



Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation inc.

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General Meeting

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Treasurer: Greg Jack: PH 0400941003 gregoryjack72@bigpond.com

Meeting Date: 5/3/24

Meeting commenced: 7.00pm

Location: Maitland

Number present: 23

Apologies: G.Jack, S.Bailey, A.Wilmott, T.Fairfax

The chair, Stan Rippon, read the minutes of General Meeting, Cessnock, 4/2/24. 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. In regards to a query from Garry Lott about applications to fly a 20 bird limit Stan is going to work something out so that applicant privacy can be protected.
2. Replacement drinkers for the truck have been ordered.

Correspondence In/Out :

1. Transfers from J.Carroll to M.Burke, C.Linnett to A.Walker, C.Nichols to B.Walters, J.Carroll to B.Walters, M.Walker to B.Walters.
2. PMV Declarations from B.Collins, Balmoral Lofts, G.Brown, G&N.Brown, A.Wilmott, Maitland Club.
3. Email from B.Solomons accepting NCF transport offer Option 1.

4. Email from B.Collins informing Fed that Lindsay Barry has agreed to be our truck driver for 2024. He will be unavailable for 3 dates - 13th July (3rd Macksville), 24th August (3rd Yamba), 21st September (Redcliffe).

5. Text from S.Rippon to G.Pound to inform him that his application to join the NCF was unsuccessful but that, room permitting, he would be able to have his birds transported.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

1. G.Pound will now be flying with the Central Coast.
2. Stan Rippon informed the meeting that due to an accident Rob Hallett is now unable to drive the truck this year. Thanks to Bill Collins for arranging Lindsay Barry as our replacement driver.

Treasurers Report:

Given by Stan Rippon

Main Account

Balance carried forward 31-12-2023	\$10,250.82
Income December - March 2024	\$18,156.68
Expenses December - March 2024	\$10,421.22
BCF+Income less Expenses	\$17,986.28
Cash Float	\$427.30
Total Funds Main Account - 5th March 2024	\$18,413.58

Truck Account

Balance carried forward 31-12-2023	\$2,471.80
Income December - March 2024	\$0.00
Expenses December - March 2024	\$304.00
BCF+Income less Expenses	\$2,167.80
Total Funds Truck Account - 5th March 2024	\$2,167.80

Investment Account

Total Funds Investment Account - 5th March 2024	\$22,785.05
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Total NCF Members Funds, 05th March 2024

\$43,366.43

Moved: B.Walters

Seconded: D.Archer

Trophy Presentation:

Presented by Mick Watt.

K&C.Harris - 1st Fed Scone, 20/5/23 - BBC NCF 21 5086

1st Fed Scone, 24/6/23 - BCH NCF 21 5078

1st Fed Narrabri, 15/7/23 - BCC CIPC 22 133

Kowalski & McNamara - 1st Fed Scone, 27/5/23 - BCH CIPC 22 42

Bird of the Year 2023 - BCH CIPC 19 06

10th Fed Narrabri, 8th Fed Mungindi, 2nd Fed Mungindi, 5th Fed Charleville.

C&J.Newton - 1st Fed Breeza, 10/6/23 - BBPH NH 21 466

M&R.Clement - 1st Fed Scone, 17/6/23 - BBH NCF 22 7087

1st Fed Mungindi, 21/8/23 - BBH LM 20 1037

1st Fed 5 Bird National, 10/9/23 - BCH LM 22 920

1st Fed Sprint Series 2023

N.Jones - 1st Fed Narrabri, 22/7/23 - BBH RT 22 250

R.Hawkins - 1st Fed Moree, 29/7/23 - BBH LM 20 1116

Junior Pointscore Winners 2023 - Adams Kids.

J&V.Smola - 1st Fed St.George, 10/9/23 - GRIZZLE H MAIT 22 103

D&S.Archer - 1st Fed Surat, 16/9/23 - BCWFH RT 21 404

K.Alley - 1st Fed Charleville, 30/9/23 - BCH LM 22 226

Congratulations to all winners.

Truck Committee Report:

Stan Rippon & Ken Harris gave a brief outline on work completed on truck. Ken advised that there is some surface rust in the chassis that will need attention in the future. John Kowalski informed the meeting that there is a rust removal process that can be carried out without the need to strip everything down.

In the absence of Greg Jack, Tony Davis explained to the meeting that the NCF needs to take out some form of insurance to cover members, truck driver and liberator. Greg is currently negotiating coverage that can be taken out before racing commences.

General Business:

1. Moved Garry Lott & **Seconded** Terry Condran that Central Coast 5 Bird National be liberated with our National Birds.

For: 17

Against: 1

Carried

2. Moved Bill Collins & **Seconded** Terry Condran that from Macksville we go to **3** pickup points. They will be **Teralba, Cessnock & Maitland**. Please note that clubs transporting pigeons to a pickup point must have **2** or more members with the birds as each club needs to be responsible for their own birds.

For: 16

Against: 2

Carried

3. Moved Mal Watters & **Seconded** Mick Watt that we fly the 3rd Taree on Saturday, 8th June (basket Friday night) and 1st Port Macquarie on Monday, 10th June (basket Sunday night).

Passed Unanimously

4. Moved Jay Newton & **Seconded** Terry Condran that because we will be basketing for Red Rock on a Thursday night that it be moved to the long distance pointscore.

For: 10

Against: 5

Carried

5. Moved Mick Watt & **Seconded** Terry Condran that we have 2 truck tosses at Browns Flat prior to racing. (Cost per basket to be advised).

Passed Unanimously

6. Moved Bill Collins & **Seconded** Rob Logue that Coalfields birds be liberated on their own on truck tosses.

Passed Unanimously

7. Moved Terry Condran & **Seconded** Mal Watters that members be able to open their clocks at their own discretion for the purpose of changing batteries. After some discussion the voting was:

For: 12 Against: 4

Carried

8. Rob Logue asked the chair for clarification on a couple of points which were brought up at their club meeting which Stan explained.

9. Some clubs still to provide PMV declarations.

10. Could all club secretaries please send Mal Watters a list of all their members and include their current postal or email address so that a register can be compiled as it is a Fair Trading requirement.

Meeting Closed at: 8.45pm

Next meeting at : Adamstown on 2nd April

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Stan Rippon. President.

Mal Watters.Secretary.