

Newcastle & Coalfields Racing Pigeon Federation Inc.

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Delegates Meeting

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Zoom Meeting 08/07/21 start 1900 hrs

1. Chair welcomed members to the meeting. 14 Members Present.

2. Apologies – nil

3. Reading of General Meeting Minutes of 08/06/21.

The Chair read the previous minutes to the meeting.

4. Business arising from the minutes. – nil

The Chair asked that the minutes be accepted as true and correct, Moved, Jay Newton, Seconded, Alan Wilmot. All in favour.

5. Correspondence in/out –

- Ring transfers received and passed to the Ring Secretary.

6. Treasurer's report

Main Operating account 135221 - Period of June – July 2021

<u>Balance C/Fwd</u>	<u>08/06/21</u>	<u>\$ 30,587.09</u>
Income (Membership, Race Fees etc)		\$ 1479.00
Interest		\$ 0.00
Total Expenditure (Australian Birdkeepers Membership).		\$ 225.00
<u>Balance as per Westpac Statement at 06/07/21</u>		<u>\$ 31,841.09</u>

Truck maintenance account 230894 - Period of June – July 2021

<u>Balance C/Fwd</u>	<u>08/06/21</u>	<u>\$ 2051.86</u>
Income (deposit from main account)		\$ 0.00
Interest		\$ 0.00
Expenditure (Fuel, etc)		\$ 1307.00
<u>Balance as per Westpac Statement at 06/07/21</u>		<u>\$ 744.57</u>

The Chair asked that the Treasurer's report as presented be accepted as true and correct.

Moved, W Scherbak, Seconded, A Wilmot - All in favour.

7. General Business:

(a) Race Results

The Race Secretary advised that he has checked the results proceeded to read the results to the meeting. The winners were congratulations. The Chair asked that the results be moved as true and correct. Moved A Wilmot, seconded Brett George

(b) Voting of 1 or 2 round 2022 South West Route and Schedule

Voting slips were received from 52 members the count was taken and the results are: - 1 Round 31, 2 rounds – 21. 1 round for 2022

There was general discussion regarding race points for the race schedule. It was discussed that it has been a long time since the Fed has races the southwest route, and that we will need to do some research to determine what the schedule will look like and to ensure that each location will have the required access and amenities for the truck and liberator.

The Chair moved that we form a sub-committee to review all schedule proposals and to prepare a proposal for the next meeting. Seconded by Mick Watt.

The Chair asked for Nominations, Greg Jack, the Chair and Bill Collins, nominate, Delegates are requested to send nominations to the secretary if anyone else is interested.

(c) Basketing Allocations

The Secretary advised that the LMC will require a couple of additional baskets as we now have 14 flyers, the original allocation was based on LMC only having 12 flyers. The Chair advised that 2 extra baskets will be allocated from Newcastle club.

(d) Thursday Night Basketing

The Treasurer asked if we could consider changing the Gilgandra races back to Friday Night basketing as opposed to Thursday night basketing. There was general discussion regarding the time it takes to get there and ensuring that the birds get adequate rest. After some general discussion, Greg Jack moved that we basket early on Saturday and race Sunday, as this will allow for additional travel time and ensure that the birds can be rested prior to liberation. Seconded by Jay Newton.

The Chair called for a vote – 3 for – 6 against. Motion failed. Basket for Gilgandra will be Thursday as per schedule.

(d) Fed Tosses

The Secretary advised the meeting that the Fed tosses are not being supported. He advised that a couple of clubs are using private tossing units to get their birds away, and as such members have been supporting the private entities.

The issue is that Fed tosses are in jeopardy as we are not getting the required numbers to make it viable.

In saying this he made the point that the private operators are providing a service at a cost, which is fine, but when they are competing and operating in direct competition on the same day as the advertised Fed toss, this practice disadvantages the other members of the Fed members who rely on educating their birds on the Fed truck.

He advised that all members of the Fed should endeavour to support the Fed Truck. The Chair concurred as did the Treasurer. That we have no issue with whatever arrangements members make to train and toss their birds, but we expect that the members would support the Fed tosses to ensure we can continue to provide a cost-effective service for the entire federation.

(e) Breeders Plate Sale

The Treasure asked if we are planning on having breeders plate sale. The was general support for the sales to recommence, and it was agreed that we need to agree on some dates and advertise them on the website. To be discussed at the next meeting.

(f) QR Codes Required for all Club Rooms.

The Secretary advised that all clubs need to display a QR code at all club houses. This is now a mandated requirement; all clubs must comply with the updated Government Covid safety requirements. The Secretary advised that it is easy to do. He advised that he would forward all clubs a link to the Government website, if you have any issue please contact. This must be in place by next Monday.

He advised that all clubs are responsible to ensure that all members and visitors to your club rooms are fully briefed to the Covid safe plan, that they sign in and out and wear the required PPE.

(g) Pigeon Painting

Bill Collins advised that another pigeon has be painted, using permanent markers, this has been happening for a while. I think that we have now had 3 over the last couple of years. He asked that this practice is not funny and should stop. There was agreement that who ever is doing it should stop.

We will see if the fetish will continue, it only appears to be affecting stray birds that happen to land at the artists loft or residence. So, whoever Rembrandt is, the joke has run its course.

Meeting Closed at 20:30 hrs.

Next Meeting via Zoom 3/8/21 at 1900

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S. Rippon President

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Tony Davis Secretary