

## **SOUTH COAST PIGEON FEDERATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING HELD:** 7.00pm at The Fraternity 13th June, 2017.

**PRESENT:** Neil Cavill, Trevor Gasseling, Brent Cavill, David Miller, Alan Zahra, Paul Breeze, Jeff Sheppard.

**APOLOGIES:** none.

SCF President, Jeff Sheppard opened the meeting thanked everyone for coming.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING PRESENTED:** SCF Comm Meeting 28.3.17 and SCF Special Meeting 8.4.17 were tabled.

### **ISSUES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

1. There were Voting irregularities whereby previous SCF members failed to sign in but took part in the voting process.
2. Need to clarify when a SCF Member becomes a Member. Notionally, Membership is paid on or about the 1st May but there is a time lag between the SCF AGM in Feb and the 1st May date where Ballots, Special Meetings, etc could be voted at.
3. Clarification of the vote at the SCF SPECIAL MEETING 8.4.17. The motion passed was: "Cancel Racing in the SCF for 2017 until a suitable Rotavirus Vaccine is available." Noted by JS, that if no Vaccine was available by the SCF AGM then the matter should be discussed in General Business at the SCF AGM.

### **Previous Minutes Accepted:**

Moved: AZ            2nd: BC    All in favour

**Signed by President:**

**Signed by Secretary:**



### **ISSUES ARISING FROM THE FINANCIAL REPORT:**

1. DM brought up that Donations to the ANRPB on behalf of the SCF (\$1500) and the SCF Long Distance Comm (\$250) were specifically donated to produce a viable Rotavirus Vaccine.
2. PB questioned the price of the CTP Slip. NC said that the price had gone up substantially since 2016. Our current CTP slip provider was the cheapest with two quotes also looked at with a range from \$4000 to \$4200.
3. NC provided a list of cheques not yet presented associated with the repayment of funds allocated to 2016 for 2017 Race Season, IGBF \$3155 and \$10 Ring Race \$2100, totaling \$5255. This list was reconciled from the SCF Ring Sec Books and the SCF Long Distance Books.
4. PB asked about NC SCF Budget projections for the 2017 SCF Race Season. NC said that the projections of approx. \$16,000 expenses and approx. \$2,500 income was still on track. PB questioned the validity of the Budget Projections the SCF Treasurer has provided. NC explained to the SCF Comm what information Budget Projections provide.

Moved the Financial Reports be accepted: JS 2nd AZ All in favour.

### **ACCOUNTS to be paid:**

1. Sec Expenses for the Pre-Paid Race Sec Dongle \$50, Treasurer Expenses for SCF AGM \$58.
2. Sec requested that a payment of \$15 be paid for an SCF Member to pick up a stray in Kiama from a member of the Public, late on a Sat afternoon.
3. Requested that a cheque be drawn in favour of Trevor Gasseling for auditing the SCF Books for 2016.

Moved Accounts be paid: AZ 2nd DM All in Favour.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Letter from P Clarke and J Cook regarding the non-refund of Raffle Ring monies for the 2017 Race that will be not be raced for. With both P Clarke and J Cook leaving the Shellies Club they have asked for a refund or an opportunity to race in the 2018 Raffle Ring race with their 2017 RR Allocation. The Shellies Club held a meeting in May 2017 adding several variations not part of the 2016 rules.
2. Letter from WB RSL PC with attached RSPCA Recommendation Letter. WB RSL PC letter suggested that any "social group tossing" contravened RSPCA and Vet recommendations and wanted SCF Members to be made of (unlisted) consequences if these tosses were to occur.
3. Email from S Saywell stating his support of the RSPCA Report.
4. Letter WB RSL PC regarding 1. The untimely provision of the SCF AGM Minutes and the 28.3.17 SCF Comm Meeting Minutes. 2. Facebook and Social Media sites re: culling and inappropriate comments.
5. Various Letters through the SCF Secretary from Wollongong City Council with regards Inspections and insurances.
6. Response from Intercharge Voluntary Insurance Brokers allowing us to forgo not taking up Insurances with them in 2017 due to the Race Season being cancelled and that our details relating to our Policies will continue in 2018.

