



The Large Munsterlander Club

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held on - Wednesday 26 February 2025 7:30pm via Zoom

Present: Peter Disney [PD] (Chair), Aly Prowse [AP] (Acting Secretary), Jo Bargman [JB], Chris Bargman [CB], Andy Graham [AG], Becky Harding [BH], Sarah James [SJ], Erin Logie [EL], Nicky Logie [NL], Karen Caile [KC], Jack Waddington-Chick [JWC], Marion Sargent [MS]

1) Apologies for absence: Helen Evans [HE]

2) Review Minutes of last meeting – 21 Jan 2025

The minutes of the meeting were reviewed with no changes. Approval proposed by NL, seconded by BH, carried.

3) Review action points remaining from last and previous meetings

See separate Actions List for status for open actions, completed actions and longer term actions (which need to be captured but are not urgent). Note: All new actions from this meeting are added to the Actions List.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

4) Breed education and JC matters

Planning more mentoring. Next will be SKC and then Birmingham National.

5) Breed health matters

Survey in testing. Aiming to have the final version by the weekend.

6) Finance update

Accounts with the accountant for approval and expect them back soon.

7) Communications plans

Could look at options to include a mailing list category for non-members and include a mail subscription form on the new website.

8) Website update (including IT subgroup update)

ACTION: Send pics from Jan club show to CB to add to website along with results (on Higham Press) - EL/CB

Progress has been made with finding a suitable web developer and we now have 3 good options (details for the web developers approached and options for hosting are on Google Drive).

Correct and good quality content (including images etc.) is needed for each of the website pages. The pages and content from the current site is a good starting point. This will need to be checked/updated and new pages, content and structure agreed. CB has created a document listing all of the current pages with suggestions for who should be responsible for the content and maintaining the content for each page. BH offered to look at the "Activities" page.

ACTION: Arrange a Zoom meeting with PD, AG, BH, KC, CB to review and finalise web developer - CB

ACTION: Prepare the key points of communication for the new website project to be presented to the AGM - AG

ACTION: Review and comment on the website pages responsibilities document on Google Drive (link emailed by CB) - ALL

9) Events calendar update (new items to be added)

Need to look at events other than showing and working. Suggestions included man trailing, agility, nutrition. Main issue is finding the resources to organise events.

ACTION: Look for options for events that could be run by a third party which can be easily organised (possibly by a member) - ALL

ITEMS FOR THIS MEETING IF NOT COVERED ABOVE

10) Membership

JB has attempted to contact the members who are still paying the old fees. Most have responded and either changed to Single membership or paid the additional amount. Approx 3 still to respond. Agreed to send a letter to be posted to members who have not paid the correct fee.

ACTION: Draft a letter for JB to post to any members who have not paid the correct fee. - AG

11) Shows:

11a) LMC Champ & Open Show 1.6.25. Status (including toilets and catering) – Action list 101

Entries are now open and a post put on Facebook. Schedule has been updated and classes rationalised to remove classes that don't get entries. Have swapped the running order for Dogs and Bitches for the Open Show. Catering, toilets, camping etc have been agreed with the Cheshire showground organiser. Anyone wanting camping should contact EL. Stalls have been booked, scurry organised, photographer booked (person who did the Nat App last year) and have a plan for the setup based on lessons learnt last year.

ACTION: If anyone knows someone who would like to see what is involved in Stewarding speak to EL - ALL

ACTION: Speak to PD about the awards that he can get made for the LMC June show. - EL

ACTION: Contact Gun Dog suppliers for possible Scurry sponsorship for LMC June show - JWC

11b) LMC Open Show 16.1.26 (ring for special awards)

Unfortunately we cannot use a second ring for Special Awards.

11c) (i) 1.6.26 -Champ Show (Judge appointed); venue agreed; licence to be applied for, (ii) Open Show - venue; date; judge (s) to be appointed

One judge has accepted, waiting for a response from the second judge. If no success then MS may have a better contact. We can use the Cheshire showground for 2026 and 2027 shows. All agreed to hold a combined Champ and Open show at Cheshire Showground in summer 2026.

11d) Crufts (i) Breed Stand (ii) Merchandise (iii) DD

Breed Stand is organised, EL/NL to set up. SJ is collecting T-Shirts and will have everything ready for post or collection and card reader access has been organised. SJ will show AP how to use the Card reader.

Discover Dogs. All slots are covered but at the 11-1pm Sat slot the representative is not able to bring her dog but is happy to man the stand. Can put a sign up to direct people to the Ring if no one is on Stand on Sat morning. AG has printed 600 copies of the leaflet which will be on the stand. AG asked for a contribution to cover the cost of the paper. This was agreed.

11e) Carluke & DCS Show 20.12.25 – Seeking sponsorship and to recommend judges

Agreed to provide a £20 sponsorship.

ACTION: Send invoice for sponsorship for Carluke & DCS Show to treasurer - AP

ACTION: Email MS asking for suggestions for judges for the Carluke & DCS Show - AP

11f) Thame & Oxfordshire Show (date to be advised) seeking sponsorship

Was not well attended by LM's (July mid-week). Agreed to sponsor again this year and to try to promote the show.

12) Working Events:

Natural Aptitude. Looking for a suitable venue, possibly further south and then alternate between north and south..

ACTION: Speak to HE to discuss Natural Aptitude venue - AP

12a) HPR Training Event 15.2.25 - Review

Went well and had no issues.

12d) Hall Barn 28.6.25 – Confirm date; Committee helpers list

Have asked for the 28th June date.

13) Other Events**13a) Edition Live 2025 on 6.7.25**

LMC have been invited to represent The Large Munsterlander. JB and CB are not able to help due to other commitments. AG offered to set up the stand and will collect the displays at the June Club Show (from SJ). PD offered to man stand. We will ask for volunteers closer to the date. JWC will need the display for the Game Fair at the end of July.

ACTION: Contact Edition Dog Live to say we will attend - AP

14) Safeguarding Policy

All agreed that this is a complex issue beyond our skills and it should be something the RKC takes a lead on.

ACTION: Contact our RKC regional adviser to ask for support from the RKC for a safeguarding policy - PD/AP

15) Sue Wood Memorial HC Award

We have 2 applications for dogs entering a breeding programme for the first time. 16th March is the closing date and a draw will need to be done at the AGM 25.3.25

16) Annual Awards (including offer to sponsor an award for veteran(s))

We can look at opening up the awards to make them more inclusive and open up more opportunities but will need criteria and how to award points.

ACTION: Send Annual Awards sheet to CB to put on the website - PD

ACTION (longer term): Review of LMC Annual Awards - ALL

17) Preparation for AGM

Preparation is progressing well. HE will need to stand down and then be reelected and AG to be proposed and seconded (before 4th March).

ACTION: Talk to AG about how to manage voting and use of Zoom - AP

AOB

RKC Regional Adviser - No issues concerning geographical location as we are a national club and invite them to our next zoom committee meeting.

ACTION: Send AP any questions we would like to raise with the RKC Rep - ALL

ACTION: Forward any questions we may have to our RKC rep and invite them to the meeting on 30th April - AP

Next meeting – Wednesday 30th April 2025 (AGM Tuesday 25th March 2025)

APPROVED BY THE LMC COMMITTEEA handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Disney', with a small dot at the end of the signature.

Peter Disney - Chair