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**President**  
**Phil Murphy**

**GENERAL MEETING:** 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**MEETING OPENED:** 8.00 pm.

**Vale:** Nil

**PRESENT:** David Gordon, Secretary, Steve Shears, Vice President, delegates as per attendance register.

**APOLOGIES:** Phil Murphy, President

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the General Meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023 as issued to the Clubs were received on a motion moved Mt DrUITT seconded by Oatley RSL.

**BUSINESS ARISING: Nil**

Adoption of the minutes moved Liverpool seconded Maroubra. Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

**As per Agenda:**

- Various Payments
- Liberation Reports
- Minutes from Blacktown club
- Letter from Riverstone regarding sections
- Life ring order forms 2024
  
- **Received on the night of meeting: NIL**

**BUSINESS ARISING: NIL**

Correspondence received Oatley seconded Mt DrUITT. Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- Various Invoices
- Minutes of the previous Federation Meeting
- Various payments

Adoption of the correspondence moved Blacktown seconded Maroubra. Carried

**ACCOUNTS:**

• Ampol – Fuel	\$7,675.93
• Wages	\$2320
• Thomas Attard Wages, Loaders & Repairs	\$6,860
• John Sowter, Liberator Wages	\$11,365
• Prize Money	\$24,331
• ANZ Bank Fee	\$10.00
• Telstra	\$197.83
• Fuel	\$40.36
• ATO Super	\$3,435
• Less Total Deposits	\$9,662.50

**Total ANZ Bank Balance** **\$10,481.97**

Accounts were received moved Blacktown seconded Maroubra.

**BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.**

Adoption of the financial position moved Oatley seconded Mt Druitt. Carried

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023**

The minutes of the Committee Meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023 as issued to the Clubs were received on a motion moved Maroubra seconded by Liverpool.

**BUSINESS ARISING: Nil**

Adoption of the minutes moved Mt Druitt seconded Oatley. Carried

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: 16<sup>th</sup> October & 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

The minutes of the Committee Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> of October 2023 as issued to the Clubs were received on a motion moved Blacktown seconded by Mt Druitt.

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

Nick Kaparos moved scrap the \$5 per bird for the 500- & 600-mile races as a few clubs weren't in favour of the idea, Chairman Steve Shears advised it will be voted on at the AGM.

Adoption of the minutes, Moved Oatley seconded Liverpool, Carried.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Steve Shears spoke on the meeting that took place on Wednesday night 1<sup>st</sup> November with Federation Secretary, President Vice President, Driver Thomas Attard and Liberator John Sowter, Steve filled the meeting in on some of the key points that come out of the meeting being,
- There is a requirement of the Liberator to fill out and submit on a weekly basis to the Federation Secretary the liberators checklist, this was pointed out at the previous AGM, Liberation committee form to be filled out as well.

- The data loggers are expensive and important for our obligation to animal welfare concerns. They need priority care and management. Federation will supply an instrument case for safe storage for all devices.
- There is an obligation to undertake any request from the Federation Secretary in the management of the truck and birds.
- No works to be completed on the truck unless a itemised quotation is provided prior to works.
- Confidence to management. We are consistently receiving feedback from fliers about liberation conditions management of the truck. Both liberator and driver have friends who race, their obligation is to maintain confidence to management until your liberation checklist is released.
- There is a lot of requests for video of the liberation. Like SAHPA video reports, if we purchased a tripod for their phone, they agreed that it would be possible and something we can do moving forward as most fliers want to see the birds leave the truck.
- Anthony Agius asked about manually liberating the birds with the pins like they did at Warrnambool if they could do that every week, Secretary advised we will investigate it.
- Milad Bou-Said asked about Data Loggers calibration, Steve advised it is in the process of getting that done through ipac
- CTN, Dave Tomkinson advised Campbelltown Squeaker sale will be this Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 10am penning auction start 12pm.
- Dave also asked about the size of the icom life rings being smaller in diameter than the standard ones being approx. 7.5mm with the traditional ones being 8mm, Secretary advised the answer he got from the manufacturer was the size difference was due to the icom rings being a funny shape, secretary will see if they can make them 8mm in the future.
- Anthony Agius advised Oatley Squeaker sale and Blind Auction on 19<sup>th</sup> November open bar and free food approx. 3ok in prize money also a \$1,000 bonus for flyer and breeder for the best baby in the sale race bought in the sale.
- Smithfield, Vartan Khina advised Smithfield squeaker sale is also on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November, Vartan also asked why the birds for the AAD & 600 mile were on the truck at the same time, Secretary explained it was due to the week before being cancelled.
- Seven Hills, Milad asked about long series point score not being on the race net site, and why was the truck dirty and had mouse poo in the trays at the night of the first race, Secretary advised that this wont happen again and truck will be professionally cleaned prior to first race for 2024.
- Riverstone, Joe Zammit asked about the sections and wants Riverstone club reinstated to the north west section where they were 10 seasons ago, Secretary advised that all sections will be looked at for the 2024 season.
- Ku Ring Gai, Bob Gates questioned the loss and gains on the race net was explained that once loss and gains get submitted into race net correctly the velocity correct the times.
- Blacktown, Alex Caruana informed they have Blacktown Blue rings available \$35 each 20K in prize pool 20 ring limit.
- Alex also asked about his notice of motion regarding the basket fronts, he was asked to provide evidence of why this would be beneficial improvement to the birds, Alex stated he has followed the rules and there is no need to submit such requests and needs to go out to full membership to vote on.
- Alex was told that the motion has been received and was asked to inform the federation what exactly do they want as a replacement which he couldn't answer then proceeded to threaten the federation with RSPCA if they do not replace the basket fronts.

No further business, Meeting Closed 9:30pm  
 Next Meeting – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
 David Gordon  
 Federation Secretary

## **Management Committee Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

### **Meeting Opened – 9:30pm**

**Present:** David Gordon, Secretary, Steve Shears, Vice President, Paul Vassallo, Dave Tomkinson, Sam Sultana, Alan Brown, Mark Jeffrey, and Nick Kaparos

**Apologies:** Phil Murphy, President, Tony Vaminakis

### **General Business:**

- Discussion on the Notice of motion from Blacktown, was asked for Blacktown to provide a design and costing for the fronts.
- A full review of the SAHPA clock by laws, location of antennas & loss and gains on electronic clocks.

Meeting closed 10:13pm

Next Meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

David Gordon

Federation Secretary