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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOMING PIGEON ASSOCIATION

COM Meeting Tuesday 9th August 2022, 6.30pm

1. Meeting – opened at 6:30pm by Chairman
Present: Mr G Hamilton (Chairman), Mr T Tirrell (Treasurer), Mr R Sommerville (Vice Chairman) Mr G Mitchell, Mr R Williams, Mr G Hodgins, Mr W March, Mr D Walker (phone link), J Harper (Secretary).
2. **Apologies:** Nil
3. **Previous Minutes 11/07/2022 – Accepted – M, S, Carried**
4. **Treasurer's report**
 - a. A list of 'Benefits for Members' to be posted on website.
 - b. Hire of space for 40ft containers. Thanks to David Walker for a summary of current rates for rental space.
 - c. Replacement of Ring Secretary's mobile phone. New phone to be purchased. **M, S, Carried**
 - d. Questions from Warren March regarding financial statement. Treasurer provided answers to queries.
 - e. Treasurer gave an overview of the current financial position.
5. **Business arising from minutes**
 - a. **Constitution and Race By-Law amendments**
 - i. Change to RBL # 3, CR51. The new amended Race By-Laws have now been posted on the SAHPA website. Members are asked to read the document and be aware of the changes.
 - ii. Code of Practice amendments completed, awaiting approval.
 - b. **Purchase of additional honour boards**
 - i. Tom Tirrell advised of the offer of a free honour board. Nenad Stojakovic has been notified and will assess the boards to see what is required to bring them up to standard. Ongoing.

6. Correspondence In

- i. Email from Ethan Rix ABC News Adelaide re story on the peregrine falcon.
- ii. Email from West Torrens requesting Capitation refund for R Males. Refund denied due to lateness in the season. **M, S, Carried.**
- iii. Email from West Torrens requesting new membership for L Frick. Membership approved with a late payment fee of \$30 to apply. **M, S, Carried.**
- iv. Email from Metro Club re 2023 draft race program. Thanks to Metro for their input which will be discussed at the Sect & Chairs meeting.
- v. Email from Centrals Club re increase of members from 8 to 10. Noted and crate allocation will be reviewed for all clubs next year.
- vi. Email from Gawler Club re certificate for member. Certificates to be available on website for top 30 birds in SAHPA Open Result from Glendambo YBC onwards.
- vii. Email from Lower Murray with attached verification forms. Noted
- viii. Email from Dodo re electricity price change. Noted
- ix. Email from Associated Birdkeepers of Australia re AGM. Noted
- x. Email from Kingsford Club re loan crates from APC. Noted

7. Correspondence Out –

- i. Reply to Email from Ethan Rix ABC News

8. General Business

a. Release Panel

1. Refer to Code of Practice for the keeping and racing of pigeons, **5.1 Release Panel.** Changes being implemented and waiting approval.

b. Data collection from the CO2 monitor

- i. Darren Aquilina from the Para Hills club has commenced Co2 readings during transport to races. Monitor readings taken at different heights in unit to be continued over several races. Data recorded so far has not raised any concerns and fans are doing their job. The COM are satisfied with the readings so far and can see no problems. They wish to thank Darren Aquilina for his ongoing work on this project.

c. Other Business

- i. Three videos of race birds eating and drinking in the Transporter supplied by Nenad & Alex Stojakovic to be posted on website.
- ii. SAHPA Family Day proposal from Graham Mitchell. To be discussed at Sect & Chair's meeting.
- iii. Request from A Stojakovic for adaption to trailer mover. Resolved
- iv. Continuation of SAHPA Yearbook. Feedback from the clubs have indicated that the majority of members are in support of the SAHPA Yearbook and it will be published with the ongoing help of Michael Donnellan and Alan Agar. **M, S, Carried.**
- v. Confirmation of Life ring draw from 2021 onwards is based on an alphabetical rotational basis.
- vi. Secretary and Chairmans meeting date Monday 29th August @ 7:00pm. Agenda to be forwarded to clubs at least 1 week before meeting.

- vii. Pigeon vaccines. Warren March agreed to compile a list of contacts and current prices for vaccines which can be distributed to club secretaries so each club can order on behalf of their members.
- viii. Discussion on loader's behaviour on the loading dock Thursday 4th August. Chairman to discuss with relevant parties.
- ix. Discussion on RBL22, late inclusion of a member's race result for Glendambo YBC. Clock Chairman explained the situation based on the information supplied from the member and the COM fully support the Clock Chairman's decision.
- x. Roller door flashing repairs. Sect to follow up.

9. Meeting Closed 9:40 pm

10. Next Meeting – Tuesday 6th Sept 6:30pm