strathglen, EW3985400 in order to allow the re-registration of this dog to the correct litter.

The year 2020 has provided challenges that caused uncertainty for everyone although conditions posed hardships reflected in the number of cases related to the registration of dogs being down 38% from 2019. 42% of the 117 files submitted by the membership for consideration, have been addressed efficiently by the Registration Committee.

Respectfully submitted by:
Ray Iredale, Chair
Registration Committee

At the discretion of the Board, Standing Committees may consist of Board members only or they may be a combination of Board members and lay members. The purpose of such committees shall be to assist in the work of the Board. They shall operate within their specified terms of reference and report back to the Board on a regular and timely basis. Unless specifically authorized by the By-laws or the Board, Standing Committees shall not have any autonomous authority.
AGM Planning Committee

The term of Committee shall be for up to one (1) year aligned to the dates of the AGM.

Using guidance from the pre-approved budget, the Committee shall be responsible for reviewing, making recommendations and coordinating with the staff:

- Hospitality considerations including location of the AGM
- Member recognition programs such as the criteria and approvals
- Volunteer recruitment and coordination for tasks such as transportation, etc.
- Scheduling of events associated with the AGM, including the AGM, any seminars, member receptions, etc.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair: Tara Merrimen
Lendra Barker

Members:
Joan Bennett
Corinne Walker
Peter Laventhall-Wolfish
Lance Novak
Annette Maggs

Staff: Leila Bahorie, Jackie Boychuk & Emily MacKinnon

The COVID pandemic drastically changed the AGM Planning Committee’s course of planning for the 2020 AGM, originally scheduled for September 12, 2020. With restricted air travel and lockdowns preventing large group meetings, the Committee reimagined its efforts into planning its first ever virtual Annual General Meeting. This new opportunity to host a remote meeting had its challenges; however, it presented the great advantage of allowing our national membership to attend. Traditionally the meeting is held in the month of June as per CKC’s by-laws; however, permission to hold it in September was granted by Agriculture Canada.

The 2020 AGM was held successfully on September 12, 2020 using the Zoom platform. We welcomed 225 members and our virtual gallery included a representation of our respective national breed clubs.

The 2020 AGM Planning Committee was thrilled with the success of the virtual meeting. Regardless of the location of the next AGM, plans to incorporate a virtual element of the meeting will be of thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lendra Barker, Chair
2020 AGM Planning Committee

Board Orientation and Education Committee

The Board Orientation and Education Committee shall be a committee of three (3) members, two (2) of whom shall be members of the Board and one (1) of whom shall be the Executive Director.

The Committee shall be responsible for the development of an orientation and education program for members of the Board of Directors.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair: Tara Merrimen
Lendra Barker

Members:
Joan Bennett
Corinne Walker
Linda St-Hilaire
Lance Novak

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair: Tara Merrimen
Lendra Barker

The Board Orientation and Education Committee held several virtual meetings dedicated to the successful planning of a new and improved Board Orientation Manual. Each section was reviewed in depth to ensure the inclusion of key content. The manual is an important reference guide for the incoming 2021-2023 Board Members to use throughout their term and covers items such as the three-year Strategic Plan, parliamentary procedures, organizational structure and much, much more. It essentially serves to introduce the CKC and educate and inform all Board members on its board structure, governance, and operations.

With the forefront notion that the foundation of a committed, knowledgeable, and effective Board is orientation and education, the Committee reassessed the three-year education plan (previously established) to ensure the subject matter agrees with the intended timeline. Subjects to be included in ongoing education throughout the Board’s term include, but are not limited to finance, communications, conflict resolution and governance.

The Board Orientation and Education Committee wishes the new Board a most successful three-year term.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lendra Barker, Chair
Board Orientation and Education Committee

Breed Standards Committee

The Breed Standards Committee shall be responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to the Board regarding any proposed changes to the Breed Standards, including those changes which are proposed by the respective national breed clubs.

The Breed Standards Committee meets via conference calls to review new applications and discuss existing applications on behalf of the breed clubs seeking changes to their existing standards. The Committee held conference calls in January, May, July and September of 2020.

The Committee presented amendments to the Breed Standards of the following breeds for final approval at the March, June, and September Board meetings:

MOTION # AMENDMENTS TO BREED STANDARDS DECISION
10-03-20 Kuvaz Carried Included in Breed Standard Revision #1 (Effective: July 1, 2020)
11-03-20 Spanish Water Dog Carried Included in Breed Standard Revision #31 (Effective: July 1, 2020)
04-06-20 Glossary Carried Included in Breed Standard Revision #31 (Effective: July 1, 2020)
14-09-20 Retriever (Labrador) Carried Included in Breed Standard Revision #32 (Effective: January 1, 2021)

The Committee presented amendments to the Breed Standards of the following breeds for final approval at the March, June, and September Board meetings:

MOTION # AMENDMENTS TO BREED STANDARDS DECISION
12-03-20 Chapter IV. Registration Procedure RG04A – Procedure for Adding a Breed to the Miscellaneous List (for Event Participation and Recognition Purposes), Section A, 1, (d) Carried (Effective immediately)

The Breed Standards Committee also dealt with corrections and editorial changes for the following breeds which were reflected in the Breed Standard Revision #30 with an effective date of January 1, 2020.

