SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION INC

MINUTES OF THE 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD 24/2/2015 AT NOWRA SCOUT HALL

Meeting opened: 7.35 pm.

Members present: I Price, J Formosa, G Smith, A Pflug, J Kensey, S Baillie, G Barker, R Cocking, N Achurch, B Haake, J Harford, R Beatie, T Watson, A Greenberg, G Mathews, A Thorne, S Bishop, C Price, S Price, K Calkis: as per the sign in sheet.

Apologies: G Way. G Sullivan. P Boardman. M Barton.

Minutes of the previous AGM: held on 11/2/2014 read by A Greenberg Secretary / Treasurer.

Business Arising from minutes: nil.

Moved minutes be accepted S Price Seconded A Pflug.

Auditors report: tabled and read by A Greenberg sec/treasurer.

Treasurer's Financial report: tabled and read by A Greenberg sec/treasurer.

Arising from the Auditors and Treasurers Financial reports - nil.

Moved the Auditors and the Treasurers reports be accepted A Pflug Seconded G Smith.

General Business

Adjustments and amendments to the Constitution and the Race rules: listed in the Annual General Meeting notification letter

- A) Constitution Rules-3.1 4.1 5.4 8.4 9.1 9.4 9.6 9.7 11.2 12.1 13 15.2.
- B) Race Rules. -2 3a 4 5a 6a 7a 8 9d 10b 11b 11d 13c 13f 14a 14b 14d 16a 17c

Were individually read out, discussed and voted on by the attending members. all adjustments and amendments were passed unanimously.

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The constitution and race rules will be updated as soon as possible and posted on the Web.

Also Mr Jim Kensey was asked if he could draft a form for the transfer of registration of birds between flyers/breeders for proof of ownership.

The President and the Secretary requested Club Secretaries do a race basket count as soon as possible.

The President, Mr I Price addressed the members on the preceding year, thanking all committee members for their support, also the volunteers helping to ready the transporter for racing, workers at the Breeders Plate sales. Remembering the late Mr Fred Bolle, who sadly passed away earlier this year and the sad loss of Mr Paul Zammit's wife Mary, both well known members of the pigeon fraternity.

A special word of appreciation also goes to Mr Jim Kensey for his endless assistance to the members performing loft locations, and updating of the web site etc, to the benefit of all flyers. Thanks Jimbo.

Meeting closed: 9 pm.

Election of New Office Bearers

All committee members stand down.

Mr P Barrett called upon to Chair the Election of the New Committee Members for 2015.

New committee members

President: Ian Price elected unopposed.

Vice President: Peter Barrett elected unopposed.

Secretary: Allan Greenberg elected unopposed.

Treasurer: Allan Greenberg elected unopposed.

Race Secretary: VACANT.

Ring Secretary: Steve Baillie elected unopposed.

One ordinary member of each Club is to be elected at club level as a committee member to complete the Management Committee of the Federation for 2015 year

Prior to closing the second half of the Annual General Meeting, Mr Tom Watson requested to ask a question. Even though this was completely out of order, to try to appearse the concerns of the member, the President and the Secretary decided to hear the question.

Mr Watson once again raised the issue of the existence of Mollymook Independent flyers results being posted on the club page of the Web Site. The reason has been explained to Mr Watson on numerous occasions why the Mollymook site exists. The members in question have adhered to the requirements of the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation in every way, as have the other members of the Ulladulla Club.

The Management Committee will not interfere with internal club issues, however we will support all the individual members involved so they are able to compete in the Federation events. The decision to support the members of the Ulladulla Club in this way, until they resolve their internal issues was made at Management level of the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation and in no way does it affect any member adversely. Mr Watson should abide by the decision of the Management Committee and cease the personal vendetta he has against the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation and its Clubs members.

Objects of the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation.

Rule 1: sections - 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5 please read available on the web site

Mr O Miller tried to address the room and was stopped and told he was not a club member or a SPF member and could not address the meeting.

It was also pointed out to Mr Watson, that the partnership of 'Watson/Miller 'was not sanctioned at Club or Federation level and would not be recognised until it was.

Mr Watson then ranted accusations at Mr Greenberg and the outgoing race secretary Mr Formosa, that they were the reasons he was barred from attending all SPF meetings other than the AGM.

Several members having witnessed this behaviour before left the meeting.

The meeting was declared closed at 10pm.

Secretary: A Greenberg.