

# South Coast Pigeon Federation Inc

Over 100 years of Pigeon Racing

President: Jason Matthews

Secretary: Iris Elliott



## SCF Committee Meeting (2)

Held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of March 2025 at 7.00pm

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

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

**Attendance by phone:**

**Apologies:** No apologies

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** held on Wednesday, 22nd of January 2025 were read to the SCF Committee

Moved: Luca Krkovski                      Seconded: Brent Cavill

## Business arising from the Previous Minutes

### BLIND AUCTION

All outstanding money from the online auction have now been received.

### SPONSORSHIP

#### WARILLA BOWLS AND RECREATION CLUB

Iris has written a letter to Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club to thank them for their sponsorship and ask if they would like to continue their sponsorship, this letter will be sent when Adam gets back to Iris with a person of contact.

### TO BE COMPLETED

### MAINTENANCE ON TRUCK

The truck driver said that he would like the \$50 for taking the truck to and from locations when he receives his first truck driver expenses.

The water tank needs to be either replaced or fixed.

Jeff Sheppard said that he would follow this up with the original truck fabricator.

If we are unable to have the tank in proper working order in a reasonable amount of time, we will need purchase a new one so that we are ready for the race season.

#### **ACTION 2.1**

Jeff has spoken to Paul, and they will organize the water tank to be fixed or replaced.

TO BE COMPLETED

#### **WORKING BEE**

#### **ACTION 9.4**

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#### **ACTION 2.3**

Iris will email the club secretaries and ask if there are any members who would like to pay the average cost per bird so that they will be able to receive the discounted cost for freight.

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

Moved: Brent Cavill

Seconded: Matt Nelson

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

#### **GOLD BAND**

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#### **ACTION 2.4**

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#### **LIABILITIES**

It was suggested that the liabilities be included in the monthly report not just on the yearly balance sheet.

The liabilities will be included in the monthly Treasurer's reports from April 2025.

# Correspondence Received

-  Email - Stephen Saywell  
2024 SCF Audit Report
-  Email- Billy Hider  
Regarding email from Alan Kerr about a race schedule
-  Email – Cassandra  
Regarding AGM at the Frat in the Sunken Lounge
-  Luca  
Regarding Assistant Race Secretary position
-  Emails – Adam
  - 1)Regarding members interested in the Liberation committee
  - 2)Shellharbour City Pigeon Club new committee
  - 3)Shellharbour City Pigeon Club Contact Details
  - 4)Shellharbour City Pigeon Club AGM Ballot votes
  - 5) Letter for the Committee meeting - new member
  - 6) Letter for the Committee meeting - Combined clubs
-  Emails – Andrew
  - 1) Berkeley AGM Ballot votes Part 1
  - 2) Berkeley AGM ballot votes Part 2
-  Email – Daniel  
Truck driver truck report
-  Towradgi  
AGM ballot votes
-  Gwynneville  
AGM Ballot votes
-  Emails – Stephen
  - 1) New Committee
  - 2) Letter from Woonona/Bulli and club committee regarding the ballots from the AGM
  - 3) Woonona/Bulli AGM ballot votes
-  Trailer registration papers
-  Email – Richard Whitehead  
Letter regarding flying with Benzing live
-  Messages – Matt Beretov
  - 1) Race Schedule
  - 2) Liberation committee
  - 3) Assistant race Secretary
-  Letter – Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation  
Asking to become associate members

## **LETTER FROM SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION**

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

After having a discussion and reviewing Shoalhaven's letter requesting to become associates, the committee has decided that while we appreciate their support to the SCF, we will maintain the current situation for the time being.

Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation will continue to be invited to be on our truck.

## **LIBERATION COMMITTEE**

Michael Thompson, Matt Beretov, Peter Clarke, Paul Barnes and Luca Krkovski have all expressed their interest in being on the Liberation Committee.

THE LIBERATION COMMITTEE WILL CONSIST OF:

- 1) Luca Krkovski
- 2) Peter Clarke
- 3) Warren Hinde

The Liberation committee must ensure that they follow the liberation guidelines.

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

After reviewing Richard and Jeff's letter that they can use the Benzing Live system even though the ballots may have voted not to use this system due to health reasons, the committee has decided that Richard can use the Benzing live for club races to be used according to club rules.

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

Woonona/Bulli has written a letter regarding their concerns about the J&M 5% pigeon mix being used on the SCF truck and the 2025 AGM Motion 2.

Woonona-Bulli Pigeon Club have concerns regarding the quality of the J & J pigeon food having weevils, but it is also noted that there are also concerns with other brands of pigeon food having weevils at this time of year.

The committee has decided that the J&M 5% mix will be quality tested before we use it on the truck. If the food isn't up to standard, we will use an equivalent mix.

Moved: Brent Cavill                      Seconded: Paul Barnes

The committee will also supply a storage bin for the excess feed to be placed in and disposed of so that it will not be tipped back into the storage bin with the fresh feed eliminating any contamination.

The committee will also advise the truck driver and liberator of the correct feeding practices of the birds on the truck.

Woonona-Bulli also commented on Motion 2 from the AGM

Woonona-Bulli feel that the intent of Motion 2 is already covered by the practices set up in 2008 whereby the SCF racing costs were separated into fixed and variable costs.

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.

## **ASSISTANT RACE SECRETARY**

It was decided by the SCF Committee that we will not have an assistant race secretary this year.

