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**President**  
**John Hubble**

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:** 4<sup>th</sup> February 2013

**Meeting opened at 7.40 pm.**

**PRESENT:** John Hubble, John Jeffery, Jeff Jones, Kevin Gambell, George Ibrahim, Nick Kaparos, Bill Eastcott, Paul Vassallo, Greg McLaughlin, Phil Murphy.

Minute Secretary Allen Wonson.

**Apologies:** Vince Pedavoli, Victor Borg.

Matters discussed:

**1. Balance Sheet:**

The 2013 Balance Sheet outlining the Federations income and expenditure for the 2012 season was presented to the Committee members, after a general discussion it was moved and seconded that the Balance Sheet be presented to the members at the upcoming Annual General Meeting.

**2. Social:**

The postponed 2012 Federation Social will probably be held on one of the following dates 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> or the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2013 depending on the availability of the room at the Guildford Leagues Club. John Hubble to investigate this matter.

**3. Federation Trophies:**

The present system of issuing trophies to the sectional and overall winners of the Federation two Birders, Ring Race and Fred Wall Special was discussed at length. Each year the support for these races are declining, some sections do not attract any interest and others one or two entries. It was then moved and seconded that for the 2013 season trophies will be only issued to the Overall winner in each of the Two Birders, Ring Race and the Fred Wall Special. Prize money will remain in the sections.

**4. Sections:**

The current six sections are due for renewal as they were set in 2008 for a period of 5 seasons. There have been a lot of concerns on the current break up. The Committee members will be looking at several new ways of sorting out the six sections and hope to come up with six sections that will be beneficial to most members in the Federation. No matter what way the sections are divided up it will be nearly impossible to please and place each member in a section that will benefit them, as the majority of the members of the Federation are confined to the middle section of the Sydney Metropolitan area.

**5. Wages and Reimbursements:**

- (a) Under the Secretary's wage contract his current wage will be increased by 2.2% the current rate of inflation; this represents an increase of \$15.00 per week.
- (b) It was moved and seconded that at the Annual General Meeting that it be a recommendation from the Management Committee that the Assistant Secretary and the three Liberation Committee member's reimbursements be increased by 3%, an increase of \$44.00 to the Assistant Secretary, \$41.00 to each of the Liberation Committee members.
- (c) With the introduction of a Ring Secretary to administrate our own 1300 phone line and report the strays to the Clubs and/or owner, it was moved and seconded that Management Committee recommends at the Annual General Meeting the Ring Secretary be reimbursed at the rate of \$2.00 per stray report for his/her time involved.

**6. Vaccinating Against PMV1.**

The vaccinating of the birds against the PMV1 was discussed at length. A Club form will be drawn up by the Federation Secretary, to be signed by the flyer and seconded by a witness (if one is available) to indicate that all his/her birds have been vaccinated twice against PMV1 before racing begins. This form is then to be signed off by the Club President and Secretary and returned to the Federation Secretary and filed for future reference. Members are reminded that it is in their own best interest and safe guard of their pigeons to vaccinate against the PMV1.

**7. Current adopted Schedule:**

Several members on the Management Committee expressed concerns on the lack of races around the 300 to 400 mile mark, under the present schedule there are only three open races and two limited 5 bird races. After a general discussion it was moved and seconded that the Management Committee submits a notice of motion at the AGM to drop off one of the Kelso and add another Ivanhoe.

**8. Second Truck:**

Once again the need of a second unit has raised its head. Several suggestions have been put forward of possible ways of introducing a second unit, further information is needed from those proposing the second unit. When the liberator's unit was purchased it was the intention of the Federation to have a small trailer built to cater for extra baskets, this has gone no further. It has also been stated that the Mitsubishi purchased was not powerful enough to pull a trailer up over the mountains. To test the Mitsubishi capability a test run will be carried out ASAP by hooking up a large caravan and taking it for a run to Lithgow to see one way or another.

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