Secretary's Report

This report details the day to day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors and includes issues brought before the ASCA Board and communications done by mail, fax, e-mail and/or phone.

May 1 - May 31, 2006

03:03 ASCA® ENDOWMENT FUND-Registered Agent
EMERGENCY MOTION EMERGENCY MOTION
Motion by Aufox, seconded by Hellmeister.

Please post the following emergency motion as soon as you get a second. Voting should be made no later than May 26th.

Motion to appoint Jean Miller as both ASCA's registered agent and ASCA® Foundation registered agent.

Comment: this will allow the service of process and all official notices to be made and sent to the Business Office. The appointment of the Office Manager as the registered agent is a usual practice since that person is most likely to be present in the office.

The reason to make this an emergency motion is that Chuck just sent this request and we need to replace Lola as registered agent of the Foundation. Therefore we might as well accomplish the entire transfer of agent at once. We should not wait another month on this.

Directors voting: Approve: Gray, Bryant, Aufox, DeChant, Walter, Davenport & Hellmeister. Disapprove: Stevens & Berryessa. Motion is approved.

Ballot Tabulation -
Motion Aufox, second DeChant

I am making this emergency motion which needs to be voted on by Thursday, April 20th, due to the need to have the ballot envelopes addressed and labeled for the overseas (foreign) mailing.

I move to engage the accounting CPA firm of Tom Wallis to count and certify the ASCA Ballots for the election of three directors and the counting of the polling of the Hardship and Stockdog Committee question for the 2006 ASCA Elections. The engagement will be an hourly rate of $65.00 which is estimated not to exceed $2,000. This motion is seconded by Ann DeChant.

Rationale: The business office sought out other bids but were unable to get any offers. Many refused and others were more expensive. There was one offer which was obtained by Roger Stevens which was from a sole practitioner CPA. It was for an
amount significantly less, about $750. I feel that ASCA® cannot accept that offer. The main reason was that it was obtained by Roger who is a candidate in this year's election. We must avoid even the appearance of an impropriety.

Directors voting: Approve: Davenport, DeChant, Gray, Hellmeister, Bryant, Aufox Berryessa, Stevens & Walter. Motion is approved.

**Plaques**
Motion by Gray, seconded by Bryant.

Directors serving on the board for two terms (not necessarily consecutive) will be given a plaque at the General Membership Meeting of the National where they are going off the board. If they don't attend, the plaque will be mailed.

Plaque will contain but not limited to:
- ASCA dog's head logo
- Australian Shepherd Club of America
- Name of Director
- Offices held with years listed
- An expression of gratitude for their years of service to ASCA®

Executive Secretary will be in charge of ordering plaques. Plaque will be no larger than 8 x 10 and no smaller than 6 x 9.


**00:20 REGISTRY RULES - Expediting**
Motion by Berryessa, seconded by DeChant.
I move we add a fee of $75 for expediting of registry applications. This fee is in addition to the normal registry fees charged. This fee shall include the registrar processing the application as soon as it is received and faxing/emailing a copy of the registration form to the owner. If a delay occurs due to the owner not filling out the form properly, not sending the proper attachments (i.e., photos) or not submitting the correct fee, no refund will be made.

This is to be placed on the applicable registry applications at the next printing, but the fee shall take effect July 1st, 2006.

Note: this has been sent to the BO for their input and approval.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**97:14 DNA & GENETICS COMMITTEE- FAQ**
Motion by DeChant.
I moved that the following motion from the DNA & Genetics Committee be approved.
Motion by Lori, second by Laura
I move to add the following as DNA FAQ's:
Q. What does DNA-CP mean?
A. The dog has been DNA profiled with ASCA's approved lab(s). (Certified Profiled)

Q. What does DNA-VP mean?
A. The dog and it's parents have been DNA profiled with ASCA's approved lab(s) and the dog matches both of the parents. (Verified Parentage)

Comments: This is part of the basics that needs to go on ASCA's website under the FAQ's. They are in the registry rules, but it just seems logical to add it to the FAQ section.

Yes: Lori, Laura, Jamie, Kim, Sandra, Joan, Devona, Chris, Liz, Marilyn  Non-voting: Kelli

Directors voting: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

98:15 OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE-Tracking
Motion by Hellmeister.
I move to approve the following recommendation of the Obedience Committee:

Motion by White and second by Franks.


