# Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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# <u>Minutes of the reconvened AGM held at Cessnock Clubrooms on Tuesday</u> 04/2/2014

Meeting commenced at 7:15 pm with 22 Members present.

## 1. Reading of the previous minutes.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Lake Macquarie Clubrooms on 15/10/2013 - 26 members present. The Tony Davis read the minutes of the last meeting.

Moved as a true record by - S Bailey Seconded by - J Bates

- 2. Business arising from the minutes Judy Bates advised that there was an error with the ring transfers. T Davis advised the he would amend the error. No other issues were raised.
- **3.** Audit Report The books of account have been audited and annual financial statements prepared. Malcolm Clements presented the Audit report and financial statements.

The President read the Auditors Report to the meeting and distributed copies. In summary the auditor stated that the various books of account represent the fair and accurate financial position of the NCF and are in keeping with the various monthly meetings held by the members.

Closing Cash Balance for the year was \$2986.56 as at 30/11/13.

Members Funds total \$96,128.00 which is largely represented by the depreciated value of our truck and transport unit.

Stan moved that the Audit report and Financial statement be accepted as true recorded, Seconded by T Davis – All in favour. A full copy of the Audit report and financial statement will be posted on the web site with the minutes.

## 4. Correspondence out - Nil

5. Correspondence in – Ring Transfers - The following ring transfer were presented to the meeting.

From – M Morten to M&D Watt, M&V Watters to J Buxton, G Ellicott to J Buxton, A Wilmott to M&D Watt, S Bailey to W&J Bates, B Crowe to W&J Bates,

A Pinney to W&J Bates, A Edwards to W&J Bates, M Martens to W&J Bates,

- A Barrett to W&J Bates, M Martens to A Wilmott, J Bell to A Wilmott,
- T Townsen to A Wilmott, T Bradbury to A Wilmott, R Wesche to T Fairfax, R

Wesche to Pickhard & McPee, R Wesche to T Davis, B Appleby to T Fairfax.

- Public Officer has been change from Paul Callaghan to Pat Kiem. Pat to submit the 12/13 return to be submitted to the Department of Fair Trading within 30 day from the date of this meeting.
- 7. New Member A letter from Glenn Brown to join the Fed was table at the nominated by Greg and Shane Brown. Stan moved that Glenn be accepted as a new member Show of hands, all in favour. Passed.
- 8. Application for a new club to be recognised by the Fed. Malcolm Clements advise the meeting that the new will be called, "Cardiff Invitation". This club is part of the Lake Macquarie Combine and will basket at Lake Macquarie. Malcolm advised that they currently have 4 members and that Brian Walters will be the clubs delegate.

Stan moved that the club be accepted into the Fed. Show of hands - 7 for 1 against. Passed.

#### 9. Ring Lists

A discussion was held regarding the uploading of the current ring list for all clubs and members. Tim advised that all 2013 rings will be allocated to the owners and uploaded onto the data base. Tim requested that all members and clubs provided an updated ring list for the past 3 years (all active race birds), plus all other rings that are to be flown, e.g., breeders plates, transferred rings from other clubs from previous years etc. - All in favour.

The Ring Secretary advised that he will enter the transfers on to the new ring list data base. All club Ring Secretaries will have access to the data base. The original copies of all transfers will be held by the Ring Secretary for references.

# 10. PVM Vaccine

There was a discussion on the requirements to vaccinate all race birds and stock bird for PVM. The clubs are required to manage the compliance, proof of compliance must be provided to the Fed by the May meeting. Failure to provide evidence of compliance will result in the club being excluded from flying.

Tony Davis advised the meeting that the vaccine is readily available from a number of Vets, Rob Marshalls only sells the 1000 dose bottle, Mark White can supply in various sizes, 100, 500, 1000, to suit member's needs. Members are encouraged to work together to get all birds vaccinated.

# 11. Prize Cards.

Mick Watt advised the meeting that he had ran out of prize card and that there are a number of cards are still to be presented to finalise last year's awards.

Mick suggested that the Fed look at moving to a certificate for next year that could be issued to members at the end of the season. This certificate would record all the awards and details as shown on the individual card. Mick advised that other Fed have been using this method.

Commented [SR1]:

This was discussed and a number of options were put forward regarding how the certificate could be produced, either by professional printing or by developing our own using computer software.

The cost of produce 10 prize cards per race as opposed to 1 Certificate per season was raised. I was suggested that there would be a substantial saving to moving to a certificate.

The benefits of each were discussed, in general terms some member felt that a separate card was preferred, were others supported the certificate option. It was agreed that the costs of both options need to be defined in regarding to sourcing via a professional printer as well as looking at the option to produce our own.

Stan Rippon advised the meeting that he would look into options and report back at the next meeting. Tony Davis requested that examples of the certificate be sent to in, or presented for review at the next meeting.

# 12. Recent Passing's

The members were advised of the recent deaths of John Karsay and Frank Pearce a minutes silence was observed.

# 13. Next Meeting

With no other issues being proposed the meeting was declared closed at 8.50pm The next meeting will be held at Raymond Terrance. 4 – March at 7.00 PM.

Certified as a true copy

S. Rippon President

Tony Davis Secretary