

SCF Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Part 1 (2.1)

held on Saturday, 3 February 2024 at 1.00 pm

Venue: Fraternity Club Sports' Lounge

- 1 **Attendance Sheet:** Attendance as per the attendance sheet
1 SCF Life Member, 32 SCF Full Members and 3 Associates
- 2 **Apologies:** 0
- 3 **Vale:** Paul Breeze, Dave Miller – *thank you message from Irene Miller to the SCF members for all the cards, flowers and support following Dave's passing last year.*

The meeting was opened by SCF President, Jeff Sheppard, who thanked everyone for coming to the AGM.

5 **SCF President's Report:** Jeff Sheppard

A great job was done again by your committee. To Julie and Bill Hider, nothing was a problem to do extra work. I can't thank them enough. To Steve Saywell and Wayne Gallagher for doing the race results. Our books and records would not be as good if it was not for the good work that Steve has done for the South Coast Pigeon Federation (SCF) over the years. To Luca and Alec Krkovski, who worked hard returning strays and doing the Ring Secretary's job, this was much appreciated. To Trevor Gasseling for sending out all our messages to members of the SCF, thank you. Dave Miller will be sadly missed by me for all the good work he did for the SCF right up to his last days. To Steve for putting his hand up to do the Auditor's job, thank you.

We had another hard year racing North. I hope the South will bring us better returns. Everyone likes to see our birds return home more than anything else. I had a friend from England call in on Wednesday and he said that their returns from 100 miles was terrible. His mate sent 25 birds and only 5 returned home on the day, his second bird returned home one hour after his first with not many home the next day. I asked him what they thought was the problem over there and he said the mobile phone towers.

The SCF truck has come together really well with a few minor troubles that we had to work through. The old truck took 32 litres to drive 100 kms, where the new truck gets 19 litres for 100 kms, very economical! Thanks go to our truck driver, Rick Irwin, for driving throughout the year.

I won't be standing as President this year. I thank everyone for the cooperation I have received from you over the years. I will miss the commitment to help the SCF progress to become a good federation for everyone.

6 Minutes of Previous AGM held on Saturday, 4 February 2023 was read to the meeting.

Moved: Peter Clarke Seconded: Luca Krkovski

6.1 Business Arising from Minutes of Previous AGM - Nil

7 Treasurer's Balance Sheet for 2023 – Julie presented to the report to the meeting.

Moved: Alan Zahra Seconded: Wayne Gallagher

7.1 Business Arising from the Treasurer's Report:

7.1.1 Honorariums – the SCF Membership AGM attendees were asked to ratify the honorariums for the 2023 SCF Committee of Management for their work over the last year. On a show of hands this was carried unanimously. The SCF Honorariums for the 2023 SCF Committee to consist of:

Number	Position	Honorarium
1	President	\$500.00
2	Vice President	\$250.00
3	Treasurer	\$500.00
4	Secretary	\$1000.00
5	Race Secretary	\$500.00
6	Assistant Race Secretary	\$250.00
7	Ring Secretary	\$500.00
TOTAL HONORARIUMS		\$3,500.00

8 Auditor's Report – Steve Saywell presented the Auditor's Report to the Meeting

21st January, 2024

Mrs. Julie Hider
Secretary
SCF Inc

Julie,

Please accept the following audit report on the financial activities for the SCF Inc during the calendar year ending on 31st December, 2023. The audit consisted of a review of the bank statements, income and expenditure statements, receipts and monthly reconciliation statements for 2023 as presented by the SCF Treasurer.

During the operating calendar year 2023 the accounts were reconciled each month. This enabled easy and accurate assessment of the accounts and their reconciliation with the SCF Bank accounts as of 31st December, 2023.

