

Midlands Border Collie Club

**Minutes of the
Annual General Meeting 2022
held at 11.00 am on Saturday February 26th 2022
at The Kennel Club Building, Stoneleigh Park, CV8 2LZ**

The meeting was opened at 11.00am by the chairman Bob Tunnicliff.

Present: Bob Tunnicliff, Hilary Kerr, Chris Johnson, Valerie Earp, Joan Cattell, Sheila Gay, Jane Harnett, Adrienne and Brian Marshall.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Adam Akester, Catherine Dunlin, Ann Jordan, Sue Morley, Marion Turner and Laura Wiltshire

2. Minutes of the last 2 AGM's were read, agreed as correct and proposed by Sheila Gay and seconded by Adrienne Marshall.

3. Matters arising from the minutes - 2020 and 2021. There was no breed council meeting held at Boston Championship Show. RT will contact the Breed Council Chairman and ask for updates.

4. Chairman's Report. Another AGM. It doesn't seem five minutes since the last two.

Last year in one week we held two AGM s and two Champ shows. All well supported and all ran smoothly.

We all did our bit and it shows we are a small committee that pulls together.

We need to get more interest in our club and run some fun days or small get togethers - something like our utility days of long ago, a BBQ or maybe a companion dog show with a celebrity.

How about a companion show and BBQ in August or September? I can produce as many black sausages as required.

I think we should try harder to get judges for our ticket shows that only judge very infrequently. Maybe some from Europe or further afield.

To my Committee - I must thank you all for your dedication to the MBCC and for your friendship and support, I am not sure when or if our world will ever

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return to pre Covid days but let's hope so. Best wishes Bob Tunnicliff MBCC.
Chairman

5. Secretary's Report It finally looks like we are almost 'back on track' and this year will see us back to our regular events.

2021 was pretty good considering we didn't do anything until late September. But we managed 2 Championship shows very close together and all lived to tell the tale...

We now look forward! Our Championship show is in May, once again in conjunction with the National Dog Show at Stafford - after a slight 'hiccup' the first time we did this it has become a lot easier - and we do try VERY hard to look after all of our members at the combined shows. Please remember we are only human and we are also guided by the agreement we have with the National - that applies to EVERY club holding their show within the National...

We have held the entry fees for this show at a reduced rate for the second year running - but please bear in mind you must be a fully paid up member of the Club - NOT the Facebook group - to qualify for the members rate.

We will be returning to Obedience - after an absence for a while - with a capped show in October alongside our Open Breed Show.

We will be holding a Breed Assessment Day in November with the opportunity to take the Multiple Choice Exam on the day - more details soon!

Finally a huge thank you to my fellow officers and the committee for your support - especially over the last 2 'pandemic' years.... You've helped me stay sane- I think!!

6. Treasurer's Report.

The Club had a busy September/October period, with two Championship Shows, two AGMs and a fuel shortage, all in the space of over one week, just as the show scene had started opening up again.

It was difficult to anticipate how our shows were going to work out during those strange times, entries were way down compared to previous years, 122 dogs at Birmingham and 101 at Stoneleigh, but higher than expected. We approached

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the Birmingham show somewhat apprehensively as there had been so few shows at that time, however any misgivings we may have had quickly disappeared, and it was back to business as usual, with good results all around.

The year ended with a small profit of £147.29. for the Club, and it is thanks to the hard work of my fellow officers and committee members - also our members who continued to support us during such difficult times. The Birmingham show showed a profit of £734.99 and Stoneleigh a slight loss of £29.48

I hope we can all put the last couple of years behind us now and look forward to enjoyable shows and activities in the future.

Chris Johnson, Treasurer.

7. Approval of accounts The accounts were agreed as correct, proposed HK seconded SG

8. Election of auditors - it was agreed to continue the current arrangement. Proposed Joan Cattell seconded Val Earp

9. Election of Officers and Committee

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer are all willing to serve for another year. No other nominations were received.

Chairman Robert Tunnicliff: proposed Briand Marshall, seconded Adrienne Marshall, all in favour.

Secretary Hilary Kerr: proposed Sheila Gay, seconded Joan Catell.

Treasurer : Chris Johnson, proposed Joan Cattell seconded Jane Harnett

The following committee member having served their three year term are due for re-election: Joan Cattell and Valerie Earp.

Joan Cattell proposed Sheila Gay, seconded by Val Earp

Val Earp proposed Joan Cattell, seconded Brian Marshall

The following members were co-opted during 2021 and need to be fully elected: Jane Harnett, Catherine Dunlin and Sheila Gay

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Jane Harnett
Sheila Gay

proposed Hilary Kerr, seconded Joan Cattell
proposed Adrienne Marshall, seconded Joan
Cattell

Catherine Dunlin was unable to attend the meeting and was therefore co-opted to the committee for a further year (proposed Hilary Kerr, seconded Sheila Gay)

10. AOB

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 11.26 AM