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President Phil Murphy

GENERAL MEETING: 4th July 2011

The meeting opened at 8.00pm.

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

APOLOGIES: Aldo Cassisi.

MINUTES: The minutes of the general meeting of the 20th June 2011 as tabled were received on a motion moved Penrith seconded by Smithfield. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per Agenda:

- 1. Letters from various Clubs requesting a reduction in their second basket allocation.
- 2. Letter from Marayong/Quakers Hill Club Re registering 2010 life ring as 2011 for S.Picket.
- 3. Liberation reports $-1^{st} & 2^{nd} \text{ Mudgee} 1^{st} \text{ Dunedoo.}$
- 4. Letter from S.Craig (BLK) re: omitting to enter pigeons in the Young Bird Point Score.

Received on the night.

1. Letter from Oxley Park Club requesting an emergency meeting of the Clubs to decide on continuing on the North Route or change to another route.

Correspondence received moved Smithfield seconded by Parramatta. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Correspondence adopted moved Penrith seconded by Campbelltown City. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- 1. Letter to the Clubs re: 2012 race schedule.
- 2. Letter to the Clubs re: Nomination forms 2012 Federation Committee and Liberation Committee.
- 3. Results Dunedoo Two Birder.

LIBERATION REPORTS:

1st Mudgee – 4.06.2011

378 Flyers – 6772 Birds.

Departed Fairfield 9.50pm Friday – Arrived at the race point (Mudgee) 2.26am Saturday.

One hour prior to the liberation the temperature was 13.8 deg – Wind from the east.

Clear with excellent visibility.

Liberation time 10.00 am - temperature 14.4 deg - wind from the E/NE.

Clear with excellent visibility – Wind strength 14.4

1st mob of approximately 6000 birds cleared towards the South East in 5 minutes.

2nd mob of approximately 500 birds cleared towards the South East in 9 minutes.

2nd Mudgee – 11.06.2011

351 Flyers – 5774 Birds.

Departed Fairfield 9.50pm Friday – Arrived at the race point (Mudgee) 2.00am Saturday.

One hour prior to the liberation the temperature was 7.4 deg – Wind from the West/South West. Clear with excellent visibility.

Liberation time 9.00 am - temperature 8.2 deg - wind from the W/SW.

Clear with excellent visibility – Wind strength 6.2

1st mob of approximately 5000 birds cleared towards the South in 5 minutes.

2nd mob of approximately 400 birds cleared towards the South in 6 minutes.

3rd mob of approximately 300 birds cleared towards the South in 17 minutes.

On the return heavy cloud cover from Lithgow to Emu Plains.

1st Dunedoo – 18.06.2011

341 Flyers – 5418 Birds.

Departed Fairfield 9.30pm Friday – Arrived at the race point (Dunedoo) 2.42am Saturday.

One hour prior to the liberation the temperature was 5.9 deg - Wind from the North West. Clear with excellent visibility Liberation time 9.30 am - temperature 8.6 deg - wind from the W/NW.

Clear with excellent visibility – Wind strength 6.5

1st mob of approximately 5200 birds cleared towards the South in 6 minutes.

2nd mob of approximately 200 birds cleared towards the South in 32minutes.

ACCOUNTS:-

• Accounts totalling \$2773.72 presented for payment. (Breakdown as follows)

Admin Wages (2 weeks) - \$1150.00, Liberator wages (1 week) - \$315.00, Drivers wages (1 week) - \$550.00, Loaders wages (2 weeks) - \$672.00, Magazine Printing - \$201.96, Fuel (Collecting Strays) - \$100.00, Travelling allowance (mileage) - \$109.50.00, Internet Broadband - \$29.00, Feed for strays - \$70.00, E-Tag - \$76.26.

Accounts passed for payment moved Wentworthville seconded by Parramatta. Carried

COMMITTEE MEETING:

The minutes of the Committee meeting 20th June 2011 as tabled, received on a motion moved Liverpool seconded by Bossley Park. Carried

Business Arising: There was a query on the hawk population – still no reply on this matter.

Adoption of the Committee meeting minutes moved Oxley Park seconded by Seven Hills. Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1. The President Phil Murphy advised the delegates that the transporter got away for the 1st Gunnedah by 9.00 pm. and thanked the Clubs for their co-operation in this matter and requested that the co-operation will be forth coming for the 2nd Gunnedah.
- 5. The Secretary John Jeffery advised the delegates that the prize money payments for the Federation two-birder will be paid to the Club instead of the individual member. Clubs can then credit the member.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLUBS:

Blacktown:

Delegate advised:

- a. Their show race this coming weekend -2^{nd} Gunnedah. Copy of the member's entry sheet to the Blacktown representative at the loading point on basketing night.
- b. Blue Ring Race will be held on Sunday 17th July 2011 from Condobolin. A Two Bird race will be held in conjunction with the ring race. The two bird race is being sponsored by Laing & Simmons to the tune of \$1000.00.

