Minutes SCF Special General Meeting

Meeting Held: 12th May 2012 at – Fraternity Club opened 3.00 pm.

Present : See attandace sheet Apologies: W.Glover, A.Kerr

Guests': Dr R.Marshall

John Koster opened the meeting and gave a rundown of the agenda.

Apologies taken.

W.Gallagher presented his *Iron Bird Classic Race*. This was well received by the membership present.

As R. Marshall was running late due to traffic it was decided to move onto the next agenda item.

Discussed race direction for the 2013.

The general feeling was that we should stay away from the South for next year. Some suggestions where West, South West, or North.

G.Wiktor stated that he thought people where tired of racing North and we should try West.

J.Monteloanie thought that we should also discuss the starting date. J.Koster asked that we should first get the race direction than move forward from there.

M.Maidman stated that we should all be vaccinating and if we are than it wouldn't matter if we went south, as we are kidding ourselves if we think that PVM is going to arrive here in NSW. Was suggested that we need to wait for the trail results before moving any further forward at this Point.

Membership where asked if they would support a mid week toss. Was decided that it would be on the Tuesday with pick up starting from 730am @ Shellies. Cost will be \$5 per basket for midweek toss only.

<u>Honorarium</u>

J.Koster asked the membership about putting the honorarium up to \$750.00 for each of those that receive it now. Membership voted to increase unanimously.

SCF truck.

Membership was shown a video of the truck when I motion with streamers attached to the back Top where the vent is. Video showed that the streamers where getting drawn back into the truck when at speed. Also showed another video of what the sides looked like when at the liberation spot waiting for release. After video presentation was discussed what need to be done. Membership feels that the top vent should be closed off as they may be sucking in the fumes from the truck.

R.Whitehead presented information about what the Newcastle Feds had done to their vehicles recently. Most of what they have done we have also done. We have roof vents that suck out the air or suck in air. We have floor vents and vents in thru the front of the unit and out the back. P.Clarke mentioned a metering device that we could purchase for the truck. Billy Hider asked the committee to investigate said device. Membership in agreeance that committee investigate. Peter Clarke supplied a Name(Norm Milnar) and will give a contact details for person who has further information in regards to this device.

Wayne Gallagher suggested that 2 times a year the membership gather together and give the truck a good clean up. Most members in agreeance.

R.Marshall arrived just after 4pm.

Rob gave a great talk which was very informative. Gave details of all that happened from when he received the PVM bird at his place to after all birds were euthanized. Rob spoke about not getting too panicked about anything until we know the results of the current vaccine trail in Victoria. He also gave a good run down on the difference between and dead vaccine and a live vaccine. Rob spoke about a group that has formed to push for a dedicated pigeon vaccine into Australia. General feeling was that Rob had alleviated some people's fears and gave a very informative presentation. Many thanks to Rob for coming down and attending.

Meeting Closed 440pm