

# South Coast Pigeon Federation Inc

Over 100 years of Pigeon Racing

President: Jason Matthews

Secretary: Iris Elliott



## SCF Committee Meeting (2)

**Held on Wednesday 2nd of April 2025 at 7.00pm**

**Venue: Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club – Diamond Room**

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

**Attendance by phone:**

**Apologies:** Alec Krkovski

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** held on Wednesday, 5th of March 2025 were read to the SCF Committee

Moved: Paul Barnes                      Seconded: Matt Nelson

## Business arising from the Previous Minutes

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TO BE COMPLETED

### MAINTENANCE ON TRUCK

#### Water Tank

Matt Nelson has spoken to Stephen Saywell about the water tank on the truck.  
The water tank has been fixed and is back on the truck.

ACTION 2.1  
COMPLETED

### WORKING BEE

#### ACTION 9.4

Whirly air vents have been installed on the truck.  
Fans have been installed.  
The holes have been sealed so that the rats cannot get into the truck.  
Paul, Matt and Brent have partly completed maintenance work on the truck.

COMPLETED

Paul has ordered a universal motor speed controller switch fan which will be installed when we receive it.  
The truck still needs to be cleaned.

TO BE COMPLETED

### **TRUCK DRIVER EXPENSES**

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TO BE COMPLETED

### **JUNIORS COMPETITION**

#### **ACTION 2.2**

Iris has sent out an email to see if there is any interest in the Juniors race.

If anyone is interested, please contact Iris Elliott or Matt Nelson

### **SCF SQUEAKER SALE RACE**

Members have the option to pay the average cost of two pigeons to be eligible to receive the discounted cost for freight.

The average cost per bird for the Squeaker Sale is \$57.40

#### **ACTION 2.3**

Iris has contacted club secretaries to ask if any members are interested in paying the average cost per bird so that they may receive the discounted freight rate.

#### **COMPLETED**

So far, we have 6 members who would like to pay the average cost of two birds.

### **NATIONAL RACE**

The committee has decided that members will be able to send 10 birds to the National race from this year onwards.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasure's report was presented to the SCF Committee.

Moved: Matt Nelson

Seconded: Luca Krkovski

## **Business arising from the Treasurer's Report**

### **GOLD BAND**

The Ring Secretary said that the correct amount of money was given out for the number of rings sold during 2023 and in January 2024.

#### **ACTION 2.4**

Work out correct amount for 2024 Gold Band Race.

We are currently working on this matter.

TO BE COMPLETED

# Correspondence

## **LETTER FROM SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION**

Shoalhaven federation asked if they could become associate members of the SCF.

Iris emailed a letter to Shoalhaven pigeon club to inform them of what the SCF Committee decided at the March committee meeting regarding the Shoalhaven Pigeon Club becoming associate members of the SCF.

## **BENZING LIVE - LETTER FROM RICHARD WHITEHEAD AND JEFF HENDERSON**

Iris has written a letter to Richard and Jeff Henderson informing them that Richard can use his Benzing Live Clocking system for club races and be used according to his club's rules.

## **LETTER FROM WOONONA-BULLI PIGEON CLUB**

Iris has written a letter to Woonona-Bulli Pigeon club with the SCF Committee's response to their letter regarding the concerns of their club.

This letter contained the following:

- Regarding The J & M 5% - The J & M food will be quality tested, if it is not up to standard it will be replaced with an equivalent mix.
- A new bin is to be placed in the truck for any unused food to be placed in and disposed of.
- The truck driver will be provided with instructions for releasing and feeding the birds.

- Regarding Motion 2

Motion 2 was voted in by the SCF members and will cover the fixed costs and two variable costs, which will be the cost of the fuel and maintenance for the truck.

