Twenty-eight days' notice will be given of the AGM, notice of the meeting being posted on the Club notice boards and in writing. Agenda items should be forwarded to reach the Hon. Secretary at least 14 days before the date of the AGM. The agenda for such meetings will be circulated to Members at least 7 days before the date of the meeting.

#### 12. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

A Special General Meeting shall be summoned by the Hon. Secretary if one-third of the fully paid-up Members send a signed requisition stating the subject to be discussed and request a Special General Meeting to do so. The Committee of the Club is also empowered to call a Special General Meeting, notice of which will be given to the Members in writing 28 days before the meeting.

#### 13. ANNUAL RETURNS TO THE KENNEL CLUB

The officers acknowledge that during the month of January each year, Maintenance of Title fee will be forwarded to the Kennel Club by the Secretary for continuance of Registration and that by 31<sup>st</sup> December each year, after the AGM, other returns, as stipulated in Kennel Club Regulations for the Registration and Maintenance of Title of Societies and Breed Councils and the Affiliation of Agricultural Societies and Municipal Authorities be forwarded to the Kennel Club.

Under Kennel Club Regulation C 4.a.(1) (b) (v) of the current Kennel Club Year Book, The Kennel Club now require the names and addresses of all Club Members to be forwarded with the Club's Annual Returns by 31<sup>st</sup> December. The Officers also acknowledge their duty to inform the Kennel Club of any change of Secretary of the Club which may occur during the course of the year.

## 14. KENNEL CLUB THE FINAL COURT OF APPEAL

The Kennel Club shall be the final court of appeal in all matters or disputes.

- **15.** The Club shall not join any Federation of Societies or Clubs.
- **16.** No person whilst an undischarged bankrupt may serve on the Committee of or hold any other office or appointment within a Kennel Club Registered Society.

# Roseland Dog Training Club

## **GENERAL RULES**

#### 1. NAME AND OBJECTS

The Club shall be called **Roseland Dog Training Club** (RDTC) and its objects shall be to actively promote and encourage responsible dog ownership and to train owners and dogs to take part and compete in all types of showing and competitions.

## 2. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

The Club shall consist of a president, vice-president, Hon Chairman, Hon Secretary, Hon treasurer, a Committee with an unlimited number of Members.

## 3. **COMMITTEE**

The management of the Club shall be in the hands of a Committee of at least 6 Members, of whom all shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election.

The Working Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected from and by the Committee prior to the Annual General Meeting (AGM), to ensure these positions are covered. If any other person wishes to take one of these positions then the election of that position shall take place during the first committee meeting following the AGM. Trainers, if not elected, may attend Committee meetings as ex officio Members if they so wish.

Meetings of the Committee shall be held as often as may be deemed necessary, and a quorum for Committee meetings shall be 6, 2 of which must be officers.

The Committee shall have the power to co-opt Members on to the Committee in the event of positions becoming vacant between AGM's. Those co-opted shall only hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club at which an election of Committee takes place.

No individual who has been a Member for less than 6 months may be elected on to the Committee.

#### 4. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS**

After a probation period of 3 months actively training within RDTC candidates for membership of the Club must be proposed and seconded by 2 Members of at least 6 months standing and then elected by or balloted by the Committee at one of their meetings. Two negatives shall exclude. The Committee reserves the right to reduce or extend a probation period at their discretion. Joint / Family / Group Membership will not be allowed. The Committee reserves the right to close membership at their discretion.

#### 5. SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual full subscription shall be such amount as agreed by the Members in General Meeting and notified to the Kennel Club. This sum is payable on joining, and will be due on 1<sup>st</sup> January each year. No Member whose subscription is unpaid shall be entitled to any of the privileges of membership. Membership will cease if fees are not paid in full by 1<sup>st</sup> February of the same year and those concerned must reapply in the normal way, the Committee shall have the power to erase his/her name from the list of Members, but if the Committee shall subsequently receive a satisfactory explanation the Member may, at the discretion of the Committee and on payment of arrears, be readmitted to membership.

#### 6. <u>LIST OF MEMBERS</u>

The Club shall make a list of Members and their addresses available for inspection if so requested by the Members of the Club or by the Kennel Club.

#### 7. CLUB PROPERTY

The property of the Club shall be vested in the Committee. In the event of the Club ceasing to exist, no matter for what reason, all assets of the Club shall be realised all together with all monies held shall be sent to a national registered dog charity.

#### 8. CLUB ACCOUNTS

A Bank Account shall be held in the name of The Roseland Dog Training Club into which all revenue of the club shall be paid, and from which withdrawal shall only be made on the signature of two of the following; Hon Treasurer, Hon Secretary, Working Chairman or a member of the Committee so designated. The accounts shall be kept by the Treasurer and at each AGM there shall be appointed either one qualified Accountant or two unqualified

individuals with accountancy experience who shall audit the Club's accounts for the ensuing year before the AGM.

#### 9. EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

Any Member who shall be suspended under The Kennel Club Rule A42j(4) and / or any Member whose dog(s) is / are disqualified under Kennel Club Rule A42j(8) shall ipso facto cease to be a Member of the Club for the duration of the suspension and / or disqualification.

If the conduct of any Member shall, in the opinion of the Committee of the Club be injurious or likely to be injurious to the character or interests of the Club, the Committee of the Club may, at a meeting the notice convening which includes as an object the consideration of the conduct of the Member, determine that a Special General Meeting of the Club shall be called for the purpose of passing a resolution to expel him / her.

Notice of the Special General Meeting shall be sent to the accused Member, giving particulars of the complaint and advising the place, date and hour of the Meeting that he / she may attend and offer an explanation. If at the Meeting, a resolution to expel is passed by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, his / her name shall forthwith be erased from the list of Members, and he / she shall thereupon cease for all purposes to be a Member of the Club except that he / she may, within 2 calendar months from the date of such Meeting, appeal to the Kennel Club upon and subject to such conditions as the Kennel Club may impose.

#### 10. FINANCIAL YEAR / ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The financial year of the Club shall be from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 30<sup>th</sup> September.

The AGM shall be held in the month of November.

## 11. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

The AGM shall be held to receive the report of the Committee and the Accounts, to elect Committee Members and to discuss any resolutions duly placed on the agenda of which prior notice has been given to the Hon Secretary. No business shall be transacted at an AGM unless notice thereof appears on the agenda, with the exception of routine matters of those which in the opinion of the Chairman of the Meeting are urgent.

The election of Committee at the AGM shall be by a show of hands, unless there is a tie or discord in which case a secret ballot will be taken at the Chairman's discretion: his decision will be final. Postal votes and proxy votes are not allowed.