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**President**  
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**GENERAL MEETING:** 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014

The meeting opened at 8.00pm.

**PRESENT:** John Hubble President, John Jeffery Secretary, Allen Wonson Assistant Secretary, delegates as per attendance register.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the general meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2014 as tabled were received on a motion moved Mt Druitt seconded by Rooty Hill. Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Nil.

Adoption of the minutes moved Wentworthville seconded by Campbelltown City. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**As per Agenda:**

1. Request for basket reduction of one basket from – Marayong/Quakers Hill, Yagoona, Penrith and Northern Suburbs.
2. Request for additional basket from – Merrylands, Wentworthville & Seven Hills.
3. 2013/2014 Taxation Group Certificates.

**Received on the meeting night:**

1. Email from Adam Finn Committee member of the Victorian Pigeon Federation re using our constitution as a starting point in drawing up their own constitution.
2. Email from Sutherland Club querying if a refund will apply if the cancelled Cootamundra race is not rescheduled.
3. Email from Richard Upton re (i) the poor communication on the phone line, (ii) lateness of the information re returning of the birds, (iii) did not appreciate being told that the birds would be left on the ground if not picked up by 6.30 pm. (iv) why were the birds not brought back to Gunning or Marulan.
4. Letter from Catheron McLaughlin re her concerns relating to the cancelled Cootamundra race.

Correspondence received moved Rooty Hill seconded by Ku ring Gai. Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Several delegates spoke on the cancelled Cootamundra race. Warren Schofield a member of the liberation committee gave a verbal report, there was a suggestion to move back to Gunning but it was finally decided to remain at Cootamundra for a race if possible, several times during the morning the sun looked like breaking through but then the dark clouds rolled in again. Nick Kaparos (MBRA) delegate stated that it would not have been possible to liberate on the Saturday at Gunning due to bad weather there also. To move to another liberation point, time is the essence.

A vote of confidence in the liberation committee and the liberator for their actions taken over the weekend was moved by Wentworthville and seconded by Bossley Park and was carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

1. Minutes to the Clubs – General Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> June 2014.
2. Letters to the Clubs – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> basket allocation.
3. Letters to the Clubs – 2014 Federation Young Bird derby procedure.

**ACCOUNTS:-**

- Accounts as per agenda totalling \$7423.11 presented for payment. (period 16/06/2014 – 6/07//2014)

Motion moved by Mt Druitt seconded by Ku Ring Gai that the accounts as per the agenda be received for payment. Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Nil.

Motion moved Bossley Park seconded by Seven Hills that the accounts be passed for payment. Carried.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

After further discussions on the cancelled Cootamundra race it was put to the delegates to decide if there was to be a catch up race, eleven delegates voted in favour of a catch up race and 5 delegates voted against it. It was then put to the delegates as to when to hold the catch up race some suggested Sunday after the 1<sup>st</sup> Narrandera and some after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Narrandera.

Once again a vote was taken 9 delegates were in favour of Sunday after the 1<sup>st</sup> Narrandera and 7 delegates in favour of the Sunday after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Narrandera. Finally it was decided to hold the catch up race on Sunday after the 1<sup>st</sup> Narrandera weather permitting and the birds being liberated on time in the Narrandera race on the Saturday. If it is not possible for the Sunday after the 1<sup>st</sup> Narrandera will look at holding it on the next weekend.

- Blacktown – Delegate stated bad weather forecasted this Saturday suggested Sunday liberation from either Narrandera or Cootamundra.
- Bossley Park – Delegate thanked that the Liberator and the liberation committee for having in their minds the well fair of the birds.
- Mt Druitt - Squeaker Sale race Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July from Condobolin, basketing Saturday between 7.00 – 10.00 am.
- Seven Hills - Delegate also commented on the Federation information phone line. The Secretary will contact Telstra again re this matter.
- St Marys – (i) Squeaker Sale Race will be held from Carrathool on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2014 (Sunday race) basketing Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2014. (ii) Queried their missing information on the information phone line.
- Rooty Hill - Squeaker Sale race – 2<sup>nd</sup> Carrathool.

No further business. Meeting Closed. 9.00 pm.

Next meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014.

Allen Wonson. Assistant Secretary.

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### **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

**Meeting opened at 9.10 pm.**

**PRESENT:** John Hubble, John Jeffery, Kevin Gambell, Nick Kaparos, Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo, Greg McLaughlin, Bruce Whalley, Peter Collins, Paul Gibbs, Vince Pedavoli.

Minute Secretary Allen Wonson.

Matters Discussed:

1. The catch up race – Set down for Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July from Cootamundra weather permitting if not will try again for the following Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July.
2. Permission to the Victorian Pigeon Federation to use our constitution to help them draft their own constitution.
3. 2015 race schedule was discussed the Secretary will present suggestions to the next Management meeting.
4. There was also a discussion on the race cycle. The current five year cycle finishes at the end of the 2015 season and the number of routes to form the next cycle should be decided on well before 2015 breeding season. As passed the next cycle will be under the wiper system.
5. The Secretary advised the Goulburn Club pigeons will be picked up and liberated by the CCF from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Narrandera.
6. There was a query on who forms the Executive Committee, as per the current constitution the following make up the Executive Committee – President, Senior Vice President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary. As the Assistant Secretary is a life member but not a flying member his voting rights have been transferred to another member of the Management namely Bill Eastcott.
7. It was decided for a trial period to see if it makes access to the liberation information easier, the only information to be broadcast on the liberation phone line on morning of a liberation is only matters relating to that days liberation or other Federation matters. No other messages, Club or private are to be broadcast on the morning of a liberation.

No further business. Meeting Closed. 10.00 pm.

Next meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014.

Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.