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**President**  
**John Hubble**

**GENERAL MEETING:** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012

The meeting opened at 8.00pm.

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

**APOLOGIES:** Nil.

**VALE:** A minute silence was held in respect of the death of Alan Fear - Wentworthville Club.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the general meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012 as tabled were received on a motion moved Hills District seconded by Parramatta. Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING:** Typing error in the minutes relating to the Notice of Motion received from Blacktown & Seven Hills, it should read - re: altering the current racing rule to allow **surplus** (not toss) birds to be liberated at the same time as the race birds.

Adoption of the minutes moved Liverpool City seconded by Parramatta. Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**As per Agenda:**

1. Email from a life ring supplier in Qld re: price of Life Rings.
2. Request for GPS location from Ku Ring Gai & Maroubra.
3. Workers Compensation Insurance renewal notice.

**Received on the meeting night:**

1. GPS antenna position approval A.Sly Mt Druitt Club.
2. 2012 Membership forms received from Bossley Park & Penrith.
3. Voting sheets on the Punchbowl/Bankstown & Sutherland Notice of Motion from various Clubs.
4. Applications to fly two teams from the one address received from:
  - (a) A Fenech & Ellul & Fenech (Mt Druitt Club)
  - (b) S.Fear & Fear Family ( Seven Hills Club)
5. Notice of motion received from Regents Park and seconded by Maroubra to alter the current feed mix to equal parts of Wheat, Peas, Milo and Corn.

Correspondence received moved Seven Hills seconded by Liverpool City. Carried

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

1. Delegates were reminded that the Clubs have until the next general meeting if they wish to lodge an amendment to the Notice of Motion.

Adoption of the Correspondence moved St Marys seconded by Hills District. Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

1. Letter to the VHA re: Donation.
2. Letters to the Clubs re: Notice of Motion received from Blacktown and seconded by Seven Hills.
3. Copy of our Public Liability certificate of currency to Holroyd Park Committee showing Holroyd City Council as an interested party.

**ACCOUNTS:-**

- Accounts totalling \$2343.44 presented for payment. (Breakdown as follows)

Admin Wages (2 weeks) - \$1150.00, North West survey Trip – \$530.08, Workers Comp instalment - \$363.36, Truck storage - \$300.00. A further \$5000.00 was donated to the VHA PMV trials.

Accounts passed for payment moved Seven Hills seconded by Merrylands. Carried

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:**

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012 as tabled were received, moved P.Vassallo (MPS) seconded by K.Gambell (MTD). Carried

## **BUSINESS ARISING:**

1. Several delegates queried the PMV trials – Vince Pedavoli gave an updated report – (a) Trials have begun in Victoria. (b) 83 days before it is known if the vaccine is successful. (c) VHA will be racing the 2012 season. (d) NSW border is closed. (e) No reported cases in NSW. (f) A permit from the NSW DPI is required to bring birds in from Victoria. (g) It was also mentioned that WA has closed its borders – but this has not been confirmed. (h) Members can obtain information on these matters by going on to the website of the DPI of each state.

Adoption of the Management Committee minutes moved Maroubra seconded by Oxley Park. Carried

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

The Secretary John Jeffery read to the meeting the result of the voting on the Punchbowl/Bankstown and Sutherland notice of motion re split liberations. A total of 262 members out of approximately 395 members took interest in voting on this matter. Result – 53 members voted in favour of the motion, 207 members voted against the motion and 2 members abstained from voting. Motion was lost. Birds will be liberated in mass in the 2012 season.

Delegates were also reminded that the Club membership forms that have been issued to the Clubs must be returned by the next general meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

## **BUSINESS FROM THE CLUBS:**

- Illawarra:** Delegate advised the meeting - (a) Seven Hills stray. (b) Have several old NRP and FRP club baskets for sale, suitable for tossing. Contact Victor Borg.
- Liverpool:** Delegate queried if a member flies one race then pulls out for one reason or another can he get a refund. Answer No.
- Punchbowl/Bankstown:** Delegate (a) Agreed with the comment made by the Regents Park delegate at a previous meeting that Club submitting Notice of Motions should be present at the General Meeting that the Notice of Motion is lodged. (b) Also explained to the meeting why their Club voted against their own Notice of Motion.
- Smithfield:** Delegate reported strays for the following Clubs – BP, PUN and YAG.
- St Marys:** Delegate informed (a) Are we aware that some members are already vaccinating against PMV. (b) A permit must be obtained from the DPI.  
As far as the Federation knows a permit is required to acquire the PMV vac. This permit is obtainable from your local vet, who can apply for it on your behalf.
- Sutherland:** Delegate explained to the meeting the reason that changed their members minds when voting on the notice of motion re split liberations. Also spoke on Clubs supplying motions when they do not have a full membership present.

No further business. Meeting Closed.

Next meeting: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Allen Wonson. Assistant Secretary.

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## **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 16.04.2012.**

**PRESENT:** John Hubble, John Jeffery, Allen Wonson, Kevin Gambell, George Ibrahim, Nick Kaparos. Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo, Bob Sunderland, John Migdalski, Victor Borg, Vince Pedavoli, Jeff Jones and Warren Schofield (Liberation Committee Member)

The following topics discussed:

1. Vince Pedavoli will seek the latest update on the PMV trials. Also advised that if a NSW bird strays and is reported in Victoria it would be in the best interest of the NSW flyer to leave the bird there. Otherwise the owner will have to apply to the NSW DPI for a permit to retrieve the bird.
2. George Ibrahim will contact Rob Marshall re the best type of sensing equipment to be fitted in the trailer to record temperature, humidity and carbon monoxide levels.
3. Secretary John Jeffery gave an update on the repairs being carried out on the trailer.
4. The applications for two teams from the one address was discussed and approved.  
(i) A.Fenech and Ellul & Fenech (Mt Druitt Club). (ii) S.Fear and Fear Family (Seven Hills Club).
5. Individual flying membership of the Federation was discussed, with members leaving the Federation to compete in another Federation - the members of the Management Committee felt that there should be a clause in the Constitution to cover this situation in the future. Their feeling on this matter is, if a flyer competes in the current season with the Federation and then decided to leave and fly another Federation the following season, then that

flyer and the loft address can not rejoin the Federation for a period of “x” number of years. A Notice of Motion to this effect will be forth coming from the Management Committee for the next AGM.

6. The Management Committee also discussed the lodgement of Notice of Motions to alter Racing & Clock Rules after they have been adopted at the Annual General Meeting. Further discussions on this matter will be undertaken with the possibility of submitting a Notice of Motion to alter the Current Racing & Clock Rules amendment Rule.
7. Vince Pedavoli is in the process of obtaining quotes from Europe and also a local manufacturer for the construction of a new trailer.
8. The Secretary was requested to obtain the towing capacity of the Mitsubishi liberators vehicle to ascertain if it is capable of towing a moderate trailer should the Federation proceed in that direction.

No further business. Meeting Closed: 9.45 pm.

Next meeting: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.