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**President**  
**Phil Murphy**

**GENERAL MEETING:** 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**MEETING OPENED:** 8.00 pm.

**PRESENT:** Phil Murphy, President, John Jeffery, Secretary, Allen Wonson, Treasurer and delegates as per attendance register.

**VISITORS:** Rodney Wagner (CCF Auditor), Don Burvill.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil.

The President advised that the minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 would not require to be adopted as they were not an official meeting of the 2021 Committee and were only notes of the “get together”.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the Committee Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 as issued to the Clubs were received on a motion moved Mt. Druitt seconded by Merrylands. Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Nil.

Adoption of the minutes moved Dural seconded by Liverpool.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**As per Agenda:**

1. Various Accounts.
2. Audit Report – Flegg, Kehlet & Wagner Accountants.

**Received on night of Meeting:**

1. Affiliation Fees and Part Fed membership fees from various Clubs.
2. Updated Club information from various Clubs.
3. Voting Sheets from various Clubs.
4. Application for GPS location from various Clubs.
5. Permission forms to use Electronic Timers from various Clubs.
6. Voting result re Application from Canterbury Bankstown Invitational Racing Pigeon Society for Affiliation.
7. Letter from Don Burvill re; Punchbowl/Bankstown Membership
8. Notice of Motion – Committee to alter feed mixture on transporter 20% peas, 35% wheat, 25% corn and 20% safflower.
9. Notice of Motion – Moved Oatley RSL seconded Sutherland to alter feed mixture 35% wheat, 10% peas, 20% corn, 20% sorghum and 15% safflower.

Correspondence received moved Smithfield seconded by Punchbowl/Bankstown. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

1. Letter to Fairfield City Council – 2021 Loading of Trailer.
2. Letter to Clubs – AGM Balance Sheet and Various Forms
3. Letter to Clubs re; Voting Affiliation – Canterbury Bankstown Invitational Racing Pigeon Society
4. Letter and Donation – Westmead Children’s Hospital
5. Various Minutes

**ACCOUNTS: - Allen Wonson Treasurer**  
**(Period 1/1/21 – 12/2/21)**

**Expenses**  
**Income**

**\$12854.30**  
**\$1782.85**

Motion moved Dural seconded by Smithfield that the accounts as per agenda be received for endorsement of payment. Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.**

Motion moved Wentworthville seconded by Regents Park that the payment of the accounts as per agenda be endorsed. Carried.

**GENERAL BUSINESS: Nil**

1. Vote to affiliate Canterbury Bankstown Invitational Pigeon Society – In favour 59 votes, against 30 votes, and abstained 3 votes. Vote to affiliate carried.
2. The President expressed his concerns of the small number of members voting and that 13 Clubs voted from a possible 28 Clubs.
3. Following receipt of membership forms, there are 205 members nominating to race the 2021 season.

No further business. Meeting Closed 8.12pm

Next General Meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

John Jeffery

Federation Secretary

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020.**

**MEETING OPENED:** 8.15 pm.

**PRESENT:** Phil Murphy, President, John Jeffery, Secretary, Allen Wonson Treasurer and delegates as per attendance register.

**VISITORS:** Rodney Wagner (CCF Auditor).

**APOLOGIES: Nil**

**MINUTES:** Copies of the minutes of the Annual General meeting 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 which were adopted on the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2020 were tabled.

**AUDITORS REPORT/BALANCE SHEET:**

The Balance Sheet as supplied was discussed and the Federation Auditor, Rodney Wagner, spoke on the financial position of the Federation. Rodney advised that the Federation was in a strong position given the current situation with Covid 19.

The Federation recorded a profit of \$6954.79 after depreciation, with an additional amount of \$26289.00 set aside in pre-paid fees for 2021.

Over-all with the reduction in depreciation from 10% to 5% in 2020 the Federation's financial position is strong.

The Balance Sheet as presented received by Sam Sultan (Wentworthville) and seconded Peter Collins (Marsden Park).

There were no further questions on the Balance Sheet – Phil Murphy thanked Rodney for his attendance and explanation.

Adopted Pat Arcella (Dural) seconded Nick Kaparos (Maroubra). Carried

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Secretary: John Jeffery – Employee.

Treasurer: Allen Wonson

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

The following positions were filled by nomination by the closing date 2020:

President: Phil Murphy.

Committee Members: Sam Sultana (WV), Warren Schofield (MTD), Mark Jeffrey (LIV), Dave Tomkinson (CTN), Paul Vassallo (MPS), Pat Arcella (DURAL), John Migdalski (RPS), Bob Coles (LIV) and Peter Collins (MPC).

