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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 11th September 2018.

The meeting opened 8.00pm.

Present: Phil Murphy Acting President, John Jeffery Secretary, Paul Vassallo, Kevin Gamble, Milad Bou Said, Anthony Aguis, Gary Young, Grahame Cook – Liberation Committee member.

Absent: Ryan McLaughlin.

Apologies: Sam Sultana.

Minute Secretary: Allen Wonson.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. This meeting was held to hear the concerns and the disagreements between the liberation committee members regarding the 3rd Shepparton liberation. Many other members have been expressing different opinions about liberating the pigeons from the 3rd Shepparton. The three-member liberation committee were asked to leave the room. After a general discussion on whether the liberation committee be replaced it was decided to retain the current liberation committee members for the next three weeks and the following will apply.
 - a. To change a basketing night each must ring the Federation Secretary and express their opinion by 5.00pm the day before the normal basketing night, the Secretary will talk to the President and they will have the final say in changing the basketing night.
 - b. In regard to liberating the pigeons, each member of the liberation committee will still do their normal checking in regard to getting a liberation, each will then contact the Federation Secretary by phone and give him their opinion whether to liberate or not. With this information the Secretary will contact the liberator at the race point give him all the information from the home end and get a report of the conditions at the race point. Once the Secretary has all the relevant information he will then contact the President for a final decision on whether to liberate the pigeons or not to liberate. At no time over the next three races are members of the liberation committee to contact either the liberator or the driver at the liberation race point.
 - c. As it was mentioned before that John Oh had resigned from the liberators position, however he informed the Secretary that he would do the next three weeks to help the Federation out. We will need a liberator for the 2019 season.
2. The schedule for the 2019 season was discussed as it has already been voted on back on 3rd August 2015. Result of the voting – 5 years -135 votes, 4 years – 45 votes, 3 years – 38 votes, 2 years – 3 votes, 1 year – 1 vote. The 5-year cycle won, and the route directions are as follows:
 - 2016 – South Coast.
 - 2017 – South West (using a line directly Sydney to Hamilton) with race points as near as practical to that line.
 - 2018 - West (using a line directly Sydney to Renmark) with race points as near as practical to that line.
 - 2019 – Existing North West.
 - 2020 – North Coast.With the main 2017 racing season being cancelled and a short season flown by less than half the membership, it was decided to fly the South West route in 2018 and move the other routes forward.

The committee is abiding to this and the following race points have been put forward for consideration – Black Springs (121k), Trunky Creek (158k), Woodstock (235k), Grenfell (265k), West Wylong (350k), Erigolia (429k), Merriwagga (497k), Booligal (565k), Hatfield (670k), Mildura (815k), Renmark (945k). These points are subject to checking for suitability. The final schedule for the 2019 season will be drawn up once the results of the notices of motion regarding starting the season two weeks later is finalised.

No further business. Meeting Closed 9.00 pm.

Next Meeting 2nd October 2018.

Allen Wonson.

Minute Secretary.

