Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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General Meeting

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Location - Adamstown Club Rooms 02/05/17 start 7.00 pm

1. Welcoming of Members – Chair welcomes all present – 35 Members present

2. Apologies – nil

3. Reading of Minutes of 04/04/17.

The Chair read the minutes if the meeting. The Chair asked if there were any business arising from the minutes.

Terry Condran queried to the wording of the motion he moved regarding delaying the start of Race season.

The Secretary re-read the motion as printed and it was agreed that he had incorrectly recorded the motion as proposed and passed in the minutes.

The motion was then reworded to the following; moved by Terry Condran that due to the uncertainty of the virus spreading, we abandon the first round of the race schedule and look at planning to race the second round. (18.06.17) Seconded – Mal Clements – All in favour.

The Secretary apologised and advised that the correction will be made and the minutes updated without delay.

The Chair asked, is there any further questions or issues regarding the meeting minutes as read and amended? As there were no further objections, the Chair requested that the minutes be accepted as true and correct record.

Moved by Brian Walters, Second – Alan Wilmot, - All in favour

4. Correspondence In/Out

Ring transfers – B Walters to Peter Edmans, Geoff Hacket to Brian Walters, Pat Kiem to G Walters

5. Treasurer's report

Account 135221 Main Fed Operating Account as at 30/04/2017

Opening Balance	31/03/2017	<u>\$ 15,649.93</u>
Income March		
Interest		1.15
Balance C/Fwd.		Total \$ 15,561.08

<u>Expenditure</u>		
M&R Clement Truck Fund		500.00 1000.00
Total Expenditure, April	Total	\$1500.00
Balance as per Westpac Statement 30/04/2017		\$14,151.08

Truck Fuel / Maintenance Account. Westpac Account 230894

Opening Balance 31/03/2017		<u>\$ 1,089.61</u>
Income March. Transfer from Main Account Interest	<u>Total</u>	\$ 1000.00 <u>0.00</u> \$ 1000.00
Expenditure		
OT Tyres Cardiff NRMA Insurance	Total	\$ 272.50 \$ 1,584.01 \$ 1,856.51
Balance as per Westpac Statement 30/04/2017		<u>\$ 233.10</u>

The Chair requested that the financial accounts as presented be accepted as true and correct record.

Moved - W. Scherbach, Seconded M. Clements

The Treasurer advised that the Truck was due for a service and rego check. He presented an invoice for Green Slip Insurance to the Value of \$ 1163.23.

The Chair request for this be moved for payment. Moved by, T Condran, Second, B Walter – All in Favour.

The Chair advised that the Truck Driver should be paid for the time he has spent working on the truck. This was Second by Mal Clements – All in Favour.

6. General Business

Update on the Roto Virus -

Members were advised that the latest information in regards to the spread of the Roto virus which has now been confirmed in Brisbane and on the South Coast. Interestingly it has been reported that the Brisbane strain is less virulent, and that no deaths have been report, but test have proven that it is the same type of Roto Virus as confirmed in WA,SA,VIC & NSW.

Colin Walker has advised that the vaccine is progressing well and testing is continuing. He also advised that they are doing more work with the Queensland strain to determine if there are any reasons as to why it is having only mild effect on the birds, compared to the one infection the majority of the states. There are possible benefits and testing will continue.

All members are encouraged to either monitor the Fed web site or go to Colin Walkers, Mark White web sites for the most accurate information.

It was noted that there are multiple comments and opinions on the various chat rooms, face book etc., that are offering a vast array of information, that in the most part are not correct nor supported by any factual information and is miss leading.

Racing Start Date -

Chris Newton moved that we should not make a decision to race until the June Meeting; this was seconded By John Banfield

This generated a lot of discussion as some of the members felt that we have committed to start race as per moved by Terry Condran at the April meeting, the start date being 18/6/17.

The secretary advised that the motion as passed at the AGM 2 – "to comply will the requirements and recommendations of the ANRPB and the DPI, and this will stand until either the vaccine is released, and or there is a change in the recommendations from the ANRPB and the DPI.

This statement raised a number of issues from the floor suggesting that this should be voted on how as we have plenty of members present.

The Chair reminded the members that this was a delegates meeting and that the only way the motion as passed at the AGM could be rescinded was via the calling of a Special General Meeting.

The Secretary read the clause from the constitution and advised that they will need to put their proposal in writing, and that it will need to be signed by a minimum of 5 financial members. They were further advised that they will need a majority of 75% to be successful.

There was eventually acceptance on the requirements and the Secretary gave assurance to the meeting that once received he will post notice of the meeting. It was determine that the meeting could be held on 23/5/17 location to be advised.

Meeting Closed at 2015 hrs.

Next Meeting - to be held at Lake Macquarie club rooms 6/6/17 commencing

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S. Rippon President

Tony Davis Secretary