

SHOALHAVEN PIGEON FEDERATION AGM

Venue: MILTON SHOWGROUND
Date: 18 FEBRUARY 2018
Meeting Opened: 10.00AM
Attendance: Ian P; Nick F; Gordon S; Jeff F; Peter Brd; Greg B; George M; Arthur B; Tony G;
Craig P; Steve P; Kal K; Steve B; Don Lamont; Jim K
Apologies: Sam P; Alan G; Leanne L
NB: Attended meeting but didn't sign register:- P Barrett; R Beattie; T Watson

Welcome members and thank Ulladulla for hosting meeting and providing light refreshment following

Minutes from previous AGM & 2016 FINANCIAL REPORT:

Minutes from previous AGM read. Moved Tony G 2nd Steve B that the minutes be accepted – passed.
Financial report presented. Moved Tony G 2nd Greg B - passed

Business arising from 2016 agm minutes

No business arising from minutes

Business arising from 2016 -2017 Financial Report

No business arising from Financial Report

PART ONE of meeting closed.

PART TWO

The President, Ian Price spoke on how disappointed we all were to not race 2017 and it was his opinion that if we didn't race this year, too many people will give the sport away. He is looking for the SPF to get back on track this year.

Ian vacated the chair & asked for nominations for a returning officer.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

All committee seats vacated

NOMINATE RETURNING OFFICER : Tony Glasgow was asked to act as returning officer

Nominations called for

PRESIDENT: Ian Price nominated by Nick F 2nd Steve Baillie – elected unopposed

V PRES : Tony Glasgow nominated S Price 2nd Jim K – elected unopposed

SECRETARY/TREASURER: Jeff Formosa nominated by Jim K 2nd Gordon S – elected unopposed

RACE SECRETARY: Jeff Formosa nominated S Price 2nd Jim K – elected unopposed

RING SECRETARY: nominated by Nick F 2nd Steve Baillie – elected unopposed

Hand over to new committee

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **SPF 2017 LEVY:** The Secretary spoke about the \$150 levy for 2017 to cover the fixed costs of the SPF whilst not flying. These fixed costs included Truck rego, pink slip, green slip, website, auditor, insurance etc which was passed by those in attendance at the April 2017 special meeting. Secretary made the meeting aware that the Shoalhaven Inv & Central clubs had not paid this levy. TW asked when it was due. Sec replied 'mid June 2017'
TW asked 'When does the federation want it' Secretary replied 'Now would be good'
TW replied 'the only reason that they attended meeting was to inform us(members) that they would not be flying with the SPF in 2018 or at any time in the future. His words were 'we ain't coming back!'
Secretary asked George M about the levies from C Ganderton, Steve Bishop & Ormie Miller still owing. He replied that they refused to pay it. Secretary explained that under rule 9.6 of SPF constitution that clubs are responsible for any debts owed by their members.
Peter Brt expressed the opinion that the SPF would lose the Central club if the SPF demands payment from unfinancial members.

Secretary suggested that Central club write a letter expressing the reasons why they shouldn't pay for the 3 unfinancial members & present it at the March meeting. Moved by Tony G 2nd Steve P

- **VIABILITY of 2018 RACE SEASON:**
SCF starting 19 May 2018, from Berowra unless a rota virus vaccine release date is eminent.
Racing start date may be rescheduled for later.
Or Racing will commence on 19th May anyway and then be suspended if the rotavirus infection breaks out or if the vaccine becomes available. Everything depends on the availability of the rotavirus vaccine.
SPF is to follow suit – fliers will make their own decision.
Truck?, Ulladulla pick up options etc discuss at next Management meeting

*Cost of SPF birds to SCF once we are on SCF truck
Castings to be presented at March Management meeting.*

- RACE SCHEDULE : Proposed by Ulladulla club
19 May Bellambi; 26 May Bellambi; 2 June Kurnell; 9 June Kurnell; 16 June Redhead – beside SCF to be discussed; 23 June Redhead; 30 June Karuah – beside SCF; 7 July Karuah - beside SCF:
30 race bird limit – extra toss birds welcome
Rest of program as for SCF schedule.

SPF management will negotiate with SCF committee to utilise their transport at the earliest convenience.

- **John Koster Sale** – at Towradgi Pigeon Club 24 February
- Tom Watson had a dig at Steve Baillie and Nick Fowler about not racing if the wind blows the wrong way ... None of your business was the reply by Nick Fowler. TW then offered them both outside. The President ordered TW to sit down, TW replied we are going and he and R B left the meeting. However, TW left his phone behind & George M took it out to TW. GM returned with \$10 cash from TW saying it was their club affiliation fees. The secretary/treasurer refused the cash money on the grounds that we don't accept cash and that TW earlier stated that the Shoalhaven Inv Club members will not be back. The Secretary also stated, 'how could a club with no members be affiliated with the SPF'. The money was returned to GM to give back to TW.
- Concerns were raised by some members about the Kurnell/Wanda area for liberations; suggestions for other liberation sites were Bilgola lookout' Shark Park, ring a south Sydney flier – Mr Syd Gard and get some recommended liberation sites. A road trip by race secretary & a delegate be utilised to review possible liberation sites. JK volunteered.
- **Truck Driver options:** Peter B was asked if his son would be interested in driving the truck. Peter replied 'probably, need to discuss with him, he won't do any Thursday basketing races. Jk asked secretary to ring George and thank him for his work in the past.
- **Shoalhaven Inv SPF Baskets** – President to arrange the return of SPF baskets presently at Shoalhaven Inv Club to the SPF.

Next Meeting: 6 March at Ulladulla 7:30 pm

Meeting Closed: 11:30 am

Jeff Formosa

Hon. Sec