Report on Judges Working Party (JWP) Meeting (4ᵗʰ April 2017)

Prospective Judges Trainers
There had been nine high quality applicants to become Judges Trainers, it was extremely difficult to shortlist the individuals, so the decision was taken to invite all nine for interview and assessment. Possible dates were finalised for the assessment, as was the composition of the panel.

KC Academy
This formed a major area for discussion at the meeting; the Agility Section is progressing well, and is currently on target to meet the deadline to go live at the end of July. The script has been developed based around the current presentation and the both the judges' trainers on the JWP and the KC Training Board are happy with it. The production company asked if it could be shortened down, it was reviewed, but all on the JWP felt that if the Agility members thought it necessary they would support the current length (it had already been shortened from a 3 hour presentation down to approximately 20 minutes).

There will be a short training video on the eligibility and contractual side of judging this will be taken from the main presentation, the regulations that apply specifically to judging will be contained in a separate presentation of approximately twenty minutes in length, all training videos will be voiced over by a professional. There will be a pool of questions for the examination from which the computer will draw 40 questions from, it was decided that the pass mark should remain at 80%. There was some discussion about the time limits available for the examination.

It was also decided to share the script and ideas that had been developed for agility with the other disciplines.

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