

THE PIGEON RACING FEDERATION of WA [Inc.]
BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES of MEETING
Wednesday 4 December, 2024
WHATLEY RPC.

Meeting Opened: 1930 hrs.

Present: B Brennan [President], B Scott, K Wilson [Vice President], B Phillips, G Wilson, K Damon, M Heedes, M Creemers & W Deverneuil [Secretary]

Apologies: Nil

Absent: Nil

Visitors: Leo Turley and Gerry Hemerik

Minutes of the 6 November 2024 Meeting

The minutes of the 6 November, 2024 meeting of the Board were read and confirmed in order.

Moved: Brad Scott

Seconded: Matt Heedes

Carried

Business Arising:

Query from K Damon regarding any other feedback / news regarding Animal Welfare. B Brennan advised nothing more.

Financial Report:

Financial Report tabled. The report covered Year to Date Profit and Loss

Moved M Heedes: That the Financial report be accepted.

Seconded: G Wilson

Carried

Correspondence In:

Email received from Legacy Committee

Nominations for vacant positions on the Board

Notices of Motion.

Correspondence Out: Nil

Moved: K Wilson
Seconded: B Scott
Carried

General Business:

SAT – PRF v Legacy Committee

On Friday 15 November 2024, The PRF Board and the legacy Committee appeared before SAT Senior member CADE to participate in compulsory mediation, under the provisions of Section 182 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015, with a view to resolving an issue. Unfortunately, the mediation session did not resolve the issue to the satisfaction of the SAT mediator which left the Board of the PRF no option but to withdraw its complaint.

Federation Presentation Luncheon

Time: 1200 hrs.

Date: Sunday 19 January, 2025

Venue: Tassels Bar and Bistro, 8 Tassels Place, Innaloo.

Please consult your members and forward numbers, intending to attend Presentation Luncheon, by 16 December, 2024. Email brianbrennan8@bigpond.com

Annual General Meeting

Time: 0930 hrs.

Date: 9 February 2025

Venue: Riverton RSL 153 High Road Riverton

Nominations For Vacant Positions on the PRF Board of Control

The following nominations have been received by the PRF Board of Control as at the closing date, 30 November, 2024.

President

Matt Creemers

Kevin Wilson

Vice President

Warren Deverneuil

Keith Damon

Secretary

Merv Shaw

Treasurer

Matt Heedes

Nominations Committee Members X 3 vacancies

W Deverneuil

David Chaffer

Keith Damon

Neil Bailey

Matt Creemers

Fred Scerri

Outgoing Committee

M Creemers, K Damon and Matt Heedes

Clock Foreman

Clint Sparrow

Lost Bird Officer

Matt Heedes

Publicity Officer

Matt Creemers

FOY Coordinator

Neil Bailey

Distance Coordinator

Neil Bailey

Liberation Committee

Vacant

PRF Website Manager

Vacant

Notices of Motion Received

Notice of Motion: Matt Creemers Race Rule 63.1 Amend time for all clubs to Clock Out to read 42 hours after liberation, as opposed to 72 hours after the race closes.

Notice of Motion: Matt Creemers. Amend Rule 8.1 to read life rings to be issued to on first day of July of each year.

Notice of Motion: Matt Creemers Amend Race Rule 21.1 Pigeon must home to member's loft. Amend number of hours to verify pigeon's particulars etc., from 48 hours to 72 hours.

Notice of Motion: Fred Scerri, Amend APPENDIX A Rules and Conditions of Installation and use of Electronic Band Scanning Systems – November 2014 by deleting clause 6 in its entirety and replacing it with a new clause 6, as follows.

“Manual clocks requiring rubber rings are to be phased out over a twelve-month period [Period commencing May Y25 racing season]” The amendment includes certain exclusions, namely for new flyers and flyers of a certain age.

Notice of Motion: Rule 8.2[a]

Kevin Wilson. Any foreign ring issued by e.g. NL =Netherlands GB = England or any other country will not be accepted for competition as per Federation Board of Control Minutes 11th September 2024.

Notice of Motion: EBSS Rule 23

(a) In the event of the above Rule 23 occurring, if the owner of the EBSS clock can produce and print a complete set of race data e.g.) Race Entry Form (Basketed list of Birds) Race birds clocking arrival evaluation sheet with the date and time of arrival, birds colour pattern, sex and life band prefix year and number regardless of whether in training or any other mode and a race run variation time be produced against the Federation Chronometer (Loss & Gain) and a result can therefore be determined, then the competitor's position shall stand.

