



**Pigeon Racing Federation of W.A.(Inc)
Board of Control
Minutes of Meeting
WEDNESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2021**

Meeting Opened: 1930 hours

Present: B Brennan [President], J Olszowy, Bob Hayes, B Scott, F Scerri, N Mouritz

Apologies: C Warner, G Tarrant and J Wintle

Absent:

Visitors: Merv Jupp and Gerry Hemerick

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the November 3 meeting of the Board were read.

Business Arising:

Business arising to be covered at the specific Agenda item below.

Moved: J Olszowy that the minutes of the November meeting are a true and correct record of that meeting.

Seconded: B Scott

Carried

Treasurer's Report:

In the absence of Treasurer, J Wintle, the President distributed copies of the Financial Report for consideration by those present.

See Attached

Moved: J Olszowy that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Seconded: B Scott

Carried

Correspondence In:**Email received from Shire of Carnarvon**

Email received from David Perry of the Shire Carnarvon dated 22 November advising the PRF of WA that the Shire of Carnarvon have formally reaffirmed its position not to allow the liberation of pigeons anywhere in the Shire of Carnarvon. In view of the decision taken by the Shire, your Board, ably assisted by Leo Turley, has written to the Hon John Carey, Minister for Housing and Local Government seeking his assistance in reaching an amicable resolution to this matter.

Letter received from Wanneroo RPC

Wanneroo RPC wrote a letter to the Board, dated 28 November 2021, seeking a pickup from their clubrooms, located within the Wanneroo showgrounds, commencing in season 2022.

Moved: J Olszowy that Wanneroo RPC be given a pickup commencing season 2022.

Seconded: F Scerri

Carried

Correspondence Out:

Letter to the Hon John Carey Minister for Housing and Local Government

Moved: N Mouritz that correspondence in and out be accepted

Seconded: B Scott

Carried

General Business:

Race Program for Season 2022

Race Program and Special Club and Legacy Races set for season 2022.

Toss Program – A work in progress

Nominations for Vacant Positions on the Board

President: Brian Brennan
Vice President: **No nomination**
Treasurer: John Wintle
Secretary: Chris Warner
Clock Foreman: **No nomination**
Stray Bird Officer: Matthew Heedes [Whatley RPC]
Publicity Officer: **No Nomination**
4 X Committee Members:
N Mouritz
Brad Scott
Bob Hayes
Gary Wilson

Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion received from Merv Jupp and Seconded by Tony Vellalunga, relative to line of flight for season 2022 having regard to the PMV outbreak suffered by many lofts during season 2021.

Special Resolution

Special Resolution received from Brian Brennan and seconded by Fred Scerri relative to Basketing Rules

Application for Membership

An application for membership to the PRF was received from John Yangzon of 100 Kingsbridge Boulevard, Butler, a member of Wanneroo RPC. Application tabled until the February meeting of the Board.

Truck Maintenance Prior to Season 2022

General service
Oil leak in breather near air tanks in need of attention
Only one release valve for all three air tanks
Front shock absorbers need to be replaced [**Replaced**] \$198 each. No charge for labour.
Clutch needs adjustment
Rivets behind cab on the bird compartment need replacing
Tropical roof damaged and in need of repair [**work has commenced**]
Windscreen wiper blades need replacing

Park light passenger's side near the aero foil is damaged and needs replacing

Battery terminal needs attention [**tested by Russ Gracie & Co Auto Electrician and found to be operating efficiently**]

Top air vent above rear door to bird compartment needs to be closed

Mattress in sleeper cab needs thorough clean or replaced

Fuel card requires a PIN number at certain fuel stops in the north of state.

Two-way radio not sending or receiving. Radlink Two-way Radios, Malaga. Phone: 1300 735 583 ask for WA.

A thorough examination was carried out as to the structural stability of the tropical roof on the bird compartment of the Fed truck. It was established that in addition to the structural damage to the tropical roof the steel tube framework on which the roof is mounted is severely rusted in places and several mounting brackets, where the tropical roof attaches to the truck, are rusted through. Had it not been for the steel flashing affixed to the front of the tropical roof it would have blown off.

Merv Jupp and President attended workshop of a company located in Naval Base that specializes in fitting roofs to trucks, for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of renewing the roof to the bird compartment with insulated sheets, similar to that used on freezer trucks.

Moved: J Olszowy that the existing tropical roof on the Fed truck be removed and further inquiries be made re replacing the roof of the bird compartment.

Seconded: Brad Scott

Carried

Presentation Luncheon

All being equal the date for the Annual Presentation Luncheon is 1200 hrs. midday Sunday 23 January 2022 at Tassel's Bar and Bistro Innaloo, just off the freeway near IKEA Innaloo. We will have a private enclosed area, members and guests can order from the menu and pay as they go for both food and beverages. Please make every effort to attend and assist make this an enjoyable occasion.

Although on Sunday January 23, 2022, WA should continue to be safe from Covid-19, presentation luncheon arrangements will be subject to WA continuing to be safe from Covid-19.

Champion Pigeon for Season 2021

The pigeon receiving most points under the criteria for Champion Pigeon for Season 2021 is BBPH PRF 19 2791 flown by Joe Wegner. Joe's pigeon topped the Federation from Carnarvon, Fed 100 Race, followed by again topping the Federation from Barradale Federation Race thereby gaining a total of 20 points.

The next best nomination was received from Whatley Club, BBH PRF 19 14156 flown by Paul Damico. This hen was placed twice in the top ten in the Federation namely 8Th Fed Coorow and 8th Fed Morawa thereby gaining 6 points.

Rotavirus Vaccine

Seven clubs participated in the acquisition of rotavirus vaccine, however not all members of participating clubs took part. Total cost \$6501.81 Fed Treasurer will invoice clubs.

Federation Sires Nominations

Federation Sires bird nominations to be in by the 1st December 2021
Nominations for the PRF Sires are \$5.00 per pigeon prior to December 1, 2021, thereafter up until the second race of the 2022 season, nominations for the PRF Sires are \$10.00 per Pigeon.

2022 Federation AGM

Venue: Melville Bowling and Recreation Club

Time and Date: 10.00 am Sunday 13 February 2022

Prepare books of account and arrange Auditor

We have been advised that the Melville Bowling Club have considerably increased the hire fees for their hall. Alternative venues are being considered. Members will be advised of any change of venue.

Federation Trophies

Federation trophies are to be retrieved from the recipients and are to have shields engraved with particulars of this season's winners and affixed to the trophies ready for presentation.

Federation Certificates

The production of Federation Certificates for season 2021 are a work in progress

Crates

Members are reminded not to take Federation crates home.

Unfortunately, we have had crates returned by members that have been left out in the weather which has rendered the crate unserviceable.

Crates are to remain at the club at all times.

Crate Damage and Repair

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.

Damaged 2021 Life Rings

Riverton Club presented approx. 100 life rings for inspection. The rings were issued to a member, the plastic on which appeared cracked and chipping in places.

Complaints - Pigeon Loft

This year we have received an extraordinary number of complaints from neighbors that flyers are not complying with local by-laws relative to the keeping of racing pigeons. If a member is compliant with local By-laws he/she should survive the complaints process, if not it is very difficult to assist them.

Meeting Closed:

Next Meeting: Whatley RPC 1930 hrs. Wednesday, 2 February, 2022