Respectfully submitted by:
Stephanie Horan, Chair
Breed Standards Committee

Breeder Relations Committee

The Breeder Relations Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Board in the development of Policy Guidelines and/or Programs as authorized by the Board of Directors relating to breeders of purebred dogs.

This shall include the development of an education program, the development of appropriate standards, rules and regulations for breeding and the development of an associated national breeder certification program.

Staff Liaison:
Committee Chair: Richard LaPagne

Members:
Victoria Ellery
Sam Hasbini
Betty Pin
Julie Trottier-Graffiti

Breeder Relations

In June 2020, the Breed Standards Committee was moved from Sherry Weiss (Shows & Trials) to Leila Bahorie (Registrar’s Office). The Registrar’s Office held two teleconference calls on July 14, 2020 and September 17, 2020 and reviewed the following Breed Standards amendments:

July 14, 2020
- Berger Picard
- Retriever (Golden)
- Spaniel (French)

September 17, 2020
- Grand Bassett Griffon Vendeen
- Retriever (Golden)
- Berger Picard

2020 was a relatively quiet year as the Committee received no PEN or CIN applications.
The Breeder Relations Committee did not hold any meetings in 2020.

COVID-19 restrictions and associated CKC revenue loss resulted in a reprioritization of ongoing projects and initiatives. With its primary focus of advancing development of the Breeder Certification Program, the Committee paused its activities in 2020 to allow CKC resources to focus on the IT backlog and support the changing fiscal situation.

Work slated for 2020, including a project Discovery Phase and building the scope and foundation to support full program development, will resume in 2021.

Respectfully submitted by: Line Champagne, Chair
Breeder Relations Committee

Club Recognition Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Board in the development of Policy Guidelines and/or Programs as authorized by the Board of Directors related to approved clubs. The committee shall be responsible for approving the initial recommendations to the Board in the development of Club Recognition Committee projects.

The Committee offered counsel and recommendations on a number of key priorities, including:

COVID-19 Communications Support Throughout 2020, the Committee worked closely with staff to support COVID-19 communications, developing key tactics to support the dissemination of information, including surveying clubs and event participants to understand perceptions surrounding participation in events during COVID-19 restrictions, the development of specific landing pages on ckc.ca, and others.

IT/YOU Communications Support The Committee continued to work closely with the ERP Steering Committee to support communications’ needs in 2020. Jean Delisle continued his work as Communications Committee Liaison on the ERP Steering Committee, facilitating the flow of information between the two Committees. The Committee provided direction on critical communications to CKC members related to ongoing challenges from the system launched in late 2019, offering sage counsel on issues and frustrations affecting members.

CKC Communications Methods Throughout 2020, the Committee discussed using new and alternative channels to strengthen CKC’s ongoing communications and increase audience engagement. Some of the recommendations were put into practice, including developing video updates from CKC’s Executive Director and online tutorials for submitting applications through CKC’s online portal, and others continue to be discussed on an ongoing basis, including expanding CKC’s social presence.

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Respectfully submitted by: Corrie Horne, Chair
Communications Committee

Event Officiating Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Board in the development of Policy Guidelines and/or Programs as authorized by the Board of Directors related to the training and accreditation of judges and event officers for all disciplines or as the Board may direct.

Respectfully submitted by: 
Doug Windsor, Chair
Board Liaison:
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Respectfully submitted by: Corrie Horne, Chair
Communications Committee
Genetics and Medical Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations to the Board in the development of Policy, Guidelines and/or Programs as authorized by the Board of Directors related to canine genetics. This mandate is restricted to the development of an advanced health registry. The Committee shall also be responsible for recommendations to the Board of Directors on matters related to breed health, herd health, and other matters relating to trends, advances, and changes to canine medical procedures as they impact CKC breeders.

Staff Liaisons:
Lance Novak
Emily MacKinnon (to July 2020)
Leila Bahenie (July to November 2020)
Diane Draper (as of November 2020)

Chair:
Dr. Paul Eckford, PhD
Dr. Simon Verge, DVM

Members:
Dr. Oksana Moshymska, PhD
Saskatoon, SK
Dr. Roberta Parish, PhD
Victoria, BC

Chapter VII. Judges, Section B – Applicant Conformation Judges, Sub-Section 2 (a), (1) – Qualifications (Judging)

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Motion 55-09-20 Special Consideration Approval of New (as)

Respectfully submitted by: Virginia Lyne, Chair
Event Officiating Committee

Motion 57-06-20 List of Acceptable Listed Breed Show Judges

Chapter VII. Judges, Section D – Applicant Obedience Trial Judges

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The IT Steering Committee was formed in 2020 and will hold its first meeting in Q1 of 2021.