Club Certificates

For those clubs that nominated to participate in the program for Club Certificates to be produced by the PRF Results Program. The system is ready to produce Club Certificates. Please contact Neil Bailey on 0418 940 083.

ANRPB, the Australian Racing Pigeon Journal and PRF - Champion Pigeon Awards

Time for club Secretaries to turn their mind to identifying potential champion pigeons in their club for the 2024 season. The ANRPB have now made the criterion for nomination of National Ace Pigeon Awards available on the ANRPB website. Nomination Forms are available for any member who might have difficulty accessing the Nomination Forms. All

Nominations must go through your club to the PRF Board. Nominations for **National Ace Pigeon Award** close 31 December 2024. Nominations for **PRF Champion Pigeon Award** close 30 November 2024.

PRF Champion Pigeon for 2024

Nominations for PRF Champion Pigeon have now closed.

Peter Dela Cruz bird being declared the Champion Pigeon ending with **23 points**.

Clint Sparrow runner up with **14 points**.

Results for BCHPIED H PRF 2023 13847

6th Fed Gascoyne Nth 7/09/2024 59 Flyers 388 Pigeons

2nd Fed Gascoyne Nth Fed 100 21/09/2024 49 Flyers 345 Pigeons

Results for PRF 22 13431 BCH

| Date | Race Point | Club | Fed | Velocity | Distance | Bird Details |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------------------|
| 23 rd June 2024 | Coorow | 1 st | 5 th | 1283.750 | 251.016 | PRF 22 13431 BC H |
| 30 th June 2024 | Morawa | 1 st | 8 th | 1198.790 | 324.872 | PRF 22 13431 BC H |
| 20 th July 2024 | Mullewa Single Bird | FED 1 st | 6 th | 1628.768 | 400.894 | PRF 22 13431 BC H |
| 27 th July 2024 | Galena | 2 nd | 2 nd | 1473.451 | 491.494 | PRF 22 13431 BC H |

Fund Raising – Squeaker Auction

It is that time of the year again when we need to turn our minds to fund raising. We had a fundraising squeaker sale in February 2024 which raised \$9,730. Brad Phillips conducted a Raffle of pigeon health products at the Federation Young Bird Derby clock out which raised \$415. Matt Creemers conducted a raffle of stock birds donated by Tony McPherson which raised \$3,000. Total raised from fund raising events in 2024 is \$12,565.

It is imperative for the viability of pigeon racing that we continue with our fundraising efforts, to that end we need to discuss and resolve a strategy for a fund raiser in late January or early February 2025.

K Wilson and K Damon volunteered to set this up and coordinate same.

Suggested Truck Replacement Strategy

Board to continue to investigate and formulate a strategy for a replacement truck / transporter with consideration of the bird compartment. Not all board in agreement as to new truck. Old bird carrier or new truck new bird carrier or scaled down version due to dwindling membership and bird numbers therefore size and carrying capacity of transporter.

Club Ring Lists to be Forwarded to Stray Bird Officer

2024 rung young birds have now started straying from their lofts, please ensure clubs forward up to date 2024 ring lists to Stray Bird Officer Matt Heedes, ASAP. email: mheedes@gmail.com

Australian National Pigeon Racing Board [ANPRB]

Minutes of the AGM and November meetings of the ANRPB are available on the PRF website.

Application for Membership to the PRF.

Ray ORR Amalgamated Melville Homing Club [Inc.
Kevin Murtagh Melville Homing Club [Inc
Garry Brindley Melville Homing Club [Inc
Ron Buckley Amalgamated Melville Homing Club [Inc.]

PRF Facebook Page

The PRF Facebook page was discussed with discrepancies as to the page owner / admins. As suggested by B Phillips and agreed by others. M Creemers was asked to contact the creator / other admins and request the page be decommissioned.

Proxy Votes

A discussion took place, put forward by K Wilson, regarding these being forwarded to both Leo Turley and Gerry Hemerik.

Events Calendar

For ease of reference by members and to avoid “Special Events” clashing, Clubs are again requested to advise the Board of any special events due in the coming season, for example, Sires, auctions or other special event.

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.

Season’s Greetings

I take this opportunity to wish each and every member of the Board and their families a very happy and a safe festive season.

Meeting Closed: 21h00

Next Meeting: Whatley RPC 1930 hrs. Wednesday 5 February, 2025.