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GENERAL MEETING: 8th October 2012.

The meeting opened 8.00pm.

Present: John Hubble President, John Jeffery Secretary, Allen Wonson Assistant Secretary, delegates as per attendance register. Visitor: James Regan.

APOLOGIES: Greg McLaughlin (OXP), John Migdalski (RPS).

VALE: A minute silence was held in respect of the death of a former Merrylands member J.Prosser.

The minutes for the general meetings of the 10th September 2012 as tabled were received on a motion moved Hills District seconded by Smithfield. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per Agenda:

1. Various liberation reports containing temperature and humidity readings.
2. Emails from Dr George Arzey NSW DPI re: racing from Qld.
3. Nomination for the 2013 Management Committee from Phil Murphy, inadvertently omitted from previous agenda 10th September 2012.

Received on the meeting night:

1. Letter from Campbelltown City Club re 2013 race schedule as put forward by the Management Committee.
2. Letter from Nick Kaparos withdrawing his nomination from the 2013 Liberation Committee.

Correspondence received Hills District seconded by Seven Hills. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Several delegates spoke on the 2013 schedule as put forward by the Management Committee and queried why the 2008 west schedule was not presented as an alternative as many members were happy with that season schedule. After a general discussion on the matter a motion was moved by Punchbowl/Bankstown Club and seconded by St Marys Club that the previous 2008 west route schedule and the current 2013 schedule are sent to the Clubs to allow the members to vote on their choice for the 2013 season. On putting the motion to the delegates present the motion was carried 9 votes to 8 votes.

Adoption of the Correspondence moved Penrith seconded by Parramatta. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Letter to Harrison Stud (Doyle) re loss of competition points.
2. Nevertire two bird Results.
3. Letters to the Clubs re Young Bird Derby procedure.
4. Young Bird Derby Results.

ACCOUNTS:

Motion moved Parramatta seconded by Hills District the following accounts totalling \$17458.46 be received for payment. Carried.

(Break down as follows).

Admin Wages (4 weeks) - \$2300.00, Loaders Wages (4 weeks) - \$1408.00, Driver (Contractor) (4 weeks) - \$4950.00, P/Mover Repairs - \$353.55, Liberators Wages (4 weeks) - \$2835.00, Result Magazine Printing (2 issues) - \$270.16, Mitsubishi Service - \$731.70, Fitting Bull Bar & Driving Lights - \$2165.00, Admin Travelling Allowance - \$336.70, Internet - \$45.00, Ink Cartages - \$92.00, Phone Accounts - \$367.35, Copier Contract - \$604.69. Plus a further \$335.00 paid out for the Dubbo Two Birder.

Accounts passed for payment moved Ku Ring Gai seconded by Smithfield. Carried.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 10th September 2012 as tabled were received, moved Bill Eastcott (SH) seconded by Victor Borg (IHPS). Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Adoption of the Management Committee minutes Smithfield seconded by Merrylands. Carried.

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 17th September 2012 as tabled were received, moved Vince Pedavoli (KPS) seconded by Bob Sunderland (PHPS). Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Adoption of the Management Committee minutes Penrith seconded by Smithfield. Carried.

The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on the 24th September 2012 as tabled were received, moved Victor Borg (IHPS) seconded by Jeff Jones (HD). Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil.

Adoption of the Management Committee minutes with the omission of the proposed 2013 schedule moved Seven Hills seconded by Merrylands. Carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLUBS:

Campbelltown City: Delegate advised the meeting of the following:

1. Their 2nd Squeaker Sale Race this coming weekend – 1st Byrock.
2. A further reminder of their upcoming Ring Race Sale and Trade day on the 17th November 2012 between 9.30am – 2.00pm. Blind Auction, Guest speaker, Stock bird sale and merchants stalls. Further information on this matter is available on the Federation website.

Hills District: Delegate queried the Liberation Committee on two questions relating to Saturday's liberation.

1. Was there any consideration given to having Sunday liberation?
2. Was the conditions of the mountains considered when making the decision to liberate.

The Liberation Committee replied that the above matters were considered and it was expected that the weather conditions in the mountains would improve by the time the birds would reach the mountains as there was clear conditions on the other side of the mountains. But this was not the case as the weather in the Mountains did not improve. Several other delegates spoke and expressed their opinions on this matter.

After further general discussion a motion was moved by Ku Ring Club and Hills District Club that in the event that unfavourable conditions such as fog and low cloud being predicted on the mountains, independent advice is to be obtained from a Bureau of Meteorology representative on the morning of liberation. Liberations shall not take place if the independent advice is less than 75% chance of clearing on the mountains. Motion carried.

Illawarra: Delegate advised the meeting of the following:

1. Illawarra Special Ring Race Winners – 1st Dale & Gleaves (MBRA) 2nd R & J.Appleby (LIV), 3rd B.Williamson (IHPS), 4th K & C.Gambell (MTD), 5th B.Williamson (IHPS), 6th B & M.Dilworth (IHPS).
2. 2013 Special Ring Race. Rings now available – pamphlets on this race were made available.

Maroubra: Delegate advised the meeting their Breeders Plate Race is on the 1st Byrock and not the 2nd Byrock as stated in the minutes.

