



The Pigeon Racing Federation of W.A. (Inc)

Board of Control Meeting

DATE: 2nd June 2021

Meeting opened at 7.32 pm

Present: B.Brennan (President)
K.Wilson (Vice President)
J.Wintle (Treasurer)
C.Warner (Secretary)

Board Members:

F.Scerri, J. Olszowy, B.Scott.

Apologies: G.Tarrant

Absent : B.Hayes

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5th May 2021 were read.

Business Arising

The water pump that pumps water from fresh water tanks on the truck for use in drinkers has been replaced.

Kevin Wilson has overseen further modifications to extractor fans in bird compartments of truck, namely the fans now have their own power source and operate automatically or manually. However the fans are deemed to be too noisy.

Neil Bailey to further modify fans with a view to slowing them down. The fans will continue to extract warm, humid and dusty air, without the noise.

Moved: J.Olszowy that minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting. Seconded: F.Scerri

Carried

Financial Report: Presented by J. Wintle

Copies of the report attachment (A)

Moved: C Warner that Financial Report be accepted. Seconded by K Wilson

Carried

Correspondence IN:

Received a quotation from Wilson's Sign Solutions for the printing of labels that are to be glued onto the crates to identify which clubs crates have been allocated to. The cost of the labels is \$1.80 each

Email received from Hector Heath, President Sound Club relative to chronometer check and the sometimes discrepancy between the time displayed on the Pigeon clock and the time displayed by mobile phone. See attached reply to Sound Club.

The other inquiry by Sound Club was whether the Truck Driver should be allowed to stop at his place of residence after completing the pickup from clubs. See attached reply to Sound Club.

A summary of an objection raised by George Azar, was written and tabled by John Wintle on behalf of George Azar, both at the May and June 2021 meetings of the Board. There was no letter of complaint received from George Azar himself. The summary of George Azar's complaint, as presented by John Wintle, was in relation to a letter written by Kevin McDowall and submitted to the Board at the December 2020 meeting, alleging that somebody amended the Basketing Rules between 25/11/2020 and 27/11/2020. The Letter implied, in part, that between the said dates, George Azar accessed the PRF website and changed the Basketing Rules. The letter also implied that between the said dates, George Azar was the only person that had access to the PRF website. K McDowall also put the question to George Azar as to whether the amendment to the Rule could have been a clerical error or something more sinister. In view of the serious nature of George Azar's complaint the Board in all such circumstances require the aggrieved party to personally write a letter of complaint and not go through a third party. The matter is now under investigation and we look forward to an early resolution.

Correspondence OUT:

Email sent to Hector Heath from the Sound Club attached marked (B)

Moved: F Scerri that correspondence in and out be accepted. Seconded: B Brennan

Carried

General Business:**Crate allocation:**

We request that you notify the PRF of any surplus crates on hand at your club. Notification of surplus crates on hand will be gratefully appreciated as some clubs are short of crates. A big thanks to Amalgamated club for the hard work they are doing to repair our crates.

All damaged crates are to be labelled and delivered to Amalgamated Club for repairs, please. Do not accumulate damaged crates at your clubrooms.

Water Troughs:

We are short several water troughs. C Warner to inquire as to who can assist with making new water troughs for the crates or identify a suitable manufacturer.

Change of Names:

Smith & Conroy to Denis Smith

Conroy and Smith to Stephen Conroy

Investment Account: The authority to operate Investment Account number 06619250130456 with the CBA is to be amended to include as signatories, President Brian Brennan, Vice President Kevin Wilson and Secretary John Wintle, with any two to sign. Still a work in progress.

Truck Driver

Information sheets relative to what action the Driver is to take in the event of illness, accident or injury on the job was handed to the Driver by Brian Brennan.

John Wintle delivered to the Driver a prepaid mobile phone and charger.

Statistical return on kilometres travelled and other information supplied to Driver for completion by him and returned to John Wintle each week.

Liberation points

Thank you to Kevin Wilson and our new Driver Brent for travelling to Coorow and Morawa to identify suitable locations to liberate our pigeons on race day.

Volunteer Health and Safety Policy

There are some clubs that have not complied with this request, please do so by returning a signed copy to J. Wintle.

Setting of all Clocks

All clubs are to use the following site to synchronize all clocks. **Time and Date.com**

For Federation Races all clubs, as per the Constitution, must synchronize clocks with the Federation Clock Foreman.

Complaints By Neighbours

Unfortunately we continue to receive complaints from neighbours relative to the failure of our members to comply with Local Authority Health By-laws as they relate to the keeping of pigeons. If a member can demonstrate that he/she strictly complies with Local By-laws there is a reasonable chance he/she will survive a complaint. Some complaints are unfounded or of a trivial nature and can be resolved. However if a member acts outside the by-laws there is very little anyone can do to defend them. Please ensure that you comply with your Local Authority by-laws.

Meeting closed at 8:50 pm

THE NEXT MEETING Whatley club house at 7.30pm Wednesday the 7th of July