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President John Hubble

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 28th June 2012

## Meeting opened at 8.00 pm.

**PRESENT:** John Hubble, John Jeffery, Jeff Jones, Kevin Gambell, Victor Borg, George Ibrahim, Nick Kaparos. Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo, Bob Sunderland, John Migdalski.

Minute Secretary Allen Wonson.

VISITOR: Rob Marshall

APOLOGIES: Vince Pedavoli.

Nick Kaparos gave a verbal report of a phone call he received from an Earlwood/Bardwell Park Club member re his birds being sick and not eating. He was told to take the birds to a vet the birds - were dead on arrival. It was then discovered that the birds had the Paramyxovirus. This member did not compete on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2012 (2<sup>nd</sup> Mudgee) however he did Club toss on the previous Wednesday. Nick then stated that he rang the Federation Secretary and advised him of the situation. It was also reported that another Earlwood/Bardwell Park Club member whose birds have salmonella poisoning.

The DPI felt that the virus may have been transmitted in the transporter; however Rob Marshall felt this was not the case and felt sure the effected loft has been contaminated from an outsider.

After a general discussion on the matter it was decided that Nick Kaparos approach the member in question and seek answers on the possible ways the loft may have became contaminated. Nick will also try and advise the member to eradicate his entire loft of pigeons to prevent the spread of the virus. If Nick is not successful in his approach then three members of the Management Committee will speak with the member.

After further discussions the following was decided on:-

- 1. All Clubs to pickup empty baskets Friday night 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012 between 6.30 7.30 pm.
- 2. The trailer will be cleaned and disinfected.
- 3. Clubs to clean and disinfect all baskets.
- 4. All members to be advised to vaccinate their entire loft of birds as soon as possible. A second dose is required 4 weeks after the first dose.
- 5. Vaccine is available through a registered vet.
- 6. Racing has been suspended for the next three Saturdays. Will be reviewed on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2012.
- 7. After vaccinating birds can be loft trained.
- 8. Individual tossing is allowable. (no mob or Club tossing)

No further business. Meeting Closed: 9.30 pm.

Allen Wonson. Minute Secretary.