

## NORTH ROAD COMBINE INC. GENERAL MEETING.

Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017, at Zammit Oval Deception Bay commencing at 10.12 am.

Present; (14) Dave Cheetham, David Christensen, Elsie Parish, Allen Hayes, Peter Dykstra, Ian Green, Joe Reeves, Shane Smith, Goran Maric, Bob and Vicki Wilkinson, Bev Oberthur, Lambert Hannessen, Peter Woodward.

Guest/s; Walter Bore, Rodney Brady, Dennis Martins

Apologies; Neal Rose, Mick Debono, Paul Hawkins,

Members were advised;

(a) that the meeting will be recorded.

(b) a proxy from Paul Hawkins was received, displayed and was made available for scrutiny on the table.

The meeting was then declared open.

### Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Business arising:

Reference Action Item; after the minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were accepted an alternate copy of the Minutes were tabled with the statement that they have been signed by the previous Secretary and President.

From Committee Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017; the minutes accepted and carried are considered a true record of events and the second version is to be retained and available on request. 6 For / 0 Against. Carried

Reference Action Item; Public Liability Insurance

From Committee Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017; Public Liability Insurance aggregate amount is \$1M Age Limit 16-80 years of age.

Reference Action Item; If Vicki votes as part of the Management Committee and it is brought to the membership can Bob vote? From Committee Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017; Only (1) member of a partnership can vote (i.e. either one but only one) on any issue.

Reference Question; Vice Presidents automatic membership to the Committee.  
Model Rule 18(1) The Management Committee of the association consists of a President, Treasurer and any other member the association members elect at a General meeting.

Recommendation from Committee Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017; the Vice President is to be nominated for the Management Committee at the next general meeting.

Nomination received for Joe Reeves as a member of the Management Committee Moved Shane Smith Seconded David Christensen

Unanimous. Carried

Adoption of the minutes of the General Meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 as tabled were received on a motion Moved Bob Wilkinson Seconded by Peter Dykstra.

Unanimous. Carried.

Motion Moved David Christensen Seconded Dave Cheetham to remove Wayne Buckingham, Michael Mercieca and Ron McKiernan as signatories off the Bank accounts and add Shane Smith, David Christensen and Joe Reeves as signatories onto the bank accounts.

Unanimous. Carried.

Inward correspondence:

- a) Presentation Request Form from Office of Fair Trading
- b) Receipt for Trailer Repairs
- c) Receipt for Drinkers
- d) Receipt for Locks
- e) Application for Membership Gordon Bashford
- f) Application for Membership Walter Bore
- g) Application for Membership Rodney Brady (tabled at meeting)
- h) Request Wayne Buckingham for return of two named crates.  
[Completed]

Business arising:

- a) Members are to give thought to any questions they have for the Office of Fair Trading (please put in writing) and a time for the presentation.
- b) Expression of thanks given by show of hands to Joe Reeves who because the accounts have not been handed over has kindly paid a number of bills and retrieved the trailer (from repairers)

Outward Correspondence;

- a) Email and Txt Requests for handover of NRC property by Saturday 3rd June to Wayne Buckingham, Mike Mercieca and Ron McKiernan.

Business arising:

- a) Access to the Bank Accounts not yet granted
- a) Access to Books and Receipts not yet granted
- a) Access to North Road Combine Facebook site not yet granted

Committee Meeting Minutes;

The Secretary read the minutes of the recently convened Management Committee meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017.

Reminder for any correspondence to the NRC is to be in writing.

Members were briefed on the liabilities from outstanding Breeders Plate money and outstanding refund requests – contrary to statements on the internet.

Members' were advised of the protocol whereby the Committee will make recommendations to the Memberships for a vote.

Business arising:

- a) Recommendation (1); Two northern flyers Dave Tester and Terry Stephens to be included in overall Combine results for this year (not necessarily permanent – to be re-assessed in a greater context and voted on again next year)

Moved Joe Reeves Seconded Shane Smith.

1 Against. Carried

- b) Recommendation (2); Direction of Flight for 2018 is South, 2019 is North and in 2020 is to be voted on in 2018 for West with the view of adding this to the constitution i.e. South / North (to be permanent) and the 3<sup>rd</sup> year West (only West to be voted on in advance every time it comes around due to the potential for reduced numbers on the transporter). If West is not carried progression through the South / North continues.