I would like to make a motion regarding the obedience judge requirements form (found here: http://www.asca.org/Portals/812b34ca-1ab9-41bb-9dc9-d7b90411dbdc/obedjudgapp.pdf)

I move that the part, "Number of TD'S and/or TDX'S you have titled: List by registered name and breed:" be removed from the form.

Reason: The obedience committee received a request from the tracking committee that we remove this wording to ensure that obedience judges do not get slated as tracking judges via the office and vice versa. This should eliminate the confusion.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

04:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - Jump Height Tables
Motion by Bryant.
I move to accept the following recommendation from the agility committee.

Jump Height Tables
The motion passed with 9 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote.
I, Pamela Bryant Meeks (2nd by Art Scott), make the following motion:

Section 2.3 - Jump Height Tables

Move the first sentence and place it just above the table (after the amended sentence below).

Remove the second sentence and replace with:

The Standard Division jump heights are: 8", 12", 16", 20", 20"+ and 24". The 24" jump height is an optional jump height and class placements may be combined with the 20"+ class.

The Veterans Division shall offer separate classes and placement for dogs measuring over 18" (16" veterans class) and dogs measuring over 20" (16"+ veterans class).

JUMP HEIGHT TABLE

Under Large Dogs - Veterans Division, split the existing box into two and insert the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Withers over 18&quot; &amp; under 20&quot;</th>
<th>Withers over 20&quot; Jump 16&quot; in the 16&quot;+ class</th>
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<tr>
<td>Jump 16&quot;</td>
<td>Rational: This lists the jump heights and splits the veterans large dogs classes as they are two different jump heights. Since the Standard 20 and 20+ jump heights are scored and placed separately so should Veterans. Most clubs and trial software have been doing this at dual sanctioned trials now that there are increased numbers of veterans dogs competing, but it is not specified in the rulebook.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

04:15 ASCA BUSINESS OFFICE-Office Monthly Status Report

Motion by Gray, seconded by Davenport.

I move to institute a monthly Status Report from the office of Executive Director to the Board. Included in the report will be an overview of the office operations from the Office Manager and any problems the Ex Dir or Office Manager feel the board should be advised of. Report will be due to the Executive Secretary by the end of the month.

Comment: Having a monthly status report from the offices of Ex Dir and Office Mgr will keep the entire board informed of what’s going on in ASCA Office. It will greatly benefit the board to know the problem areas as well as routine operations and special projects that are being worked on. Effective June 1st, 2006

**97:14 DNA & GENETICS COMMITTEE-MULTIPLE SIRED LITTERS**

Motion by DeChant.

I move that the Board approve the following motion from the DNA & Genetics Committee:

Motion by Joan, second by Laura

I move to add the following motion to the Registry Rules. This motion should reside in section 1.3 Multiple Sired Litters as #4

In cases where the markers generally used cannot exclude a sire(s) for a pup(s), thereby verifying parentage to only one sire, the registrar will mark the registration papers for the pup(s) as NFB (Not For Breeding) and issue the registration papers as such. All other pups in the litter who have been verified to their parents may be registered with full breeding rights if the breeder so chooses. If the breeder or subsequent owner chooses to retest the pup(s) and parent(s) in question using an *expanded marker system* in order to narrow parentage to one sire, there will be additional fees charged per animal tested. Effective 30 days after publication in the Aussie Times.

Yes: Lori, Sandra, Jamie, Liz, Devona, Joan, Laura, Marilyn, Chris, Kim

Non-Voting: Kelli


**96:14 DNA & GENETICS COMMITTEE - NFB**

Motion by DeChant.

I move that the Board approve the following Motion from the DNA & Genetics Committee:

Motion by Joan, second by Jamie

I move to add the following motion to the registry rules, Section 2.8 Not For Breeding. This motion should reside as 2.8.5 and the current 2.8.5 should be re-numbered to become 2.8.6

ANY pup or adult dog, that is registered with ASCA and whose registration papers are marked NFB, MUST be DNA verified (DNA-VP) to its sire and dam before the NFB designation will be lifted. Pups or adults whose DNA cannot be verified to its sire and dam will remain as NFB for its lifetime, or until it’s parentage is verified Effective 30 days after publication in the Aussie Times.

