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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOMING PIGEON ASSOCIATION INC.

Annual General Meeting Friday 23rd March 2018

1. Chairperson opened the meeting at 7.30 pm

(Quorum present. All names filed.)

2. Apologies: – G Watson, S Barber, D Shaw, Tom Tirrell, A Cook, D Edwards, G Goodrich, B Andrewartha, S Hodgson, L Abbott, P Thalbourne.

3. Memoriam: - The Chairman read the names of members who passed in 2017-18 and held a minute's silence – L Hughes, K Watson, R Rymer, A Richardson, T Deslandes, I Goodchild, M Keogh, A Lipsys, S Fischer, R Fourier.

4. Minutes of previous AGM as circulated.

Moved by P Burke that they be accepted. Seconded D Thalbourne. **Carried.**

5. Business arising from the minutes – Nil

6. Correspondence - Nil

7. Reports from officers/committees.

7.1 Chairman's Report:- Mr G Harris thanked the Committee for all their hard work and the support shown by the Members in a very challenging year. (Full report on SAHPA website)

Moved P Springett, Seconded D Aquilina, **Carried.**

7.2.Treasurer's Report: - Mr G Harris read the Treasurer Report, showing a small loss of **\$2,627.88** . (Full report on SAHPA website)

Moved by D Thalbourne that it is true and correct. Seconded Troy Tirrell. **Carried**

7.3. Auditor's Report:- Mr G Harris read the Auditor's Report.

Moved by D Thalbourne, Seconded D Buxton. **Carried**

7.4. Wall of Fame Awards:- Brian Healy; Jim Marafiote; Greg Hamilton and Gavin Harris, were awarded to the Wall of Fame. Members acknowledged all recipients.

8. Election of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Management Committee.

- **Chairperson:-** Mr G Harris was the only nomination for SAHPA Chairperson. A vote was held and Mr G Harris was elected SAHPA Chairperson for 2018.

Moved D Thalbourne. Seconded J. Marafiote. **Carried**

- **Vice Chairperson** : – Mr P Springett was the only nomination for Vice Chairperson. A vote was held and Mr P Springett was elected Vice Chairperson for 2018.
Moved D Thalbourne. Seconded G Hamilton. **Carried.**
- **Management Committee Reps:-** New incoming Rep Nenad Stojakovic and P Squire re-elected. P Springett was re-elected unopposed. Chairman thanked retiring Rep Tim Fawcett for his outstanding contribution.

9. SAHPA Inc. Notice of Motions

9.1 Proposal to simplify the current SAHPA Constitution:- Paul Springett spoke on the need to remove all matters not related to the standard constitution. The remaining document would then be known as the 'SAHPA Constitution 2018'. All matters relating to Rules would be moved into a document to be known as 'SAHPA Rules 2018'. A copy of both documents to be posted on the SAHPA website and forwarded to Club secretaries. Motion moved by D Thalbourne and seconded by P Squire. **Carried**

9.1a Addition to Constitution Section 31:- P Springett spoke on the inclusion of section 31 to the Constitution 'Changing of the SAHPA Inc Rules' so the Management Committee may change the rules from time to time as needed, but not the Constitution. Moved by P Springett, Seconded P Burke. **Carried**

9.2 Permission to spend >\$10,000:- The Chairman explained the reasons for seeking permission from the Members to spend more than \$10,000 on a project. The Hino Dutro Training Unit and the Long-Distance Club ute would be traded in and replaced with a new vehicle more suitable for towing the Geraldty trailer for races and a trailer for training tosses. D Buxton spoke for the motion with an upper limit of \$20,000. R Males spoke against the motion. L Colgate spoke for the motion. P Squire spoke against the motion. G Clare and R. Bampton discussed their views about the type of towing vehicle required. Moved by P. Springett, Approval with an upper limit of \$20,000. Seconded T Perkins. **Carried**

9.3 Enforcement of \$110 Re-joining Fee:- An open debate was called from the floor for the enforcement of the \$110 Re-joining fee. K Wallace spoke against, B Balk spoke for, P Squire spoke against, N Stojakovic spoke against, and B Hill spoke for the motion. An amendment was moved by B Balk for \$55. Seconded by Troy Tirrell. The amendment was defeated. A vote was then taken for and against the original motion and it was decided by a show of hands that the re-joining fee be waived. **Defeated**

9.4 Motion to Change Ring Transfer Fee:- Proposal for \$1.00 each per Foreign ring, with a maximum of 10 per card, plus \$1.00 per card which is a total of \$11.00 for 10 birds. SAHPA ring transfers to remain the same which is \$1.00 per card for 1-10 rings. Moved P Pollard. Seconded N Stojakovic. **Carried**

10. Breaches of Rules and Regulations - Nil

11. General Business.

11.1. P.Pollard asked if a text message for race release details could be sent to Member's mobiles. Committee to discuss costs.

11.2. L Colgate discussed Volunteer Workers Insurance for Clubs, under the umbrella of the SAHPA. Committee to follow up on costs.

11.3. Bob Hill, HVRPC, spoke on Club racing and the need not to comply with SAHPA ruling.

11.4. G Rayment asked if 5 bird pool series races could be shown on the results website separately from main race with the number of flyers, birds & prizemoney. The Chairman spoke on supporting the 5 bird series and if not well supported this year could be changed to a pre-paid pool system in 2019, designed by A Agar. Committee to discuss, along with Vin Blanden Series.

11.5The Chairman explained the Pre- Paid system and how costs are calculated.

11.6 M Antoniwi spoke on the issue of member's responsibility, regarding reported stray birds. Committee to investigate.

11.7. Mr Greg Kakoschke (Chairman of the ANRPB) was asked to give an update on the Rota Virus vaccine, availability and costs. Greg gave an in- depth summary of the present situation and in conclusion explained that he would better placed to answer many of the questions in the next two weeks.

11.8. E Lenkic asked why the 2018 Race Program didn't include Mt Gambier and Allendale which were extremely successful race points last year.

11.9. L Colgate questioned if any birds that were nominated for the Sire's Produce died from the Rota Virus could they be replaced with another. The Chairman said it was not possible as it was unfair to the owners of birds purchased at the sale.

11.10. SAHPA Secretary Tony Perkins asked Members to support the SAHPA Working bee as only one Member Geoff Rayment turned up to assist Tony Perkins last year.

12. Minutes Read:- Moved B Donovan that they were correct. Seconded G Kakoschke. **Carried.**

13. Meeting closed 10.45 pm