Moved Joe Reeves Seconded Peter Dykstra  
Unanimous. Carried

- c) Recommendation (3); Breeders Plate (\*Noting birds have been submitted from external to the NRC in good faith) – due to a change in direction and the previous vote; the offer of a refund (to be made in writing) is available up until 17<sup>th</sup> June but, it is up to the individual to seek approval from the breeder for the withdrawal of the bird. If the flyer is instructed by the breeder to participate in the Breeders Plate then the bird is to be flown. All refunds are to go to the breeder and not the flyers (\*Noting - other arrangements than this can be made between the two parties). To be eligible for a refund the bird is to be produced. Breeder's Plate (external) flyers will not be allocated an individual basket – shared baskets will be allocated.

A suggestion was made that fanciers may wish to donate the refunded money to the North Road Combine.

Clarification of rules reference transfer of ownership was sought and provided

Moved Peter Dykstra Seconded Ian Green

Members were asked not to vote if they are not affected by the motion.

11 For / 0 Against. Carried

\*Note: Breeder's Plate (external) flyers will not be allocated an individual basket – shared baskets will be allocated.

d) Decision (4) communicated to members; An extra crate may be available for tossing over your allocated 2 crates. Once allocated, no one is able to use another member's allocated crate – but if there are spare crates they are available for additional allocation. If you chose to take a crate to load your birds into prior to tossing you will be asked to Sign for the crate to acknowledge the crate is in good order and that you accept full responsibility for its return condition and its removal is to be verified / witnessed by a member of the Committee.

e) Recommendation (5); Fred has been contacted and advised the previous Committee agreed from this year \$180 p/d + \$25 meal allowance.

Friday basketing is considered 1 day  
Thursday basketing is considered 2 days  
Any layover / holdover is considered + 1 day

Fred advised that he was prepared to transport the expected number of birds by himself (\*Note the committee stated the Breeders Plate must have 2 liberators) Fred was advised that if he did require any help to please ask and either a roster or one off help will be provided.

The President advised the NRC cannot afford a second driver and members will be required to fill the position.

Clarification; Point (1) the Committee recommends that Fred transport the birds at the previously advised prices.

Point (2) Race Program; 2 Race weekends from each of Yarraman / Jimbour / Chinchilla with 2 Races per weekend consisting of 8:30am & 9:30am releases – clock off will be at Zammit Oval at 5pm.

4<sup>th</sup> June NRC Toss Yarraman;  
11<sup>th</sup> June NDHA / NRC combined toss;  
17<sup>th</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Yarraman (08:30am / 09:30am);  
24<sup>th</sup> June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Yarraman (08:30am / 09:30am);  
1<sup>st</sup> July 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Jimbour (08:30am / 09:30am);  
8<sup>th</sup> July 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Jimbour (08:30am / 09:30am);  
15<sup>th</sup> July 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Chinchilla (08:30am / 09:30am);  
22<sup>nd</sup> July 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Chinchilla (08:30am / 09:30am);  
See NRC results site for full details

Further discussion from the floor; because of crate allocation and existing guidelines the following will apply;

- A 25 bird limit will apply to Friday night basketing
- A 21 bird limit will apply to Thursday night basketing
- If you so choose you can allow another flyer to basket with you but the NRC will make available 2 crates per flyer if required (this will be reviewed once Thursday night basketing approaches). 1 crate will be released at 08:30am and the other crate will be released at 09:30am.

Therefore there is essentially a 25 bird limit.

Moved Shane Smith Seconded Ian Green

Unanimous. Carried

- f) Decision (7) as per previous; Two copies of the Meeting minutes – one signed by the Chair of the General Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 accepted and passed by the members present and a second signed (but not dated) by the ex-president and ex-secretary submitted after the motion was carried.

The minutes accepted and passed are considered a true record of events and the second copy will be retained and available on request. This has been recorded in the General Meeting minutes dated 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

- g) Recommendation (8); Applications for membership received from: Gordon Bashford, Walter Bore. The Committee abstained and referred to the membership for a vote.

Clarification was requested for flyers locations.

Gordon Bashford's Membership application;

Moved Lambert Hannessen Seconded Ian Green  
Unanimous. Carried

Walter Bore's Membership application;

Moved Shane Smith Seconded Joe Reeves  
Unanimous. Carried

And Rodney Brady's Membership application (received at the  
General Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017);

Moved Shane Smith Seconded Joe Reeves  
Unanimous. Carried

- h) Discussion (9) communicated to members; Reference statements; the General Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – illegal or out of order. Decision has been deferred with an action item for the secretary to provide a brief for the Committee for comment.
- i) Decision (10) communicated to members; The secretary referred himself to the committee for bringing the club into disrepute & offered to leave the room for further discussion. Answer: The decided the member has no charges to answer.
- j) Discussion (11) communicated to members; Reference the question; if Vicki votes as part of the Management Committee can Bob vote at a General Meeting? Answer: Only (1) member of a partnership can vote (i.e. either one but only one) on any issue.

