

## **Inaugural “East Coast long Distance Racing Combine” Meeting**

**Held at Doyalson RSL - 13/01/19 – Start 11.40 am.**

### **Attendees**

Peter Clark – SC, Gary Pound - CC, Anthony Agius – Syd B., Dave Miller - SC , Mick Scroggy - CC, Terry Day - CC, John Borg – Syd B., Dylan Borg – Syd B., Rudy Diener – Syd B., Stan Rippon - NCF, Tony Davis - NCF.

### **Apologies**

Pat Arcella, Vince Pedavoli, Graham Ashton, Carlo Pedavoli

This meeting was called to form a long distance club that will provide an opportunity for all flyers, who wish to fly long distance in the areas covered by the current boundaries of the Shoalhaven, South Coast, Cumberland, Central Coast and Newcastle & Coalfield Federations. The new club will be called “The East Coast Long Distance Racing Combine”.

1. Anthony Agius and Dave Miller advised that they have previously met with Pat Arcella and Vince Pedavoli. They reported that Vince had donated his truck that can hold 1200 birds. The club will be required to provide the driver and cover all transport cost. They also advised that Pat has indicated that he will donate some funding to support the race. They further advised that both Pat and Vince believe that for 2019 there should be 1 race and then move to a 3 race series in 2020 and beyond. They suggested that to get this kicked off it would be best to fly west route and proposed Yunta in South Australia, an approximate distance of 700 miles. The meeting agreed that this will be a good starting point.
2. The meeting agreed on the following points.
  - The entry cost will \$10.00 per bird
  - There will be no limit on how many birds a flyer can send
  - Prize Cards will be awarded to the top 50 birds overall, as well as prize cards for sectional winners.
  - Each Flyer can trap 2 birds
  - A fundraising auction will be held on Tim Faucett web site to help support the new club. Date to be confirmed.
  - Each Fed/section will contribute a % of the entry fee to the overall prize pool.
  - It was proposed that we need to get flyers to nominate their interest 1 month prior to the race date and confirm 2 weeks prior to allow for baskets to allocated be delivered to the basketing centres.
  - Sectional delegates will be responsible for promoting the race and providing details of expected bird numbers.
  - At this stage the section prizes will be Shoalhaven, South Coast, Sydney Basin, Central Coast, and Newcastle Coalfields. There was some discussion of having more sections, for example Western Sydney or Coalfields.

- The delegates from each area, are encouraged to seek out sponsorship for both sectional and over all prize pool as well as possible subsidising the overall cost.
  - To create a new Club on Pigeonrace.net were all the Clubs information and results are visible. Stan has advised that Pigeonrace.net will create the new Club and maintain for free. Thanks Stan and Mick for your donation and support.
  - All sponsors will be recognised on the clubs websites, the value of such sponsorship can be claimed as a tax deduction, as advertisement cost on our websites.
  - The objective is to make these prestigious races similar to a National, good birds racing for good prizes, both sectional and overall.
3. Officer Bearers – The meeting agreed that we need to form a Management committee. The following were elected unopposed.
- Dave Miller - President
  - Pat Arcella – Vice President
  - Tony Davis - Secretary
  - Rudy Diener – Treasure
  - Committee/Delegates - Peter Clark, Gary Pound, Anthony Agius, Graham Ashton, Mick Scroggy, Terry Day, John Borg, Dylan Borg, Stan Rippon.
4. **Next meeting**
- It is suggested that or next meeting be at the Pigeon Convention in March

Meeting Closed at 13:00

Minutes by Tony Davis

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### **Proposed objectives of this new club and questions and actions to be discussed and agreed at the next meeting**

- I strongly suggest that the new club needs to be incorporate as an association in compliance with Fair Trading guidelines and requirements.
- We need to agree on and register the clubs name, and in the interim adopt a model constitution as published on the Fair Trading website. See attached link.
- <https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/associations-and-co-operatives/associations/starting-an-association/public-officer>
- We will require public liability insurance.
- Bank account will need to be established.
- We need to establish some rules regarding the committee make up and voting. As an association we need to hold a minimum of 3 meeting a year. For example 2 delegates from each of the 5 sections to administer, support and represent their respective Fed/sections at meetings and events. It is proposed that the Sydney Basin have a 4 delegates due to the size. In

saying that do we say that Shoalhaven have 1 or SC have 3 which includes Shoalhaven?

- Do we just include delegates from each section/ Fed as members of the new club or do we request that all who wish to participate in races become a members?
- I suggest that regardless the membership fee should be \$5.00
- I suggest that we run to a calendar year as opposed to financial year
- Meeting to be held from now on in March, July, AGM January

#### Proposed Club Objectives

- To promote, source sponsorship and conduct fundraising to progressively grow the profile, status and prestige of the combine and events
- Promote and encourage Flyers to participate in long distance racing
- To ensure that that cost of entering such races are not prohibitive to flyers.
- Preserve and promote the keeping and breeding strains of long distance pigeon.
- Provide recognition to Flyers and Strain of pigeons that achieve success in such races
- To ensure suitable conditions for the management transportation and welfare of pigeons
- To ensure adequate liberation protocols and procedures are in place and followed to support successful racing and transparency in the process.
- Conduct a number of races from 500 to 800 miles each year
- Fly at least 3 direction each year, S or SW, W or NW and or North
- Conduct racing between August and September when the temperature and wind strengths are more supportive and favourable for achieving successful long distance racing.

The following information was supplied by The President Dave Miller

The Southern Race Point is from LESLIEVALE approx. 15 km south of Hobart in Tassie; a distance to Sutherland {approx. 1040 km}

Mike Turvy is or contact [ph. 0407396180] he has a large piece of land 400metres above sea level & has advised that he will take care of truck Liberators & feed of birds. He advised his cost for feed is \$25.00 /bag as we are not allowed to transport feed over there; we would also need to supply a stat DEC form for PMV etc.

I have also spoken with Peter Wallace, Ph. 0419 393 838 in Tassie, he is Tassie Fed man to go to; he can arrange cheap transport on Boat down there.

I would like to thank Vince for the use of his Truck at no charge ; Mick & Stan Rippon for setting up our Web Page at no charge , & all the Guys that have got behind this Venture ; it was a breath of fresh air in meeting with you all .

Cheers Dave Miller {Killer}

Please review and provide comment via email or phone.

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