Respectfully submitted by: Peter Laventhal-Wolfish, Chair

IT Steering Committee

Legislation Committee

The Legislation Committee shall be responsible for matters relating to the review and subsequent proposals for amendments to The By-laws, the Policy and Procedures Manual and those general provisions contained in the rulebooks for the various disciplines. Additionally, the Legislation Committee shall also be responsible for all matters relating to Codes of Ethics.

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The Legislation Committee conducted seven meetings virtually (via teleconference and Zoom) in 2020.

During these meetings, the Committee considered the following:

- Amendments respecting the By-laws were placed before the Committee for consideration and after consultation with CKC’s legal counsel and the Animal Registration Office, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, twenty-five proposals were presented to the Board for consideration and approved for inclusion in the 2020 Special Referendum. One of these proposals was to change the name of the Brittany Spaniel to Brittany and three other proposals were to include the Akita (Japanese), the Parson Russell Terrier and the Russian Toy as distinct breeds along with their respective Rules of Eligibility (ROE). Twenty-one of the proposed amendments passed; however, the request to change the name of the Brittany Spaniel to Brittany and to include the three breeds did not receive the requisite support as required under the Animal Pedigree Act to amend the list of Recognized Breeds.

Respectfully submitted by: Dr. Simon Verge, DVM, Chair

IT Steering Committee

The mandate of the Committee shall be to further The Canadian Kennel Club’s position on dangerous and responsible dog ownership. Additionally, the Committee shall be responsible for all matters relating to the amendment or development of municipal, provincial and federal legislations which relates to the mandate of the Committee.

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The Responsible Dog Ownership Committee held eight meetings via teleconference and/or Zoom in 2020, with a focus on the following initiatives:

- Review and updating of the Responsible Dog Ownership Committee:

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Chapter IX. Board of Directors, Section A. Elections, New Committee shall also be responsible for all matters relating to Codes of Ethics.

- Amendments respecting the following policies and procedures were referred to the Board of Directors:

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Chapter VII. Judges, A. General, Subsections 2 and 5, and Q. Removal of Judging Privileges, Subsection 1

Chapter VII. Judges, B. Applicant Conformation Judges, Subsection 11 (d)

Chapter VII. Judges, –Approaching Judges |

Chapter VII. Judges, Appendix 1 – Personal Use of Social Media Guidelines for CKC Judges

Chapter IX. Board of Directors, Section A. Elections, New Subsection 1, Filing of Nomination Papers

Chapter IX. Board of Directors, Section A. Elections, New Subsection 3. Candidate Entitlements, Subsection (b) Candidate Profile and Photograph

Chapters X. Committees, Councils & Appointments, B. Standing Committees – Terms of Reference, 1. Legislation Committee |

Chapter X. Committees, Councils & Appointments, Section B. Standing Committees – Terms of Reference, Add AGM Planning Committee

Chapter X. Committees, Councils & Appointments, I. Honorary Appointments, Subsections 2 and 3

Chapter XI. Regulatory, Section A. General, 5. Non-Delivery of Certificate Complaints

Chapter XI. Regulatory, Section B. Discipline Committee, Subsection 14

Chapter XI. Appendix I – Discipline Penalty Guidelines

Respectfully submitted by: Lenda Barker, Chair

Responsible Dog Ownership Committee

The Responsible Dog Ownership Committee recognized the need for a more comprehensive and wide-reaching committee as being necessary to address local issues across the country. Therefore, the Responsible Dog Ownership Committee will be replaced by the National Advocacy and Government Relations Committee when it is formed in 2021. The Committee developed the terms of reference for the National Advocacy and Government Relations Committee and drafted the recruitment specifications for the committee from a variety of disciplines and skillsets to represent all zones nationally.

I would like to thank the Committee members for a productive year and wish the members of the new Committee well in 2021.

Respectfully submitted by: Fiona Boulet, Chair
Rules of Eligibility (ROE) Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for:
• Developing the terms of reference for the ROE project;
• Working with breed clubs/spokespersons to draft ROE;
• Analyzing templates for Board approval;
• Developing necessary communications prior to any referendum;
• Reviewing schedules, budgets and timelines;
• Analyzing policy to ensure compliance with the ROE and Animal Pedigree Act requirements;
• Working with the Legislation Committee to bring work to date to the Board table prior to a Special Referendum.

Staff Liaisons:
Leila Bahorir (to November 2020)
Diane Draper (from December 2020)
Sharon Derrick (as of October 27, 2020)

Committee Chair:
Thora Brown

Members:
Bill Chisholm
Colborne, ON
Ray Iredale
St. Mary’s, ON

The ROE Committee has been on hiatus for most of 2020, working only to provide finalization of outstanding breeds from earlier Referenda.