- k) Decision (12) communicated to members; Only Robert Wilkinson is recorded on the handed over Register of Membership. Decision: the register is to be amended to R & V Wilkinson to reflect the universally accepted and historical nature of the partnership (dating back as far as 1985).
- l) Discussion (13) as per previous; Question raised reference Vice Presidents automatic membership to the Committee. Model Rule 18(1) The Management Committee of the association consists of a President, Treasurer and any other member the association members elect at a General meeting. Dealt with previously; the Vice President was elected earlier onto the Committee.
- m) Discussion (14) communicated to members; A replacement Ring Secretary was not nominated at the previous general meeting. Nominations were called for from the floor. Nomination received Elsie Parish (Declined) No further nominations were received.

Action Item; Shane Smith for filling the position.

Action Item; David Zhao - Rings available & waiting payment.

- n) Recommendation (15); If a social member exercises the privileges of ordinary membership i.e. they chose to vote; then the member will be invoiced the full amount of ordinary membership. If an ordinary member exercises the privileges of membership i.e. they chose to vote, fly (even only once) or take a position on the Committee then they are no longer entitled to a refund of fees.

Moved Shane Smith Seconded Peter Dykstra  
Unanimous. Carried

- o) Recommendation (19); PMV Vaccination is to be voluntary. Health management is the flyers responsibility.

Moved Ian Green Seconded David Christensen  
Unanimous. Carried



Business arising: Nil

General Business;

Shane Smith requested that he basket with the NRC but be able to present his clock as if racing within the NDHA and Paul Hawkins has requested the reverse.

Unanimous. Carried.

Question was raised from the floor; is the Truck required to be serviced at ISUZU (for warranty and cost saving reasons)? The question was referred to the Truck Committee.

Question was raised from the floor; what name is the Truck registered in? Paperwork indicates North Road Combine.

Question was raised from the floor; how are Mega clocks to be catered for?  
Action Item: Shane Smith to investigate an alternative solution.

Question was raised from the floor; is anyone intending to use an old stomper?  
Action Item: Lambert Hannessen is encouraged to use the Electronic system in the NRC due to the two races per weekend schedule.

Suggestion was raised from the floor (Bob Wilkinson); introduce a Ring Race in place of Breeders Plate. Discussion and decision Deferred.

Gorin Maric (reference Health Officer) provided a brief of his experience (studied Vet Science for 3yrs), advised that if approached he only had the best interests of the birds in mind and please don't take it personally and offered his services in the form of help or microscope work if required.

Suggested shredded paper (under the wire but on top of newspaper) be investigated to facilitate the additional removal of moisture from within the transporter.

Members were briefed on the Yarraman Toss planned for tomorrow at \$10 per crate.

Ian Green and general discussion from the floor reference Pools; Suspend the Jackpot because of this year's uncertainty, \$5 2 x Bird Nomination, \$5 Loft Pool to be offered to the Combine (not just the club).

Reminder for any / all correspondence to the NRC is to be in writing.

Any further General Business: Nil

#### Action Items

No.	Action Item	Person to Action	Action by Date	Status
1	Servicing of Truck (refer BW)	Paul Hawkins	Open	Active
2	Mega clock alternative	Shane Smith	17/6	Active
3	Replacement printer	Joe Reeves	17/6	Active
4	Address for correspondence changed	David Christensen	Open	Active
5	Ring Secretary	Shane Smith	Open	Active
6	Gordon Bashford to be advised of Membership application	David Christensen	17/06	Active
7	Gordon Oswald to be thanked for offer of taking a position	David Christensen	17/06	Active
8	Payment & collection of Rings	Shane Smith	Open	Active

#### Deferred Items

No.	Action Item	Person to Action	Action by Date	Status
1	Schedule after 6 weeks of Racing	All	Open	Active
2	Race direction of West 2020	All	2018	Active
3	Ring Race in place of Breeders Plate	Bob Wilkinson	Open	Active
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Meeting was closed at 11:42 am.

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