



# Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation inc.

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## Delegates Meeting

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**Meeting Date:** 5/4/22

Meeting commenced: 7.00pm

**Location:** Cessnock

Number present: 16

Members welcomed by chair.

**Apologies:** S.Bailey

Chair read minutes of Delegates Meeting, Teralba 15/3/22. Chair asked that minutes be accepted as true and correct.

**Moved:** T.Davis

**Seconded:** A.Wimott

Minutes are a true copy.

**Accepted.**

### Business Arising From Minutes:

It was noted by T.Davis that the minutes did not reflect the discussions held about working on a plan to back up the driver and liberator if the worst happens and they are unable to do the job of driver/liberator.

Race schedule was commented on. An error in regards to mid and long distance races. Stan to rectify.

### **Correspondence Out:**

Annual financial statement and report to NSW Dept of Fair Trading re NCF incorporation

### Correspondence In:

1. PMV Declarations from B.Collins, C.Nichols & Raymond Terrace Club.

2. Receipt \$48 from Stan Rippon for payment to NSW Dept. of Fair Trading for lodgment of yearly Incorporation report and financial statement.

3. Ring transfers tabled to be entered onto the computer data base.

**Treasurers Report:**

Report given by treasurer Greg Jack.

**Main Operating Account 135221**

Period of March 2022 - April 2022

Balance C/Fwd	15/03/22	\$33,529.94
Income (Membership, vaccine)		\$50.00
Interest		\$0.00
Total Expenditure		\$0.00
<b><u>Balance as per Westpac Statement at 05/04/22</u></b>		<b><u>\$33,579.94</u></b>

**Truck Maintenance Account 230894**

Period of March 2022 - April 2022

Balance C/Fwd	15/03/22	\$960.06
Income		\$0.00
Interest		\$0.00
Expenditure		\$0.00
<b><u>Balance as per Westpac Statement at 05/04/22</u></b>		<b><u>\$960.06</u></b>

**Moved:** M.Clement

**Seconded:** M.Watt

That Financial report be accepted

**General Business:**

1. Stan Rippon to be reimbursed for payment of Fed Fair Trading.

**Moved:** W.Scherbak

**Seconded:** C.Newton

**Passed** unanimous.

2. Stan Rippon spoke about Hunter schools observing the contribution of animals in war. As part of the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Newcastle and Hunter Combined Schools Anzac Commemorative

Event held at the Civic Theatre. Horses, mules, pigeons and dogs were honored. Stan released pigeons at the event as a tribute to the importance of pigeons in war. On behalf of the NCF, thank you Stan.

3. The Chair addressed the meeting about the awareness of animal liberation and welfare. Fliers to be mindful of their responsibilities regarding all aspects of pigeon flying. We are all responsible for the welfare of our own pigeons.

**4. Motion:** For point score to be changed to aggregate system. The first 25 flyers to receive points. ie: 1<sup>st</sup> = 25 points, 25<sup>th</sup> place=1 point.

**Moved:** S.Rippon

**Seconded:** M.Clements

**Passed**

**For: 6**

**Against: 4**

Clubs and combines are reminded to let Stan know by the May meeting if they wish to remain with the old point score system or convert to the same system as the fed.

5. Tony Davis to confirm sponsorships next meeting. Tony is negotiating with all of the existing sponsors and we are open to discussions with potential sponsors.

**6. The chair advised there is some confusion as to the different types of racing membership for juniors and new flyers.**

**Below is an extract from AGM held 12<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

***Introduce a new flyer***

*Restricted to new flyers with under 3 years flying experience and*

*Junior flying members fee structure (junior members must be under 21 and flying in their own right).*

*The new or junior member would have 4 options available to him or her in their first 3 years of Racing*

**Level 1** = 25% of listed fed fees that allows the flyer to race the first round and up to the end of the sprint series in round 2 ( 11 races)

**Level 2**=50% reduction of listed fed fees that allows the flyer to race up to and including the end of the mid distance series in round 2 ( 18 possible races in total).

**Level 3** =half fees- half basked for full season (12 bird limit)

**Level 4** = full fees- full basked – full season

*Logic is, very few first-year flyers get anywhere near the distance races and this would encourage People to try flying at reduced costs and would support and encourage juniors.*

**Moved:** Tony Davis

**Seconded** Mal. Clements.

*After a short discussion, the Chair call for a vote by show of hands. All in favour, 0 Against, Motion Passed.*

In regards to half fees:

*Below is an extract from the same meeting/*

*Moved: A Walker (A Walker & A March), Seconded: M. Scroggy.*

*I hereby move that the NCF adopt a split race basket fee as an ongoing system from the 2020 racing season. Allowing **all** members, the options of flying a whole basket or a half basket each week from every race point. This would allow new and smaller flyers a chance to race and enjoy the Sport at a more economical rate. The federation would most likely be in a better financial situation*

*As a result. This would attract more flying members and I know for sure from speaking with several people recently that there is plenty of interest in this option.*

*A Walker spoke for the motion, after a short discussion the Chair call for a vote by show of hands.*

**19 For, 13 Against,**

*Motion Passed with a majority of 6.*

7. Allen Wilmott informed the meeting of the passing of former Cessnock & NCF flier Dave Hunter. A minutes silence was then observed.

**On the agenda for next fed meeting:**

Basket allocations for basketing Centre's.

Number of baskets for the 1<sup>st</sup> truck toss from Warkworth Reserve.

PMV declarations.

New flyer loft locations.

**Meeting Closed at: 8.00pm**

**Next meeting at: Maitland on 3rd May,2022**

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**Stan Rippon. President.**

**Mal Watters. Secretary.**