**TRPC INC. GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**16th February , 2025**

1. **Open Meeting** -

10:50 am

1. **Attendance:**
2. John Mc, Daniel Mc, Eric Abel, John Williams, Trevor Wright, Warren Jones, Rod Lowe, Gary Harvey, Lachy Waterhouse, Jim Kensey, Barry Greaves, John Frost, Graeme Kerle, Cleve Pedracini
3. **Apologies** – Shane Wright
4. **Confirmation of Minutes of previous meeting**

Moved: Graeme K

Seconded: John W

1. **Correspondence Inwards**:

Auditor’s report circulated

Rego notice for club ute due 16 March – Rodney to action

Moved: Barry

Seconded: Cleve

**5. Correspondence Outwards**

Master systems were sent to Melbourne for repair – actioned ^ returned by Rodney

Moved: John W

Seconded: Trevor W

6. **Treasurer’s report –**

Rod presented 2 reports :

1. 1/09/24 to 30/10/24 when club books are closed
2. Balance as of 31/01/25

Moved: John Frost

Seconded: Graeme Kerle

1. **General business**
2. **Code of Conduct:** John Frost reminded members of their obligations with regard for to the clubs ‘Cod*e of Conduct’*. Basically, treat fellow members with respect & any dispute, objection or accusation etc be brought to the attention of the committee in writing. To then be discussed & resolved. *No abusive phone calls or threating actions.* – All in agreement.
3. **Life Membership**: Proposed by John Frost, that Col Schmid, be awarded life Membership of TRPC. 2nd Trevor - all in agreement
4. **Race Program 2025** : Two very similar proposals were presented to the members by Rod & John Frost. After discussion and a couple of minor changes. Start date moved back, Single bird & 5 bird clock 3 moved. members voted for Rod’s race program for 2025. (*copies are available on TRPC results web site*) Jim raised the issue of doubling & tripling points. – moved to business arising from the floor.
5. **Trailer repairs :** Working bee set for Saturday 8.00am, 22 February at Lachy Waterhouses’ place 14 Salamander Dr Bluewater. BBQ provided.
6. **Cleaning the race trailer** on return from liberating birds. John Frost moved that whilst the race results were being processed , the remaining members clean the trays ready for the next weeks basketing. All agreed
7. **Life Ring Order**, ETS Chip ring Order etc order sheet was passed around the members & returned to Rod to action
8. **Bird Numbers for the first race –** Rod asked members to give an estimate on their possible race entry numbers for first race. Question was asked by Jim , ‘Do we need to scan every bird ?’ eg first 30 are race scanned entries & the rest are surplus. Reason shorter basketing period & also the appearance of equal race entries presented on Raceresults.com. Jim explained that in the clubs & feds he has been involved with, this is the case. Keep it as is based on discussion and consensus.

**7. Items from the floor**

**1 Points system** – Jim pointed out the anomaly of points awarded on multiple clocking races. At present in a 2 bird or 3 bird clock , a members bird/s accrue multiple & maximum points for any nominated bird/s that aren’t clocked. Eg in a few circumstances a member/s have been penalised up to 28 points.

NB: A single race (given 12 flying members) has a maximum of 12 points for last, Did not clock or Did not fly. In the case of the 2 bird & 3 bird – 24 or 36 points are awarded to members.

Why is one race worth 3 times the points compared to the other 12 or so races?

NB: It is possible win every ordinary race for the season; miss the 5 bird clock 3 & be beaten for the overall points. Discussion ensued Jim to investigate a solution.

**2 Single & 5 bird** – Jim weekly point score championship Jim proposed a weekly single & 5 bird nom , points accrue each week up to & including Rockhampton. The aim is to give novice & small team flyers something to compete for on an even field. .- agreed

3 **Individual Race Entry problem:** Jim explained how entering birds in novelty races & special bird races that are pre-programmed in the Benzing Clock system can exclude a bird being available for races due to the fancier having very few birds to enter.

Situation( memory of race name could be wrong): 3 birds to enter are triple crown birds & one was also for Ladies race. Ladies race entry was called first & entered ; then triple crown etc the problem was I couldn’t enter in both programmed races. Solution is for novelty races that are part of a mass liberation, are all entered in the open race. 2 entry lists are printed out. Using a pen or highlighter, the flier then nominates each entry they wish to be entered in the novelty, weekly single , 5 bird or special race etc-

Agreed

4 **Windorah Invitation Results:** John Frost asked the delegate to make the WInv committee aware that the results need to be advertised & presented to get the best coverage of the event. Also, can the event show open clocking to represent all birds that completed the event. Therefore, reflecting a well informed overall result. Rodney to raise with Windorah Invitation committee.

9. **Meeting closed** –