

# VICTORIAN CANINE ASSOCIATION INC RETRIEVING AND FIELD TRIAL COMMITTEE NOTICE TO MEMBERS

An election of six members to the **Retrieving and Field Trial Committee** is to be held pursuant to regulation 6.7 printed in April 2024 Gazette. Nomination forms for election of members representing the undermentioned disciplines for the term 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2028 are now available from the Dogs Victoria administration office.

i.e. Two persons representing the retrieving discipline Two persons representing the pointer and setter discipline  
One persons representing the spaniel and retriever discipline One person representing the utility gundog discipline

*Terms of office: Pointer and setter discipline one term of two years, one term of four years*

## NOMINATIONS

A person wishing to be a candidate at an election must before twelve o'clock noon on the nomination day deliver or cause to be delivered to the returning officer, a nomination form naming that person as a candidate at the election. Such form shall be completed in all detail and on the prescribed form. Any person eligible to vote may propose or second a candidate. A personal profile form duly completed may be lodged with the nomination form, such profile to consist of not more than 400 words. Should the statement exceed 400 words the excessive words will be deleted from the end of the statement. Where a profile is submitted, it will be supplied to members registered on the retrieving and field trial electoral roll, with dispatch of ballot papers.

## CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

Any VCA member as described in rule 2.6.1 who has for the last two years demonstrated support for the rules and regulations and codes of practice set out by the VCA, and has been one or more of the following:

- a competitor in field and/or retrieving events;
- connected with trials as a judge, steward or manager;
- attended at least one lecture and at least one field training day for the respective disciplines in the last two years shall be eligible to nominate for one position of the RAFT Committee.

A candidate may nominate to represent one only discipline at any one election, and must be enrolled on one or more of the electoral rolls for the retrieving and field trial committee election.

## TIMETABLE FOR ELECTIONS

The following timetable for the election will apply -

April Gazette	Retrieving and field trial election regulations published
May and June Gazette	Enrolment for electoral roll announcement and nominations called for
Friday 14 June 2024	Both electoral roll and nominations close at 12 noon
Friday 5 July 2024	Ballot papers and profiles despatched to persons on the electoral roll
Friday 26 July 2024	Ballot closes at 4 pm
September 2024 Gazette	Result of election published

## ELECTORAL ROLL - RETRIEVING AND FIELD TRIAL COMMITTEE ELECTION

The electoral roll for the election of members to the retrieving and field trial committee is now open. To register yourself please complete and return the registration form (printed hereunder) and return it to the Returning Officer C/- Dogs Victoria, Locked Bag K9, Cranbourne, Victoria 3977 or the Dogs Victoria Administration Building, 655 Westernport Hwy, Skye, Victoria 3977 by no later than 12 noon, 14 June 2024.

## ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

There shall be an electoral roll of voters for each discipline. To be eligible to be placed on the electoral roll voters must be ordinary, dual or life members of the VCA who have within the last two years been one or more of the following:

- a competitor in field and/or retrieving events;
- connected with trials as a judge, steward or manager on a regular basis;
- attended at least one lecture and at least one field training day for the respective discipline

Such a member must apply to be listed on the RAFT electoral roll which will be developed by the VCA through the *Gazette* and having enrolled, a voter may vote for the discipline(s) for which he/she is eligible according to that enrolment. Eligibility to vote under this clause must be certified as correct by the chief executive.

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## REGISTRATION FORM - 2024 RETRIEVING AND FIELD TRIAL COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

I desire to be placed on the electoral roll for the election of persons to the retrieving and field trial committee to be held July 2024. In support of this application I provide the following information:

Surname: ..... First Name(s): .....

Address: ..... Postcode: .....

VCA Inc Membership No: ..... Telephone No: .....

I declare that I have not applied to be registered as a voter under any other membership number. I am eligible to vote in the following discipline (please circle discipline for which you are eligible) -

- Retrieving Trials
- Pointer and Setter Field Trials
- Spaniel and Retriever Field Trials
- Utility Gundog Field Trials

Signature: .....