



Newcastle & Coalfields
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A.G.M. Teralba, 05/02/2023

1. **Apologies:** S.Bailey
2. **2021 AGM Minutes** read by the chair Stan Rippon.
3. **Issues arising from the Minutes:** Nil

Moved: A.Wilmott

Seconded: M.Watt

Minutes accepted as a true copy.

Chair declared all positions vacant.

4a. Election of Officers - Nominations Received

President - Stan Rippon

Secretary - Mal Watters

Treasurer - Greg Jack

Vice President - Allen Wilmott

Ring Secretary - Tim Fairfax

Race Secretary - Mick Watt

As there was one nomination for each of the above positions the positions were declared filled

Moved: V.Smola

Seconded: M. Clement

4b. Liberation Committee - 4 Positions decided by ballot from 6 Nominations Received

Stan Rippon.....Elected

Mick Watt.....Elected

Clint Ralston.....Elected

Stephen Bailey.....Elected

Bill Collins.....Not elected

Peter Edman.....Not elected

Voting counted by T.Davis & G.Jack

4. Setting of Race and Federation Fees for 2023 Season.

G.Jack to look into same after receiving advice from club secretaries.

6. Honorariums for Office Bearers.

Honorariums to be paid for 2022.

Moved: D.Archer

Seconded: M.Clement

7 .Notice of Motions received from members.

(a) Bill Collins - Due to the lack of support for both Breeders Plate sales held at Teralba and Cessnock, maybe we should look at holding a \$20 ring race instead. I would be happy to address the A.G.M. on this proposal. Seconded: B.Crowe

Bill Collins addressed the meeting and after a discussion his proposal was put to a vote.

For: 21

Against: 0

The Motion to hold a \$20 ring race in lieu of the Breeders Plate for the season 2024. Empty rings to be presented to a Federation meeting to be recorded by the Federation Treasurer. If more than one (1) ring then the numbers must be consecutive. Blue and Gold bands can participate was Carried.

(b) Garry Lott - (2 motions) I, Garry Lott wish to move a motion, that we go back to only having 3 flying members on the liberation committee. If not passed I put another motion up that we only have flying members on the liberation committee.
Seconded :P.Edman

Garry Lott spoke on both his motions.

Motion 1 **For: 3** **Against: 18**

Motion 2 **For: 2** **Against: 19**

Motions Defeated

(c) Garry Lott - Can we go back to the way we had the pointscore, with a little difference. Example 1 for a win, 2 for second and so on. However, if you send birds to a race and don't trap you get the amount of points of flyers that flew. If you don't fly you get the amount of points of flying members at the beginning of year.

Seconded: T.Fairfax

Motion Withdrawn

Motion amended by T.Davis. Seconded T.Fairfax

To maintain current system but to change to all fliers receiving a point relative to their position.

For: 24 **Against: 0**

Motion Carried

(d) Vic Smola - I, Vic Smola, would like to propose that we revert to flying a cycle commencing in 2024. To be fairer to all NCF members I think that after flying North West in 2023 a cycle should be as follows:

2024 North 2025 North West 2026 West 2027 North West

2028 North 2029 North West 2030 West 2031 North West

2032 North and so on, so every 2nd year would be North West. Seconded : R.Herivel

Vic Smola spoke in favour of his motion. Tony Davis then spoke against the motion. Mal Watters spoke on the statistics of the pointscore from 2010 to 2022 as recorded on the NCF website on North, Northwest & West. Peter Edman then spoke against the proposal.

For: 18 **Against: 10**

Motion Carried

(e) Tim Fairfax - *That from season 2024 we go to a 3 person liberation committee where majority rule decision. Current protocol to stay in place. Once all boxes are ticked liberation committee still have power to overturn to not let birds up if they truly believe it will be a bad race. Eg: Wilcannia 2022 we knew there was going to be a hell of a lot of east on the Saturday and quite strong from the halfway point. This motion obviously could create potential holdovers but the intention is for the birds best interest. Seconded: T.Condron*

Tim Fairfax spoke for his motion and Stan Rippon spoke against.

For: 5 Against: 18

Motion Defeated

(f) Tim Fairfax - *Fly 2024 season North. Seconded: G.Jack*

Motion Withdrawn

(g) Kelvin Alley - *Thinking about better utilisation of transporter when sending race birds away. Could the membership consider placing toss birds on the truck to be released on way back from race point. example truck goes to 250 mile we can place toss birds to be released at point on way back. If we are having to pay a driver we have to utilise the truck better to pay for the service. I know members will say that toss birds are not allowed on race day no difference to surplus birds. This may negate the midweek toss which will cost more to send the truck having to pay driver for their services. Seconded: M.Watters*

Kelvin Alley explained his suggestion and after discussion about the difficulties involved in implementing this it was voted on.

For: 5 Against: 11

Motion Defeated

7. General Business:

- (a) Peter Edman suggested that a working bee be arranged to clean up the truck.
- (b) PMV Declarations to be provided prior to commencement of racing.
- (c) Life ring orders to be given to T. Fairfax ASAP

AGM Closed at 11.30 am

Stan Rippon. President

Mal Watters. Secretary