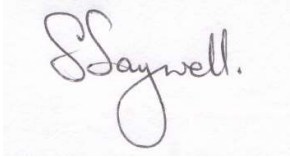
The SCF accounts and bank records, as presented to me by the SCF in my opinion reflect an accurate and true copy of business conducted by the SCF Inc during 2023. The only anomaly in the accounts was the amounts paid out for the 2023 IGBF Prizemoney. The 2022 Balance Sheet liabilities noted an amount put aside for the 2023 IGBF Race. This amount was used to determine the prizemoney for the 2023 race. During this audit it was noted that there were deposits in 2023 for Income of sales of IGBF

rings for the 2023 race. This income was not included in prize allocated for the 2023 race. The sum in question was \$360. That money has since been allocated to the prizes for this race, the prizes have been amended and the correct funds have been presented to the prize winners. This will be noted in the 2024 accounts as an expense for the 2023 season.

The 2023 Balance Sheet shows a significant reduction in funds for the fiscal year. This is directly related to the purchase of a new truck, \$154,000. There were presentations to the membership to gain approval for this expense in 2022 and 2023. The targets set at those presentations have been met with a truck being built to budget and delivered on time. The new Isuzu truck is approx 35% more fuel efficient than the previous truck and this enabled the SCF Management Committee to review racing expenses during the year and provide members with a freight refund that reflects this reduction in operating costs.

The SCF Management Committee has met the challenges of 2023 and although it has been difficult year, they have performed their duties to the benefit of the SCF membership. The SCF Secretary and Treasurer have demonstrated during the year a dedication and efficiency in how they carried out their roles that should be commended by all members of the SCF.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Saywell." The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

8.1 Business arising from Auditor's Report

8.1.1 Payment for Auditor's report - the SCF Membership AGM attendees were asked to ratify the SCF Auditor's Report for 2023. On a show of hands this was carried unanimously. The SCF Auditor, Stephen Saywell, to be paid \$200 for the audit.

9 Notices of Motions – to be sent out as Ballots to the SCF Membership

Motion 1 – Replace SCF Racing By-Law 2023 - Weekly SCF Pointscore - Number 47, 48a, 48b, 48c – Top 20 in Pointscore

The South Coast Pigeon Federation Committee would like to move, that only the top 20 flyers each week will accrue points in the Weekly SCF Pointscore. This will mean that the **CURRENT SCF Racing By-Law 2023 Number 47, 48a, 48b, 48c** as shown below will need to be replaced:

47. The Weekly SCF Pointscore system to be determined by the following allocation of points:
Flyers are awarded points corresponding to their actual finishing position in that Federation Race.
- 48a. Flyers not flying that SCF Race are awarded the corresponding points for the maximum number of SCF flyers for that season.
- 48b. Flyers not clocking in a SCF Race are awarded the corresponding points for the maximum number of flyers in that SCF Race.
- 48c. Positions are determined with the lowest points the winner.

REPLACEMENT:

SCF Racing By-Law 2023 – Weekly SCF Pointscore - Number 47, 47a, 47b, 47c to read as per the following:

47. The Weekly SCF Pointscore system to be determined by the following allocation of points:
The top 20 flyers are awarded points corresponding to their actual finishing position in that Federation Race.
- 47a. Flyers not flying that SCF Race will not be awarded any points.
- 47b. Flyers not clocking in an SCF Race are not awarded any points.
- 47c. Positions are determined with the highest points to the winner ie
 - 1st = 20 points
 - 2nd = 19 points
 - 3rd = 18 points
 - 4th = 17 points
 - 5th = 16 points
 - 6th = 15 points
 - 7th = 14 points
 - 8th = 13 points
 - 9th = 12 points
 - 10th = 11 points
 - 11th = 10 points
 - 12th = 9 points
 - 13th = 8 points
 - 14th = 7 points
 - 15th = 6 points
 - 16th = 5 points
 - 17th = 4 points
 - 18th = 3 points
 - 19th = 2 points
 - 20th = 1 point

Moved: Stephen Saywell
Seconded: Bill Hider

Motion 2 - Current SCF Racing By-Law 2023 - Rule 7 - Racing Routes to be amended to fly North-West for the 2025 Season. (Ian Sunlay)

7. Racing Routes:

- 7a. The SCF Inc. of NSW shall conduct races on the basis of two years on the Northern Route followed by two years on the Southern Route and two years about alternatively thereafter. As soon as possible the SCF Inc. of NSW Committee shall draw up a schedule of races for the relevant season.
- 7b. Northern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline north of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance
- 7c. Southern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline south of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance.
- 7d. Distances over 650 – 700km cannot be practically flown from the mainland along the southern coastline. Therefore races past this distance will be selected from a different direction by the Organising Committee.