Penrith: Delegate advised the meeting of their Squeaker Sale race this coming Sunday from the 1st Byrock. Results are to be taken to the Penrith Club room on the Sunday at 1.00 pm. A BBQ will be held.

Punchbowl/Bankstown: Delegate advised the meeting of the following:

1. Squeaker Sale Race Winners – 1st G.Broekhuysen & Son (PUN), 2nd R & G.Butler (PUN), 3rd A.Sciammacca (PUN), 4th G.Donovan (MBRA), 5th J.Borg & Son (IHPS).
2. Blind Auction Winner – R & G.Butler.
3. No Squeaker Sale or Blind Auctions this year. Blind Auction donors and the winners of the rings in the Squeaker Sale race will be honoured in the next Squeaker Sale and Blind Auction Sale when it is held in 2013.
4. Queried about the two long races? Members would like to know as soon as possible the situation of entering Queensland.
5. Spoke on the results of the Young Bird Derby from some Clubs not being put on the internet on ring off night.
6. Queried why the ring off was not done in sections as per the current rule.

Seven Hills: Delegate advised the meeting their Squeaker Sale Auction for the 2013 season will be held on the 25th November 2012.

Smithfield: Delegate advised the meeting their Squeaker Sale Auction for the 2013 season will be held on the 24th November 2012 at 2.00 pm.

James Regan spoke to the delegates on the Marti Dei School for handicap children and the running of a charity race to raise funds for the school as has been done over the last few years. James explained that time was running out for this season. James stated that he has approximately 30 sponsors so far and would like Clubs of the CCF to come on board and sponsor the race. After a general discussion on this matter it was decided that a 5 bird nomination race from the 1st Bourke will be classified as the Mater Dei Charity Race. James will be in touch with the Federation Secretary with the names of the sponsors on hand and the Management Committee will discuss this further.

No further business. Meeting Closed.

Next Meeting – 12th November 2012

Allen Wonson.

Assistant Secretary.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 8th October 2012

PRESENT: John Hubble, John Jeffery, Kevin Gambell, Paul Vassallo, Bob Sunderland, Vince Pedavoli, Jeff Jones, Victor Borg, Bill Eastcott, Nick Kaparos, George Ibrahim and Warren Schofield – Liberation Committee member.

Minute Secretary: Allen Wonson.

Apologies: John Migdalski.

The following topics discussed:

1. The 2013 race schedules – The Secretary John Jeffery will send out to the Clubs the two proposed schedules, the previous 2008 season schedule and the schedule put forward by the Management Committee. Clubs will have until the next Federation meeting for their members to vote on their choice of schedule for the 2013 season. Voting must be returned to the Federation General Meeting on the 12th November 2012 in a sealed envelope.
2. General discussion on life rings, The Secretary John Jeffery will contact the life ring supplier re the cost of the two types of life rings – the normal life ring and the life ring that incorporates the electronic chip.
3. After a general discussion on the two long races and due to the uncertainty of the Queensland DPI of lifting the restriction to allow the Federation to enter Queensland, the members of the Management Committee decided to forgo the 500 and 600 mile races this season. The 2012 season will now finish on the weekend of 4th – 5th November 2012. The Federation All Aged Derby is to be held on the Saturday 4th November and on the Sunday a race will be held from Barrington approximately 720 klm. Both races Bourke All Aged Derby and the Barrington race will basket on the Thursday night.
The race from Barrington will incorporate the Fred Wall Special and the best two birds timed trophy.
The Fred Wall Special – nominate 2 - 5 birds – timed 2 birds.
Best two birds time trophy – Best two birds timed.
4. At the present time the limit for the Barrington race is 11 birds. However if all Clubs could notify the Federation Secretary with an estimate of the number of flyers that intend to compete in the Barrington race on the Sunday, the limit may be lifted to a greater number. This information would be required on basketing night of the 1st Bourke 25th October 2012, this will then allow the Federation Secretary time to work on the numbers and place on the website and the phone line the exact limit for the Barrington race. Remember the Barrington race is classified as a Wednesday basketing race and as such the loading of the baskets is 18 hens – 16 cocks.
5. Federation Social and presentation evening due to the extended season it will be held in possible March 2013.
6. The current Federation sections were discussed, the sections for the 2013 season come up for consideration and need to be finalised before the commencement of the 2013 season.
7. Ring off for the upcoming All Aged Derby was discussed at length and it was decided by Committee members present that ring off for the All Aged Derby is the same as the Young Bird Derby. That is where member's basket their birds and they ring off at the same venue. Clubs must be made aware that the results must be put on the website on night of ring off, even if it is only a tentative time as some clocks may not be opened due to a hard race.
8. The Mater Dei Charity Race was discussed and it was decided that the leading members of the overall point score be approached to nominate and race 5 birds for each of the 30 odd sponsors from the 1st Bourke. The only cost to the flyer would be \$10.00 entry which will go towards prize money. The sponsors are charged \$250.00 each which goes directly to the Mater Dei School. Final arrangements will be forthwith.

No further business. Meeting Closed.

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Allen Wonson - Minute Secretary.