Yes: Sandra, Jamie, Devona, Joan, Laura, Marilyn, Chris No: Liz, Lori, Kim
Non-voting: Kelli

Comments
Lori: I disapprove. Comments: I would approve this motion if it specifically stated NFB’s from a "Multi-Sired" litter. At this time I am not in favor of making a blanket rule for all NFB’s. I feel this might interfere discourage breeders from using this useful tool.

Liz: I agree with Lori. Motion #2 should specify NFB’s from multi sired litters. I don't think that our original purpose was to make policy for all NFBs. If we vote now, I will vote to approve motion 1, but not #2 as it is written.

Kim: Disapprove. This is broader than my original understanding and, I think, exceeds our reach as a committee.


0020: REGISTRY RULES - Section 13
Motion by Bryant, seconded by DeChant.
I move to make the following changes to the registry rules. Ann DeChant seconds.

Replace Section 1.3 Litter Registration - Rules and Procedures with the following:

Section 1.3 Litter Registration - Rules and Procedures

1. OVERAGE SIRE OR DAM: Should the Registry receive a litter registration application in which the sire is fifteen (15) years of age or older and/or the dam is twelve (12) years of age or older at the time of whelping, the following shall apply:
   A. The over-age parent(s) must be DNA profiled with an ASCA approved laboratory, if not already enrolled in ASCA's DNA-VP program.
   B. All puppies to be registered must be enrolled in ASCA's DNA-VP (Verified Parentage) program.
   C. Any parent of such a litter that is not over-age shall also be profiled with an ASCA approved laboratory if not already enrolled in ASCA's DNA program.
2. Puppies from any litter born prior to the hardship registration of sire and/or dam will not be eligible for Litter Registration. See Section 1.5 Hardship Registration for more information.
3. LITTER REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:
   A. The owner(s) or lessee(s) of the dam at the time the puppies were born is (are) the litter owner(s). Litter owner(s) must be full or service members of ASCA.
   B. The litter owner(s) is responsible for submitting the Litter Registration Application.
   C. All litter owners MUST sign the litter application. The application must be filled out entirely BEFORE signing. Litter owners must not sign a blank application in anticipation of a future breeding.
   D. If the sire or dam of the litter has produced three or more litters, they must be DNA profiled with ASCA's approved laboratory prior to registering the litter.
E. Once the litter is registered, one Individual Registration Application for each litter-registered puppy will be returned to the litter owner. This application is to be given to the owner of the puppy at the time of sale.

4. MULTIPLE SIRED LITTERS: Litters sired by more than one stud dog (whether by design or by accident) are permissible, provided the following criteria are met:
   a. The breeder(s) must DNA profile the dam, sires and every pup produced from this multiple-sire breeding; this profiling is to be at the expense of the breeder(s); this profiling is to be done by ASCA’s approved DNA lab; the results of the profiling must be on file with ASCA before registration can proceed;
   b. Proper records must be maintained (photos, video, written description, etc.) so the sample from each individual, adult and pup, can be positively matched to each animal;
   c. Because of the potential problems associated with sampling a very young animal (pup), the method of sample collection will be determined in consultation with ASCA’s approved DNA lab;

5. LITTER RECORD FORM: The Litter Record Form is meant to aid the litter owner in keeping accurate records. It is strictly for his/her records, however, the information contained on it is required to be kept for a period of at least five (5) years as stated under “Record Keeping” in these Registry Rules. (See Section 2.4)

6. Requested amendments to a registered litter by the litter owner, (i.e., sex, quantity, etc.,) must be supported by pertinent documents to the registry within a 30 day period from date of litter registration. The request for change will be presented to the ASCA Board of Directors for review. The decision of the Board of Directors decision will be within 30 days and will be final.

Replace Section 1.4 with the following:

Section 1.4 – Individual Dog Registration – Rules and Procedures
1. INDIVIDUAL DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION: The litter owner should provide the 'INDIVIDUAL DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION' when the buyer takes possession of the dog. If the 'INDIVIDUAL DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION' is not available at the time of purchase, the litter owner must provide the following information to the buyer until such time as the application is available:
   a. Dog's date of birth.
   b. Dog's sex.
   c. Dog's main body color and trim color.
   d. Dog's eye color.
   e. Tail length at birth. Also indicate if the tail was docked.
   f. Registered name and ASCA number of the dog's sire.
   g. Registered name and ASCA number of the dog's dam.
   h. Name, address and telephone number of the litter owner(s).
   i. Why the form is not available at the time of purchase and when/if the buyer can expect to receive it.

