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# Items of Interest

## Printing Certificates at the Self-Serve Kiosk

Dogs West provides the **printer and toner** for certificate printing at the self-serve kiosk; however, it is the

# Club Forum News

## Strengthening Club Finances: Key Takeaways from the Club Forum

At the Dogs West Club Forum on 5 February 2025, clubs discussed ways to

previously purchased certificates.

Please ensure your club provides the necessary paper to ensure a smooth process for all members.

Thank you for your cooperation!

## Find Detailed Judge Information on the Dogs Australia Website

Did you know the **Dogs Australia website** provides the most comprehensive details on judges for each discipline? Many clubs still rely on our website or judge list, but for the most up-to-date and detailed information, we encourage you to visit **Dogs Australia**.

We often receive questions about why our judge list doesn't include specific details—this would take hours to maintain for every sport! Instead, Dogs Australia has made this information easily accessible to everyone. If you haven't already, check it out and take advantage of this valuable resource.

Visit Dogs Australia today to find judge details for contracts and event planning!

## 2026 Calendar of Events

The Calendar of Events for 2026 is now available on the Dogs West website **here**.

**minimise cash handling** by using online entry platforms (e.g., Show Manager, Easy Dogs) or mobile EFTPOS apps like Tyro, Westpac EFTPOS Air, and Square. If handling cash, clubs should follow strict procedures, including verifying amounts before and after events with a second person present.

With **cheques being phased out**, clubs are encouraged to transition to online banking with dual signatories for added security. Commonwealth Bank's CommBiz was highlighted as a useful option. Regular **financial reviews at committee meetings and AGMs** were also emphasised, ensuring transparency, conflict-of-interest checks, and smart spending practices.

By adopting these strategies, clubs can strengthen financial security and ensure long-term sustainability. For more information, read the full article online here.

## Is Your Club Incorporated? Stay Compliant & Avoid Deregistration

Maintaining incorporation status is essential for Dogs West clubs, ensuring legal protections and operational stability. At the recent Club Forum, a member shared insights into the challenges of re-registering after deregistration—a time-

that all dates are correct, please review carefully the dates for your club and advise any amendments to the calendar via the Forms link below.

Additional date applications will also be accepted via the Forms link.

Sanctioned Event Dates

# From Dogs Australia

### Amended Rules for the Conduct of Field Trials for Spaniels and Retrievers

Rules for the conduct of Field Trials for Spaniels and Retrievers have been updated with the endorsed amendments and are now available from the Dogs Australia website here.

The amended rules are effective from 1 January 2025.

# Canine News

### 📖 Canine News Schedules, Articles and Good News Items

**Reminder ‼️**

To stay compliant, clubs should:
1️⃣ Check your incorporation status here and set up an account if you haven't already.
2️⃣ Lodge your annual information statement on time to avoid penalties.
3️⃣ Stay informed by utilising the resources available on the WA Associations website and check out the Incorporated Associations Check List here.

A little proactive management can save your club from unnecessary headaches. Take a moment to verify your status today!

### Does Your Club Have an ABN? Stay Compliant!

Queries were raised about **ABNs and tax obligations for not-for-profit clubs**. While many clubs won't be affected, this information is important **if your club has an ABN**.

- Clubs that **run dog shows** are **likely not exempt from income tax** and may need to lodge a tax return annually.
- Clubs involved in **dog performance sports (e.g., racing) may qualify** as sporting clubs and need to submit the Not-for-Profit (NFP) Self-Review.

Having an ABN can help with GST registration, tax exemptions, and dealing

including the date of the event and closing of entries, classes, prizes, and the name/s of the contracted judge/s shall be submitted to the Administrative Officer for approval **at least four (4) months prior to the date of event.**

The close-off date is important. You can be charged a $50 fee for late schedules.

More information about schedule submissions and closing dates is available on our website here.

The Schedule Submission Form is available online here.

Editing the Canine News is a BIG job, and the biggest part is placing and proofing the schedules. The new Schedules form will help to streamline this work.

professional advice and ensure any decision is documented.

For more information, read the full article online here, visit the **ATO's NFP self-review resources** or consult a tax professional.

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