NRC General Meeting. 12th December 2012.

<u>Present</u>; W Bore, D Cheetham, E Parish, M Collins, P Duscha, G Duscha, L & B Oberthur, D Warry, I Cree, P Trevethan, D Dwyer, M Mercieca, R Wilkinson, G Oswald, R McKiernan, D Christensen, J Reeves, P Kissane

Apologies; B Thomas, P Dykstra, I McKenzie, D Hazelwood

Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted, Moved G Duscha, seconded W Bore.

<u>Treasurers Report</u>; \$70,817.64. Paid \$1,000 deposit on the truck, paid \$6,214 for extras on truck. Moved R McKiernan, seconded D Warry.

<u>Incoming Correspondence</u>; Email from Biosecurity, which was read to the members, giving dates the border will be open to move pigeons interstate.

Outgoing Correspondence; Get well card was sent to Bill Thomas.

<u>General Business</u>; Dave Dwyer reported that the \$10,000 interest free loan will be deposited in bank account in the next few weeks. A broad discussion on the Race Programme for 2013 took place. Secretary reported that 4 out of the 6 clubs we transport were in favour of Ian Cree's proposal. The other 2 clubs were in favour of the North Gold Coast programme. The Secretary stated that it was up to the NRC to vote on the programme they wanted to race for 2013, regardless of what the other clubs thought. The President put forth both programmes to vote on, it was unanimously decided to accept Ian Cree's programme for the 2013 race season.

Ian Cree moved a motion to start the racing season two weeks earlier to try and avoid the heat for the long races provided that the truck is ready. It was seconded by G Duscha. CARRIED.

An amendment to the motion was to start the 2013 season 1 week earlier. Was moved by G Oswald, seconded by D Cheetham. WAS DEFEATED.

Dave Dwyer moved a motion to change Agnes Waters racepoint to Miriamvale, as it is an hour less to travel. Seconded D Warry. CARRIED.

G Oswald moved to get rid of the rest week, seconded by R Wilkinson. Vote took place, it was DEFEATED.

Phil Trevethan asked the question was anything going to be put in place that all flyers using the transporter have their birds vaccinated for PMV.

Ian Cree moved that no pigeons were allowed on the truck unless they were vaccinated. Further discussion took place about this matter, and it was decided that sheets needed to be filled out, and vaccination witnessed by a member of the Management Committee, and also all birds vaccinated to have their ring numbers recorded. Seconded R McKeirnan. CARRIED

Dave Dwyer gave an update on the truck, which should be delivered next week. The unit for the back of the truck has been built in two sections and will be completed as soon as the truck is delivered. He has insulation for the ceiling. Ron McKiernan will construct the crates after the new year, he also reported that the truck will have 48 crates to give people head height to walk up the centre of the unit.

G Oswald asked if there is a limit on birds in crates. It was stated that it is better to only put 30 birds in crates to comply with the RSPCA.

R Wilkinson asked what will happen if any of the clubs get new members next year. The number of crates allocated to other clubs will remain the same in future years, if their membership increases they will have to adjust their birdage accordingly. NRC will not fly with less than a 25 bird limit again.

Ian Cree talked on a meeting that was had with local Councillor Peter Flannery, about extending and upgrading our Pigeon Club premises and also upgrading the carpark and lighting.

Meeting closed at 8pm.