2. Each parent of the applicant dog must have been registered as an Australian Shepherd with ASCA
3. The registration of any applicant dog, it parents, or grandparents with any registry as a breed other than that of an Australian Shepherd, whether prior to the date of the application or any time subsequent to the date of the application, will result in the applicant dog being ineligible for registration in the ASCA’s registry. An ASCA-registered dog shall not be registered now or in the future as any other breed. Doing so will void the ASCA registration of the applicant dog and any subsequent progeny of that dog.

4. No photocopies of the 'INDIVIDUAL DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION' form will be accepted for registration, only the original form sent to litter owner can be used for individual registration.

5. The Registry Office will not accept any registration applications that appear to have been altered. If there is a question of validity, the Business Office will require an explanation signed by the litter owner. NO WHITE OUTS ON APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A SIGNED EXPLANATION.

6. If the owner of a dog is listed as an ASCA registered kennel name only, all owners of the kennel name must sign as the dog’s owner or litter owner.

7. All persons owning a dog or litter must sign on all paperwork (i.e.: individuals, litters, transfers, etc.) as owner and co-owner(s), even if the ownership is listed as and/or.

8. All owners of an ASCA registered kennel name must sign giving permission to the owner of the dog to use the kennel name in naming dog. If litter owner(s) require their ASCA registered kennel name to appear as part of the dog’s name, they must insert the kennel name, as registered with ASCA, in the space provided on the Individual Registration Application. They must also sign in the space provided giving owner(s) permission to use the registered kennel name. In the event litter owner(s) does not put the kennel name in the spaces provided, buyer may use their own choice in naming dog. If seller/buyer cannot agree on choice of names, it is suggested the breeder register the dog and then transfer ownership accordingly. The Registrar reserves the right to deny any name deemed offensive or profane.

9. Once the dog is registered in ASCA, this one name will be retained on all future breeding records. Absolutely no further changes can be made once the dog is accepted in the Stud Book. If a possibility of name duplication is evident, the owner will be notified and asked to submit a new name. Dog’s names are limited to thirty (30) letters including spaces, punctuation and the ASCA registered kennel name.

10. In the event an Individual Registration Application is lost or destroyed, a Duplicate Request Form must be submitted by the litter owner to the Registry Office with all pertinent information, i.e.: Litter number, sire and dam, birth date. FEE REQUIRED.

11. Once the dog owner submits the Individual Registration Application to the Business Office, a Registration Certificate will be issued. In the event a Registration Certificate is lost, duplicate certificates will be issued to the current registered owner only. FEE REQUIRED.

12. Two photos are required of the individual dog and must accompany the Individual Dog Registration Application form. Photos must be clear, color and show the dog's left and right side full body view. All photos become the property of ASCA and will remain in the dog's file.
Add a new Section 1.5 and 1.6 and renumber the current section 1.5 to 1.7 - Transfer of Ownership - Rules and Procedures

