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President
John Hubble

GENERAL MEETING: 1st July 2013

The meeting opened at 8.00 pm.

PRESENT:

John Hubble President, J.Jeffery Secretary, Allen Wonson Assistant Secretary, delegates as per attendance register.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the general meeting of the 3rd June 2013 as tabled were received on a motion moved by Hills District seconded by Smithfield. Carried.

The President John Hubble informed the meeting of the death of Bill Eastcott senior, a minute silence was held in honour of the late Bill Eastcott senior. John also informed the meeting that John Debrincate of the Mt Druitt Club was badly injured in a works accident.

BUSINESS ARISING:

St Marys delegate spoke on the wording of the notice of motion re nominating two members from each section to fill the positions on the Federation Management Committee. The Secretary will check the wording of the original notice of motion for the next meeting.

Adoption of the minutes moved St Marys seconded by Seven Hills. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per Agenda:

1. Email from St Marys Club applying for a refund 1st Derby Call for several members.
2. Email from Barri Morland – Penrith Club re: concerns regarding the \$1 per ring proposal.

Received on the meeting night: Nil.

Correspondence received moved St Marys seconded by Ku Ring Gai. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

St Marys delegate explained to the meeting the reason for the request for a refund for several members of their 1st Derby Call.

Adoption of the Correspondence moved Illawarra seconded by Smithfield. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Copies of the minutes of the Federation meeting 20th May 2013 forwarded to the Clubs.

ACCOUNTS:-

- Accounts totalling \$7870.94 presented for payment. (Breakdown as follows)

Admin Wages (4 weeks) - \$2360.00, Contract Driver (3 races) - \$1650.00, Liberator (3 races) - \$945.00, Loaders (3 races) - \$1104.00, Reimbursement (Ass Secretary) - \$1006.00, Admin Travelling Allowance - \$165.90, Phone Accounts - \$504.52, Six white boards - \$78.95, Stationery - \$56.57.

Motion moved by Oxley Park seconded by Blacktown that the above accounts be received for payment. Carried.

Motion moved by Parramatta seconded by Maroubra that the accounts be passed for payment. Carried.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 3rd June 2013 as tabled were received, moved by K.Gambell (MTD) seconded by P.Murphy (CTN). Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Adoption of the Management Committee minutes moved Seven Hills seconded by Regents Park. Carried.

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 17th June 2013 were read to the meeting and received on a motion moved by J.Jones (HD) seconded by P.Murphy (CTN). Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Campbelltown delegate spoke on the Committee report on the 4th Kelso liberation and put forward the following suggestions: (i) Re visit the liberation protocol and improve it to safe guard the pigeons. (ii) Build in safety margins. (iii) Check all weather conditions on a wider scale.

Regents Park delegate spoke on the cancellation of the 3rd Orange race. It was explained as there was less than a 50% chance of liberating the birds on the Sunday the driver and liberator was not available for Monday liberation due to prior commitments. In the short series the driver is employed for basketing Friday night for a Saturday race, in event of a holdover and liberate on the Sunday or return the birds home, thus the driver is not committed for a Monday liberation. This arrangement changes once Thursday night basketing commences. It was pointed out the need of a backup driver and liberator in matters like these. Management Committee will investigate the need of a backup driver and liberator.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLUBS:

Blacktown - delegate spoke on the proposed \$1 life ring, would be in favour if the profit was to assist in reducing fees and queried the following: (i) cost of unsold rings, (ii) charging two years old birds.

Campbelltown City - delegate informed the meeting the following: (i) first squeaker sale race – 3rd Condobolin. (ii) 2nd squeaker sale race – 2nd Hillston. (iii) will be holding a Friday night Squeaker Sale this year, rings will be available in lots of 5 more details coming.

Punchbowl/Bankstown – delegate also spoke on the \$1 ring proposal (i) why should the larger purchaser of rings subsidize the smaller purchaser. (ii) could mean a drop in the sale of rings and loss of members. (iii) would the added prize money be evenly split over the six races? (iv) cost to the clubs of unsold rings? (v) also stated the club does not support the two birder due to the 7.00pm ring off time. (vi) spoke on the conditions required for the juniors. (vii) spoke about the Federation to be consistent in dealing with members being accused of misbehaviour. (viii) queried basketing arrangements for the derbies.

Seven Hills – delegate spoke on having two races on this upcoming weekend as the weather looks to be good. The President John Hubble stated that he has been in touch with the driver and he is ok to do a double this weekend. The majority of the delegates present were in favour of the two races this weekend. The Management will discuss this further at their meeting.

St Marys – delegate reported that they are missing a basket from the 1st Orange race. Delegates were asked to check their Club room for any stray baskets and return them.

No further business. Meeting Closed.

Next meeting: 5th August 2013.

Allen Wonson. Assistant Secretary.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 1st July 2013.

PRESENT: John Hubble, John Jeffery, Jeff Jones, Greg McLaughlin, Nick Kaparos, Phil Murphy, Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo, Vince Pedavoli, Kevin Gambell, John Migdalski, Peter Collins

Minute Secretary: Allen Wonson.

AGENDA:

All Aged Derby Refund:

The application for a refund of several members of the St Marys Club first Derby Call was discussed and it was decided that the refunds be granted to these members on the grounds put forwarded by the St Marys Club on the following conditions that for the same reason they will not be eligible to compete in the Federation Young Bird Derby.

Two Races this weekend:

The holding of the two races this coming weekend was discussed and it was decided that the Forbes race as scheduled would be held on the Saturday and the catch up race for the 3rd Orange to be on the Sunday. With the basketing for the 3rd Orange on the Saturday night and the 1st Forbes is a scheduled two birder, it was decided by the Management to bring forward the ring off time for the Forbes two birder to 6.00 pm for those Clubs wishing to compete in the Federation two birder.

Emergency Driver and Liberator:

This matter was discussed and an investigation will be undertaken on this matter.

\$1.00 Ring Proposal:

After listening to the comments from various Clubs at the general meeting on the \$1.00 ring proposal, the members of the Management Committee have decided not to take this matter any further.

Junior Races:

Further discussions on this matter, several suggestions have been put forward.

No further business. Meeting Closed.

Next meeting: 5th August 2013.

Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.