7. Email from S Saywell 9.5.17 requesting that Optus be paid \$50 to roll over our Race Sec Dongle. This is due in three days, 12.5.17.
8. Email quote NRMA \$4222.24 for CTP Slip 2017.
9. Email SCF Ring Sec with IGBF individual member's purchases.
10. Copy of email to Clubs requesting payment of SCF Fees 2017.

**Correspondence Out and Action to be taken:**

1. Letter to Shellies PC with three options a. Refund Raffle Ring monies to those Members leaving the Shellies Club in 2017. b. Allowing those Members leaving Shellies PC to race in the Shellies PC Raffle Ring Race 2018. c. Listing this matter through the Courts with the Community Justice as per SCF Model Rules. A letter to be sent to Shellies PC outlining these options.
2. Email has been sent to WB RSL PC acknowledging that Vets and the RSPCA had only made recommendations. Many of these recommendations are guidance only with many fanciers not adhering to them. SCF Sec also suggested that "social group tossing" is not an issue that the SCF Inc has jurisdiction over.
3. Email to S Saywell stating his comments had no validity as RSPCA and Vets have made non-binding recommendations and that the suggestion SCF Committee were running the "group toss program" is incorrect.
4. Email to WB RSL PC re: posting SCF Meeting Minutes. SCF Sec stated personal reasons and the fact that the SCF Results page was off line. Regarding Facebook/Social media, the SCF Comm talked at length about this matter. It is common knowledge that a Facebook page known as SCF Pigeons recently has gone into a majority NO COMMENT framework. It was noted a newer Facebook page known as SCF Flyers has been quite scathing of the SCF Committee, individual current SCF Committee Members, individual SCF Members, etc It should be noted that this page has past SCF Committee Members, ex SCF Comm Members and flying members and although these SCF Flyers Facebook Members feel their comments are out of the public eye, they have come to the notice of the current SCF Comm. Email response sent.
5. Email contact with Gwynneville PC.
6. Acknowledged as done.
7. Email asking S Saywell if any other SCF accounts are in his name.
8. Noted, current CTP Slip provider quote secured.
9. Reconciled Refund Allocation with D Miller, cheques, lists and paperwork sent to Clubs.
10. Noted that three Clubs have paid SCF Membership and Affiliation Fees. Shellies PC still required to forward Aff Fee.

Moved JS 2nd TG that Correspondence was received and to be acted on. All in favour.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. JS discussed the matter of Honorariums suggesting that the SCF Ring Secretary and the SCF Secretary/Treasurer be allocated for 2017. SCF Race Secretary not given an Honorarium due to

no racing. AZ said the SCF Comm were voted in and that all Honorariums should be honoured . After discussion, it was moved PB 2nd TG that the SCF Ring Sec and the SCF Sec and Treasurer will be the only Comm members receiving Honorariums 2017. Vote result being 3 for, 1 against, 3 abstaining. Carried.

2. NC spoke about the ongoing maintenance of the SCF Transporter. DM acknowledged the work of Towradgi members, in particular, R Whitehead. SCF Comm wants to thank such members for the generosity of their efforts which are highly appreciated.
3. It was discussed that re: comments by M Maidman (Special Meeting 8.4.17) regarding the use of SCF Assets like SCF racing baskets. SCF Comm moved that all SCF Clubs be notified that on the last weekend in July, 29/30th July, 2017 that all baskets should be cleaned, repaired and be ready to be picked up by the SCF Truck. Truck will be "bombed" with a fumicide. Excess crates will be stored at Towradgi PC. These spare crates plus the storage area will also be fumigated at Tow PC.
4. PB said that he is on a Telco package and will not be charging the SCF for past Telco expenses.
5. Ring order stands at 5000 Ordinary rings, 1000 IGBF, 1000 Ordinary lcomm Rings. SCF Ring Secretary to allocate rings to Club when rings arrive, sometime in July, 2017.
6. PB asked: does this non-racing year count as a year in the NORTH, NORTH/SOUTH rotation. SCF Comm states that since this year currently is at no race status, then 2 years on the North Route is needed to be complete this North rotation before changing Route Direction.

NEXT MEETING 18th July,2016, 7.00pm Venue to be decided.

Meeting Closed 9.45pm.