Pigeon Racing Federation of W.A.(Inc) Board of Control Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 7th DECEMBER 2022 WHATLEY RPC.

Meeting Opened: 7:30

Present: B Brennan [President], B Scott, F Scerri, W Deverneuil

[Secretary], J Wintle [Treasurer], J Olszowy

Apologies: Neil Mouritz

Absent: B Hayes

Visitors: Nil

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the 2nd of November meeting of the Board were read. Confirmed true / accurate reflection.

Moved: B Scott Seconded: F Scerri

Carried

Business Arising:

Confirmed post a question by J Olszowy that two years as a flying member is required prior to any application for Board positions.

Treasurer's Report:

J Wintle [Treasurer], read the Financial Report for the period 1st November to 30th November 2022 for the information of and consideration by those present.

Moved: W Deverneuil Seconded: F Scerri

Carried

Correspondence In:

Report received from Gary Gleeson, the PRF representative on DPIRD Face to Face Conference on biosecurity, held 25 November 2022. Gary's report was read to the meeting for consideration of the contents. Recommendation of compulsory vaccinations in order to maintain the health of our pigeons and to maintain credibility in the industry having regard to the fact that both are "Notifiable Viruses". Gary's recommendations may need further attention if the take up of vaccination for PPMV-1 and Rotavirus fall below current levels.

Nomination for Champion Pigeon for season 2022 received from Graeme Tarrant, Secretary Whatley RPC, nominating Mick Seferovic's champion hen.

Correspondence Out:

Nil

General Business:

Presentation Luncheon February 2023

Venue: Tassels Bar and Bistro, 8 Tassels Place Innaloo

Time: 12.00 pm

Date: Sunday 29 January 2023.

Clubs are asked to canvass their members for numbers and advise the PRF President before 30 December 2022, please.

PRF Champion Pigeon 2022

Nominations received for: B & P Ewen

K & A Murtagh

M Seferovic

It was agreed B & P Ewen for Champion Pigeon 2022 [w.dev@hotmail.com.]

Australian Racing Pigeon Journal - ACE Pigeon Nomination

All three nominations for PRF Champion Pigeon have been submitted to the ARPJ for consideration of the award in their respective categories A, B and C.

Race Program 2023

Is to be distributed to members

Toss program is to be decided post the AGM by the new Board

Trophies For Season 2022

All trophies have been retrieved from last seasons recipients. Trophies to be suitably engraved.

Truck Maintenance

Wheel Alignment.

Front steering tyres are scuffed and worn. Those tyres are in fact trailer tyres and not strictly fit for purpose.

Two new steering tyres have been fitted to the front and existing front tyres to replace unserviceable existing spare tyres.

All roller shutters on bird compartment have been serviced.

Truck doors rattle and need adjustment

Front marking light on body above driver needs attention. Work in progress

Rear driver's side marking light not working. Work in progress Front internal light not working. Work in progress

Headlights need cleaning. Nearly opaque.

Split in body (Sheet Metal) above roller shutter 8 Yet to be identified General service prior to commencement of season 2023.

Vaccines - PMV - Rotavirus

It is recommended that for the coming season all clubs order vaccines and associated equipment directly through Treidlia Biovet, Seven Hills, NSW or Think Livestock, 575 Midland Hwy Huntley Vic. or Scolexia Unit 8/19 Norwood Cresc. Moonee Ponds Vic. Simply Google the above suppliers for full particulars. Should any club experience difficulties placing their order please seek advice. It is critically important for the health and welfare of our pigeons that routine vaccinations are carried out each year. Advice has been received as recently as Thursday 15 December that PMV vaccine is temporarily unavailable. Rotavirus vaccine is also temporarily in short supply.

Annual General Meeting

Venue: Centenary Park Community Hall, 105 Daly Street, Belmont.

Time: Between 1400 and 1600 hours **Date:** Sunday 12 February 2023

Nominations to Fill Vacant Positions

President: 2 X Nominations
Vice President: 2 X Nominations
Secretary: 2 X Nominations
Treasurer: 1 X Nomination

Committee members: 7 X Nominations to fill 3 vacanciees

Members are encouraged to make every effort to attend the 2023 AGM not only cast your vote on nominees to fill the vacant positions but to have your say on several proposed amendments to the Rules and Constitution.

Federation Top Ten Certificates

Soft copies now ready to be checked for correctness then onto print

Advertising PRF to Ethnic Clubs.

Cost being investigated

New Member Applications received

Tony Sluymers – AKRPC Louie DE Ocampo – Wanneroo Nazeem Benjamin – Wanneroo

General Insurance

Clubs are reminded to forward a copy of updated /renewed Public Risk Liability Insurance to the Federation Secretary.

Policy received from Riverton, noting expiry as at 1/07/2023.

Minutes

It has again come to our attention that members are not receiving minutes of Board meetings. These are supposed to be forwarded or read to all club members by the President / Secretary of the respective clubs.

Minutes of Federation Board meetings are accessible on the PRF website. Open the website, scroll down the first page to the bottom

where there can be found numerous items including the minutes of Board meetings.

AGM

It was agreed that members receive a hard copy of (via Australia Post):

- The Agenda
- Notices of motions
- Special Resolutions
- Auditors Report and
- Financial Statement

Moved: F Scerri Seconded: B Scott

Carried

Appeals

In the event that a member elects to appeal a decision made against him/her, or relative to another member, they must first put their intention to appeal in writing including the grounds for appeal. The Board will not accept or act on an application to appeal without the appellant particularising their grounds for appeal.

Complaints

All complaints of any nature relative to pigeon racing must be in writing and submitted to the Board for consideration of action, if required.

Damaged Crates and Inserts

Please ensure all damaged crates are labelled and placed on the truck for forwarding to Amalgamated club for repair. Do not store damaged crates at your club.

Complaints – Local Authority

In the event of a complaint, if a member is compliant with local By-laws he/she should survive the complaints process, if not compliant it is very difficult to assist them.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to wish members and their families a very happy and a safe Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Meeting Closed: 9:05

Next Meeting: Whatley RPC 1930 hrs. February 1, 2023.