

DOGS NT 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

RETURNING OFFICE REPORT

This report has been prepared for presentation at the Dogs NT Annual General Meeting to be conducted on 28 April 2021. Many thanks to DogsNT for asking me to be the Returning Officer. This is not a position I take lightly.

Nominations were called for President, Treasurer and 3 Councillor positions and closed on 24 February 2021. A ballot was required as nominations for the position of Councillor exceeded the number of vacancies, i.e. 5 nominations for the 3 vacancies.

Many thanks to Marlene Watt for contacting Kezia Purick and staff for the assistance provided by donating postage.

126 envelopes were mailed, containing 151 ballot papers. 72 ballot papers were returned, representing 48% return rate.

The ballot count was conducted yesterday evening by me and Mark Capell. We were observed by scrutineer Caroline Camilleri.

Position of President – 1 nomination – the President is Melville Hammett.

Position of Treasurer – 1 nomination – the Treasurer is Claire Flattum.

Positions for Councillor (3) – 5 nominations – the successful candidates are:

Deborah Brackenreg;
Emma Carter; and
Nicola Jones

Position of Alice Springs Zone Representative – no nomination received. The position of Alice Springs Zone Representative is to be dealt with by Council as a casual vacancy.

Motion 1: Originals of nomination paperwork have remained in the office and can be dealt with by Council as they see fit, including destruction.

Motion 2: Originals of ballot paperwork are with me and it is intended they will be destroyed after 14 days, i.e. Wednesday 12 May 2021. This allows a period of 14 days should a recount be requested.

Susie Ripper
Returning Officer