



The Large Munsterlander Club

Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 31st August 2023 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

Members present: Peter Disney (Chair), Andy Graham (Secretary), Karen Caile (Treasurer), Jo Bargman, Chris Bargman, Aly Prowse, Sarah James, Helen Evans, Nicky Logie, Erin Logie

1 Apologies

Jack Waddington

2 Review and approval of last meeting minutes

a) Minutes from 18th July 2023.

Minor typos corrected. Proposed by JB, seconded by KC, and approved.

3 Review of action points from previous meetings.

- a) New committee members to sign the Standing Agreements for Officers and Committee members. PD and AG to review current version, update and present to committee for all to comment / sign in due course. **PD/AG**
- b) Action to invite judge for June 2024 Championship show handed over Nicky Logie. **NL**
- c) Action to apply for June 2024 Championship Show Licence remains open as the KC appear to have failed to process the application as per their email. AG to chase up the KC. **AG**
- d) Future show / event planning to be discussed, in combination with the meeting planner. **AG/AP**
- e) Re Hall Barn - The risk assessment can be improved for this event. AP will draft a first version for HE to edit and then for comments by the rest of the committee. **HE / AP**
- f) Query raised by a member (Carolynne Trowsdale) as to the whereabouts of the trophy for "Highest Placed Munsterlander". HE to contact Karen Saynor as possibly the last person in possession. **HE**
- g) JW to post on FB to test the interest in a "Canine CPR / first aid course". **JW**

4 October 2023 Open Show Update

Erin noted that there were only 4 entries to date and was concerned that the show may not be well attended. Costs would be kept down where possible.

5 Reports from the committee

As reports were circulated in advance, the meeting took questions only.

- AG – it would be good to develop a financial budget for 2024 so that we could think about event entry rates, and get a feel for membership rates looking out to 2025 but which will need discussing at the March 2024 AGM **KC**
- ALL – commented that the pending field trial budget should at least aim to breakeven. **HE**
- NL agreed that her report will be a direct extract from the Newsletter as no further commentary.
- JB – requested a decision on the membership of a member whose payment for 2023 had not been made and membership lapsed, possibly in error. Meeting agreed to accept "new" member.

6 Update on New Rules

The following matters were discussed.

PD

- Response from members re proposed AGM.
- Further engagement and clarification of process with the Kennel Club.
- That the committee had probably misjudged the process in two ways – not enabling a full debate at the SGM and in the misunderstanding that voting prior to the SGM could be done by post and email.
- Therefore, will need to cancel the SGM on 6 October and reschedule.
- Regarding calling a new SGM - AG seeking absolute clarification from the KC on the process together with an Advice Note from the KC which could be communicated to members to give assurance that due process was being followed.
- Hoping to conclude the Advice Note very shortly.
- Agreed that subject to the Advice Note, an in-person SGM would be called for Sunday 12th November in the Aylesbury (Central England) area but also providing for members to attend and vote online.
- To communicate the SGM recall and notify an imminent rescheduling to members as soon as possible (ideally alongside the Update from The Committee).
- A new Notice to be called as soon as all the necessary information is assembled, and KC has approved the notice documentation.
- A process to contact members with queries to better understand the issues.
- Publish on website potential alternative wording options for discussion at the Q&A and SGM.
- Hold a Q&A session for members by zoom on Tuesday 26th September as a means of sharing ideas prior to the SGM.
- Some of the proposed rules were discussed where there were known concerns. To be agreed in due course if these will be changed for the Notice or held for debate at the SGM.

7 Any Other Business

AP – asked that at the next (excluding SGM planning) meeting we discuss how we use the internet and manage member expectations of committee availability ie. not 24/7 .

AG

AP - asked that at the next (excluding SGM planning) meeting we discuss how we can and should tackle cases where committee members are or feel abused.

AG

8 Next meeting – given the committee will need to meet imminently to discuss the rescheduling of the SGM - dates will be circulated on the WA page once we are in a position to meet.

PD / AG

Approved by the LMC committee.



Peter Disney - Chair
14th November 2023