Section 1.5 - HARDSHIP REGISTRATION
1. Eligibility for Hardship Registration
   A. Dogs must be purebred Australian Shepherds.
      B. Applicant dogs must be at least 12 months of age.
      C. Puppies from any litter born prior to the hardship registration of sire and/or dam will be treated as individuals; each puppy must meet the hardship requirements.
      D. If an ASCA registered kennel name is used to register the applicant dog, written permission from the owner of the kennel name must be included on the application form.
   E. Applicant dogs or their parents must not be registered as another breed.
      F. Each parent and grandparent of the applicant dog must have been registered as an Australian Shepherd with AKC, CKC (Canadian Kennel Club), ASCA (see b below), or any combination of these registries. The ASCA Board of Directors must approve any exceptions.
      G. Owners of applicant dogs registered with registries not listed above must apply to the ASCA Board of Directors for approval of the registry.
      H. A dog who has only one ASCA-registered parent is eligible for Hardship Registration. HOWEVER, if both parents of an applicant dog are ASCA registered, the dog must be registered through an ASCA Litter registration application. This dog is NOT eligible for Hardship Registration.
     I. The registration of any applicant dog, it parents, or grandparents with any registry as a breed other than that of an Australian Shepherd prior to the date of the application will result in the applicant dog being ineligible for registration in ASCA(r)'s registry. An ASCA(r)-registered dog shall not be registered now or in the future as any other breed. Registering as another breed will void the ASCA(r) registration of the dog.
    J. Applicant dogs shall not have any disqualifying faults as listed in the ASCA Breed Standard (i.e., other than recognized colors, white body splashes, undershot bites, overshot bites exceeding 1/8 inch, monorchidism and cryptorchidism, Dudley nose).
    K. Applicant dogs already registered as “NOT FOR BREEDING” by another registry will only be registered as “NOT FOR BREEDING” by ASCA.
     L. All applicant dogs must be DNA profiled by an ASCA-approved laboratory.
        1. IF the applicant dog’s Sire and Dam are alive and available, the applicant dog MUST be profiled DNA-VP. The costs of DNA profiling are to be borne by the applicant. Documentation of attempts made to fulfill DNA-VP requirement should be provided with this application.
        2. IF the applicant dog's Sire and/or Dam are deceased or unavailable, the applicant dog will then be profiled DNA-CP. A dog’s Sire and/or Dam are considered unavailable if the owner refuses to allow DNA profiling, the owner cannot be found, or the owner refuses to cooperate with the collection of the samples needed.
        3. IF the applicant dog is to be registered as “NOT FOR BREEDING”, the protocol in 9a or 9b must still be followed.
        4. IF the applicant dog is DNA-CP profiled (under section 9b), the applicant must sign a release form acknowledging that all ASCA rights and registry privileges will be revoked.
should there be evidence of either (i) that the hardship applicant's Sire or Dam were, in fact, available, or (ii) that any information supplied by the applicant was incomplete or inaccurate.

5. All applications for dogs (either DNA-CP or DNA-VP) applying for Hardship Registration must include CERTIFIED pedigrees covering AT LEAST 3 generations, including all registration numbers, from all the registries in which the applicant dog, its parents, and its grandparents are currently or were registered. All certified pedigrees must state that the registered breed of the dog/bitch, its parents, and its grandparents is an Australian Shepherd. If none of the approved registries the dogs are registered with issued certified pedigrees, then the breeder of the dog/bitch must certify the authenticity of the pedigree and breed of the applicant dog.

2. Registration Procedure: Items should be submitted at the same time. Incomplete applications will be returned.
A. Complete and submit FORM H-III REGISTRATION APPLICATION. All signatures are required.
B. Submit a photocopy of the applicant dog’s registration certificate and ASCA DNA profile certificate.
C. Submit three color photos: full body left side, full body right side, and full front view. Photos must be clear. No Polaroid photos will be accepted.
D. Submit the application fee of $100.00 for full ASCA members or $200 for Service Members. If the applicant dog is not accepted for Hardship Registration with ASCA, the fee will NOT be returned. Applications and photos will be retained by ASCA as part of the ASCA Registry files.
E. If a dog is already registered with AKC or CKC (Canadian Kennel Club), that registered name will remain. The one exception to this rule is that the owner's ASCA registered kennel name may be substituted for the surname of the owner if requested.

3. The owners of any dog whose application for hardship registration is refused may appeal to the ASCA Board of Directors.
4. PLEASE NOTE: The Hardship application procedure is a lengthy process that can take over a month to complete. Hardship applications will not be expedited. Missing or incomplete paperwork will extend the processing time.

Add new Section 1.6

Section 1.6 LEP REGISTRATION
1. The Limited Exhibition Privileges registration is open to dogs who appear to be purebred Australian Shepherds.
2. Dogs who or whose parent(s) are registered as other breeds are not eligible for LEP registration.
3. The LEP application can be found on the ASCA website.
4. In addition to submitting an application, the following items must be included with the LEP application. Failure to submit all the items together will result in the application being returned.
a. Three color photos (full body left side, full body right side and full front view). Photos must be clear, no polaroid or digitally altered photos are acceptable.
b. Any pedigree information or copy of registration papers.
c. Copy of a spay/neuter certificate with Veterinarian signature.
d. Appropriate fees.

5. Dog must be 6 months of age or older at time of application.
6. An appeal of an LEP application must be made to the ASCA Board of Directors.


04:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - HIT calculations
Motion by Bryant
I move to accept the following recommendation from the agility committee:

The motion passed with 9 yes votes and 2 non-votes.

I, Sue Graham, propose Motion 10-2006 HIT Calculations, effective August 1, 2006. Motion was seconded by Kristi Cetrulo.