Each member, including the President was voted on by the members present. Results were –

Phil Murphy – 19 votes in favour, 19 votes against. Casting vote done by President. Phil Murphy President 2021

Dave Tomkinson – unanimous, Sam Sultana – majority, 1 against, Warren Schofield, Mark Jeffrey, Peter Collins, Paul Vassallo, Pat Arcella, John Migdalski and Bob Coles – Unanimous.

Motion moved Mt Druitt seconded by Campbelltown City that the above members be endorsed as Management Committee members for the 2021 season.

**ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENTS:** To be elected from the above Management Committee members.

### **SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:**

Sam Sultana – Moved by Nick Kaparos (MBRA) seconded by Pat Arcella (DURAL). Carried.

### **JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT:**

Pat Arcella – Moved Milad Bou-Said (SH) seconded Charlie Borg (SFD). Carried

### **ELECTION OF A PUBLICITY OFFICER:**

Nick Kaparos – Moved John Migdalski (RPS) seconded Milad Bou-Said (SH). Carried

### **LIBERATION COMMITTEE:**

There was only one (1) nomination received prior to the closing date – Warren Schofield (MTD)

Warren Schofield – unopposed. Carried

There were two (2) further positions to be filled.

Dave Gordon (SMPS) – moved Mark Jeffrey (LIV) seconded Charlie Bonanno (SH)

Milad Bou-Said (SH) – moved Charlie Bonanno (SH) seconded Anthony Agius (SUTH)

Pece Mihailov (OATLEY) – moved Anthony Agius (SUTH) seconded Pat Arcella (DURAL)

The members vote was:

Milad Bou-Said 16 votes

Dave Gordon 11 votes

Pece Mihailov 7 votes

The 2021 Liberation Committee is – Dave Gordon, Milad Bou-Said, and Warren Schofield.

Motion moved Dave Tomkinson (CTN) seconded by Bob Smith (PUN) that those three members be endorsed as the Liberation Committee. Carried

## **2021 RACE SCHEDULE:**

The President explained that the race points would require checking to ensure suitable liberation areas.

**BASKETING:** Redhead, Bulahdelah, Crowdy Head and Kempsey – Friday Nights.

Coffs Harbour, South Grafton, Ballina, and Chinderah – Thursday Nights

Gympie and Bundaberg – Wednesday Night.

### **LIBERATION TIMES:**

Motion moved by Campbelltown City seconded by Maroubra that the estimated liberation times be as follows:

Redhead: 11.00 am.

Bulahdelah: 10.30 am.

Crowdy Head :9.30 am.

Kempsey: 8.30 am.  
Possible.

Coffs Harbour: 7.30 am.

All the rest: Early as

### **SPECIAL RACES:**

Two Birders to be held from: - 1<sup>st</sup> Bulahdelah, 1<sup>st</sup> Crowdy Head, 1<sup>st</sup> Kempsey, 1<sup>st</sup> Coffs Harbour, 1<sup>st</sup> Ballina  
It was moved Merrylands and seconded Dural that the Federation Young Bird Derby be the only race on the day. Carried

It was then moved Bossley Park seconded Sutherland that one Redhead be dropped, and an additional South Grafton be accommodated to allow one race on the day for the Young Bird Derby.

An amendment was Liverpool seconded that a Chinderah be dropped, to accommodate the Young Bird Derby.  
A vote was taken – amendment 12 votes, motion 17 votes.

Motion carried to drop one Redhead and include an additional South Grafton.

Young Bird Derby: – 1<sup>st</sup> Grafton.

CCF Ring Race: – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ballina.

Fred Wall Special: – Gympie.

All Aged Derby: – Chinderah.

Harold Williams Two Birder: – Bundaberg.

The short series will consist of nine (9) races. 2 Redhead, 3 Bulahdelah, 2 Crowdy Head, and 2 Kempsey.

**N.B:** Members competing in the short series only are eligible to compete in the Young Bird Derby.

Moved Dural seconded Liverpool that the two (2) derbies be increased to 10 birds.

Members then voted – 10 birds 6 votes.

Existing 5 birds 32 votes.

Moved Liverpool seconded Dural that the cost per bird be increased to \$20 per bird.

Members voted - 6 votes.

Existing \$10 per bird 29 votes

### **DERBY & TWO BIRD ENTRY FEE:**

Two Birder: - \$10.00 per Team. Nominate two (2) Birds.

CCF Ring Race: - \$1 per bird 2020 rung birds

Young Bird Derby: - \$10.00 per Bird – 5 Bird Limit – Payable on night of Basketing.  
Basketing Fee - \$20.00 included in the Federation Fees. Moved PUN seconded OATLEY. Carried

All Aged Derby: - \$10.00 per Bird – 5 Bird Limit.

Paid in Calls – 1<sup>st</sup> Call \$4.00 per Bird. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Calls \$2.00 per Bird.

