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President
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GENERAL MEETING: 4th April 2011

The meeting opened at 8.00pm.

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

APOLOGIES: Nick Kaparos.

VALE: A minute silence was held in honour of the following – Frank Walsh.

MINUTES: The minutes of the general meeting of the 21st March 2011 as tabled were received on a motion moved Illawarra seconded by Smithfield. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Adoption of the minutes moved Hills District seconded by Seven Hills. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per Agenda:

1. Request for bond refund – Oatley Pigeon Club.
2. Advice from McDonald Schroder – Regents Park Pigeon Club dispute.

Received on the night.

1. Letter of request two teams to one address – E.Meilak & S.Meilak MTD Club.
2. Advice on Electronic Pads being approved and sealed – MTD & RHD.
3. GPS location required – BLK, GPC, LIV & LCP.
4. Voting sheets returned from various Clubs re: St Marys x Penrith notice of motion.
5. Voting sheets returned from various Clubs re: Hills District x Ku Ring Gai notice of motion.
6. Voting sheets returned from various Clubs re: Blacktown x St Marys notice of motion.
7. Pamphlets Western Sydney Racing Pigeons upcoming auction 5th June 2011.
8. Pamphlets re: Complete disposal sale – Keith Clapham. Saturday 16th April 2011.

Correspondence received moved Illawarra seconded by Hills District. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING: Result of the voting on the St Marys x Penrith notice of motion was as follows:
75 members voted in favour of the motion, 161 members voted against the motion, 8 members abstained from voting.
Motion defeated. Current rule remains.

Correspondence adopted moved Liverpool City seconded by Oxley Park. Carried

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Various letters to the Clubs re: 2011 fees and voting.
2. Letter to Regents Park Club re: Dispute.
3. Letter to K.Halloran re: Regents Park Club dispute.
4. Refund Bond to Oatley RSL Community Club.

ACCOUNTS:-

- Accounts totalling \$3814.18 presented for payment. (Breakdown as follows)

Admin Wages - \$1150.00, Feed Trays - \$1267.20, Rent & Electricity - \$381.48, Postage - \$37.20, Internet - \$29.00, Legal Costs - \$330.00, Basket Insurance - \$619.30.

A further \$500.00 was paid out in Bond Refunds.

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

COMMITTEE MEETING:

The minutes of the Committee meeting 21st March 2011 as tabled, received on a motion moved Merrylands seconded by Illawarra. Carried

Business Arising: Nil.

Adoption of the Committee meeting minutes moved Wentworthville seconded by Hills District. Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The chairperson Phil Murphy reported that the liberators unit fit out is complete and was on show for the delegates to look at.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLUBS:

- Hills District:** Delegate queried the curtain ring on their baskets. It was explained that it was used to liberate the birds previously, but is not required anymore.
- Illawarra:** Delegate spoke on the Keith Clapham sale – Saturday 16th April 2011 and asked members to support this sale.
- Ku Ring Gai:** Delegated advised the delegates that Les Alexander has a 48 pigeon capacity loft for sale!! Phone Les for details on 0419209232.
- Marayong/Quakers Hill:** Advised the meeting that a member of their Club could supply extra feed trays if required at \$20.00 each.
- Seven Hills:** Delegate queried GPS location, Locations for the members in the west/north west will be carried out on Saturday 9th April 2011.
- Smithfield:** Delegate queried is a short series flyer eligible to compete in squeaker sale races. Answer – Up to the individual Clubs.
- St Marys:** Delegate queried where are the plastic baskets coming from? – Overseas, made in Italy. It was also stated that a similar plastic basket is made in China.
- Blacktown:** Delegate reported that they have completed altering their baskets to accommodate the feed tray. Also stated that Clubs should make sure the floor of the basket is straight and the wire insert sits in neatly then in most cases the tray will fit under the cross bar.

No further business. Meeting Closed.
Next meeting: 18th April 2011
Allen Wonson.
Assistant Secretary.

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 4th April 2011

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

Minute Secretary: Allen Wonson.

Meeting opened 8.45 pm.

APOLOGIES: Nick Kaparos.

The Secretary John Jeffery gave an update on the Regents Park Club dispute, waiting on a reply from the Regents Park Club.

The Secretary John Jeffery also read a letter from K.Marshall re joining the Ku Ring Gai Pigeon Club. It was then decided by the Management Committee as long as Ku Ring Club abided by their constitution it is not a Federation matter.

The president Phil Murphy reported that the driver for the 2011 season will be taken for a driving test to insure he can handle the large trailer.

Several members spoke on the proposed trailer. Comparison numbers of birds carried in the 2010 season was given. Several questions on the weight of the trailer and the maximum weight when full loaded. Maximum weight approximately 3500 – 4000kg.

Notice of Motion re: The Derby basketing and Ring Off. A general discussion on this took place and it was pointed out that if the notice of motion is carried and ring off is done in the Clubs the winner of each section will not be known until the flyers access the internet, which could be as late as Sunday evening. Also some members do not have computers to access the internet. The notice of Motion will be sent out to the members for a vote and is to be returned on the 4th May 2011.

Basketing fees for the Federation Derbies was also discussed and it was moved and seconded that the Young Bird Derby basketing fee be increased to \$15.00 per competing member an increase of \$4.00. The All Aged Derby basketing fee to remain at \$11.00 per competing member, the reason being the All Aged Derby is being held in conjunction with the 600 mile race.

Group one racing and the Young Bird and Old Bird point scores was discussed and it was moved and seconded that they be held again in the 2011 season.

Group One Racing will be conducted on the following race point:

1 st Gunnedah	-	Entry - Federation Limit.
1 st Narrabri	-	Entry – Federation Limit.
1 st Moree	-	Entry - 5 Bird Limit.
1 st Goondiwindi	-	Entry - Federation Limit.
2 nd Moonie	-	Entry - 5 Bird Limit

Cost \$250.00 paid up front.

Run in sections and overall.

Point score also conducted on the Group One Racing.

Young Bird point score:

1st Singleton up to and including 1st Moree.

Old Bird point score:

2nd Moree up to and including Theodore.

The Federation is looking for a sponsor for these point scores. If any member knows of a firm or person that would be willing to sponsor these point scores, please contact the Federation Secretary John Jeffery.

The present feed mix used which are equal parts of Peas, Corn, Wheat and Milo, was discussed at length. Several suggestions were put forward to alter the mix. It was moved and seconded that the Management Committee submit a notice of motion at the next general meeting to alter the current mix to a mix containing the following – 40% Corn/Pop Corn, 40% Wheat, 10% Milo, 5% Maple Peas and 5% Safflower.

Next meeting: 18th April 2011.

Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.