Midwest Pigeon Federation Meeting Minutes 14th March 2013

Meeting open 11.00am

Present: Parkes, Dubbo, Orange, Grenfell, Cowra

Apologies: Theo (Bathurst) Rick Darlington (Dubbo)

Minutes from the last meeting (20th Jan) were read by Jon South (moved Orange, seconded Parkes)

<u>Treasurer's report:</u> Wayne Cantrill informed the meeting that the MWPF currently had a balance of \$5,431.00 (this was moved Parkes, seconded Dubbo)

General Business:

- 1. Dave Byrnes informed the meeting that there would be possibly 3 flyers from Bathurst who will be flying with the federation in the 2013 season at a reduced cost of \$200.00 per flyer
- 2. The meeting was also informed that the federation transport will be done by Terry Townsend and his sons (with no allowance for hold overs) and Ed Strudwick & Ken Madden will be doing the final 2 long races
- 3. A schedule was put forward by Terry Townsend at a cost of \$11,655.00 which all delegates present voted to accept, it was also decided that members fees would be capped at \$400 and the short fall would be subsidized by the federation from the federation fundraiser sale money (Moved Cowra, Seconded Dubbo)
- 4. Terry Townsend also informed the meeting that the birds would be put on water every time the truck stopped and feeding of race birds on the truck would begin at Barringun
- 5. Dave Byrnes brought up the idea of apply for funding or some type of grant if possible to upgrade the transport unit and baskets etc.., all delegates agreed that this was something to be further investigated
- 6. The liberation committee is to decide on release protocol, e.g. if there is bad weather they may decide to bring them back closer and release in better conditions or wait at the release point if in their opinion the weather is likely to clear in time for a release

- 7. Anyone wishing to have their out of area ring numbers placed on the federation website to help with identifying them as MWPF birds and prevent them from being sent back to the wrong area they can forward their out of area ring numbers to Jon South at no1southy@yahoo.com.au
- 8. Federation fees of \$400 per member are due by the $1^{\rm st}$ of May 2013 late payments will incur a \$50 penalty
- 9. Only young birds from the federation sale to be allowed in the fed sale race. Prize money will only come from the young bird sales
- 10. The next meeting will be on the 16th June 2013

Meeting closed at 12.32pm