



Newcastle & Coalfields

Racing Pigeon Federation inc.

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General Meeting

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| Secretary: Mal Watters | PH 02 49660249 | malandvel@bigpond.com |
| Treasurer: Greg Jack | PH 0400941003 | gregoryjack72@bigpond.com |

Meeting Date: 08/07/25

Meeting commenced: 7.05pm

Location: Teralba

Number present: 22

Apologies: K.Alley

The chair, Tony Davis, read the minutes of General Meeting, Adamstown, 03/06/25. Chair asked that minutes be accepted as true and correct.

Moved: M.Watt

Seconded: B.Walters

Minutes are a true copy.

Accepted.

Business Arising from Minutes:

1. Stan Rippon spoke on the problems of changing the Breeza liberation point. He explained that if we wish to change liberation points it needs to be done at an earlier time, before commencement of the season.

Correspondence In/Out :

1. Email from G.Lott with motion for tossing on the way back from Breeza.
2. Receipt from G.Jack for Isuzu Roadside Assist. (\$599)
3. Email from K.Harris with motion for an audit of Cessnock Club's compliance of current race rules regarding basketing, clock setting and clock reading.
4. Ring transfers from R.Herivel to K.Alley.

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

Treasurers Report:

Given by Greg Jack

Main Account

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| Balance carried forward | \$34,129.20 |
| Income - Race Fees, Surplus | \$3,512.00 |
| Expenses - Truck account, Race Expenses, Truck Assist, P/L Insurance | \$5,049.00 |
| Total Funds Main Account - | \$32,592.20 |

Truck Account

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|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance carried forward | \$358.45 |
| Income - From main account | \$1,500.00 |
| Expenses - Fuel | \$1,245.31 |
| Total Funds Truck Account - | \$613.14 |

Investment Account

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| Total Funds Investment Account - | \$23,687.53 |
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| Total NCF Members Funds, 3rd June 2025 | \$56,892.87 |
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Moved: M.Clement

Seconded: B.Walters

Accepted

Race Report:

Given by Mick Watt.

All race results ratified.

Moved: M.Watt

Seconded: B.Walters

Accepted

Truck Committee Report:

Lindsay Barry reported that the truck is in good running order. He is to tidy up a few minor issues.

Thank you Lindsay for the pride that you take in looking after our truck.

Clock Rule Committee Report:

Tony Davis spoke about the progress that has been made regarding the updating of the current clock and race rules.

General Business:

1. In regards to Gary Lott's motion on Breeza tossing it was **Moved:** G.Jack and **Seconded:** T.Condran that we have 2 Breeza tosses on the 2nd and 3rd Narrabris. The birds to be released as the truck is on it's way home. Numbers to be nominated by this Friday, 11th July and given to Lindsay. Cost is \$1 per bird and if you nominate you must pay even if you decide to pull out.

For: 14

Against: 0

Accepted

2. In regards to the request for an audit of Cessnock Clubs compliance with current race and clock rules Ken Harris addressed the meeting and read from a document where he listed a number of concerns. Ken Harris advised that he has been told, and believes that they have not been following the clock setting rules, nor did they have the required number of flying members to comply with the current race rules.

The chair advised that he checked the race results and found that there were 2 occasions when only 2 flyers competed, on the 15/6/25 and the 21/6/25. He asked how did this happen, when the agreement was that they would have 3 flying members to basket.

Allen Wilmott and Steve Bailey advised that they did have 3 flying members at all basket nights, and tabled a statement signed by Greg Brown that he was present and further advised that Rob Logue was also present on one occasion.

Ken Harris advised that he was told that when the truck arrived on one occasion there were only 2 members at the club. The chair asked Lyndsay Barry if this was correct to which Lindsay replied "I don't know".

Greg Jack advised the meeting that he was concerned as to who was setting the clocks and directly asked Allen Wilmott, who is setting his Bricon clock. Allen advised that "Natalie Brown has been trained and is doing it".

Mick Watt, Fed Race Secretary, advised that he has checked all the tapes and race sheets and found that there were no issues.

There was a number of allegations leveled at both Allen Wilmott and Ken Harris. Boundaries were crossed at one stage and Ken Harris was asked to apologise, which he did.

The chair advised the meeting that there is only room for 1 club in Cessnock and that this feud must end.

It was decided unanimously that the clock rule committee should take into account that our sport has a dwindling membership.

Hopefully we can all make an effort to get along. Our focus should be on protecting members and promoting our sport.

3. Allen Wilmott withdrew his suggestion to have a surcharge placed on E-Rings.

4. Stan Rippon and Tony Davis told the meeting that the Liberation Policy has been reviewed and rectified.

5. Vote counting for 2026 was:

North West - 29

West - 24

The route for 2026 will be **North West**.

6. All clubs please remember to sell your fundraiser tickets.

Items For Next Agenda:

1. Discussion on ideas for Rota management.

Meeting Closed at: 8.45 pm

Next Meeting: 5th August,25 at Cessnock Inv

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Tony Davis. President.

Mal Watters. Secretary.

