South Coast Pigeon Federation Inc

Over 100 years of Pigeon Racing





SCF Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Part 2 (2.2) held on Saturday, 17 February 2024 at 1.00 pm Venue: Fraternity Club Sunken Lounge

1 Attendance Sheet: Attendance as per the attendance sheet

1 SCF Life Member, 26 SCF Full Members and 4 Associates

2 Apologies: Frank Raschilla, Graham Kerr, Rick Irwin, Jeff Henderson

The meeting was opened by SCF President, Jeff Sheppard, who thanked everyone for coming to the AGM - Part 2.

8 Election of New Committee

Position	Nomination	Moved	Seconded	Elected Officer
President	Jason Matthews	Alan Zahra	Ron Bird	Jason Matthews
Vice President	Alan Zahra	Warren Glover	Warren Hinde	Alan Zahra
Secretary	Iris Elliott	Alec Krkovski	Jason Matthews	Iris Elliott
Treasurer	Paul Barnes	Aidan Cavill	Alan Zahra	Paul Barnes
Race Secretary	Trevor Gasseling	Warren Hinde	Julie Hider	Trevor Gasseling
Assistant Race Secretary	Matt Nelson	Alec Krkovski	Greg McEwen	Matt Nelson
Ring Secretary	Luca Krkovski	Julie Hider	Bill Hider	Luca Krkovski
Auditor for 2024	Stephen Saywell	Jeff Sheppard	Julie Hider	Stephen Saywell
Trustees	Stephen Saywell Jeff Sheppard	Stuart Hancox	Bill Hider	Stephen Saywell Jeff Sheppard

AGM - Part 2 - closed at 1.35 pm

General Meeting

Driver and Liberator – Wayne Gallagher has volunteered to drive the SCF Truck for the 2024 Season. His son will assist him in the early races and from Ulladulla onwards his father, who was a pigeon flyer, has agreed to go with Wayne on the truck as the liberator.

Wayne has said he would stay at his parents' place in Ulladulla instead of staying in a hotel. This will save the SCF money paying for motels.

Tolls – Thanks went to Towradgi Homing Pigeon Club for paying the road tolls last year, which also saved money for the SCF.

New Laptop – Bill Hider suggested a new laptop be purchased for the Secretary as the old laptop takes some time to boot up. Trevor Gasseling was asked if he could assist in the purchase of the laptop.

ACTION 2.2.1: 2024 SCF Management Committee to purchase a new laptop for the SCF Secretary, Iris Elliott.

SCF Truck - Ian Sunlay requested that the back of the truck be tested for carbon monoxide.

ACTION 2.2.2: 2024 SCF Management Committee to organise air quality testing of the new SCF truck.

Direction of Racing for following year – Daniel Cavill spoke about sending out a ballot to all the SCF clubs in the second week of July each year to decide the direction of racing for the following year. Stephen Saywell spoke about changing the rules with a notice of motion, more appropriate to vote on the following year and a by-law made for the following year. Stuart Hancox thought it was a good idea to decide before flyers paired up. Others thought the ballot should be conducted later in the year.

Note: there is a current Notice of Motion 8 from Dapto Homing Pigeon Club regarding Racing Routes discussion to be held at AGM for the following year's racing direction.

2024 Racing Schedule Proposals

Schedule Distances – Warren Hinde spoke about how the current southern schedule liberation points as flown in 2022 are shorter when compared to the northern routes. Dapto Homing Pigeon Club has submitted a paper for the new SCF Committee to discuss when deciding on the 2024 Race Schedule.

Warren Glover spoke about how the Shellies-Lake proposal is a shorter schedule with 17 races from June up to 21 September 2024 as flyers may not have many pigeons left and this would ensure that the truck is full every week. Bill Hider spoke about how flyers all over the world are losing pigeons in great numbers, as populations increase and more phone towers are built. Jeff Sheppard said there weren't any combines included on the Shellies-Lake Proposal.

Jeff Sheppard has submitted a proposal similar to the 2022 Racing Schedule and has included dates for the SCF and Club CombineRaces.

ACTION 2.2.3: SCF Management Committee to decide on the 2024 Racing Schedule.

Audit - Ian Sunlay, queried if there should be an audit of the rules and regulations along with the financials and report back to the membership.

ACTION 2.2.4: SCF Management Committee to decide if the rules and regulations should be audited each year.

Benzing Live Clocks - Paul Barnes asked about Benzing Live Clock and if they can be used by our flyers. Stephen Saywell said that most people had heard about them but asked if perhaps the committee could investigate these clocks and advise the members.

National and Grand Prix – Greg McEwen suggested that the fees go up for the National and the Grand Prix. There was discussion about the Grand Prix Race, numbers have been dwindling.

Liberation Points – Paul Barnes spoke about different liberation points as he had just been down the coast on holidays. Paul noticed there were a number of places which were suitable for liberations and some were unsuitable, Jervis Bay was inaccessible.

General Meeting closed at 2.15 pm

ACTION ITEMS - SCF General Meeting (2.2) held Saturday, 17 February 2024

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