In October, CKC received approval dated September 24, 2020 from the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada for the twelve (12) new breeds from the 2016 Referendum.

The Committee is now putting in place a plan of action to continue with the creation and approval of ROEs for the remaining already recognized breeds.

I would like to express my appreciation to Leila Bahorir, Director, Registration and Membership Services, for her continuing efforts during these trying times.

I would also like to express my thanks to the members of the Committee for their knowledge, experience and, above all, their patience.

Respectfully submitted by: Thora Brown, Chair
Rules of Eligibility Committee

Strategic Planning Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for the ongoing development of long-range strategic planning for the Club, reporting regularly to the Board with respect to its deliberations, findings, and recommendations.

Staff Liaison: Tara Merrimen
Committee Chair: Peter Laventhall-Wolfish

Members:
Tanya Hatton (Chair, Audit Committee)
Moffat, ON
Dr. Paul Eckford, PhD
Breslau, ON
Richard Paquette
Azilda, ON
Joan Bennett
Board Chair (to September 2020)
Corinne Walker
Board Chair (as of September 2020)
Lance Novak
Executive Director

In 2020, the Strategic Planning Committee held one (1) face-to-face meeting and three (3) virtual meetings.

Some key highlights include:
• The COVID-19 pandemic required swift diligence to assess financial, organizational, and operational impacts to CKC and its current strategic plan. Communications and contingencies were of the utmost importance in progressing through the unusual year.
• Serving as part of its mandate, the Strategic Planning Committee maintained an on-going repository of Potential Business Initiatives, which are evaluated, prioritized, and advanced through a defined process to be presented to the Board when appropriate and based on CKC resources. At the end of 2020, there were 20 potential initiatives on the list. A weighting tool to determine priority was introduced for the Committee to apply against the list.
• A marketing plan for the launch of the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan was presented with a focus on communication of the three (3) core strategies as follows:
  o Ensure responsible purebred dog breeding
  o Represent dog interests at all levels
  o Encourage greater participation in the CKC
• Multiple discussions on a CKC DNA Registry took place with input from both the Registration Committee Chair, Mr. Ray Iredale, and Board Liaison to the Genetics and Medical Committee, Dr. Paul Eckford. The Genetics and Medical Committee will now begin to work on the establishment of program parameters to be supported by the CRM in the future.

I would like to thank the Board, staff and Committee members for their contribution and support through 2020 and wish the new Board every success.

Respectfully submitted by: Peter Laventhall-Wolfish, Chair
Strategic Planning Committee

STANDING COUNCILS

The Board may strike councils to represent the interest of those persons, groups or associations involved in the various disciplines which have been approved by the Club and in that capacity shall act as advisory bodies to the Board. The number and designation of such councils shall be that which is deemed necessary and appropriate by the Board.
The Agility Trial Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters related to agility trials.

The purpose of agility trials is to demonstrate a dog’s ability, regardless of breed, to work with its handler under a variety of conditions through a course of agility obstacles.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Sarah McDowell, Linda St. Hilaire

The Agility Trial Council is scheduled to hold its next meeting in 2023.

The Conformation Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to conformation dog shows.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Linda St. Hilaire, Chair

The Conformation Council held conference calls in February, April, July, September, and December 2019 and conference calls will continue in 2020. As a result of meetings held in August, September, and October, the Council presented amendments to the Policy and Procedures Manual.

The Beagle & Basset Hound Field Trial Council shall be responsible for finding game and to chase it in an energetic and decisive manner. The purpose of Beagle Field Trials is to demonstrate these natural abilities and recognize those dogs that demonstrate the highest qualities of a Beagle.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Lower Sackville, NS

The Beagle & Basset Hound Field Trial was effective January 1, 2015. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is in 2023.

The Canine Good Neighbour (CGN) Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to the Canine Good Neighbour Program.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sarah McDowell

**Members:** Linda St. Hilaire

The CGN Council was formed in May 2020 with member representation from most zones across the country. The Council held four virtual meetings in 2020 (July, September, October, and November).

The Council presented the following amendments to June Board meeting:

- **MOTION 01-10-20** Limited Entry Shows

- **MOTION 07-06-20** Conformation Judges 7 c) & 7 d)

- **MOTION 10-12-20** Chapter 12 – Breeds, Classes, Awards & Sweepstakes

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The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Linda St. Hilaire, Chair

The Beagle & Basset Hound Field Trial was effective January 1, 2015. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is in 2023.

The Draft Dog Test Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters related to draft dog tests.

The purpose of a draft dog test is to demonstrate a dog’s usefulness as a draft animal, a reliable flocking companion and worker.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Linda St. Hilaire, Chair

The Conformation Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to conformation dog shows.

The Staff Liaison is:

**Council Chair:** Sherry Weiss

**Members:** Linda St. Hilaire, Chair

The Conformation Council was effective January 1, 2015. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is in 2023.
The Earthdog Test Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to herding tests or any other events specifically related to trials or tests for Dachshunds and Terriers.