1<sup>st</sup> Call 2<sup>nd</sup> Redhead, 2<sup>nd</sup> Call 2<sup>nd</sup> Bulahdelah, 3<sup>rd</sup> Call 2<sup>nd</sup> Crowdy Head, 4<sup>th</sup> Call 2<sup>nd</sup> Kempsey

Basketing Fee - \$20.00 included in the Federation Fees. Moved PUN seconded OATLEY. Carried

Fred Wall Special: - \$10.00 per Team – Nominate five (5) Birds. Clock first two (2).

A Point Score will be conducted as follows:

Short Series: - Sections and Overall.

Long Series: – Sections and Overall.

Full Season: – Sections and Overall.

Motion moved Campbelltown seconded Marsfield that the Federation Young Bird is to be included in the long series point score, however the birds are included in Young Bird Point Score. Carried 25 votes to 3 votes.

The above was accepted on a motion move by Bob Coles (LIV) seconded by Pat Arcella (DURAL). Carried.

### **SIGINING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FAIR-TRADING FORM:**

Motion moved Paul Vassallo (MPS) seconded by Pat Arcella (DURAL) that Phil Murphy signed the Department of Fair-Trading document. Carried.

## **CONSTITUTION & RULES OF THE FEDERATION:**

Motion Moved Motion moved Peter Collins (MARS) seconded by Pat Arcella (DURAL) that the current constitution and all the current rules of the Central Cumberland Racing Pigeon Federation Incorporated with the alterations adopted tonight, be adopted for the 2021 season. Carried.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Warren Schofield advised that due to problems that occurred in 2020 where some members complained about the birds either being either liberated or held over, that all members be aware of the Liberation Protocol to avoid confusion in the future. A copy of the Federation Constitution and Racing Rules is on the website, however a copy will be emailed to each Club Secretary.
2. Moved Maroubra seconded Regents Park that surplus birds be liberated with the race birds. Amendment moved Bossley Park seconded St Mary's that surplus birds liberated 30 minutes after the race birds. Prior to voting, it was moved Dural seconded Merrylands that the Gerdal trailers be used for the 2021 season. Several members spoke on the issues of using the Gerdal trailers instead of the old CCF trailer. It was explained to the meeting that due to the numbers nominating to race, that surplus would not be possible on the Gerdal trailers as these trailers catered for 216 baskets in comparison to the old trailer of 334 baskets.
3. Several members spoke on the need to send surplus birds in order that they be fully educated and fit for the North route. Other members were against surplus birds influencing the race birds.
4. After a lengthy discussion, the members voted on which trailer to be used – Gerdal trailers 18 votes, old CCF trailer 12 votes. Gerdal trailers to be used 2021 season. Carried.
5. Moved Sutherland seconded Bossley Park that any body tossing at the race point should be at least 10 kilometres from the race point and should liberate 30 minutes after the race birds. A three (3) week suspension should be served on any member not abiding. Vote 19 votes in favour, 3 votes against. Carried.
6. The Federation bird limit was then discussed, and it was moved Dural seconded Liverpool that a 30-bird limit apply. An amendment was moved Maroubra and seconded Smithfield that it be 25 birds. A further amendment was moved Sutherland seconded Blacktown that the bird limit be 20 birds. A vote was then taken between the two amendments – 20 birds 9 votes, 25 birds 11 votes.
7. A further was then taken – amendment for 25 birds - 22 votes, 30 birds – 11 votes. Bird limit 25 birds per member.
8. Nick Kaparos and Sam Sultana gave an update on the Gerdal trailer updates: Report attached.
9. Gary Donovan asked the Federation would complete the season on the North route. Answer yes.
10. Dave Gordon enquired if due to bad weather and a race was postponed what was the procedure? Answer the race would be slotted in where possible.
11. Milad Bou-Said asked did the President have any input in the liberation of the birds. Answer NO. However, if the Liberation Committee could not agree with each other, the matter is referred to the executive.
12. Steve Shears advised that The Australian War Memorial in conjunction with the ANRPB is conducting a display on the 24/2/21 about Animals in War. Anybody interested in the event can book online or contact Steve Shears for further information.
13. The Presentation Night was discussed, and three (3) venues were suggested, Guildford Leagues Club, Merrylands Bowling Club, and Dooleys Club. It was suggested that a fully catered meal be provided at whatever venue is chose. Enquiries will be made a reported back to the next meeting.
14. The President advised that if members have problems or issues, that they should come to the Federation Meetings to discuss them and not have “backyard meetings”.

## **REIMBURSTMENTS:**

Motion moved Sam Sultana (WV) seconded by Bob Smith (PUN) that the 2020 Liberation Committee members receive payment for services rendered. Carried.

No further business.

Meeting Closed 10.15 pm

John Jeffery.

Federation Secretary.