

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Adamstown Clubrooms, Sunday 1st December, 2012.

Meeting commenced at 10:51am with 26 members present.

The Chairman declared all positions vacant and asked the secretary to read the nominees for executive positions for 2012.

The secretary advised that only 1 applicant had nominated for each of the following positions and therefore those applicants were declared elected unopposed:

President	Stan Rippon
Vice President	Allen Wilmott
Secretary/Treasurer	No nominations
Race Secretary	Mick Watt
Ring Secretary	Bill Boland

Liberation Committee Stan Rippon, Mick Watt and Tony Davis

The President asked for nominations from the floor for the positions of Secretary, Treasurer and Minutes Secretary. No nominations were offered. Tony Davis said he would consider standing but needed to consider the time he would have available to do the jobs and asked if we could leave it in abeyance until the second part of the AGM in February. The existing Secretary/Treasurer agreed to continue until February.

The President then took the opportunity to thank the retiring Secretary Treasurer (Paul Callaghan) for his efforts over the past 15 years and said that the strong financial position that the NCF is in currently is largely due to Paul's astuteness and money management skills. The meeting expressed their thanks with a round of applause.

General Business:

1. The proposed Race Schedule for season 2013 was discussed. The meeting agreed to change the liberation dates for the last 2 races to Saturday and Sunday (rather than Friday and Saturday) to allow an extra days rest for our driver and liberator as there is no spare weekend this year before the final races.

Moved: D.Archer **Seconded:** M.Watt

That we adopt the proposed race schedule, subject to Qld DPI lifting their border restrictions before the 1/2/2013. If the Qld DPI do not open the border by the resumption of our AGM, an alternate route for 2013 will be decided.

Passed unanimously

2.

Moved: P.Callaghan **Seconded:** S.Rippon

That the NCF formally adopt the new Liberation Policy proposed last season by the Federation Sub Committee.

Passed unanimously.

3. **Moved:**

P.Bettens

Seconded: T.Davis

That the wording of the draft Code of Conduct be amended in regards to bird numbers and should read "a manageable and acceptable number".

Passed unanimously.

4. **Moved:**

P.Bettens

Seconded: T.Davis

That the NCF formally adopt the proposed Code of Conduct.

Passed unanimously

5. A request was made by Terry Condran and John Banfield to be allowed to compete with both the NCF and the Newcastle Hunter Club next season. Each of them will basket their pigeons at Lake Macquarie Club, they both use ETS and will record their NCF pigeons as Race 1. They will then travel to the Hunter Club and basket those birds as Race 2. Each member will have the ETS clocks opened and read at their home club (Terry at Lake Macquarie and John at the Hunter). Their results for the other Fed will either be input directly to the respective websites or phoned through to the respective race secretary.

Moved: M.Watt **Seconded:** T.Davis

That this request be agreed to and approved.

Passed unanimously

6. The Feed mixture used on the truck this season was then discussed. It was generally felt that the mixture needs to be progressively built up with the addition of corn as the distance increases. Tony Davis agreed to get samples of different mixes from J & M and bring to the next meeting for review by the members.

7. The next Fed Breeders plate sale will be held at Raymond Terrace Clubrooms on Sunday 13th January starting at 10am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

The AGM will be resumed at Lake Macquarie Clubrooms on Tuesday 5th February, 2013 at 7pm.

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S.Rippon President

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P.Callaghan Secretary