



REPORT FROM SABOX TO THE FEDERAL COUNCIL NOVEMBER 2007

SABOX met in Bloemfontein on 1 September 2007. Three delegates from Boxer Club Gold Reef, two from Western Province Boxer Club and one from Natal Boxer Club attended the meeting. Mandates received from NBC for Mr Peter Wickham to vote on behalf of the two absent NBC representatives and for Mr Johan Kieser to vote on behalf of the absent WPBC representative were tabled and approved.

Mrs Daphne Warren had indicated that she was prepared to continue as Secretary for another year and Mr André van Reenen would also be carrying out the duties of Treasurer for a further year.

In November 2007 the Federal Council had approved the criteria for an Advanced Registration Certificate for Boxers submitted to KUSA by SABOX, as well as the draft regulations for a Breed Assessment and a Breed Survey (with courage test) for Boxers. In order to implement these, it was now necessary for SABOX to define criteria for the recognition of Boxer Specialist Judges and for the training of those of them who were interested in officiating as Breed Assessors. The SABOX Boxer Specialist Judges Sub-Committee therefore put forward the following proposal to the meeting:

Definition:

To be recognised by SABOX as a Boxer Specialist judge, SABOX must receive an application and recommendation from the Boxer Club of which the candidate is a member.

In addition he/she must:

- 1 *Have bred/owned Boxers for at least 7 years.*
- 2 *Be on the KUSA Panel for Boxers.*
- 3 *Have passed practical tests/written examinations set by SABOX in respect of the following:*
 - *THE BOXER BREED STANDARD*
 - *DOING VERBAL AND WRITTEN CRITIQUES OF BOXERS*
 - *GRADING BOXERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FCI GRADING DEFINITIONS*
 - *ASSESSING THE CONFORMATION AND TYPE OF A BOXER AT A SABOX BREED ASSESSMENT / BREED SURVEY*

A SABOX recognised Boxer Specialist Judge who complies with the above may be appointed to act as a Breed Assessor at SABOX Breed Surveys / Breed Assessments.

Boxer Club Gold Reef felt that Boxer numbers in KUSA did not warrant the adoption of the above at present, but the other two clubs were of the opinion that it was in fact an additional way to stimulate interest in and awareness of the unique qualities of the Boxer, as members who were not interested in campaigning their Boxers to championship status, were nevertheless keen to have their Boxers assessed and graded and in perhaps obtaining an ARC. The proposal tabled by the SABOX Boxer Specialist Judges Sub-Committee was therefore adopted by the meeting.



The meeting also adopted a logo for SABOX, which appears in the header of this report.

Income derived from the R10-00 levy imposed by KUSA on all Boxer registrations amounted to R1397-02 on 31 August 2007. Some of this has been utilised to pay for the SABOX stand at WODAC, due to take place in Durban between 16 and 18 November 2007.

Quentin Campbell of WPBC has put together a mini website for SABOX. He wishes to tidy up a few aspects and after that it can be launched on the KUSA website. Unfortunately Quentin is apparently very busy and progress with this has not been as rapid as was hoped. The website does look very good, however, and should be a valuable asset to the breed in future.

The current unfortunate situation, with Boxers divided into two camps in South Africa, continues. There is however increased interest from some FBCSA members in taking part in KUSA activities and a prominent FBCSA breeder, judge and breed assessor has been accepted in the KUSA Aspirant Breed Judges Qualifying Scheme. She will be sitting the exams in November and once she is qualified as a KUSA judge, she will without a doubt be a valuable asset to the Boxer breed in KUSA. She is also campaigning two of her bitches and has to date won a number of CC's with them at KUSA shows. Her kennel names has been registered with KUSA and her next litter, due in the near future, was sired by a KUSA registered dog and will be registered with KUSA.



MARLIEN HEYSTEK
CHAIRMAN



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