The purpose of the CKC Earthdog Tests is to promote, preserve and recognize the working characteristics of Dachshunds and Terriers that were bred to go to ground on quarry such as fox, badger, otter and boil, or draw the quarry.

Staff Liaison: Sherry Weiss
Council Chair: Thomas Nesbitt

The Earthdog Test Council held a meeting in November 2019 and presented the following amendments at the June meeting of the Board initially with an effective date of January 1, 2021. However, at the September Board meeting, the Board changed the effective date to July 1, 2021.

MOTION # AMENDMENTS TO THE EARTHDOG RULES & REGULATIONS

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Respectfully submitted by: Thomas Nesbitt, Chair Earthdog Test Council

The Herding Field Trial Council

The Herding Field Trial Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters related to herding trials.

The purpose of herding trials is to demonstrate the usefulness of the purebred dog as a worker and helper in the day-to-day management of livestock. A herding trial reflects not only instinct, ability, and training of the dog, but also an effective working partnership of dog and handler for controlling and moving livestock calmly and efficiently.

Staff Liaison: Sherry Weiss
Council Chair: Lendra Barker

The Herding Field Trial Council held meetings in January and March 2020 and presented the following amendments at the June meeting of the Board initially with an effective date of January 1, 2021. However, at the September Board meeting, the Board changed the effective date to July 1, 2021.

MOTION # AMENDMENTS TO THE HERDING RULES & REGULATIONS

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Respectfully submitted by: Lendra Barker, Chair Herding Field Trial Council

The Junior Kennel Club Council

The Junior Kennel Club Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding the Junior Kennel Club program.

The purpose of Junior Handling is to introduce and encourage youth to participate in the sport of purebred dogs, and to provide them with meaningful competition where they can learn, practice, and hone their skills and knowledge of the various breeds. Above all, it is an opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie of competing with those of a similar age.

Staff Liaison: Sherry Weiss
Council Chair: Richard Paquette

The Junior Kennel Club Council held meetings in June 2020. Due to the pandemic, the meetings were cancelled. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is in 2023.
The purpose of obedience trials is to demonstrate the usefulness of the dog as a companion of man, not merely the dog’s ability to follow specified routines in the obedience ring. The basic objective of obedience trials is to produce dogs that have been trained to behave in the home, in public places and in the presence of other dogs, in a manner that reflects credit on the sport of obedience.

Obedience is a sport and all participants should be guided by the principles of good sportsmanship both inside and outside the ring. All contestants in a class are required to perform the same exercises in substantially the same way so that the relative quality of the various performances may be compared and scored.

Rally is a companion sport to CKC obedience. Both events require teamwork between dog and handler, along with similar performance skills. Rally offers an excellent introduction to all CKC companion performance events for dogs and handlers. The chief objective of rally is to provide a fast-moving and motivational activity that demonstrates the competency of handler and dog in performing basic obedience exercises without requiring exact precision for success. Rally can also provide the opportunity to refine training skills for competitors in other events.

The performance of dog and handler in the ring must meet the requirements of the rally regulations. Dogs in rally obedience events should demonstrate willingness, enjoyment and teamwork between the dog and handler. To that end, handlers are encouraged to use praise, encouragement and getting within the boundaries of these rules.

Obedience Council

The Obedience Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to obedience trials.

Obedience Council

The Obedience Council held meetings in January, March, April, July, and October 2020 and presented the following at the March, May, July meetings of the Board initially with an effective date of January 1, 2021. However, at the September Board meeting, the Board changed the effective date to July 2021.

The year has been disappointing for all, especially the Juniors. Looking forward to a better 2021!

Respectfully submitted by:

Lynne Bruce
Lure Coursing Field Trial Council
Pointing Breeds Field Trial Council

The Pointing Breeds Field Trial Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to field trials for pointing breeds, or any other event related to pointing breeds in the field.

The purpose of field trials for all CKC recognized pointing breeds is to promote and recognize those dogs that demonstrate the highest pointing dog qualities. They are assessed on a competitive basis in a natural setting using instincts. These tests assist breeders who strive to enhance breed improvement by selecting breeding stock that have strongly demonstrated these fundamental breed traits.

The purpose of the water tests for pointing breeds is to provide an opportunity to demonstrate a dog's ability to retrieve from water. These tests gauge the natural hunting abilities for which they were originally bred, against standards of performance.