Bossley Park:

Delegate queried:

- a. The 7.00pm ring off time for the Federation two birders and is it possible to bring it forward to 6.00 pm. It was explained that a notice of motion would be required to alter the current rule on this matter.
- b. Also spoke on the Australia rings being reported. Several other delegates spoke on the reporting of the Australia rings to the APFA.
- c. Also is it possible to hold a Rockhampton race instead of the Tasmania. Two other northern Federations are flying from Rockhampton.

Campbelltown City:

Delegate reminded the delegates of their first squeaker sale race being held from the 2nd Gunnedah. (i) Copy of entry sheet to the loading point on basketing night. (ii) Results to be phoned in by 10.00pm on ring off night to Greg Kehlet on 0400445337.

Ku Ring Gai:

Delegate queried the purchasing of the life rings. The Management Committee will discuss the life ring situation.

Liverpool:

Delegate advised that their Squeaker Sale race will be held from the 3rd Moree.

Liverpool City:

Delegate returned faulty 2011 life rings and queried about a refund. Delegates were made aware of the faults and were advised to ensure their members check the life rings before ringing their squeakers. Several other delegates also spoke on this matter.

Oxley Park:

Delegate advised that their Ring Race will be held from the 2nd Moree. Friday the 8th July 2011 is the last date for any replacement of rings.

Punchbowl/Bankstown:

Delegate spoke on the following:

- a. Ring Secretaries list on the CCF website.
- b. Squeaker sale race 3rd Moree.
- c. Spoke on the Federation 21 bird limit and basket allocation.
- d. Purchasing of the Liberators unit being over budgeted.
- e. Does the Federation still have the previous liberators unit?

Sutherland:

Delegate spoke on the following:

- a. How are the birds liberated? It was explained the system used in releasing the birds
- b. Liberation of the pigeons and it was reported the amount of dust coming from the trailer on releasing the birds. It was explained that it was more likely to be bloom from the birds.
- c. Suggested a later liberation if birds are liberated in a northerly wind.
- d. Suggested a trial race from Port Macquarie.
- e. Different routes and their directions and changes members to vote.
- f. There was further discussion by several delegates on the routes and their directions.

There was also further discussion by several delegates on the life rings, reporting and picking up of strays and the cost involved.

No further business. Meeting Closed. Next meeting: 18th July 2011 Allen Wonson. Assistant Secretary. Secretary
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President Phil Murphy

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 4th July 2011

PRESENT: Phil Murphy, John Jeffery, Jeff Jones, Greg McLaughlin, Kevin Gambell, Warren Schofield, John Hubble, Paul Vassallo, Bob Sunderland. Nick Kaparos. Vince Pedavoli.

Minute Secretary: Allen Wonson. **APOLOGIES:** Aldo Cassisi.

Agenda:

- 1. Letter from S.Craig Blacktown Club re not entering his young bird timed in for the Young Bird point score, was discussed and dismissed. It is the responsibility of the Club to enter the correct information on the website before the closing off of that week's race, which is generally the Monday evening after the Saturday race.
- 2. (a) The 2011 life ring was discussed at length, enquires will be made re the Federation going direct to the supplier and the possibility of the purchasing of the new combined Life/Electronic ring.
 - (b) The cost to the Clubs for the 2011 life rings have been increased by 2 cents. Clubs to now pay 37 cents per ring.
- 3. The letters from the Clubs requesting a reduction in their second basket allocation was discussed and as there were no applications for any Clubs to increase their basket allocation, it is unfortunate that these Clubs requests are unable to be granted.
- 4. The Liberation Committee has been in touch with Queensland Federation in regards to liberation time from Moree onwards. The following plans have been implemented.
 - (a) Moree 6th & 13th August 2011 CCF to liberate at 7.30 am. QRPF to liberate at 8.30am.
 - (b) 27th August 2011 CCF Goondiwindi to liberate at 7.00 am. ORPF Walgett to liberate also at 7.00 am.
 - (c) 3rd September 2011 CCF Goondiwindi to liberate at 6.45 am. QRPF Cobar to liberate at 6.30 am.
 - (d) 10th September 2011 CCF Goondiwindi to liberate at 6.45 am. QRPF Nyngan also to liberate at 6.45 am.
 - (e) 17th September 2011 CCF Moonie to liberate at 6.30 am. QRPF Nyngan also to liberate at 6.30 am.

The wind strength and direction on the day may dictate some fine tuning to the above plan.

- 5. The letter from Oxley Park was discussed at length and it was agreed that the 2nd Gunnedah race goes ahead as per schedule and the following information to be obtained from the Clubs.
 - (a) The return percentage on ring off night to be phoned through to the Federation Secretary on 4628.9489 and leave the message.
 - (b) If the return percentage is below 65% a special meeting to be called for Monday the 11th July 2011 for the attendance of the President and Secretary of each Club to hear the result and to discuss where to now!
- 6. The quality of the feed has been queried and it was decided that a sample of the feed ordered by the Federation be tested.
- 7. With Thursday night basketing approaching and the first time the birds will be fed under the new system of inserting the feed trough into the baskets, Clubs are hereby requested to **tag each** and **every basket each week**, sent on these races the **number of birds contained in each basket**. This will give the Liberator a good indication of the amount of feed that is required for each basket to avoid any over or under feeding the birds.

Next meeting: 20th July 2011. Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.