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Dear Dogs West Members,

We hope this message finds you and your furry friends well. As a valued Partner of Dogs West, we wanted to take a moment to provide clarity regarding a specific section of the Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) related to our partnership with Dogs West.

Policy Coverage Explanation

Policy Exclusions:

This policy is designed to cover pets primarily as companions. Therefore, it does not cover cats or dogs that actively participate in commercial or sporting activities, including:

- **Working Animals:** Pets engaged in work on a farm, guarding, or other agricultural duties.
- **Fighting:** Any form of dog fighting.
- **Racing:** Competitive racing events.
- **Personal Protection:** Pets trained for personal defence.
- **Gun Sports:** Hunting or shooting activities, i.e. game hunting.
- **Law Enforcement:** Pets employed by police or other law enforcement agencies.

Policy Inclusions:

However, this policy may cover pets involved in the following:

- **Show Dogs/Cats:** Pets participating in conformation shows.
- **Search and Rescue Dogs:** Pets trained for search and rescue missions.
- **Guide Dogs:** Dogs assisting individuals with visual impairments.
- **Assistance Dogs:** Dogs helping individuals with various disabilities.

Coverage for Dogs Australia Activities

We are pleased to confirm that activities listed by Dogs Australia, such as those detailed at <https://www.dogsaustralia.org.au/training-dog-sports>, are covered under this policy. The intent of the policy is to exclude pets actively participating in the actual commercial or high-risk sporting activity, not those involved in competitions or activities that mimic these roles.

For example:

- **Agility:** Your dog participating in agility trials as a sport is covered*.
- **Obedience Trials:** Dogs engaged in obedience competitions are covered*.
- **Herding Trials:** Participation in herding trials as a sport is covered, even though it mimics the actual work of farm herding*.

Commitment to Fairness

We sincerely thank all the Dogs West members who have already joined as Knose Breeder Partners. Your participation and support are invaluable. We hope this clarification reinforces our commitment to being a fair and transparent organisation that works closely with our business partners to provide the best care and protection for your pets. For any further questions or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us on the Breeder Hotline at 02 4406 8002.

Kind Regards

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**Subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy - for example Pre-Existing Symptoms and Conditions, and Conditions arising during an Exclusion Period are not covered under the Policy. For more information refer to the Product Disclosure Statement.*