Staff Liaison:

Members:

Kathy Priebe - Armstrong, BC
Kim Curtie - Summerside, PE
Arwen Dabb - Rocky View County, AB
Jack Defoe - Port Colborne, ON
Maria Foster - Hamilton, ON
Kevin MacWilliams - Pembroke, ON
Brenda Pettigrew - Hammond's Plains, NS
Paige Pettis - Rusagons, NB
Louise Régimbald - Saint-Georges, QC
Karen Salamini - Aldergrove, BC
Phil Stanton - Ladysmith, BC
Adrienne Turcotte - Kamloops, BC
Dominic Werotte - Terrebonne, QC

The Pointing Breeds Field Trial Council was not scheduled to hold a meeting in 2020. As a result of meetings held in 2018, the council presented amendments to the Pointing Field Trials Rules & Regulations and Field Dog Test Rules & Regulations to the Board with an effective date of January 1, 2020. New rulebooks were released in October 2019.

The Council is scheduled to hold its next meeting in 2021.

Retriever Breeds Field Trial Council

The Retriever Breeds Field Trial Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to retrieving field trials.

The purpose of a retrieve field trial is to determine the relative merits of retrievers in the field and to test both the natural and trained abilities desired in a hunting retriever. Field Trials showcase and improve the retriever breeds by identifying the dogs which best demonstrate...
The Retriever Hunt Test Council held meetings in January, April and July 2020 and presented the following amendments at the May and June Special Board Meetings, in January with an effective date of January 1, 2021. However, at the September Board meeting, the meeting changed the effective date to July 1, 2021. Furthermore, the Board passed a motion at its September 22nd Special Board meeting that, effective immediately and until the COVID-19 situation is resolved, clubs will be granted the flexibility to offer their choice of classes, elements, and height divisions to meet the availability of facilities and comply with local and provincial regulations relevant to size limits of gatherings.

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Spaniel Council

The Spaniel Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to field trials and hunt tests for sporting Spaniels, or any other event related to sporting Spaniels in the field.

The purpose of a Spaniel field trial is to demonstrate the performance of a properly trained Spaniel in the field. The performance should not differ from that in any ordinary day’s shooting, except that in the trial a dog should do its work closer to perfection.

The purpose of a hunt test is to assess and identify those dogs which possess the basic requirements of “flushing” Spaniels. It will test the merits and evaluate the abilities of Spaniels in the field in order to determine their suitability and ability as hunting companions.

Dogs are placed in four categories based on their ability, not age. Dogs do not compete against one another, but their performances are individually judged against the standard.

Sprinter Council

The SprINTER Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to sprinter events and the Chase Ability Program.

The purpose of the SprINTER Test is to provide all purebred and non-purebred, and their owners an enjoyable, healthy field activity that will promote the canine human bond and can be rewarded with a range of field titles.

The purpose of the Chase Ability Program is to provide all purebred and mixed-breed dogs a chance to earn a title in a field event.

Respectfully submitted by: Lynne Bruce, Chair SPRINT Council

Staff Liaison: Chair Thomas Nesbitt

Members:

- Michel Bourbeau Quebec, QC
- Wayne Brehm Invermere, BC
- Joe Coady Winnipeg, MB
- David Tibble Lower Woodstock, NB
- Bill McCaffrey Hants, ON
- Frank O’Grady Millbrook, NS
- Bruce Outhouse Halifax, NS
- Greg Royer Cremona, AB
- Frank Wiseman Fisherville, ON

The Spaniel Council held meetings in February and March 2020 and presented the following amendments at the June meeting of the Board. The new Hunt Test for Spaniel Rules & Regulations was released in December 2020 with an effective date of January 1, 2021. The amendments for the Spaniel Field Trial Rules & Regulations were initially passed by the Board with an effective date of January 1, 2020. However, at the September Board meeting, the Board changed the effective date to July 1, 2021.

MOTION # AMENDMENTS TO THE HUNT TEST RULES & REGULATIONS FOR SPORTING SPANIELS

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Respectfully submitted by: Dr. Paul Eckford, PhD, Chair Scent Detection Council

Staff Liaison: Chair Thomas Nesbitt

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- Bill McCaffrey Hants, ON
- Frank O’Grady Millbrook, NS
- Bruce Outhouse Halifax, NS
- Greg Royer Cremona, AB
- Frank Wiseman Fisherville, ON

The SprINTER Council is scheduled to hold its next meeting in 2021.

Respectfully submitted by: Lynne Bruce, Chair SPRINT Council
Working Certificate Test Council

The Working Certificate Test Council shall be responsible for considering and subsequently making recommendations to the Board regarding all matters relating to working certificate tests for Retrievers, Irish Water Spaniels, Standard Poodles, Airedale Terriers and Barbets.

The primary objective of the WC, WCI and WCX tests is to encourage the development and use of those natural abilities for which retrievers were originally bred. The tests provide a means to help determine future breeding stock, encourage retriever owners to develop their dogs’ natural abilities, and to have retrievers become more proficient as hunting partners. The tests are non-competitive and those dogs that pass the tests to the satisfaction of the judges will be recorded as having basic work ability.