## **Emails from Karyn Issac – Regarding the Voluntary Workers Insurance**

## **Emails from Andrew Szalai:**

- Regarding the Towradgi Premier Stakes Race point for 2025
- Regarding a new member for Berkeley Pigeon Club in 2026, including the new member nomination form.
- Regarding - Ian Sunlay will be the Berkeley Pigeon Club Secretary for 2025

## **Email from Gordon Smith:**

- Regarding the Race schedule for 2025 and the race direction for 2026
- Iris sent an email with the race schedule for 2025 and the race direction for 2026

## **Phone call from Craig Price:**

- Ulladulla Pigeon Club would like to go on the truck from the second race point  
They will only have two baskets

## **Emails sent to all clubs regarding**

- The March 2025 minutes
- The March 2025 Treasurer's report
- Ballots results
- Race schedule for 2025
- Call dates for nominations
- The average cost per bird is \$57.40 for the SCF Squeaker sale for those who would like to pay the average cost per bird for two birds
- Any members interested in the Charity Sub Committee
- Any interest in the Juniors Pigeon races
- Iron Bird Race

# General Business

## **ANY CONCERNS FROM MEMBERS**

If there are any concerns from any clubs or members, please contact the SCF Secretary with your concerns by email rather than contacting other SCF committee members, Iris will then take your concerns to the SCF committee and let you know what the committee has said regarding your concerns.

### **ACTION 4.1**

Email clubs about taking concerns to the SCF Secretary.

## **RULE CHANGE - AGM MOTION**

### **DETERMINE RUNNING COST OF TRUCK AND DIVIDE EQUALLY BETWEEN ALL MEMBERS.**

The committee has taken into consideration the cost of living and that we have pensioners in the South Coast Pigeon federation and has decided that members can pay the cost of running the truck in two equal instalments.

The cost of running the truck and freight will be calculated after we have the first call nominations in which are due by the 25th April 2025.

## **REVISED RACE SCHEDULE**

There has been a change to the race schedule, there will now be a lay week on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 and the Grand Prix, National and the Blind Auction races to be held on the weekend of the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of September 2025.

## **LIBERATION COMMITTEE**

The Liberation Committee will receive a copy of the SCF Liberation Guidelines before racing begins, ensuring they are informed of all rules and procedures to follow. This will enable them to make appropriate decisions regarding liberation calls.

The SCF Liberation Guidelines need to be updated before they are given to the liberation committee.

### **TO BE COMPLETED**

The committee has decided that Luca will be the liberation committee member who will communicate with the truck driver, liberator and Race Secretary to eliminate any miscommunication.

## **NEW FLYER FOR SHELLHARBOUR**

The new flyer for Shellharbour City Pigeon Club lives in an area that is outside of the SCF and Shoalhaven boundaries.

The committee still needs to have further discussions at our next committee meeting to consider all options regarding the new flyer's application for membership.

## **BIRD NOMINATIONS**

**NOMINATIONS** There will be three nominations again this year, they will be:

- 1) 3 Dolphin Point
- 2) Bermagui – Mallacoota
- 3) Lakes Entrance – Wonthaggi

First Call Nomination due – 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2025

Final Call Nomination Due – 16th of May 2025 nominations.

### **ACTION 2.6**

Iris has emailed club secretaries about the due dates for nominations and requested the first call nominations.

**COMPLETED**

## **FED TOSS DATES**

This year the fed tosses will be on a Wednesday and a Saturday.

The Fed tosses will be around the vicinity of the South Nowra Vets.

The cost per basket will be \$10.

If you take part in the fed toss, baskets must be paid for on the day of the toss to the truck driver.

There will be a sheet for each club to write how many baskets were sent by each flyer to avoid confusion about how many baskets have been sent on the day.

Toss Days will be the following:

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025 - Nowra

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 - Nowra

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2025 - Ulladulla

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025 - Ulladulla

### **ACTION 2.7**

Iris will email club secretaries with the details of the fed tosses.

TO BE COMPLETED

## **JOHN FAULKS – SPONSORSHIP**

### **ACTION 2.8**

John Faulks will sponsor the young bird of the year again this year.

COMPLETED

## **CHARITY RACE**

### **ACTION 2.9**

Iris will send another email to club secretaries asking if anyone would like to be on the Charity Sub-Committee.

TO BE COMPLETED

## **IRON BIRD**

### **ACTION 2.10**

Iris emailed a information to club secretaries regarding details of this race.

COMPLETED

Meeting finished at 8:30pm.  
**Next SCF Committee Meeting to be held at:**  
**The Frat on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2025 at 7pm**

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**ACTION 9.4**

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