

Hello everyone.

I'd like to introduce myself, Jacque Bayne, known to many of you in the show world and just seconded onto the Club's General Committee (GC) where I have taken on the role of Breed Liaison Officer. I will keep you up to date with matters of the Club and if you have anything that you wish to raise to the committee please let me know.

The last GC meeting was held on the 18th April and was held via zoom, an online meeting facility which has proved to be a boon in these dreadful times of the pandemic.

Principal points for reporting from the meeting are as follows;

- Best wishes from the committee to our colleagues who have not been well recently: Cliff Ball, John Jones, Val and David Wade, Tony Sherratt and Bob Knapton.
- The recent online show judged by Ann Gormley from Greece raised the marvellous total of £360 for the hospice where Gaye O'Connor was looked after.
- If anyone is looking for a lab for DNA tests then Laboklin is recommended.
- Judges for our shows can be nominated by members, I will keep you informed when the next call for nominations is due.
- The Club has decided that the number of dogs required to be hands on judged before awarding CCs is 50.
- Some members have yet to renew membership and we would be grateful if those who have not already could do so and, thank you for supporting the Club and the Breed. If you could do so by making out a Standing Order which can be found on the website it would be so much more convenient for all.
- The 2020 and 2021 AGM will be held consecutively on the 13th June by zoom meeting. Details are to be mailed out very shortly.
- We are catching up on the shows that we have so sorely missed over the last 18 months and this year we will be having the following shows:
 - Sunday 8th August - 2021 Champ Show and 2021 Open Show, to be held at Newark County showground.
 - Saturday 9th October - 2020 Champ Show and 2021 Open Show, to be held at Stoneleigh.
 - All these shows will follow Covid guidelines in force at the time.
- We will be starting the yearbook process in the coming months so dig out your favourite photos of your dogs to be ready. More details will follow in due course. This is the only historic record of the Club and owners' dogs so we would like it to reflect that.
- The summer newsletter will be out soon so look out for it in your post box.