

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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General Meeting Lake Macquarie 13.10.15

Meeting commenced at 7:05pm with 24 Members present. Apologies – nil

1) Reading of the previous minutes.

Minutes of General Meeting held at Adamstown Clubrooms on 01/09/2015
The Chair read the minutes.

Moved as a true record by, Chris Newton - seconded by B Walters- All in favour.

2) Business arising from the minutes – Nil

3) Correspondence in.

- Letter from Central Coast Federation regarding exploring options to race the last 4 races together.
- Letter from Alan Limeburner making application to join and race with the NCF
- Proposed race schedules

4) Correspondence out. - Nil

5) Treasurer's report

The Treasurer presented a statement of the clubs accounts for August.
Note, this was sent via email on 14/09/15 as original was left at home. To be accepted at December Meeting.

As at the 30/09/15 Main Fed Operating Account

Opening Balance 1/09/15 **\$ 16,970.07**

Receipts/ Income

Toss, Fed, Fees, and Surplus & Application Fees	\$	210.00
Blue & Gold band sales	\$	200.00
1&2 Bird payment	\$	240.00
Basket Sales	\$	400.00
Newcastle 5 Bird	\$	75.00
Interest	\$	2.54
	\$	<u>1,227.54</u>

Total Receipts including opening balance **\$ 18,097.61**

<u>Expenditure -</u>	
Roaming Toll	\$ 75.00
Prize Money Payments	\$ 5,288.00
Liberation Costs	\$ 1,070.00
Cheque to A Wilmont	\$ 36.00
Truck Fuel & Maintenance account	\$ <u>1,100.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ <u>7,569.00</u>
Closing balance @ 30/9/15 -	\$ <u>10,528.61</u>

Truck Fuel & Maintenance Account

Opening Balance 1/09/15	\$ 1,072.73
Receipts/ Income	
12/8/15 fund transfer from main Fed Acc.	\$ 600.00
20/8/15 fund transfer from main Fed Acc.	\$ 500.00
Interest	\$ 0.19
Sub Total	\$ 1,100.00
Total Receipts including opening balance	\$ 2,172.92
Expenditure -	
Fuel Purchases 7/9 to 21/9/15	\$ 1,495.76
Total Expenses	\$ <u>1,495.76</u>
Closing balance @ 30/9/15	\$ <u>1,038.76</u>

The Chair asked that the statement as presented be moved as a true and correct record Moved. – , Second – - All in favour

6) General Business

A) Race Results

The Race Secretary presented the results as being ratified as correct. The results for the last 3 races, Eden 21/8 – Rob Marshall Challenge, Orbost 29/9, Orbost 5/9 Race 1 – 2 Bird, Orbost Race 2 – Rob Marshall Challenge & JM Produce Stakes.

The results were read to the meeting by the Chair and the winners and place getters congratulated.

The official results are available on the Fed's website.

The Treasure moved that all prize monies be paid into the winners bank accounts. Moved. – Alan Wilmont, Second – Brian Walters - All in favour.

B) Application to join Federation.

An application was present to the meeting for Allan Limeburner to join the Federation. The chair call for vote - All in favour – welcome Alla

C) Letter from Central Coast Federation

The letter was read to the meeting and discussed, the consensus was that we agree in principal to support the proposal. Tony Davis Moved – That we prepare our race schedule and forward the draft to the CCF.

As our schedule will not be ratified until the AGM it is proposed to put the suggestion of possibly liberating the last 4 races or 6 race with the CCF to the members at the AGM. This was seconded by B Walter. All in favour.

D) Proposal to hold a race with the SCF, CCF & NCF

Peter Edman proposed to the meeting that as the 3 federation were all racing the same direction that we look at the possibility of hold a combined race. Peter advised that he had made preliminary enquires with the feds and that there was support.

He suggested that the race would need to be from a race point that all 3 feds to trap on the day, Byron Bay or Yamba would be ideal subject to consensus with the feds.

Peter further suggested that the Race could be called the East Coast Union National. The proposal was formally moved by Alan Wilmont, seconded by B Walters and agreed to by all.

Tony Davis and Peter to contact the feds to gain support. Once the race schedule is agreed, we can formally peruse the proposal and gain agreement on the management of, entry fees etc. Progress to be reported at the AGM

E) Race Schedule proposals for 2016

A number of proposals we presented to the Meeting. Tony Davis advised that there will be a meeting in November to sort out the schedules and prepare some option to be presented and voted on at the AGM in December.

This meeting will only deal with matters associated with the Race Schedules, delegates and interested members are encouraged to attend and participate.

F) Prize Cards

Tim Fairfax asked the meeting if there has been any progress regarding the supply and issuing of prize card.

Mick Watt advise the meeting that the cards have been ordered and that all outstanding card will be issued in due course.

G) No Confidence in Liberation Committee

Terry Condran advised the meeting that a large number of Lake Macquarie members were not happy with the national being moved from the schedule date and also that the Philip Island race was liberated from Welsh Pool.

Terry requested that these be added to the agenda of the AGM. The Chair asked Terry if he wished to discuss this now. Terry advised that he will raise his concerns at the AGM and the he will be moving a motion of no confidence in the liberation committee.

Tony Davis advised that this will be added to the agenda.

H) Fed Breeders Plate Sale Dates

- Lake Macquarie, Friday 30/10/15 to start at 7:00 pm
- Adamstown, Saturday 21/11/15 – Start 9:30 – Mick Watt advised that this sale will have birds from Grenfell and other areas to confirm.
- Raymond Terrace Sunday 6 /12/15 – Start 9:00 AGM to follow
- January 2016, location and date TBA
- *Note - Lake Macquarie Sale dates – 11/10, 8/11, 13/12 – basket from 9:30 sale @ 11:00*

Notifications

Steve Baily advised the meeting that John Houston will be auction his birds due to ill health on the 22/11/15 at Cessnock. Steve advise that they are looking to raise \$1000 to purchase some medical equipment.

Notice of AGM.

Tony Davis advised members wishing to add an item or proposal to the AGM agenda are to be provided in writing to the Secretary by the Friday 27/11/15.

Please note new email address anthony.davis100@outlook.com

The AGM Agenda will be posted on the Fed web site on Saturday 28/11/15

The AGM will be held at Raymond Terrace Club rooms on Sunday 6th December at after the Breeders Plate Sale. Check website for updates.

Next Meeting – To be held at Raymond Terrace Club rooms on Sunday 6th December at after the Breeders Plate Sale. Sale starts at 0900

Meeting Closed 8:30pm

Certified as a true copy.

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S. Rippon President

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Tony Davis Secretary