

**Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.**

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**General Meeting Zoom Internet linkup 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

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**Members involved in link up: For 7pm start**

Brett George (Singleton). Craig Harris (Cessnock invitation) Allen Wilmot ( Cessnock) Dick Archer (Raymond Terrace) Greg Jack (Treasurer) Ron Herival (Maitland) Mal Clement ( Cardiff Invitation) Alan Walker (Hunter) Waza Scherbak (Lambton) Tony Davis (Secretary) Stan Rippon (Chair and Host).

**Apologies:** Chris Newton (Adamstown) Mick Watt (Mayfield)

Chair thanked members for their participation.

1st item was to ratify decisions of previous month's phone link.

Moved: W. Scherbak    Seconded: M. Clement. That decisions be adopted.    Unanimous.

2<sup>nd</sup> Item: A brief report on actions taken since last meeting by Chair and Secretary.

In Summary:

With assistance from Richard Clement and Stan Rippon, Tony Davis Sent correspondence to all local members of the NSW Government plus the Leader of the NSW Opposition.

The correspondence asked Local members to make representation to The NSW Minister for Health the Hon Brad Hazzard on our behalf to lift restrictions on Non Essential travel to allow members to toss the birds for training flights.

All have responded and many were sympathetic to our cause.

Members will be notified immediately we have a response.

3<sup>rd</sup> item. General discussion on where to from here.

- The executive would meet immediately we had information that would allow us to proceed.
- Generally agreed that we would require at least a month of training before we race.
- Decisions on the schedule would be made at the executive meeting.
- Discussed drafting a protocol on policy to adopt if we proceed with racing and social distancing rules apply. (Secretary and President to start this process)
- Secretary to follow up our correspondence with Member for Cessnock Clayton Barr and Opposition spokesman for the Hunter.

**Financial Report:**

**April financial report:**

**Main operating account:**

Balance carried Fwd: 03.03.2020		24,792.98
Income: (membership, Chip rings, vaccine sales)	1662.00	
Interest earned	2.21	
Total Expenditure (Transferred to truck account)		500.00.
Balance at end of month as per Westpac Statement:		<b>25,957.19</b>

**Truck Maintenance account:**

Balance carried Fwd: 03.03.2020		293.43
Income from main account	500.00	
Interest earned	04	
Expenditure (Fuel)		58.00
Balance at end of the month as per Westpac Statement		735.47

As there were no questions to the treasurer

Moved: A. Walker      Seconded: M. Clements. That March financial report be adopted

**May financial report:**

**Main operating account:**

Balance carried fwd. as per Westpac statement. 07.04.2020		25,957.19
Income: (Membership, Chip ring and vaccine sales)	1726.00	
Interest earned	1.98	
Total expenditure: (Truck insurance, chip rings, etc.)		6,936.31
Balance at end of month as per Westpac statement		<b>20,957.19</b>

**Truck maintenance account:**

Balance carried fwd. 07.04.2020		735.47
Income	Nil	
Interest earned	.06	
Expenditure		Nil
Balance at end of month as per Westpac Statement		735.53

As there were no questions to the treasurer

Moved: A. Wilmot.      Seconded. R. Herival. That April financial report be adopted.

**Application for Federation membership.**

Application from Tim Fairfax to re-join NCF.

After a brief discussion the chair put the application to a vote. All in favour.

Chair requested that club secretaries send a list of all new flyers to allow for mappings and clock antenna inspections to be forwarded to him.

Secretary requested a list of intending flyers for each club outlining if full or half fees apply.

Chair thanked participants for their efforts and participation in these trying times.

Meeting closed at 7.50pm