CV: NICOLA (NIKKI) JONES - DOGSNT 2023 COUNCIL ELECTION NOMINEE

Dear fellow DogsNT Members,

My name is **Nikki Jones** & I have been a DogsNT Member for over thirty years. I am seeking your vote for re-election as a DogsNT Councillor. To put a face to my name, I am the volunteer behind your Journal (TDW), the DogsNT website & Facebook (FB) page, the DogsNT Members FB group, the Show Dog Handlers Club, Palmerston Gundog Club & Darwin Obedience Dog Club FB pages - never passing on any costs that I incur to the Association or you – the Members.

- 1. I am, proudly, a current DogsNT Councillor & hold the portfolios of; Trials Advisory Subcommittee (TAC) Council Interface, Show Advisory Subcommittee (SAC), & Rules & Constitution Subcommittee member.
 - I served the NT Trial community on the TAC for over ten years & I continue to represent them as their lone Council interface.
 - **.::**. I am also on the SAC where I work with the Show Clubs with their behind-the-scenes paperwork.
 - My past roles on the Council were diverse & far-ranging but included being the Secretary. & I have always fulfilled my tenure when on Council &/or Committees.
- 2. Websites: I feel extremely honoured that so many of the Clubs trust me to be their Web Manager & I am proud to help the following Clubs by creating &/or maintaining their websites: Show Dog Handlers Club, Palmerston Gundog Club, & the Darwin Ladies Kennel Club Inc.
- **3.** Further commitments to DogsNT Clubs include:
 - Current Treasurer, former President, Secretary, Vice President, &/or committee member for the Palmerston Gundog Club & the Show Dog Handlers Club;
 - Former Executive positions/committee member Darwin Ladies Kennel Club Inc.; Show Dog Handlers Club & Freds Pass Positive Dog Training Club Inc.
- 4. I compete regularly & successfully at Conformation Shows & Trials, so I am well acquainted with many disciplines that fall under the Dogs NT/Dogs Australia umbrella. My success in the competition arena includes (but is not limited to):
 - Attained the first Supreme Champion title in Australia (of All Breeds), & I have titled numerous Supreme Champions, Grand Champions & Champions (including my homebred dogs). I am also extremely proud that my dogs have also gained many & various Trial titles.

I believe my experience & exposure to a variety of dog sports & activities give me a well-rounded view across many areas. In my humble opinion, any member's issue (however perceived as trivial to some) is an issue for us all. Members need to know that they can approach any DogsNT Councillor for advice, & assistance, & trust that confidentiality will be paramount.

PLEASE feel free to approach me if you have any questions (either privately or in person). You can usually find me training my trial dogs or ringside at a trial or dog show. I am the one with the Welsh & English Springer Spaniels (that try their hearts out for me despite my mediocre handling)!

In closing, I am grateful that others think so highly of my abilities, to the point they wish to openly nominate & support me as a candidate in this DogsNT election. Thank you very much for taking the time to read my CV & remember, a vote in my favour means that I can continue to champion issues on behalf of the Membership & clubs.

As always, yours sincerely,

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