

General Meeting & Presentation

13/11/2022 - Dural 10:30 am

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1. Welcoming of Members

The Chair welcomed the members present and thanked Pat Arcella for once again hosting the meeting and presentation at his residence.

He also thanked Robin White who was the race manager for the Leslie Vale race for and outstanding effort in managing accommodation and liberation the birds, along with the other members from the local pigeon club.

Present - T Davis, A Agius, D Miller, P Arcella, T Condran, A Zarha, P Edmans, J Shepard, F Raschilla, P Clark, C Mathews, Robin White, W Weatherburn

Apologies – J & D Borg, G Jack, J Vescos, T Diener, D Woodhead.

2. Reading of last Meeting Minutes.

The Secretary read the 2022 AGM Minutes held at Dural Pigeon Club 10/04/22.

The Chair asked if there is any business arising from the minutes? With nothing raised the Chair asked that the minutes as read be moved as true and correct.

Moved by A Agius, Seconded by T Condran.

The Chair call for a vote by show of hands. All in favour.

3. Issues arising from the Minutes.

Nil

4. Correspondence in/out

The Secretary advised that the only correspondence received and sent were emails and text messages associated with running of the of both the Eden and Leslie Vale races.

5. Business arising from correspondence.

Nil

6. Financial Report

With the absence of the Treasurer the that he did not have a break down of accounts. He advised the Treasurer will provide a complete report at the AGM. The Secretary advised the meeting that the current back balance is \$13,049.73.

The Chair asked if there were any questions regarding the club's finances and balance as reported. With no questions raised, he asked that the report be accepted as true and correct.

It was moved by A Agius, Seconded by P Clark. The Chair called for a vote by show of hands. All in favour.

7. Membership Application.

There were no new membership application, 6 members renewed their memberships. D Miller, P Clark, F Raschilla, P Arcella, A Agius, W Weatherburn

8. General discussion – Review of 2022 Season, lessons learnt, Suggestion, what will we do in 2023, how many races and where?

There was general discussion on the 2 races held, it was considered that the Eden race was a success, however the Leslie Vale race was considered far from ideal with only 2 birds trapped in race time within the ECLDRC Boundaries and 3 trapped at Moruya as well as another 6 birds trapped after the race had closed.

The Secretary advised that we have been unlucky with the weather, just not getting reasonable conditions and assist winds, that is proved to increase returns.

He further advised that the AGM is where we will make the decision as to where we fly next year. He asked members to consider all options and asked others to offer their thoughts and opinions.

There was general discussion regarding the great difficulty we have had flying 700 plus miles. It was agreed that we should drop back to 600 miles. This view was supported, and Bundaberg was proposed for the North Route with Red Rock proposed for the East Coast Classic.

Pat Arcella advised that we should also fly Peterborough on the west, as that has been the most successful race point to date.

Dates for the races were discussed and the following was proposed.

- East Coast Classic - Basket Tuesday 15/8/23 – Liberate Friday 18/8/23.
- Peterborough – Basket Monday 28/8/23 – Liberate Friday 1/9/23
- Bundaberg – Monday 11/9/23 – Liberate – Friday 15/9/22.

The Secretary advised that the race locations as proposed will added to the agenda of the AGM. Members were asked to send and items they wish to have added to the agenda to the club's email to ensure they are included.

9. Auction Dates and Fundraising

The Secretary advised that the fund-raising auction with Tim Fawcett, will on start on the week of the 11th of June 23. Members who wish to donate a bird for this auction to contact him with the details.

10. Set Date for AGM and location.

The Oatley RSL Club was nominated as the venue the date and time of the meeting will be advised in due course, it will be either February or March.

11. Presentation

After a great feed of pizza, breads, dips and pasta and plenty of refreshments we moved to the formal presentation.

Robin White donated the Trophy for the winner of the Leslie Vale race.

This trophy along with a Dicken Medal was presented to Peter Clark and his winning hen", now named "The Hobart Queen".

Steve Saywell was also awarded a Dicken Medal for second place, a great effort by both bird and owner.

Jeff Sheppard was awarded the trophy for winning the East Coast Classic, another great effort.

Congratulation to the winners and a big thanks to all our supporters, sponsors and competitors for without their ongoing support we would not be able to stage these events. Thank You All.

Jeff Sheppard and Peter Clark



The 3 Amigos - Steve Saywell, Jeff Shepard & Peter Clark



Robin White – Dave Miller – Chris Matthews