Staff Liaison: 
Sherry Weiss

Council Chair: 
Paul Oslach

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Keith Althouse  
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Shelly Blom  
Powassan, ON
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Lutes Mountain, NB
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Gord Rivest  
Black Creek, BC
Judy Toskey  
Edmonton, AB
Lionel Whittaker  
Edmonton, AB

The Working Certificate Test Council was not scheduled to hold a meeting in 2020. As a result of meetings held in 2019, the Council presented amendments to the Working Certificate Test Rules & Regulations to the Board with an effective date of January 1, 2020. A new rulebook was released in October 2019.

The Working Certificate Test Council is scheduled to hold its next meeting in 2021.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Paul Oslach, Chair  
Working Certificate Test Council
Brachycephalic Breeds Advocacy Committee

The Ad Hoc Brachycephalic Breeds Advocacy Committee shall be responsible for the ongoing education and advocacy of all Brachycephalic breeds, reporting regularly to the Board with respect to its deliberations, findings and recommendations for the preservation of these breeds.

Staff Liaison:
Leila Bahorie (as of November 2020)
Diane Draper (as of December 2020)
Richard Paquette

Committee Chair:
Peter Laventhall-Wolfish

Members:
Michael Hill
Pat O'Keefe
Dr. Oksana Moshynska, PhD
Dr. Joan Stewart-Hay, DVM
Dr. Terill Udenberg, DVM

Dr. Simon Verge, DVM
St. Marys, ON

Davine, QC

The report recommended establishing policy respecting breeding age restrictions for dams and sires before a litter could be registered. The Legislation Committee put forward a proposal to the Board in 2019, but it was withdrawn noting that the subject may require a review of its alignment with the Animal Pedigree Act.

In June 2020, the Legislation Committee put forward a proposal to the Board to amend the By-laws in the 2020 Referendum. An email from David Trus,Animal Registration Officer, accompanied the proposal. After due consideration, the proposal was removed from the 2020 Referendum and the subject of breeding age restrictions was referred to the Legislation Committee to consider amending the Code of Practice for CKC Member Breeders. IV. Breeding Practices, Subsection (b), and any other amendments deemed appropriate.

In September 2020, the Breeding Age Ad Hoc Committee, having completed all the work under its mandate that reasonably could be accomplished, was dissolved.

The Committee would like to express its appreciation to Leila Bahorie, Registrar, for the support she provided to the Committee.

My thanks and appreciation for support is extended to Simon Verge and Ray Iredale.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lina Champagne, Chair Ad Hoc Committee

ERP Steering Committee (IT4U)

The ERP Steering Committee shall be responsible for the high-level oversight and guidance of the ERP project (known as IT4YOU). It will report regularly to the Board as required with respect to the status of the project. The Committee will report to the Audit Committee on a quarterly basis.

The Committee will meet monthly or with greater frequency as required. The Committee will disband after the completion of the project and a stabilization period.

Staff Liaison:
Leila Bahorie (as of November 30, 2020)
Diane Draper (as of December 1, 2020)

Board Liaison:
Sarah McDowell
Linda St-Hilaire
Josephine lambert

Members:
Angie Janes
Deer Lake NL
Armagh, MB

Marion Postgate
Melissa Ireland
Nasimi Kane

Vancouver, BC
Hamilton, ON

Naomi Kane stepped down from the Committee on February 27, 2020 and the Committee thanked her for her valued contributions. The CGN Ad Hoc Committee was dissolved once the new CGN Council was formed in May 2020.

During the time, the CGN Ad Hoc Committee was active, work included an update to the content of the CGN Evaluator Guide and the CGN Participant Handbook in addition to related forms.

I wish to thank the Committee for all their efforts as we continue to review the CGN program via the CGN Council in 2021.

Respectfully submitted by:
Josephine Lambert, Chair
Canine Good Neighbour Committee

Non-Standard Colours Ad Hoc Committee

The Non-Standard Colours Ad Hoc Committee was appointed by the Board of Directors in December 2019 to review the registration options for breeds with colours not in the Breed Standards.

The Committee shall be responsible for determining options for a more robust position on the registration of dogs with non-standard colours, “meaning a colour that is either not acknowledged in a breed or acknowledged specifically as a disqualification (BO) in the standard.”

Staff Liaison:
Leila Bahorie (as of November 20, 2020)
Diane Draper (as of December 1, 2020)

Dr. Paul Eckford, PhD

Committee Chair:
Peter Laventhall-Wolfish

Members:
Thora Brown
Almonte, ON
Ray Iredale
St. Marys, ON

Dr. Alison Jones, DVM
Action, ON

The Committee held seven (7) meetings in 2020 by teleconference. Key discussions and work throughout 2020 focused on the following:

• To provide guidance to Registration about how to deal with an application for registration of a dog as purebred but shows a non-standard colour.

• To handle the registration of a dog that is registered in another country and the foreign document shows a non-standard colour in Canada.

