Notice of Inaugural General Meeting of Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association Inc.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Inaugural General Meeting (IGM) of members of the Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association Inc will be held in the Boardroom, Russell Tavern, Roche Street, Dalby Qld 4405 at 11am on Saturday 7 January 2023.

BUSINESS:

- To ratify the position of President, Treasurer and the members of the Management Committee listed in Schedule 1 of the Constitution until the Association holds its first Annual General Meeting (Schedule 1 is attached as Annexure A).
 - To determine membership fees and membership period for the classes as described in Rule 9.
 - To ratify the Competition Rules of the Association.
 - To consider the proposed rule changes by the Australian Yard Dog Association rule changes as attached on Annexure B to this notice. (The AYDA Competition Rules approved 5 April 2022 are available for download on the QYUTA website.)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE:

- Confirm your virtual attendance by emailing secretary@gyuta.com.
- You will receive a registration confirmation by return email.
- Registered virtual attendees will receive an IGM confirmation email on Friday 6 January 2023 containing a hyperlink and instructions for virtual attendance.
- Follow the instructions contained in the email and logon to the meeting at 11am on Saturday 7 January 2023.

16 December 2022

By Order

Shelley Burns Secretary

INSTRUCTIONS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE:

If you would like to attend in person, please email secretary@qyuta.com. Any member in a category, entitled to vote and whose membership fees have been received and who is present in person, virtually or by proxy is entitled to vote at the meeting.

PROXIES:

A member who is entitled to vote, but who is unable to attend in person or virtually, may appoint one proxy who is another member who is entitled to vote. To be valid, the completed proxy form must be delivered to the Secretary at least one (1) hour before the time and date of the meeting.

Completed proxy forms can be returned by:

- a) **Scanning and emailing** secretary@qyuta.com
- b) Post QYUTA, PO Box 3290, Birkdale, Queensland, 4159

A proxy form can be downloaded from the QYUTA website.

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Schedule 1

List of Inaugural Management Committee Members

Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association Inc.

President: Callum Storey

Vice-President: Derek Binstead

Secretary: Shelley Burns

Treasurer: Chloe Owen

Committee Member: Wally Bell

Committee Member: Errol Gill

Committee Member: Taryn Binstead

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Rules for Review before next AYDA AGM March 2023

Please see: AYDA Competition Rules - Approved 5 April 2022

The flowing updates to our rules were discussed and are to be put forward to each state for review and approval:

CURRENT RULE 4.5 – 4.15 – To be deleted:

4.5 Maiden Class

- 4.6 A dog that has not won a Yard Dog event in any State.
- 4.7 A maiden dog is eligible to enter a Novice event at the discretion of the Organiser.

4.8 Novice Class

4.9 A dog that has won a Maiden event or 1 Novice event and is eligible to win 2 Novice events in any State.

4.10 Improver Class

- 4.11 A dog that has won 2 Novice events, and is eligible to win 2 Improver events in any State.
- 4.12 An Improver dog is eligible to enter an Open Class event at the discretion of the Organiser.

4.13 Open Class

- 4.14 A dog that has won 2 Novice events and/or 2 Improvers in any State.
- 4.15 All dogs classified as open dogs in their home State must have an equal opportunity to work in the Open qualifying trial prior to the AYDC / AUC.

NEW RULE 4.5 – To replace with:

4.5_That each dog's status/level in their home state is recognised at the AYDA Championships, this includes Maiden, Novice, Improver & Open.

CURRENT RULE 6.2 – To be deleted:

6.2 Handlers with multiple dog entries to be spread evenly throughout the draw & Handlers with a single dog entry to be drawn near the middle of the draw.

NEW RULE 6.2 – To replace with:

6.2 Handlers with multiple dogs entries to be spread evenly throughout the draw & Handlers with a single dog entry to be drawn in the last round of the draw.

CURRENT RULE 12.1 – To be deleted:

12.1 In event of a run being interfered with e.g. gates left open, dog or sheep strays onto course, sheep

escaping, the Judge may stop the clock and rectify the fault to a position where a competitor gains no advantage or becomes disadvantaged. The clock would then restart and the trail continue.

NEW RULE 12.1 – To replace with:

12.1 In the event of a run being interfered with e.g. gates left open, dog or sheep strays onto the course, the Judge may stop the clock and rectify the fault to a position where a competitor gains no advantage or becomes disadvantaged. The clock would then restart and the trial continue.

CURRENT RULE 13.2 – To be deleted:

13.2 In the event of sheep escaping from the yards, the run may continue providing the Judge considers the dog or Handler were not the cause. If either was considered to be the cause, a penalty will be incurred or the dog will be rung off at the Judge's discretion.

NEW RULE 13.2 – To replace with:

- 13.2 In the event of sheep escaping from the perimeter of the competition area, the run is terminated. At the Judge's discretion there may be a rerun granted.
- In the event of sheep escaping from one area to another within the competition area, at the Judge's discretion the run may continue giving the Handler the opportunity to rectify the situation while continuing to be judged and the time clock running. The correct number of sheep must complete each obstacle within the course.

CURRENT RULE 14.2 – To be deleted:

14.2 Any Handler who works a bitch in oestrus shall be disqualified from any further participation at that event.

NEW RULE 14.2 – To replace with:

14.2 Any Handler who works a bitch in oestrus will be disqualified from any further participation in the event.

CURRENT RULE 18.5 – To be deleted:

18.5 All dogs to be worked should be vaccinated and in good general health.

NEW RULE – To replace with:

18.5 All dogs to be worked must be free of injury and in good health.

18.6 It is recommended that all dogs to be worked have a current vaccination status.