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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 14th September 2020

The meeting opened 8.00 pm.

Present: President, Phil Murphy, John Jeffery Secretary, Bob Smith, Nick Kaparos, Dave Tomkinson, Syd Gard, Charlie Bonanno, Sam Sultana, Peter Collins, Steve Shears.

APOLOGIES: Nil

MINUTES: The minutes of the Committee Meeting 31st August 2020 as issued to the Clubs were received on a motion moved Bob Smith seconded by Sam Sultana.

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil

Adoption of the minutes moved Peter Collins seconded Nick Kaparos.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. The Federation Secretary has been contacted by Steve Gazzola who conducts Meadow One Loft Race in Melbourne. Steve has kindly offered to sponsor a race in 2020 with the prize being an entry into the 2021 one loft race, valued at \$350. The Committee moved that the 1st Bourke be the sponsored race. Carried
2. The President, Phil Murphy, had been contacted by Kevin Waters enquiring if the Federation was able to transport the Western Sydney Pigeon Club birds to Cunna-Mulla and Charleville. The Committee moved that providing sufficient room was available on the trailers the request would be catered for. Carried
3. Steve Shears advised the meeting and reported that himself, Nick Kaparos, and Sam Sultana, met with Paul Crawley, MGC Engineering who specialise in HVAC systems for specialised environments, regarding air quality in the trailers. Paul has had extensive experience working with Ingham Chicken transportation. The following observations were made by Paul during the inspection.
 - The smaller trailer would benefit from a roof air supply fan.
 - That there is possibility that the air supply to the baskets at the back of the large trailer may be deficient due to the volume air supply making its way through the duct.
 - Recommendation from Paul was to get a technician to measure the air supply volumes throughout the trailer. Including temperatures and carbine dioxide levels throughout the trailer.
 - A technician could be organised through MGC Engineering.
4. Steve provided information for "Pigeon Racing Transport Kit" which is made specially to help the pigeon racing community keep records and monitor the temperature, humidity, carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide in baskets. The kits cost \$629 each and

were supplied by a company in South Australia. Moved Sam Sultana seconded Nick Kaparos that the Federation purchase 3 kits, 2 for the large trailer and 1 for the small trailer. Carried

5. Sam Sultana moved and seconded by Nick Kaparos that timers be purchased to operate the fans in both trailers to maintain sufficient air exchange. Carried
6. Nick Kaparos received an email response from Geraldty outlining the procedure they use when transporting the birds, however it was stated that they race in summer. Geraldty also advised not to make any changes to the trailers and that the Perspex doors on the baskets not be replaced with wire as the birds might be damaged when exiting the basket. Geraldty suggested that the air from the fans at the rear of the trailer be checked to ensure that the ventilation system is working correctly. Nick Kaparos, Sam Sultana and Syd Gard has suggested that the fans were not supplying sufficient fresh air at the rear of the trailer.
7. The 2021 schedule will be discussed at the next meeting and finalised as per the current rules. (Racing Rules 2 Schedules b & c Proposed schedules for the coming season shall be lodged with the CCF at least eight weeks prior to the current season All Age Derby. The Federation Committee determine the schedule and race points on the agreed route of the year.) (Adopted 17th February 2014)
8. Charlie Bonnano asked why the birds for the 3rd Girilambone were held back 30 minutes from the scheduled liberation time and was it against protocol? The President advised that the Liberation Committee endeavoured to assist the birds with the predicted assisting winds and that in the future any decision regarding liberation times would be made by the Federation Executive.
9. Next meeting 28th September to report back on the progress of the fans etc.

No further business.

Meeting Closed 8.58 pm.

John Jeffery, Federation Secretary.