

# South Coast Pigeon Federation Inc

Over 100 years of Pigeon Racing

President: Jason Matthews

Secretary: Iris Elliott



## **SCF Committee Meeting (6) Held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> of June 2025 at 7.00pm Venue: The Frat – Roma Room**

**Record of Attendance:** Jason Matthews, Paul Barnes, Matt Nelson, Luca Krkovski, Brent Cavill, Iris Elliott

**Attendance by phone:**

**Apologies:** Alec Krkovski

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** held on Wednesday, 21st May 2025 were read to the SCF Committee

Moved: Luca Krkovski

Seconded: Brent Cavill

## Business arising from the Previous Minutes

### **WORKING BEE**

#### **ACTION 9.4**

The truck still needs to have the switch Fitted.

The water tank is working

TO BE COMPLETED

### **TRUCK MAINTENANCE**

The truck has had some maintenance work completed including being bombed to take control against unwanted pests, the floor was washed out, drinkers disinfected, and front vent adjusted to maximize the air flow into the bird.

Thanks to Committee members Paul, Matt, Brent, Neil Nelson and Aiden Cavill for dedicating time to get this done.

### **FEES**

#### **ACTION 5.5**

Email clubs regarding the SCF 2025 fees.

Clubs have been contacted regarding the change in the freight costs for 2025.

COMPLETED

### **UPDATE PIGEON LOFT CO-ORDINATES**

The SCF Committee would like to thank members for taking the time to allow the Race Secretary to complete the update of the co-ordinates for their lofts.

#### **ACTION 5.2.1**

Update loft co-ordinates

COMPLETED

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasure's report will be presented at the next SCF Committee meeting

Moved: Luca Krkovski

Seconded: Jason Matthews

## Business arising from the Treasurer's Report

**No Business arising from the Treasurer's Report**

## Correspondence



Adam Southwell

- Shellharbour's Toss numbers
- Shellharbour's final Nominations
- Shellharbour's PMV Forms



Andrew Szalai

- Berkeley's PMV Forms
- Berkeley's Payment receipt for SCF Fees



Colin Hedley

- Three emails regarding the Breaking Point, and method used to calculate the surveys.

The SCF uses the Vincenty program to calculate the race distances which is the program that was adapted in 2023 by the previous SCF Committee because it is a more accurate method.



GIO

- Third party Insurance
- Receipt for payment



Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club

- Club grant – The SCF have received a grant of \$1,000
- Room Hire Grant – The SCF have received a free room hire grant for meetings and SCF functions.
- Receipt for grant



Julie Hider

- Fees and freight
- Reply to Colin Hedley's email

Julie said that there are two race distance methods used on the SCF Website which are the Great Circle Distances and the Vincenty method. The Vincenty method is more complex but also more accurate. In 2023 the SCF Committee adapted the Vincenty program. The Vincenty program is still used on the SCF Website.

✚ Daniel Cavill

- A member has said that he didn't ask for the nominations that have been accepted by the SCF Committee.  
The member's nomination numbers were correct according to the nominations given to the SCF Secretary from the Dapto club secretary.

The committee have decided that the nomination stands because the nominations have already taken into consideration when working out the costs for the freight. If we allow one member to have their numbers change it's possible that other members will want to change their numbers as well.

✚ Stephen Saywell

- Email – Regarding not having access to Woonona-Bulli's website.

Stephen's access has been restored and the SCF Committee would like to apologise for this error and have said that it wasn't intentionally done.

## General Business

### GRAPHIS ON THE TRUCK

Members have commented on how good the graphics on the truck look.

The SCF Committee would like to thank Matt Nelson for taking the time to have the graphics put onto the truck. A job well done.

### RACE DAY PHOTOS

Matt Nelson has made arrangements with Aiden Cavill to take photos of the truck at the race point on race day.

Members will be able to view the race day photos on the SCF website. Photos will be made available just before or shortly after liberation.

### BIRDS HEALTH

The Committee have been made aware of members sending their birds to races that are not healthy. Clubs should be policing this issue and ensure that unfit birds do not go to the race.

Clubs need to use awareness when basketing birds for races. As per the 'Flyers Commitment', clubs also should assist in this process at basketing time.

### THE SCF LIBERATION PROTOCOL RULE UNDER THE FLYER'S COMMITMENT STATES:

As part of the SCF Guidelines all SCF fanciers are asked to make the following commitment to their own racing pigeons:

1. I will only send FIT, HEALTHY, WELL-EDUCATED birds to be entered for any race.
2. If there is any doubt about the health & fitness of one of my bird I will leave it at home to recover and be raced another day" LIBERATOR'S COMMITMENT. Each member of the Liberation Committee makes the following commitment to the members

### RELEASING BIRDS IN RACE TIME.

The SCF Committee have been made aware of flyers releasing their birds next to the SCF truck on race day. There were also birds released in at least two areas when the birds were going through.

Anyone who releases their birds during race time will be fined according to the Racing and Clock Rules.

## **RACING AND CLOCK RULES -UNDER FLYING CONDITIONS**

25. No member shall allow his/her pigeons out after midday on day of race, or before midday on the second day of a two-day race. Any member breaking this rule shall be dealt with by the SCF Inc. of NSW Committee and fined \$50.00.

### **REPORTED BIRDS**

It has been reported that members are not contacting people who have reported their bird.

The committee would like to ask members to ensure that they contact the person who reported their bird to arrange for its collection.

Members who do not make arrangements to collect birds will be fined \$20.

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### **UNDER THE DISQUALIFICATION CLAUSES:**

43. Any member failing to claim his bird after having same reported to him in writing by the Ring Secretary within seven days shall be fined \$20.00

### **SURPLUS BIRDS**

The SCF Committee have decided that due to Shellharbour City Pigeon Club not being able to fill all their allocated baskets for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dolphin Point race, that we would ask members if they would like to put surplus birds on the trailer.

It is not known if there will be any other days that we will have surplus birds on the trailer at this time, but this is an opportunity to raise funds for any unforeseen expenses that the SCF may have in the future.

There will be 15 baskets available for surplus birds on one side of the trailer, allocated to whoever replies first. The cost will be \$20 per basket.

The trailer is at Shellharbour City Pigeon Club so any members wishing to put surplus birds on the trailer will need to take their baskets to Shellharbour City Pigeon Club on race night.

### **SCF TOSSES**

The SCF Committee have decided that due to the lack of interest we will not have any further SCF Fed tosses this year.

### **CHARITY RACE**

The Charity night fundraiser will be held at Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club on Saturday the 12th of July 2025.

This year there were not any members interested in being on the Charity Sub-Committee.

The SCF Committee have decided to raise money for a new charity this year.

This decision was made because we have raised money for the Neo-Natal Unit for several years, and the charities we support typically change from time to time. The Committee is investigating further into other Health Organisations for our Charity Race.

If anyone is interested, we are still seeking Sub Committee members to help run the night.

If any member would like to help on a Sub-Charity Committee, please let the SCF Secretary Know.

Meeting finished at 9:00pm.  
**Next SCF Committee Meeting to be held at:**  
**Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club**  
**on the 2nd of July 2025 at 7pm**

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