

NRC INC. MANAGEMENT MEETING OF ALL CLUBS.

Meeting held on 6th March 2015
at Zammit Oval, Deception Bay.

Meeting opened at 7.00 pm.



PRESENT; John Bowtell, Trevor Sproxton, Mike Strano, Barry Turner, Keith Luke, Michael Hooker, Frank Bryan, Ian Dowd, Wayne Buckingham, Phil Trevethan, Ron McKiernan, Micheal Mercieca.

APOLOGIES; Nil.

Minutes of the last meeting were read. Moved by Phil Trevethan, seconded by Ron McKiernan that they be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES; Keith Luke explained that his intentions were never to represent the NRC or any other clubs when a personal conversation between himself and Len Vanderlin was taken out of context.

TREASURER'S REPORT; Ron gave an outline of the NRC's financial status which explained a zero profit, in fact probably running at a small loss for the next financial year. The NRC has no option but to raise the cartage fees for 2016 racing season. All the club representatives understood the situation as fees have not risen for 4 years. Two suggestions were put forward for raising money. A stock bird auction and shortening the programme to suit the budget were suggested.

GENERAL BUSINESS; The Chairman outlined what happened at the AGM. A notice of motion from Wayne Buckingham to put certain criteria in place for tossing on race day was explained in depth. Keith Luke asked whether it would affect their short distance series run by the south side. Wayne explained there would be no impact whatsoever on their short series.

Notice of Motion to change the line of flight. Barry Turner from the North Gold Coast club made it quite clear that their club wished to remain racing the current line of flight which is north. He also stated that his club is more than happy with the current arrangements with the North Road Combine. Do not change anything. Keith Luke also stated that Logan wished to race the current line of light which is north, as they feel it is the fairest line of flight. Knowing that the line of flight is north every year gives the organisation stability. Keith Luke then stated "Why fix something that is not broken". John Bowtell on behalf of the Sunshine Coast said that when invited to be transported by the North Road Combine, he associated the name as going north every year and it was unique and gives stability in knowing that your line of flight is not going to change every year. Ian Dowd from the Gold Coast club said his club is happy to fly the current line of flight and feels changing the line contradicts

putting Townsville on the programme as it will take 2 to 3 years to be flown successfully. Michael Hooker from Phoenix remarked that most of the arguments that raise their heads at AGM's are through change of flight. Leave it as it is, there are no arguments. Mike Strano from Sunshine Coast explained that if you were to fly a NNW line your fuel costs would rise, and you stated earlier that funds are short. He discussed, then asked the meeting was there a fairer way to do calculations for results. Wayne then responded by saying that the way we do the results was the fairest way.

Wayne then gave an in depth report on the modifications that are being done to the truck and trailer by Paul Hawkins.

Wayne advised the meeting that the PMV vaccinations are still compulsory. Wayne explained that the water tanks on the truck and trailer should be sterilised every week. Barry Turner from the North Gold Coast stated that the water tank on the trailer has been sterilised every week by them.

Ian Dowd asked that all clubs have an input in the stock bird auction as the money raised benefits everybody and their pigeons.

A date suggested for the stock bird auction is Monday 13th June. Could clubs please give me feedback as to whether this date is suitable or not as it is a public holiday. Any donations of birds please ring Ian Dowd or Micheal Mercieca with details. Looking forward to your support.

A discussion took place on how we can socialise together for one weekend in the race season. The obvious weekend was the weekend of the Grizzle race as everyone is invited to participate in this race. This race is scheduled for 1st August, it was suggested that clock off take place on Sunday, time to be advised, at Zammit Oval this year with a rotation system for the future years. A BBQ will be provided by the hosting club each year.

Kiwi is to be contacted by the North Road Combine for the transportation of the south side pigeons to Zammit Oval.

A discussion took place on the three tosses added to schedule. These tosses were designed for your long distance birds. Clubs to indicate numbers and payment made for crates two weeks prior to toss date. Birds will leave from Deception Bay Bowls Club on Saturday night no later than 9 pm.

Keith Luke proposed that we have a Metropolitan Championship, leaving the overall result in its entirety, and this will be discussed at the next NRC Inc. General Meeting.

We were made aware that Rockhampton is flying the southern line this year.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Wayne Buckingham;

Micheal Mercieca;