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Liberation Policy Review Committee Meeting No 2 - 28/04/15

Meeting commenced at 7:10pm at Hexham Bowling Club.

Present – Tim Fairfax, Mick Watt, Steve Bailey, Tony Davis, and Stan Rippon.

Apologies – Craig Harris, Mal Waters.

1) Minutes taken by Tony Davis

The previous minutes we discussed and the following actions and amendments were suggested. It is proposed to present to the next delegates meeting for consideration as detailed below.

1. The liberation check list be adopted without amendment as is for the entire sprit series.

Suggested amendments and inclusion to the liberation policy

2. It is proposed the liberation policy be amend to state: *“For the mid distance series if head winds are predicted to be 20 km or higher for more that 50% of the race distance along the direct line of flight, the race shall be postponed”*.
3. It is proposed the liberation policy be amend to state:- *“For the long distance series, if head winds are predicted to be 20 km or higher for more that 25% of the race distance along the direct line of flight, the race shall be postponed”*
4. It is proposed the liberation policy be amend to state: *“If the humidity is predicted to be 15% or lower, combined with temperature predicted to be 30 deg. or above the race shall be postponed”*
5. Baskets Limits - It is proposed the liberation policy and code of conduct be amend to state: *“For long distance races the basket limit be 15 birds per basket.”*
6. Holdover durations - - It is proposed the liberation policy and code of conduct be amend to state: *“For long distance races the maximum hold over period be extend to 7 day from the day of basketing”*
7. Liberation dates - It is proposed the liberation policy be amended to state: - *“For the sprint series the basketing of birds and liberation dates as published can be moved 1 day either side of the published dates if the forecast conditions are outside the liberation parameters.”*
8. It is proposed the liberation policy be amended to state: - *“For the mid and long distance series the basketing of birds and liberation dates as published can be*

moved 2 day either side of the published dates if the forecast conditions are outside the liberation parameters.”

- 9.** Forecast Tools and Notifications- It is proposed the liberation policy be amended to state: - *“The Bureau of Meteorology Website (BOM) “Meteye” forecast site be used by the liberation committee to forecast and substantiate all decisions to postpone, bring forward, delay and or cancel a race. Club Secretary are to be advised without delay by the liberation committee of all decisions relating to delays and or changes to basketing and of amended liberation dates and times, by way of phone call, text message and or email, to ensure all flyers can make appropriate arrangements as required.”*

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

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