

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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General Meeting Maitland club rooms 3.3.15

Meeting commenced at 7:10pm with 15 Members present. Apologies – nil

1) Reading of the previous minutes.

- a) Minutes of Annual General Meeting part 2 held at Raymond Terrace Clubrooms on 03/02/2015 – The Chair read the minutes.
- b) **Moved as a true record by**, Allan Wilmot - seconded by – Brian Walters - All in favour.

2) Business arising from the minutes – Nil

3) Correspondence in.

- a) Application to join the Fed from Mark Hawkins. To be dealt with in general business.
- b) Notice of a Pigeon Seminar to be held at Kogarah RSL Club
- c) A copy of a 2011 subcommittee report from Central Cumberland regarding a report on the possible causes to a smashed 800 km race from Galah. To be dealt with in general business.

Ring Transfers – Tim Fawcett to Geoff Garland, Marty Martins to M&D Watt, Steve Bell to M&D Watt, Allan Wilmot to M&D Watt, Brian Crowe to M&D Watt, Dave Hunter to M&D Watt, Craig Mason to W Sherbak, Graham Walters to Peter Edman, Len Johnson to Peter Edman, Peter Van Clemenput to Bob Hawkins, John Bowie to Bill Collins, Terry Bradbury to Allan Wilmot.

Correspondence moved to be action as required – by M Watt second B Walters

4) Treasurer's report

Paul Bettens presented a statement of the clubs accounts for February.

As at the 31/01/15

Opening Balance 1/02/15 **\$ 15,619.01**

Receipts

Membership and Race Fees from B Walters, B Catling, J Buxton,	
W Sherbak, S Rippon - rings	\$ 514.00
Interest	\$ 3.48
Total Receipts including opening balance	\$ <u>16,136.85</u>

Expenditure -

Bank Transaction Fee	\$ 0.25
Motor charge	\$ 10.42
Total Expenses	\$ <u>10.67</u>

Closing balance @ 28/2/15 - **\$16,126.18**

Paul reminded members that race fees are due to be paid prior to the first race.

The Chair asked that the statement be moved as a true and correct record – Herb Samuels, Second – W Scherbak - All in favour

5) Race Schedule Release Time

Herb Samuels tabled a copy of the 2005 south Race Schedule AND Moved that the liberation times be adopted for the 2015 schedule. Seconded by Alan Wilmont. Steve Baily spoke in favour of the motion. Stan Rippion spoke against the motion stating that young bird need all the time they can get to become familiar with their surroundings prior to liberation.

The Chair put the motion to the meeting – 3 for 8 against. Motion Lost.

6) Junior Races and the 5 Bird club.

Tony Davis advised the meeting that the motion as passed at the AGM regarding junior birds and the 5 bird club, in its present state, if applied will place either or both the senior and or junior flyer at a disadvantage once that there is less than 10 birds basketed. See below.

The new rule as passed at the AGM – item 14 “Birds nominated for the “junior races” cannot be entered in the opens section” - Steven Bailey – Seconded by Terry Condran - 17 for 5 against. Motion Passed.

Tony advised the meeting that we need to revisit this motion as the original intent was never to disadvantage any flyer. The Chair agreed that this was not the intention. After a short discussion it was proposed by the Chair that the rule not apply if 9 or less birds are basketed. Seconded by Alan Wilmont

The Chair put the motion to the meeting – 6 for 1 against. Motion Passed.

7) Vaccination of Pigeons

All delegates were reminded to ensure that all members vaccinate there birds and that the statutory declarations are required from all clubs, certifying that all members have vaccinated there birds. This must be provided to the Fed Secretary prior to the first race.

8) Liberation Policy Committee meeting – 7:00 PM Hexham Bowling Club – 17/3/15

9) Next Meeting – To be held at Adamstown club rooms on Tuesday 7/04/15

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Certified as a true copy.

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S. Rippon President

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Tony Davis Secretary