# General Business

## 2025 AGM BALLOT RESULTS

### AGM MOTION 1

Racing Routes - Remove direction from next year's ballot if flown for 2 consecutive years.

For – 25

Against – 21

Moved

Abstained – 1

Total Votes – 47

### AGM MOTION 2

Determine running cost of truck and divide equally between all members.

For – 26

Against – 20

Moved

Abstained - 1

Total Votes - 47

### AGM MOTION 3

Allow Benzing Live Clocking System

For – 23

Against – 24

Against Motion

Abstained – 0

Total Votes - 47

### AGM MOTION 4

Change the pigeon food on truck to 5%.

For – 28

Against – 18

Moved

Abstained – 1

Total Votes - 47

### AGM MOTION 5

Bring back the 3 Moruya races or equivalent, dependent on direction of flight.

For – 17

Against – 29

Against Motion

Abstained – 1

Total Votes - 47

## AGM MOTION 6

If a clock fails, the flyer can go to the nearest flyer's place and clock in.

For – 45

Against – 1

Moved

Abstained – 1

Total Votes - 47

## AGM MOTION 7

Have a later liberation so birds arrive home about 2pm-2:30pm.

For – 20

Against – 26

Against Motion

Abstained – 1

Total Votes - 47

## DIRECTION OF FLIGHT FOR 2026

Motion 2 from the 2025 AGM was voted in, so South is not included from being voted on so the South 2<sup>nd</sup> preferences were used.

First preference votes.

North – 16

South – 18

West – 12

No Vote - 1

Total Votes - 47

2<sup>nd</sup> preference for South 1<sup>st</sup> preference.

North - 13

West - 5

Total Votes - 18

New Tally

North – 16 (1<sup>st</sup> Preference) + 13 (2<sup>nd</sup> preference)  
= 29

West – 12 (1<sup>st</sup> Preference) + 5 (2<sup>nd</sup> preference)  
= 17

**DIRECTION OF FLIGHT FOR 2026 IS NORTH.**

## TRAILER

The truck driver has already had the trailer weighed.

The truck driver said that the trailer fully loaded weighed 4.2 tonne.

## FOOD FOR THE TRUCK

Last year the SCF purchased pigeon food to go on the truck because we were unable to get in contact with the owner of Woonona produce.

## ACTION 2.5

Alec will follow up on the food for the truck this year.

## 2025 RACE SCHEDULE

2025 Race Schedule		
Date	Race Point	Combine
31-May-25	DolphinPoint	
07-Jun-25	DolphinPoint	
14-Jun-25	DolphinPoint	
21-Jun-25	Bermagui	
28-May-25	Bermagui	
05-Jul-25	Bermagui	
12-Jul-25	Eden	Charity Race
19-Jul-25	Eden	
26-Jul-25	Eden	Towradgi Sprint Race / Junior National
02-Aug-25	Mallacoota	Woonona/Bulli Open
09-Aug-25	Mallacoota	Fed Fundraiser
16-Aug-25	Lakes Entrance	James Crawford
23-Aug-25	Lakes Entrance	Shellies Combine
30-Aug-25	Lakes Entrance	IGBF / Sale Races
06-Sep-25	Yarram	Towradgi Premier Stakes
13-Sep-25	Yarram	YBD / Dapto Sale
20-Sep-25	Wonthaggi	Grand Prix
20-Sep-25	Wonthaggi	National / Blind Auction
	Mildura	Soldiers Plate

### LAUNCESTON

Peter Clarke said that he will be able to organize a Launceston race this year.

### 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> April 2025

Final Call Nomination Due – 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2025

### ACTION 2.6

Iris to email club secretaries asking for the first call nominations.

### FED TOSSES

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

The cost per basket will be \$10.

If you participate in the fed toss, baskets must be paid for on the day of the toss.

#### **ACTION 2.7**

Iris will email club secretaries to let them know the cost per basket and that baskets need to be paid for on the day of the toss.

TO BE COMPLETED

#### **LIFE RINGS**

Alec has ordered the ordinary, gold band and Icomm life rings for 2025.

This year ordinary rings will be 50cents.

#### **JOHN FAULKS – SPONSORSHIP**

The John Faulks, VEE ROD Lofts logo was placed on the SCF truck when Matt had the graphics put on the truck for his sponsorship of the young bird of the year.

The SCF hopes that John will continue his sponsorship again this year.

#### **ACTION 2.8**

Alec will ask John if he would like to continue his sponsorship.

TO BE COMPLETED

#### **CHARITY RACE**

The SCF has decided to have the Charity Race at Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club this year.

The committee have also decided that if there is a CHARITY SUB-COMMITTEE that there should be a chairperson appointed.

#### **ACTION 2.9**

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

TO BE COMPLETED

#### **BLIND AUCTION**

The Committee feels that the Blind auction needs to be organized differently this year.

Ring numbers need to be in an envelope so that numbers can be recorded at the time of the live auction, eliminating the need to chase up numbers.

#### **IRON BIRD**

There will be an Iron Bird race again this year.

Bird details will need to be given to Luca Krkovski on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> Dolphin Point Race basketballing night.

The cost is 25 per bird – to be paid for by the 1<sup>st</sup> Dolphin Point Race basketballing night.

100% of total prize pool will go to the winner with a trophy.

#### **ACTION 2.10**

Iris will email a flyer to club secretaries regarding details of this race.

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Meeting finished at 10:40pm.

**Next SCF Committee Meeting to be held at:**



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