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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: 20th July 2020

The meeting opened 8.03pm.

Present: President, Phil Murphy, John Jeffery Secretary, Bob Smith, Nick Kaparos, Dave Tomkinson, Anthony Agius, Steve Shears, Sam Sultana, Syd Gard, Peter Collins, Charlie Bonanno and Brian Dilworth (Liberation Committee).

APOLOGIES: Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Brian Dilworth, on behalf of the Liberation Committee, tabled a letter regarding slanderous remarks posted on Facebook about the Liberation Committee, by a member of Regents Park Club. A copy of the post was also provided for the Committee to view. The Committee have moved that legal advice be sought from the Federation's Solicitor. It was also moved that the moderator of the Facebook site be advised that the CCF name should be removed as it is a reflection on Central Cumberland Racing Pigeon Federation.
2. Brian Dilworth addressed the meeting regarding the 1st Mudgee and was of opinion that the rule covering liberations of holdover birds was ambiguous. To clarify the rule the Committee moved a minute for 2020 season that – Liberation of holdover birds be from 8.00 am or 2 hours after the Saturday scheduled liberation time.
3. It was requested that the Secretary update the information line at regular intervals prior to liberations. This will be done when information is received from a Liberation Committee member.
4. Brian Dilworth requested that the Federation update the Electronic Clock Rules as it was out of date, especially with the introduction of Benzing Live and the previous time phone number is now not in operation when setting clocks.
5. Anthony Agius requested that next year's racing schedule be finalised as per the current racing rules. Copies of the 2006 and 2012 North Racing Schedule was handed out and the Committee is requested to provide a 2021 Proposed Schedule at the next meeting in order that it can be finalised by the Any Aged Derby as per the current Racing Rules.
6. The situation with Rota Virus was discussed with the view of a protocol being prepared for the future.
7. With the cancellation of the 1st Mudgee several members spoke of the possibility of re-scheduling a Mudgee race. Each member was given the opportunity put across their point their Clubs point of view and what should take place. Several options were put forward however, it was moved that the Mudgee race would not be replaced or re-scheduled and that this week the Federation would continue as per schedule from Dubbo.
8. A Notice of Motion was tabled moved RPS and seconded MPS to conduct a point score for the Federation Young Bird and Any Age Derbies, which will give an overall "Derby" point score winner, with a trophy for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. The Committee moved that this season would remain as is, however, the proposal would commence from 2021.
9. It was moved at the Committee Meeting on the 15th June that the bird limit and trailer being used would be reviewed prior to Nevertire as the short series flyers were still competing. The Secretary provided information that should the Federation continue to utilise the existing old trailer with a increased 34-bird limit, which would assist members in getting their birds away due to the lost race, 300 baskets would be utilised allowing for 32 surplus spots and 56 spots on the small trailer. Should the two (2) Gerald trailers be utilised a **21-bird** limit would apply allowing for a bird limit of 25 birds per basket. Over the past few years, the Federation has utilised the two (2) Gerald trailers from Thursday night

basketing. It was moved that from the 1st Nevertire the Geraldty trailers be used. The bird limit has been reduced to **21 birds** per member.

10. Sam Sultana and his brother had birds which were on the small trailer on the cancelled race from Mudgee, upon the birds returning home the surplus birds were extremely dehydrated and hungry compared to race birds that were on the larger trailer. (surplus birds ate and drank double the amount of the race birds)
11. Sam is of the opinion that the trailer is not ventilated correctly this will cause the birds to dehydrate become lethargic resulting them not eating or drink. This may be caused by insufficient crossflow ventilation possibly the result of Perspex fronts on the baskets, Sam also mentioned that the Federation in Malta believed that the Geraldty trailers that they are using are too hot. After discussion, the committee requested the secretary contact the South Australia Federation to see if they are having similar or other problems as they are using the Geraldty trailer.
12. The secretary will report back to the next meeting.

No further business.

Meeting Closed 9.57 pm.

John Jeffery

Federation Secretary.