Section 2.6.4.2 Awards for High in Levels (Novice, Open, Elite) and High in Trial

Awards for high scoring in level (Novice, Open, Elite), and/or high in trial (HIT) are not mandatory. However, such awards insert [shall be] and delete [are often] given at the ASCA National Specialty insert [and the National Specialty Pre or Post Trials]. When such awards are given at the ASCA National Specialty insert [and the National Specialty Pre or Post Trials], computation for these awards shall be done in the following manner:

Replace sections a - e with the following changes:

a) Separate awards will be given to each of the three Divisions. The Standard Division will award High in Trial to the Novice, Open and Elite levels. The High in Trial Veterans and Junior Handler awards may be calculated by combining scores from all class levels. (DELETED Junior Handlers scores will be based on Regular Agility and Jumpers classes only.)
b) DELETE [For purposes of computing high in level (Novice, Open, Elite) and/or high in trial, the class the dog is in for Regular Agility will be its class; scores in Jumpers and Gamblers in either the same or a higher or lower class will be used in the computation of scores.] INSERT [Dogs must be at the same level in all classes to be eligible for the Standard Division awards (Novice, Open, Elite). Dogs entered in different class levels may be eligible for the High in Trial Overall, Veterans High in Trial and Junior High in Trial awards, or a High in Trial Combined Levels award, if offered. High in Trial Qualifying points (HITQ-points) earned shall be dependent upon the class level in which qualifying scores are earned (see item e below).]
c) Each faultless qualifying run in Regular Agility, Gamblers, or Jumpers shall be given the following HITQ-point value: runs in an Elite class shall be given 7 HITQ-points; runs in an Open class shall be given 6 HITQ-points; runs in a Novice class shall be given 5 HITQ-points. Each faulted (.01 to 5 faults) qualifying run in Regular Agility shall be given one-half the value of the equivalent level HITQ-points (runs in an Elite class shall be given 3.5 HITQ-points; runs in an Open class shall be given 3 HITQ-points; runs in a Novice class shall be given 2.5 HITQ-points). **Delete [The dog with the most HITQ-points is declared the winner.]**

d) In the event of a tie for HITQ-points, the following procedures shall be used for breaking the tie. First tie breaker: **Delete [the dog at a higher level in Regular Agility is declared the winner.]** Insert **[The dog with the fastest combined YPS in all rounds of the regular classes will be declared the winner.]** Second tie breaker: **DELETE [placement points in all classes for the tied dogs shall be computed with 4 points given for first place, 3 points for second place, 2 points for third place, and 1 point for fourth place; the dog with the most placement points is declared the winner.]** INSERT **[The dog with the highest number of gamble points with a qualifying gamble score will be declared the winner.]**

e) The computation for high scoring awards shall be posted for the competitors.

Rational: This would make the HIT in agility similar to the HIT in the stockdog program. The way the current rules read allows for a dog running at a lower level and on a different course an opportunity to win HIT over a dog competing at a higher level with more difficult courses.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**04:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - Requesting Courses**

Motion by Bryant

I move to accept the following recommendation from the agility committee:

The voting was an unanimous 'YES'.

I, Arthur Scott, make a motion (second given by Andrea), effective August 1, 2006, as follows:

Appendix C, Section 3-Judges' Duties

Change Item 6 to the following:

6. ASCA judges are expected to design courses for each assignment. In extraordinary circumstances and with review committee approval, a judge may opt to request approved courses from the Course Review Subcommittee instead of designing their
own for any upcoming assignments. Requests must be made as soon as possible before the upcoming trial.

Changes to the Judges’ Addendum:
Third paragraph, fourth and fifth sentences currently read: Should a judge choose not to design courses, they must notify the ASCA Course Review Committee (see Appendix D). The ASCA Course Review Committee will provide the judge with a full set of courses.

Delete both sentences and replace with: In extraordinary circumstances a judge may ask the Course Review Committee to provide a full set of courses. See Appendix D for guidelines.

