

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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Delegates Meeting

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Location – Adamstown Club Rooms 03/04/18 start 1900 hrs

1. Welcoming of Members – Chair welcomes all present – 25 Members present

2. Apologies – Tim Fairfax

3. Reading of Minutes of 06/03/18 - General Meeting.

The Chair read the minutes to the meeting.

4. Business arising from the minutes.

Nil – The Chair asked that the minutes be accepted as true and correct, Moved, Alan Wilmot
Seconded Chris Newton. All in favour.

5. Correspondence in

Ring transfers – K Heggs to R Bramble, B George to L George, M&V Watters to L George, W&J
Bates to L George, Clint Ralston, G Jack to M Watt, to L George, W Pickard to T Davis, J Bowie to B
George, M&V Watters to B George, S Brand to M&R Clements, D Brice to A Laver, D Murrison to Z
Rankovic, A Jameson to D Archer, to D Bice, to P Brooks, to Z Rankovic, M Wilson to Z Rankovic, D
Brice to P Bates, Parks Club to B Crow.

PMV Declarations – From, Lake Macquarie Club, Cessnock Club, Cessnock Invitation Club,
Raymond Terrace Club

Application to join the Federation from Bob Grono 292 Pacific Hwy, Swansea. Ph 49 714724.
Peter Maguire, Brett George - To be dealt with in General Business.

Letter/Press Release from the ANRPB – 16/03/18 – regarding Roto virus vaccine progress, and
requesting that all members of the Federation fill in a questionnaire to provide details of numbers of
birds kept and request that we advise if we intend to use the Roto vaccine. To be dealt in general
business.

For further information or to read this Press Release in full, or to access other information please log
onto the following web address - <http://www.anrpb.org>

Correspondence out

Email to Mick Scroggy and Peter Boyle regarding membership fees, racing fees and bank details.

6. Treasurer's report

The following report was presented –

Main Operating account 135221 - Period of March 2018

Balance C/Fwd 28/02/18 -

\$ 6,615.54

Income

Interest	\$0.53
Deposit P Boyle Application fee & membership	\$75.00
Deposit M Scroggy Application fee & membership	\$75.00
Deposit Cash, M/Ship Liberation fees etc	\$1450.00
Deposit Cheque	\$100.00
Total	\$ 1600.53

Expenditure \$ 0.00

Balance as per Westpac Statement at 03/04/2018 \$ 8216.07

Truck maintenance account 230894 - Period of March 2018

Balance C/Fwd 28/02/18 \$ 90.83

Income

Interest	\$ 0.00
Total C/Fwd	\$ 90.83

Expenditure

Fuel \$139.18

Balance as per Westpac Statement at 03/04/2018 \$90.83

The Chair asked that the Financial Report as tabled be accepted as true and correct,

Moved Mick Watt, Seconded Phil Wilson. All in favour.

7. General Business

A- Membership Applications

The Chair as the meeting to consider the application from Bob Grono to fly Hunter, Peter Maguire to fly Adamstown, Brett George to fly Cessnock.

The Secretary moved that "they be accepted as members", Seconded by Terry Condran

The Chair call for a show of hands, all in favour.

B- Letter/Press Release from the ANRPB – 16/03/18 – regarding Roto virus vaccine progress, and requesting that all members of the Federation fill in a questionnaire to provide details of numbers of birds kept and request that we advise if we intend to use the Roto vaccine.

The Secretary advised the meeting that the questionnaire was in to parts, part A related to determining the amount of Roto Vaccine that will be required, and asking if we as individuals intend to vaccinate or birds.

Part B was asking for a lot more information about the individual member's information. He further advised that he had spoken to David Walker from the Board and advised him that a lot of members of our Fed will possible be reluctant to providing so much information. To this end there was a general discussion as to what should be provided to the board. A number felt that the vaccine will not be required, as it appears to had ran its course.

In the end consensus was achieved; and the following was action proposed by the Chair.

Each club/combine provide details of numbers of flyer and numbers of birds they have to there Club Secretary. This information is to be forwarded to the Fed Secretary by the 20/4/28, he will correlate all the information and provide a response to the board on behalf of all members.

Moved by Alan Wilmot, Seconded by Tony Davis.

The Chair call for a show of hands, all in favour.

C- Basket allocations

The Chair asked the delegates to provide the numbers of flyers who intend to race this season; the following information was provided and baskets were allocated as detailed below.

Club	Flyers	Basket allocated
Maitland	7	10
Cessnock	16	19
Cessnock Inv.	4	6
Newcastle	8	11
Raymond Terrace	6	8
Lake Macquarie	16	19
Hunter	8	11

This allocation was based on the information available at the time and will be finalised prior to the first race.

It was explained that this allocation includes surplus allocation and it is the intention were possible all baskets with spare capacity can be filled with surplus at a cost of 50 cents per bird, payable to the Federation.

Each Basket centre is responsible for fair allocation of surplus to members.

D- Fed Truck Tosses

The was a question regarding the location of Fed toss locations, a number of members request that Stroud be used as an alternate toss point, 1 week Stroud and 1 week Browns Flat.

The Coalfields Combine also asked if they could have a truck toss by themselves. There were a number of speakers for and against both these proposals.

After a short discussion, Ken Harris moved that the initial tosses to be from Browns Plain as opposed to Stroud. This was seconded by Chris Newton.

The Chair call for a show of hands, 10 for 3 against. Motion passed.

The following dates were agreed 28/4/18 & 5.5.18, Browns Flat, Club Secretary's to provide numbers to the Chair/Secretary, by the Thursday prior, to confirm numbers and viability to proceed.

E- 5 bird Competition

Mal Clements identified that a number of flyers in Lake Macquarie had indicated that they did not intend to fly the 5 bird series. He question if other felt the same. A number of members advised that they will.

Base on that Mal moved that the Fed fly a 5 bird competition for the 2018 season, seconded by W Sherbach.

The Chair call for a show of hands, all in favour.

F- Magnetometer - <https://www.pigeonmagnetometer.com/>

The Chair spoke about the benefits of the pigeon magnetometer as a forecasting tool to predict solar flare activity, which has been associated with pigeon race losses that5r have be correlated to high solar flare activity.

Some member were concerned that this will be used to determine if we race or not.

After a short discussion it was agreed that the tool will be used to provide information to members and that we will record for this year if we experience losses in both tossing and racing when high and medium flare activity is forecasted.

Chris Newton Moved that the Federation use the Magnetometer and provide information to members as required. Seconded, Terry Condran.

The Chair call for a show of hands, all in favour.

G- East Coast Classic

Peter Edmans advised the meeting that the South Coast has proposed to use there truck to transport the bird this year. He advised that they also propose that the liberation be held from either Yamba or Mclean Lookout.

He further advised that they are proposing a \$10.00 basket fee and that they will do 1 pickup from Lake Macquarie.

The Chair asked the meeting if there were any objection to this proposal. There were no objections and the Chair proposed that all we support the race.

The Secretary advised that last year he secured sponsorship for the race, he advised that he will attempt to gain on going support for the race and asked Peter is the South Coast, Central Coast were planning similar.

Peter advised that he will keep us updated on progress as it comes to hand.

PMV Declarations

Clubs are advised that the PMV declarations are still required to be sent in each year regardless if we race or not, must be received prior to the commencement of Fed tossing.

Meeting Closed at 2030hrs.

Next Meeting – to be held at Lake Macquarie club rooms 1/5/18 commencing 1900 hrs.

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S. Rippon President

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Tony Davis Secretary