• There are breeders who are intentionally trying to produce colours that are not recognized in the standard and they are intentionally importing them into Canada. For the CKC to get involved in this, we would require the authority and ability to direct who can breed what. The critical question is how do we separate ethics from genetics?

• The Committee discussed many different options such as the Genetics and Medical Committee cannot prove definitively that it is medically impossible for a certain colour in any specific breed.

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4. Promotion of the program as a positive alternative to punitive dog control legislation.

The ERP Steering Committee was formed in 2019 and continued to be active in supporting the IT4YOU project throughout 2020. CKC benefits from the Committee members’ industry expertise in project management, communications, and project finance.

There was continued rollout of the IT4YOU project in 2020, including Conformation results as well as key iterative improvements. Meeting intervals were increased to bi-weekly throughout the year to provide oversight and recommendations.

The Committee will continue to meet until Phase 1, Shows & Trials, is delivered followed by a six-month period of stabilization.

Respectfully submitted by:
Peter Laventhall-Wolfish, Chair
ERP Steering Committee (IT4YOU)

Breeding Age Ad Hoc Committee

The Ad Hoc Committee’s purpose was to establish suitable minimum/maximum breeding age guidelines depending on the size of the various breeds.

Staff Liaison:
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Diane Draper (as of December 2020)
Richard Paquette

Committee Chair:
Peter Laventhall-Wolfish

Members:
Ray Iredale
St. Marys, ON

Dr. Simon Verge, DVM
Deer Lake NL

Davine, QC

The Breeding Age Ad Hoc Committee report was referred by the Board to the Legislation Committee in December 2018.

The Committee met four times via conference call in 2020. Naomi Kane stepped down from the Committee on February 27, 2020 and the Committee thanked her for her valued contributions. The CGN Ad Hoc Committee was dissolved once the new CGN Council was formed in May 2020.

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to register purebred dogs under the Animal Pedigree Act (APA), and encourage all our members to follow the breed standard."

- Review of a Traditional Colours Policy Statement was held, and the Committee submitted it to the September 2020 Board meeting for consideration. The policy was approved, and it is now in CKC Legislative Policy.

- The Committee dealt with correspondence received on various complaints concerning non-standard colours in advertisements from Frenchie puppies on Kijiji with exotic colours and patterns, as well an inquiry from a foreign registry to dogs registered with non-traditional colours in CKC studbooks.

- Discussion was held on the goal of the Committee, given that the term of the Board is coming to an end. The Committee agreed to work on a motion for the December 2020 Board meeting on a non-standard colour category designation and a recommendation that the policy be effective on July 01, 2021, to allow for IT system to be programmed to permit time for changes to the registration paperwork and online registration.

I would like to thank the Committee members and the CKC staff for a productive year.

Respectfully submitted by:
Dr. Paul Eckford, PhD, Chair
Versatility Titles Ad-Hoc Committee

Versatility Titles Ad Hoc Committee

The Versatility Titles Ad Hoc Committee shall be responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to the Board regarding the development of a CKC Versatility Title Program.

Staff Liaison:
Sherry Weiss

Board Liaison:
Linda St. Hilaire

Committee Chair:
Marnie Harrison

Members:
Sophie Brunet (Saskatoon, SK (to November 2020))
Rachel Jesse (Calgary, AB)
Sharon Palmer (Edmonton, AB (to June 2020))
Julie Trotier (Quebec, QC)
Michelle Whistlecraft (Calgary, AB)

The Committee was formed in 2019 and the members were appointed at the September 7 & 8, 2019 Board meeting, The Committee held its first meeting on February 5, 2020, and quickly began discussions sharing perspectives on a variety of ideas of how we might structure a framework for a multi-tiered CKC Versatility Award Program. Subsequent meetings were held on April 1, June 4, June 24, August 10, October 6, and November 2. During those meetings, the following were acknowledged as factors needing to be weighed as part of this process. The Program needs to have rigor to give it meaning. At the same time, as a CKC Program, it needs to create opportunity for success across the range of sizes and abilities of the recognized breeds. We also wanted to be mindful of our end product including a manageable tracking process for both owners and CKC staff as dogs qualify for the various levels of achievement.

We were unanimous in a decision that the Program should include all titles available through the CKC, as well as those titles from other organizations that are recognized by the CKC (such as Dock Diving, Barn Hunt, etc.) At this point, we have created six Disciplines, which categorize all levels of all the titles. During our next meeting we will finalize a review of all titles to determine their relative value within a five-level hierarchy.

One more meeting is scheduled before the end of 2020. We look forward now to starting the work of detailing the actual structure of the Versatility Program for the CKC. We will be sorry to lose our Board Member Liaison, Linda St-Hilaire, as she finishes her tenure on the CKC Board in December 2020. Her wisdom and experience have been a steady force for our group.

Respectfully submitted by:
Marnie Harrison, Chair
Versatility Titles Ad-Hoc Committee

The International Partnership for Dogs (IPFD): Linking CKC with the International Dog Community

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