Rational--ASCA judges should be able to design ASCA style courses before they are accepted as an ASCA judge. Exhibitors would be able to make an advanced decision as to enter or not enter a trial based on their perception of the judge and that judge's course style, if they are assured that the courses are designed by the listed judge. The existing 60 day requirement for requesting courses may be impractical in an extraordinary situation.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

93:17 STOCK DOG RULES - Appendix 1
Motion by Davenport
EMERGENCY MOTION EMERGENCY MOTION

I move the following motion from the SDC. This motion was voted on by them in February and I didn't get it to the BOD due email glitches or something. In order to get this into the rulebook for the June I revisions, it needs to be an Emergency Motion.
Chris VT

Motion by Bryant, seconded by Kelly

Motion: Add the following entry to the table in APPENDIX 1- HERDING BREEDS of the ASCA Stockdog Rules and Regulations:

Breed:
Coolie
(Koolie, German Coolie, German Koolie)

Country of Origin:
Australia

Approve: Baker, Bryant, Hardin, Hischlier, Holmes, Kelly, Kissman, May, Pechka-King, Silveira, Zilch Disapprove: Walker Motion is carried.
Comments For:

Hischlier: I’d like to support herding breeds that still are used for stock work.

Holmes: I had some reservations about accepting this breed. Not because I don’t believe that the breed is a valid herding breed, but because I felt the information provided to the SDC was somewhat lacking. It was not clear to me just how the breed was used, or how it worked, and in the interests of the protecting our program, I initially felt inclined to reject the Coolie. I am satisfied now that this breed will not jeopardize our program.

Pechka-King: I have no doubt that the Koolie is a stockdog. I would like to have been given more information about the breed and its registry.

Comments Against:

Walker: I do not believe that this applicant has provided sufficient information to the SDC for their application to be reviewed. President has been set (from previous applicants) about what kind of information should be submitted to us for review. By allowing the Coolie/Koolie into the program *without* that club providing information detailing historic use of this dog and it’s history we are setting president for other breeds to follow. I believe what we require for one applicant is what we need to require for all. With that said, I cannot, in good consciousness, approve this application.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

04:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE-Chapter 8

Motion by Bryant

EMERGENCY MOTION

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Sorry to have to do this:( But the committee wants this to go into the June rulebook.

I move to make an emergency motion to accept the following from the agility committee. Votes are due May 23rd. The motion was sent to me and I attempted to send it on the 15th. Unfortunately, it didn't go through:( So I missed the deadline. The committee wants this motion to be voted on in the May timeframe.

Bryant moves to accept the following from the agility committee.

The voting was as follows: 10 'yes' votes, 1 'abstain' from Lisa Kucharski - motion approved.

I, Sue Graham, move to make the following changes (second by Pamela Bryant Meeks), effective June 1, 2006

Chapter 8 - Agility Finals
Section 6 Judging and Scoring
Item 7 currently reads:

7. The Jumpers class will run first, followed by the Gamblers class and then by the two Regular classes. In each class, all Standard dogs run first, then Veterans, then Juniors. Jumpers will be run according to random draw within each division, drawing first for the order of jump heights, and then for the order of dogs within each height. Each subsequent class will be run in reverse order of placement based on cumulative scores within each division. In the event that two dogs are tied for placements, the dogs will run in alphabetical order of call name. Bitches in heat will run last in each class.

Insert: Handlers with multiple dogs may request to move a dog in the run order so as to give the handler more time to adequately prepare to run the other dog. The dogs may be separated by moving the dog that is to run first (with a lower cumulative score) in the round up in the run order to allow a gap of 3 - 10 dogs in between the multiple dogs. The handler must notify the score table and the gate steward as soon as the sorted run order is posted. Once the round has started, no changes may be made.

Rationale: We are seeing handlers with multiple dogs more often at Finals. Currently if a person has to run back to back dogs the show stops while the handler goes to get the other dog, warm it up and catch their breath. We would like to give the handlers the option of moving a dog in the run order and give them more time to prepare to run their dog, without stopping the show. Since the run order system at Finals is designed to have the first place dog run last, the handler would be allowed to run the dog that is placed lower earlier in the round.


Other Action:
Denied a request to register a litter without the required DNA.
Approved a Hardship Registration Appeal for Flying Fortress Bibi Blocksberg.
Approved the Thunder Bay ASC of Ontario Application to Affiliate.
Approved the suspension of Matthew Wise for failing to provide the ASCA® Office with the proper paperwork and fees from an agility trial hosted by Tampa Bay ASC for which he was the Trial Secretary on 11/12 June 2005.
Approved an Affiliate name change request from the Inland Northwest ASA to Tri-State ASC.
Denied a request for a donation of a full page ad.