MRS J HIDER.
The Secretary
S.C.F FEDERATION

IAN SUNLAY
BERKLEY INV. PIGEON CLUB
3-1-2024.

A MOTION & OR AMENDMENT
TO RULE 2 (1998) ?
OR TO RULE 7A (2008) ?
OR TO RULE 8A (2011)

TO BE PRESENTED TO THE 2024 SCF. A.G.M.

The Motion or Amendment pertaining to the above rule is that the S.C.F. fly the 2025 season on route called the North-West, being in the direction, i.e. OBERON, Molong, Narromine, Bourk, Cumnamulla. AS this is a new route for the S.C.F. the membership to discuss with the committee & decide on the race points so as to try & make it a successful change

Moved, IAN SUNLAY. Ian Sunlay
2ND, GRAHAM WILLIAMS J.W.

**Motion 3 – Elect the Liberation Committee for the 2024 Race Season at the 2024 AGM
(Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club)**



President: P. Clarke
Secretary: A. Southwell

The Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club would like to put the motion forward at the SCF AGM held on February 3rd 2024 that.

The Liberation Committee for the 2024 race season be elected off the floor of the SCF 2024 AGM by the attending SCF members.

Adam Southwell

Secretary

Motion 4 was deemed Out of Order by the SCF Committee, liberation times are chosen by the SCF Liberation Committee.

~~Motion 4 – Friday Night Basketing Races earlier liberation time (Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club)~~



President:
Secretary:

P. Clarke
A. Southwell

The Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club would like to put the motion forward at the SCF AGM held on February 3rd 2024.

The Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club would like to see an earlier liberation time for all Friday Night Basketing Races to give the birds more time to arrive home on race day.

Adam Southwell
Secretary

Motion 5 – change the Racing and Clock Rule number 6 Surveys to a direct survey from liberation point to SCF flyers lofts for all races from 2025. (Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club)



President: P. Clarke
Secretary: A. Southwell

The Shellies-Lake Pigeon Club would like to move the notice of motion at the SCF AGM held on 3rd February 2024 that the racing and clock rule number

6. Surveys:

The SCF Inc. of NSW shall use the Waterfall Toll Gates as a breaking point for surveys for the Northern Route, St Georges Basin as a breaking point for surveys from the Southern Route and a Direct Survey from any Western Race Point.

Be changed to the following for the 2025 season and all following seasons

6. Surveys:

The SCF Inc. of NSW shall fly a direct survey of, the distance from the liberation point to the SCF flyers loft for all SCF races held from any direction flown by the SCF in any year.

Moved: George Wiktor

Second: Jason Mathews

Adam Southwell

Secretary

Motion 6 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rules 47 to 47c regarding the weekly SCF pointscore – Top 20 Pointscore starting Thursday Night Basketing (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 1)

Dapto Homing Pigeon Club SCF 2024 AGM Notices Of Motion

At a club meeting held 09 January 2024, the members of Dapto Homing Pigeon Club discussed potential notices of motions to put before the SCF 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM). Please table the following motions to be discussed at the AGM and to be put to a ballot of all SCF members.

Motion 1 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rules 47-47c. regarding the weekly SCF pointscore.

Current Rules are (mislabelled as): **47.** The Weekly SCF Pointscore system to be determined by the following allocation of points:

Flyers are awarded points corresponding to their actual finishing position in that Federation Race.

48a. Flyers not flying that SCF Race are awarded the corresponding points for the maximum number of SCF flyers for that season.

