Secretary John Jeffery 6 Brierley Place Eagle Vale 2558



President John Hubble

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 24th September 2012

Meeting opened at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: John Hubble, John Jeffery, Jeff Jones, Kevin Gambell, Victor Borg, George Ibrahim, Nick Kaparos, Vince Pedavoli, John Migdalski and Warren Schofield from the Liberation Committee.

Minute Secretary Allen Wonson.

ABSENT: Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo and Bob Sunderland.

- 1. The Secretary John Jeffery reported that he had received a request from the Bathurst Pigeon Club for a pickup and to liberate their birds from the 3rd Girilambone and onwards, approximately four baskets. As this has been done in the past it was decided that the Federation will assist the Bathurst Club in this request.
- 2. There was a request from the Blacktown Club for a refund of the All Aged Derby entry for one of their members who is gravely ill and is unable to continue racing his birds. They also had another flyer wishing to take over that member's Derby Entry. After a general discussion it was decided that a refund on medical grounds be granted and the other member's request be denied as there is no provisions for late entries.
- 3. Temperature and Co2 readings for the 3rd Nevertire was presented. A Copy of the reading will be made available to the Clubs.
- 4. It was brought to attention that when the eleven (11) bird Federation point score limit was set, that the 2nd Girilambone race should be classified as a Wednesday basketing race, therefore having only 18 hens and 16 cocks per basket, some basketing centres may have to increase the number of birds in their allotted baskets by one or two birds to cater for all members to fill the eleven bird limit. Please indicate on the front of the baskets for feeding purposes the number of birds in each basket.
- 5. Under the current Federation Racing Rule any proposed schedules for the next racing season are to be received by the Federation at least eight weeks prior to the Federation All Aged Derby. As no proposed schedules have been submitted, the Management Committee have been studying several suggestions for the 2013 schedule put forward by the Management Committee members, a split season and a straight through season. After a general discussion the following was decided on.
 - (a) The 500 and 600 mile races are to be stand alone races.
 - (b) The 600 mile comes back under the basket allocation system.
 - (c) All 2013 races to be included in the Federation's point score.
 - (d) No split races.
 - (e) The 600 mile race to be held on the long weekend in October 2013.
 - (f) The 500 mile race the following week.

After further discussions the following schedule was arrived at:

18.05.2013	Kelso 140 klm
25.05.2013	Kelso
1.06.2013	Kelso
8.06.2013	Manildra instead of Orange – Allowing for an 85 Klm jump instead of a 50 Klm jump.
15.06.2013	Manildra 225 klm
22.06.2013	Manildra
29.06.2013	Bogan Gate instead of Forbes – Allowing for an 82 Klm jump.
6.07.2013	Bogan Gate 327 klm

13.07.2013	Bogan Gate		
20.07.2013	Bogan Gate		
27.07.2013	Euabalong West – Allowing for an125 Klm jump.		
3.08.2013	Euabalong Wes	st 432 klm	
10.08.2013	Euabalong Wes	st	
17.08.2013	Euabalong Wes	st	
24.08.2013	Cobar – Allowi	ng for an116 Klm jump.	
31.08.2013	Cobar 548 klm		
7.09.2013	Cobar		
14.09.2013	Emmdale – All	owing for an126 Klm jump.	
21.09.2013	Emmdale	674 klm	
28.09.2013	Emmdale		
5.10.2013	Mingary	974 klm	
12.10.2013	Little Topar	850 klm	

- 6. All race points as set out in the above schedule are subject to a complete survey for suitability and may alter slightly.
- 7. There was further discussion on a second schedule and the Management Committee members looked at having a split season schedule and having a second lot of shorter races at the end of the season to allow members to educate their young birds for the 2014 season. After studying the race points and on what dates of the month the 350 to 600 mile races would fall on, it was general consensus that there would not be sufficient time for the birds to home in time on the day/date that would be allocated for those races.
- 8. The previous west route was also discussed and it was suggested that 2008 schedule be sent as an alternate schedule to the one above, however it was decided by the majority members present to forego that schedule because of the extra mileage needed to get to some of race points, such as Ivanhoe and Menindee, which were dead mileage and unnecessary cost to the Federation.

No further business. Meeting Closed: 9.30 pm. Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.