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MEMBER CLUBS

Dear Secretary,

As you are well aware there has over the last four years been much discussion regarding the conduct of GSDCA Breed Survey and the accountability of Breed Surveyors.

The NBC Executive has seriously considered the matter and has made a recommendation that has seen unanimous support from the GSDCA Executive to take action regarding the conduct of Breed Survey where only one Breed Surveyor officiates.

The action to be taken will see as a minimum 2 Breed Surveyors officiate at all Breed Surveys. The additional cost associated with the 2nd surveyor will be borne by the Council as the Executive is considerate of the extra cost which would affect the smaller clubs. The process to be applied will see the NBC Chairperson who as the State Breed Survey Coordinator for non-surveying Clubs and States appoint an additional surveyor to officiate with the Breed Surveyor as appointed by the club. It must be noted that the additional surveyor will be appointed based on ensuring cost to Council is kept at a minimum.

We have informed the ACTGSDA & NHRGSDC that 2 Breed Surveyors will be present at their coming surveys. Both Clubs have protested that this action should go to the AGM before it is enacted; however the Executive is in full agreement that this is an essential step forward that needs to be taken as soon as possible. The Executive has shown leadership on this matter and sees no harm initiating such an action. It is a positive step! Both clubs have been advised of the reasons for the action.

The Executive firmly believes this single simple act will help restore a degree of creditability to our Breed Survey Scheme by removing the innuendo associated with only one surveyor signing off on character, gun test, dentition, measuring and importantly for the membership, choice of surveyor when there was none.

Yours Sincerely,

Vince Tantaro

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Vince Tantaro
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