48b. Flyers not clocking in a SCF Race are awarded the corresponding points for the maximum number of flyers in that SCF Race.

48c. Positions are determined with the lowest points the winner.

Replacement Motion: 47. The Weekly SCF Pointscore system to only commence on the first Thursday night basketing race and to be determined by the following allocation of points:

Flyers are awarded points corresponding to their actual finishing position in that Federation Race.

20 points to be awarded for first place, down to 1 point for 20th place.

47a. Flyers not flying that SCF Race are awarded no points.

47b. Flyers not clocking in a SCF Race are awarded no points in that SCF Race.

47c. Positions are determined with the highest points the winner.

Motion 7 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rule 1 concerning the holding of the AGM Eligibility to Vote and Associate members not eligible to vote on racing matters. (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 2)

Motion 2 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rule 1 concerning the holding of the AGM.

Current Rule is: 1. Annual General Meeting to be held on the 1st Saturday of February each year prior to racing for that year.

Replacement Motion: 1 AGM & Voting

1a. The Annual General Meeting to be held on the 1st Saturday of February each year prior to racing for that year.

1b. Eligibility to vote at the AGM, general meetings and in SCF ballots requires a member to have paid their membership fee for the current membership year. The membership year begins on 1 June each year and memberships expire on 31 May.

1c. Associate members of the SCF are not eligible to vote on racing matters.

Motion 8 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rules 7a – 7d concerning the routes/direction of racing to three most popular routes put to members’ ballot each year at the AGM for the following year’s racing. (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 3)

Motion 3 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rules 7a-7d. concerning the routes/direction of racing.

Current Rule is: 7. Racing Routes:

7a. The SCF Inc. of NSW shall conduct races on the basis of two years on the Northern Route followed by two years on the Southern Route and two years about alternatively thereafter. As soon as possible the SCF Committee shall draw up a schedule of races for the relevant season.

7b. Northern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline north of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance.

7c. Southern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline south of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance.

7d. Distances over 650 – 700km cannot be practically flown from the mainland along the southern coastline. Therefore, races past this distance will be selected from a different direction by the SCF Committee.

Replacement Motion: 7. Racing Routes:

7a. A discussion will be held each year at the AGM regarding potential race routes for the following years racing. A choice of three most popular routes will then be put to a ballot of eligible members to vote on as soon as practical after the AGM. A preferential voting system will be applied whereby members rank the three options in order of preference. When the SCF Committee tallies the votes, those members that voted for the least popular route as first preference, will have their second preference route counted in the ballot.

7b. Northern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline north of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance.

7c. Southern Route: To be defined as those race points flown along the coastline south of The SCF boundary with small deviations inland to accommodate a practical liberation from the appropriate point selected for that distance.

7d. Distances over 650 – 700km cannot be practically flown from the mainland along the southern coastline. Therefore, races past this distance will be selected from a different direction by the SCF Committee.

Motion 9 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rules 61-61a – use GPS to set clocks verified by two time applications (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 4)

Steve spoke about the GPS system varied by up to 2 seconds when compared to another two systems. Woonona Bulli and Towradgi have had difficulties with accessing the GPS system because of the location of their club house on the escarpment and during bad weather.

Ian Sunlay, start of the season set the master timers.

Alan Zahra, said it could take up to 10 minutes to connect to GPS.

Motion 4 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rules 61-61a. concerning setting of clocks.

Current Rule is: 61. All clocks in combine races to be started and checked to the timing pip of the phone time available on number 1194.

61a. Members arriving late on clock setting night may have their clock set up to one hour late. On checking off night all clocks are to be struck off at the designated time. Late arrivals on clock checking night are to be disqualified. In the event of extenuating circumstances, the matter may be referred to the SCF Committee on appeal.

Replacement Motion: 61. All ETS clocks in Combine races are to be started and checked using a GPS where the ETS system allows this. The time on the club system set by GPS to be confirmed against two approved time websites provided by the SCF Committee. If the club system shows a variation against the website time, the GPS is to be reset. Non ETS systems are to be set and checked against verified club system times or approved time websites.

