

# SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION INC

MINUTES JUNE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 9/6/2015

**Meeting opened.** 7.30 pm.

**Members present.**

C Price. S Price. I Price. J Thurbon. R & R Cocking. G Sullivan. G Mathews. M Barton. A Greenberg.  
A Thorne. N Achurch.

**Members absent.**

P Barrett. S Baillie.

**Apologies.**

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**Minutes of the previous meeting read.**

**Arising from minutes.**

Mr Sullivan disagreed with the last paragraph of the previous minutes stating that there were two parts that were voted on and one portion had been omitted. After the committee discussing this issue and the mover and the seconder having different opinions on what was voted on Mr Sullivan withdrew his objection.

Moved. J Thurbon.      Seconded. M Barton.      The minutes be accepted as recorded.

**Financial Report.**

IMB Account. \$2,700.00

Cheque Account. Approximately \$14,330.00 Statement due.

Moved. M Barton.      Seconded. J Thurbon.      Be accepted.

**Accounts paid.**

Truck insurance. \$731.00. Oil and Coolant for truck \$72.57. Holdover feed \$ 20.00.

Moved. G Mathews.      Seconded. R Cocking.      Be accepted.

**Authority to pay auto electrician for liberator internal lights and water pump for drink water repairs. And ABK Insurance annual subscription.**

Moved. M Barton.      Seconded. J Thurbon.      Be accepted.

**Prize money for the Breeders Plate.**

1<sup>st</sup> prize \$ 1019.25.

2<sup>nd</sup> prize \$ 611.55.

3<sup>rd</sup> prize \$ 407.70. 60% to flyer 40% to breeder.

Multiple prizes can be taken.

10% of prize pool retained by the Federation to cover both sale bbq's and trophy.

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\$ 100.00 x 15 bird ring race prize money.

1<sup>st</sup> prise \$ 485.00.

2<sup>nd</sup> prise \$ 285.00.

One prize x flyer. \$30.00 retained by the Federation for a trophy.

Moved. J Thurbon. Seconded. M Barton. Prize money for both races be accepted.

## **General Buisness.**

Oil leak on new engine repaired by R Vane NRMA Ulladulla. Account covered by warranty.

Clock tape for B Haake viewed by the committee and the Web site is to be adjusted to show the correct results.

Liberation time for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Moruya discussed by the committee. A decision was made to liberate one hour after the SCF at 1pm. Also to decide liberation times week to week.

Moved. G Mathews. Seconded. J Thurbon. There were no objections.

J Thurbon from the Nowra Invitation Club asked a question how many members were required to be in attendance at a club to be able to basket on their own. He was informed the only reference to this in the rules, required that a minimum of 4 competing flyers are to be in attendance to be able to basket on their own in Federation Combines.

Mr Thurbon also asked if all flyers that were nominated to fly prior to the fees being set for the 2015 season had paid their monies. He was informed they had not as yet and only one had notified the Club and Federation secretary that he would not be flying this season the President Mr Price explained this flyers reasons, no concerns were raised.

Mr Cocking asked why he had to place race birds on the bottom shelf of the transporter with surplus birds in the more preferred places. The Secretary informed Mr Cocking there were plenty of the prime positions available on the other side of the transporter that were not utilised and available.

Mr Mathews asked if there was any way the transporter could be earlier for the pick up of birds. The Secretary is to look into the request.

The letters of correspondence between Mr S Price the Secretary for the Ulladulla Pigeon Club and both Mr G & S Sullivan regarding their refusal of membership to the Ulladulla Pigeon Club for the 2015 year were read out to the Committee of the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation.

The letter sent to the Ulladulla Pigeon Club by the Management Committee of the SPF requesting the UPC Secretary to show proof of the all the reasons and the procedures followed by the UPC under the appeal lodged by Mr G & S Sullivan was tabled. Mr S Price then tabled a letter from the UPC (copy attached). The letter was read out to the Committee the SPF Secretary said it explained nothing it was rubbish it just made more accusations against Mr G Sullivan and in his opinion could possibly be taken as defamatory. Mr S Price said if this was not good enough they would have to go back to their members to discuss matters further then get back to the SPF Committee at a later date. Copy of the UPC letter attached. The President then voiced his concerns of this continuing dispute at the UPC and the accusations of cheating not only in Ulladulla, also in Nowra.

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Personal accusations of Mr Sullivan cheating by Mr S Price were raised by the Federation President at this stage the SPF Secretary tried to stop the conversation going down this path as up to this point the SPF had remained neutral and out of the personal differences between the members of the UPC and Mr Sullivan, then Mr Mathews started to make comments on the personal situation between the UPC and Mr Sullivan to Mr S Price, The SPF Secretary advised Mr Mathews this was not a wise move to be involved in the personal issues between Mr Sullivan and the UPC as it would only drag the SPF deeper into their argument, he agreed and stopped. Mr Cocking then stood up and had words with both S and C Price telling them to get over it, the rest of us are sick of the whole lot of it we just want to race our birds. At this stage the Federation had unfortunately been dragged into the middle of the differences between the UPC and Mr G & S Sullivan. Mr Sullivan wanted the letter Mr S Price had sent to him regarding the cheating accusation tabled and read. The Secretary did this. (copy attached).

Mr Cocking addressed the meeting and stated that he had heard Mr Jim Kensey had been accused of cheating for a second time. The Secretary said to Mr Cocking he was sick of these accusations and asked Mr Cocking to name his source or shut up and stop stirring up trouble. It was explained to the meeting that the Secretary during the previous week had asked the President what happens to the keys of the Benzing ETS timers during the race as several members had asked this question. Not having any knowledge of ETS timers myself and the President not knowing also I asked the President to find out from his mates in Wollongong what the correct protocols were to follow so we could answer the question in the future. It seems someone has been informed of this discussion and twisted it to start another rumour of cheating.

NEVER AT ANY TIME WERE ANY ACCUSATIONS OF CHEATING MADE BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND THE PRESIDENT OR TO THE SECRETARY AND PRESIDENT.

AS SECRETARY OF THE SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION I AM TOTALLY DISGUSTED WITH THE LIES AND INUENDOS BEING FED TO MEMBERS BY OTHER MEMBERS ATTACKING THE REPUTATIONS OF THE REAL WORKERS IN OUR ORGANISATION THAT HAVE ONLY STRIVED TO IMPROVE OUR EXPERIENCES WITHIN THE SPORT OF PIGEON RACING.

Copies of all correspondence between both Mr Sullivan and the Ulladulla Pigeon Club supplied to the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation are available upon request to the Secretary of the Shoalhaven Pigeon Federation.

Secretary. A Greenberg.

I HAVE ONLY KNOWN JIM KENSEY FOR THE SHORT TIME HE HAS BEEN WITH OUR FEDERATION AND NEVER AT ANY TIME HAS HE REFUSED TO HELP IN ANY WAY OR ASKED FOR ANY RENumeration.

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| 1. Web site upgrades.                | 7. Basket cleaning for the truck.         |
| 2. Distances and loft locations.     | 8. Own car loaned to a member in trouble. |
| 3. Breeders plate sales.             |   |
| 4. Web site reports and events.      |   |
| 5. Truck pick up from Bega.          |   |
| 6. Help and support to all that ask. |   |

LOOK IN THE MIRROR WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO HELP THE FEDERATION AND FELLOW MEMBERS.

Allan Greenberg.

Meeting closed. 9.30pm.