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General Meeting

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Meeting Date: 2/4/24 Meeting commenced: 7.00pm

Location: Adamstown Number present: 18

Apologies: Nil

The chair, Stan Rippon, read the minutes of General Meeting, Maitland, 5/3/24. Chair asked that minutes be accepted as true and correct.

Moved: T.Condran Seconded: M.Watt

Minutes are a true copy.

Accepted.

Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

Correspondence In/Out:

- 1. Transfers from J.Carroll to M.Burke.
- 2. PMV Declarations from Cessnock Invitation Pigeon Club & Raymond Terrace Club.
- 3. Email from Birdkeepers of Australia explaining Certificate of Currency.
- 4. Email letter from Mark Wilson on behalf of Zoran Rankovich.
- **5.** Email from Richard Clement with link to 2024 Wests Group Club Grants.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

Dealt with in General Business.

Treasurers Report:

Given by Greg Jack

Main Account

Total Funds Main Account -	\$23,671.38
BCF+Income less Expenses	\$23,671.38
Expenses - Prizemoney 2023	\$2,477.20
Income - Race Fees, E Rings	\$7,735.00
Balance carried forward	\$18,413.58

Truck Account

Total Funds Truck Account -	\$2,167.80
BCF+Income less Expenses	\$2,167.80
Expenses -	\$0.00
Income -	\$0.00
Balance carried forward	\$2,167.80

Investment Account

Total Funds Investment Account -	\$22,785.05
Total NCF Members Funds. Tuesday 2nd April 2024	\$48.624.23

Moved: B.Collins Seconded: B.Walters

Accepted

Truck Committee Report:

Given by Stan Rippon & Ken Harris.

The truck will be left under cover at Cessnock Showground.

Rego to be done and insurance to be looked into by Greg Jack.

Many thanks to Clint Ralston for caring for the truck in the interim.

General Business:

1. Birdkeepers Insurance was discussed and it was decided that the Fed should take out extra insurance to cover the driver and liberator. Greg Jack to organize before racing commences.

Moved: G.Lott Seconded: B.Collins

Passed Unanimously

2. In regards to the loading of the truck each pickup point is responsible for handling the safe loading of the truck and instructing their members on all aspects of the process.

Moved: M.Watt Seconded: B.Collins

Passed Unanimously

3. A UHF Radio is to be purchased and installed and possibly a GPS depending on price. Greg Jack to report on same.

Moved: K.Harris Seconded: S.Rippon

Passed Unanimously

4. The cost to the Fed, per toss, for the Browns Flat tosses would be \$325 so baskets would have to be charged at:

\$15 for 20 - 34 baskets

\$10 for 35 baskets and over.

If there are insufficient numbers then fliers still wishing to toss can pay extra. If you nominate to toss, and then change your mind, and the truck goes you must still pay for the number of baskets that you nominated. Only 3 pickup points Cessnock Showground, Maitland and Adamstown.

Moved: **S.Rippon** Seconded: **M.Watters**

Passed Unanimously

5. After consideration of the letter from Mark Wilson pointing out that Zoran Rankovich is no longer able to care for his birds and will only be able to fly the sprint races it was decided that Zoran be given a reduced fee of \$180.

Moved: B.Collins Seconded: M.Watt

Passed Unanimously

6. Stan Rippon suggested that the 1 Birder be moved to the 3rd Yamba.

Moved: M.Watters Seconded: B.Walters

Passed Unanimously

- **7.** Stan Rippon will explore the possibility of getting Club Grants.
- **8.** On 3/4/24 Stan Rippon inducted the truck driver and the liberator. All aspects of their duties were covered thoroughly.
- 9. Some clubs still to provide PMV declarations.
- **10.** In regards to the 5 bird National below is an extract from the April 2023 minutes.
- 2." 5 Bird National is to be \$10 a team. If you don't pay the \$10 you are not in the race and not in the pointscore. Moved: C.Newton Seconded: G.Jack" Accepted Unanimously.

Meeting Closed at: 8.15pm		
Next meeting at : Teralba on 7th May		
Stan Rippon. President.	Mal Watters. Secretary.	

Matters outside the meeting:

All of the working papers do indicate that members bird numbers will be reduced when we started Thursday night basketing and that was our original intention but always on the premice that would change if Taree came on board. With now basketing for Macksville and possibly Redrock is on Friday nights with reduced pickup points and Taree is on board from Mackville onwards. Members birds' numbers will reduce from the 1st Macksville. WE are exploring the possibility of members allocations continuing through to Mackville and possibly Redrock However, it may be possible to fit surplus birds on board as well.