

Annual General Meeting of the North Road Combine Inc.



Meeting held on 26th February 2017 at Zammit Oval, Deception Bay.

Before commencing the AGM Wayne asked if anyone had any objections with the manner in which the AGM was called and the fact that the nomination sheets were sent out late due to Denise being in hospital at that time. There were no objections.

Present; Garry White, Jeff Kissane, Ian McKenzie, Tony Piromalli, Dave Hazelwood, David Cheetham, Ian Green, Bob Holloway, Chris Matthews, Elsie Parish, Bev Oberthur, Allen Hayes, Paul Hawkins, Rodney Brady, Mick Debono, Paddy Kissane, Goran Maric, Lambert Hannessen, Bob Larson, Peter Dykstra, Dave Dwyer, Shane Smith, Peter Duscha, Graham Duscha, Peter Woodward, Micheal Mercieca, Ian Cree, Wayne Buckingham, Ron McKiernan, Joe Reeves, Neal Rose, Phil Lawrie, David Christensen, Bob Wilkinson, Rodney Brady, Gordon Oswald.

Apologies; Wayne Kelso, Daniel Piggott, Les Oberthur, Neil Griffiths.

Meeting opened at 11.18 am.

Minutes of the previous year's AGM was read. Moved to be accepted by Shane Smith, seconded by Mick Debono. Carried.

Wayne Buckingham the President then declared all positions vacant and asked the Vice-Chairman Ian Cree to take the chair. Ian then thanked Wayne for all the good work he had done for the last year and called for nominations for President.

Nominations were read out for;

President; Wayne Buckingham was nominated by Bob Wilkinson, seconded by Peter Dykstra. All in favour. Carried.

Vice President; Ian Cree was nominated by Bob Wilkinson, seconded by Micheal Mercieca. All in favour. Carried.

Secretary; Micheal Mercieca was nominated by Bob Wilkinson, seconded by Peter Dykstra. All in favour. Carried.

Treasurer; Ron McKiernan was nominated by Bob Wilkinson, seconded by Peter Dykstra. All in favour. Carried.

Race Secretary; Joe Reeves was nominated by Ian Cree, seconded by Shane Smith. David Dwyer was nominated by Wayne Buckingham, seconded by Ron McKiernan. A secret ballot took place. David was successful 19-16.

Ring Secretary; Ian Cree was nominated off the floor, and accepted. All in favour.

Benzing Clock Committee; Vicki Wilkinson, Bob Wilkinson and Joe Reeves, accepted the position.

Mega Clock Committee; Shane Smith and Allen Hayes, accepted the positions.

Breeders Plate Committee; Ian Cree and Micheal Mercieca.

It was moved that next year's Breeders Plate be cancelled until there is a vaccine for the virus.

Crate Cleaning Committee; Bob Wilkinson, Ian Cree, Dave Hazelwood, Lambert Hannessen, Chris Matthews and Joe Reeves accepted the position.

Liberation Officer; Wayne Buckingham spoke about the two previous Liberation Officers receiving a fair bit of unfair criticism. Then asked the meeting to endorse the Management Committee to do the job for the 2017 season. The majority was in favour.

Chris Matthews then thanked the outgoing Liberation Officer, Shane Smith for a job well done.

Health Officer; Joe Reeves was nominated by Ron McKiernan, seconded by Ian Cree. Joe accepted the position. All in favour.

The President then told the meeting that there was another nomination from David Christensen, the original nomination form that had been sent out to him had been changed. It is deemed null and void. A discussion took place on how the Management committee is formed Ian Cree then decided to stand down from his position as Vice-President. Ian Cree then nominated David Christensen for Vice-President, seconded by Joe Reeves. The President then asked who was in favour 19 for 9 against. The rest abstained from voting.

Notice of Motions;

From Bob Wilkinson stated that I would like to move a notice of motion for the NRC annual meeting that the Sunshine Coast be accepted for transport only, with the birds being released 30 minutes after mass liberation for the 2017 season. My reason for this notice of motion is that I believe that because of the angle of the coast together with the short distance flown it gives them an unfair advantage as well as changing the direction of flight creating problems for fair competition in our club. Went to the vote and was defeated, majority against, 12 in favour.

From Bob Holloway – Only one flying team to one postal address and rules to be put in place to accommodate this. Was voted on and defeated, majority against, 5 in favour.

From Wayne Buckingham- That the North Road Combine fly the north route each year. Defeated, majority against, 6 in favour.

From Dave Dwyer- Moved that people who hold the positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer for at least 3 years be exempt from paying cartage fees while continuing to hold their positions. Peter Dykstra rescinded his seconding of this motion.

Joe Reeves moved an amendment to this motion stating that the Secretary to be exempt from paying any cartage fees, the President and Treasurer be given \$100 each. Moved by Joe Reeves, seconded by Dave Dwyer. We voted for the Secretary part first, majority in favour, 2 against. The second part President and Treasurer majority in favour, 3 against.

From Dave Christensen – Moved that the North Road Combine give approval for members using the Benzing electronic systems to utilise Benzing Live functionality in all pigeon races operating on the NRC race programme. ie. This applies to all club and combine races. After a fairly lengthy discussion it was voted on and the majority was for it and 3 against. Successful.

Meeting closed at 12.55 pm.