61a. Members arriving late on clock setting night may have their clock set up to one hour late. On checking off night all clocks are to be struck off at the designated time. Late arrivals on clock checking night are to be disqualified. In the event of extenuating circumstances, the matter may be referred to the SCF Committee on appeal.

Motion 10 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rule 62d concerning reading of clocks on 2 day races – Combine clocks checked at time of club’s choosing. (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 5)

Motion 5 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rule 62d. concerning reading of clocks on 2 day races.

Current Rule is: 62d. Clubs are to check clocks at 8:00 PM on the second Day in the case of 2 day races.

Replacement Motion: 62d. Clubs are to check Combine clocks at a time of their choosing in the event of 2 or more day races, unless directed to check the clocks at a central venue.

Motion 11 – Replace the existing Racing and Clock Rules 23a and 24-24b concerning how race entry and results sheets may be provided to the SCF Race Secretary – separate entry for each flyer and digital copies of entries and results allowed (Dapto Homing Pigeon Club Motion 6)

Motion 6 – Replace the existing Racing & Clock Rules 23a & 24-24b concerning how race entry and results sheets may be provided to the SCF Race Secretary.

Current Rules are 23. All SCF Inc. of NSW Race Entry Summary Sheets must be in the hands of the SCF Inc. of NSW Race Secretary by the morning of the day after basketing.

23a. All SCF Inc. of NSW members entering an SCF Inc. of NSW Combine are to fill out a separate Combine Entry Race Form which is to be forwarded along with the Race Entry Summary Sheets to the SCF Inc. of NSW Race Secretary by the morning of the day after basketing.

24. All clock rolls and race entry forms must be in the hands of the SCF Inc. of NSW Race Secretary or race details phoned through by 10:00 PM on day of clocking in.

24a. All clock rolls and race entry forms must be delivered in a sealed envelope (signed and stamped by the club clock committee) or those results may be liable for disqualification.

24b. For those clubs phoning through the results the clock rolls and race entry forms must be delivered to the SCF Inc. of NSW Race Secretary within 3 days (usually Tuesday) of the completion of the race.

Replacement Motion - 23: All SCF Inc. of NSW Race Entry Summary Sheets must be in the hands of the SCF Inc. of NSW Race Secretary by the morning of the day after basketing.

23a All SCF Inc. of NSW members entering an SCF Inc. of NSW Combine are to fill out a separate Combine Entry Race Form which is to be forwarded along with the Race Entry Summary Sheets to the SCF Race Secretary or Assistant Race Secretary by the morning of the day after basketing. Digital copies of entry forms may be provided in lieu of the original paper form.

24: All Combine Race clock rolls or ETS clock result print-outs must be in the hands of the SCF Race Secretary or Assistant Race Secretary or race details entered on the SCF website by 10:00 PM on day of clocking in. 24a. All clock rolls and ETS clock result print-outs must be delivered in a sealed envelope (signed and stamped by the club clock committee) or those results may be liable for disqualification. 24b. For those clubs entering results on the SCF website, the clock rolls and ETS clock result print-outs must be proved to the SCF Race Secretary or Assistant Race Secretary within 3 days (usually Tuesday) of the completion of the race. Digital copies of clock rolls and ETS results may be provided in lieu of the original paper form.

8 Election of New Committee

Election of New SCF Officers 2024				
Position	Nomination	Moved	Seconded	Elected Officer
President				
Vice President				
Secretary				
Treasurer				
Race Secretary				
Assistant Race Secretary				
Ring Secretary	Luca Krkovski	Julie Hider	Bill Hider	Luca Krkovski
Auditor for 2024	Stephen Saywell	Jeff Sheppard	Julie Hider	Stephen Saywell

As there was no SCF Management Committee elected, there was no General Meeting held after the AGM.

AGM closed at 2.00 pm