

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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Delegates Meeting

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Location - Maitland Club Rooms 04/010/18 start 1905 hrs

1. Chair welcomed members to the meeting. 21 members Present

2. Apologies – Tim Fairfax, Stan Rippon, Greg Jack

3. Reading of Minutes of 04/09/18 - Delegates Meeting.

In the absence of the President, Alan Wilmot Vice President took the Chair and read the minutes to the meeting.

4. Business arising from the minutes.

Nil –

The Chair asked that the minutes be accepted as true and correct, Moved, J Bates, Seconded, C Newton. All in favour.

5. Correspondence in

Email from the Australian Pigeon Board regarding the Roto Vaccine progress and the requirement to supply bird numbers to determine supply and demand requirements.

Email from Shane Brown requesting that he be allowed to fly every second race and only pay half the race fees. To be added to AGM agenda and determine at AGM.

Email from Paul Gibbs providing details of a Pigeon Convention to be held in Sydney in Mark 2019. Details and information brochure added to the Website.

Email from the Australian Pigeon Board acknowledging receipt of our email to the Board.

Letter was tabled from Lake Macquarie Combine, signed by T Condran, M Clements and P Wilson. To be discuss in general business.

Application from Mitchell Condran to join the Fed.

A nomination from Brian Walters nominating himself for the liberation committee. Seconded by Terry Condran. To be added to the AGM

Voting papers for 1 or 2 rounds handed in. to be dealt with in General Business.

Correspondence out

Email to Shane Brown advising that his request will be added to the AGM determination.

Email to Australian board seeking clarification on supply, administration, cost and expected delivery of the Roto vaccine.

6. Treasurer's report

In the absence of the Treasurer the Secretary presented the following report.

Main Operating account 135221

Period of September 2018 - Balance C/Fwd. 03/09/18 \$ 16,540.30

Income

Deposits (fees, surplus, etc.) \$778.00

Interest \$1.10

Total Expenditure

Fuel (transfer to truck account), Race Expenses. \$5652.80

Balance as per Westpac Statement at 09/10/2018 \$ 11,666.60

Truck maintenance account 230894

Period of September 2018 - Balance C/Fwd 03/09/18 \$ 1834.10

Income (deposit from main account) \$ 4000.00

Interest \$0.13

Expenditure \$3690.88

Balance as per Westpac Statement at 09/10/2018 - \$2,143.35

The Chair asked that the Financial Report as tabled be accepted as true and correct,

Moved W Scherbak, Seconded, Z Rankovic. All in favour.

7. Race reports

The Race reports for Byron Bay, 28/8 & 1/9, Redcliff, 9/9, 14/9 & Redcliff National 14/9, Marybrough 22/9 & Gympie 22/9. The results were read to the meeting and ratified as true and correct by the Race Secretary and the winners congratulated.

The Chair requested that someone that we accept the results - Moved: B Collins, Seconded J Bates: All in favour.

Summary of the winners:

NCF Cup – 1st C & J Newton, 2nd M & R Clement, 3rd W Scherbak

Sprint Series – 1st C & J Newton, 2nd M & R Clement, 3rd M & D Watt.

Mid Distance – 1st M & R Clement, 2nd C & J Newton, 3rd A Maas.

Long Distance - 1st C & J Newton, 2nd M & D Watt, 3rd W Scherbak

5 Bird Championship - 1st M & R Clement, 2nd T & L Davis, 3rd Brandabor & Condran

All results are on website.

8. General Business:

(a)

Letter from Lake Macquarie Members

The Secretary read the letter to the meeting, which states “we the members of Lake Macquarie Racing Pigeon Club”.

In summary the letter questioned the powers of the Liberation committee and Executives of Federation in regards to changing, postponing and cancelling races.

They suggest that they believe the Executive has blatantly misused there power and have dictated to the general membership.

This letter included submitting a rescission motion on parts of the liberation/Constitution policies and procedures.

This also includes a proposal that the Liberation Committee should not include any member of the Executive, with exception of the current President.

Peter Edmans asked if this was view was supported by Lake Macquarie Combine, as he was not advised of any meeting. The Secretary also a member of Lake Macquarie asked if there was a meeting held and if so why weren't Peter and I advised.

To this Terry Condran advised that we were not there when it was decided to write the letter.

After seeking further clarification, they, Terry Condand, Malcolm Clement and Phil Wilson, advised that this was the view of their clubs, Cardiff, Wallsend and Lake Macquarie, whom they represent as Fed delegates.

The Secretary expressed concerns regarding the allegations and advised that the Liberation Committee and the Feds Executive have acted in full compliance with the policies and procedures as detailed in the constitution and relevant procedures.

Terry Condran asserted that the races should have went ahead as scheduled, stating that racing would have been successful if the birds were up there, and liberated on Tuesday.

The Secretary and the other members of the liberation committee advised that there was no way the birds could have been liberated or a race being held due to the forecast conditions and actual weather on the days proposed, were way out side of the liberation procedures and guidelines.

The Secretary advised that he has access to all the forecasts and the actual data day by day in 30 minute intervals, from the BOM website that support and confirms that the decisions that were taken were taken by the Liberation Committee.

Terry Condran declared that the liberation policy is bullshit, the weather forecast is hopeless, and advised that the current members of the liberation committee will be voted out, and that we need to go back to the old days and just send the bird regardless of the forecast.

The Chair call a halt to discussion, it was agreed that this issue will not be resolve at this meeting and will be added to the AGM agenda.

(b) Vaccine Requirements

The Secretary advised that he will place on the website 2 form 1 for PMV and Pox and 1 of Roto vaccine requirement. He requested that they be filled out and returned by the 26/10/18 so the order can be placed and a response sent back to the Australian Board re our Roto vaccine requirements.

(c) New Member Application

Mitchell Condran has applied to join the Fed. A question was raised about members flying from the same loft and what the rule is regarding voting.

The Secretary advised that he is not aware of any voting restriction or limit on members identified in the constitution.

Terry advised that he intends to fly a separate clock. There was no objection as to becoming a member. The Secretary advised that question regarding voting rights will need to be determine and clarified.

(d) Items to be added to the AGM Agenda

- Increase bird number from 24 to 30
- Add Sani Chick to the truck water to prevent disease spread.

Members are advised if the wish to have any issue or item discussed and voted on at the AGM they must put it in writing and email, post or deliver it to the Secretary by the end of December.

<u>Fed Breeders Plates Dates</u>	<u>LM Breeders Plate Dates</u>	<u>Coalfields B/Plate Dates</u>
LMC 03/11/18 Sat	LMC – 09/12/18 Sun	Cess - 12/01/19 Sat
Ad/town 15/12/18 Sat	LMC – 12/01/19 Sat	
Cess 13/01/19	AGM to Follow sale	

Meeting Closed at 2035hrs.

Next Meeting – AGM at Cessnock club rooms 13/01/19 commencing 1000 hrs aprox.

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S. Rippon President

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Tony Davis Secretary