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SAHPA Management Committee Meeting

Date: Weds 8th Jan 2020

SAHPA Hall at 7:00pm

Present: G Harris (Chairman),
P Burke, P Squire, N Stojakovic, P Burton, D Buxton,
J Harper (Secretary)

Apologies:

1. Approve minutes of last meeting. **Carried**
2. Business arising out of minutes. **Nil**
3. Financials. Update by Treasurer. The Treasurer is currently preparing financial statements for the EOFY. As of the 1st Jan 2020 the SAHPA will be de-registered from GST which should lead to considerable cost savings for the members.
4. ANRPB update. The ANRPB has allocated funds for a bronze plaque to commemorate the role of racing pigeons in WW1, WW2 & the Boer War. The plaque is to be unveiled at the Australian War Memorial on the 24th February 2020 which is the Canberra War Animal Open Day. The purpose of the plaque is to hopefully raise awareness and promote the sport of Pigeon Racing.

5. Correspondence In

5.1 Email from Metropolitan Club regarding promotional ideas for the sport and proposed notice of motion for allocation of a percentage of \$1 ring money to go towards prize money for the two derbies.

At the SAHPA annual general meeting in March the Committee would call for interested members to form a Promotional Sub Committee to collate ideas and budget estimates going forward. P Burton would liaise and attend meetings.

Regarding prizemoney for the two Derbies, the SAHPA Committee will consider

and option to budget a portion of the \$1 raised from ring sales as a rebate for Clubs based on the number of rings purchased by each club. This money is to be used by the club strictly as prizemoney.

5.2 Email from Metropolitan Club. Notice of Motion for AGM 2020 to change Code of Practice 7.4.3 Releasing birds in winds. The Committee is currently reviewing the guidelines of releasing birds in winds, refer **General Business 7.2**.

5.3 Application from Tim Fawcett for position on release panel 2020. Noted

5.4 Email from R Goodacre regarding correct procedure to changing Racing By-Law rules. Noted and thanks to Rolf for his input.

5.5 Flyer from Warrnambool pigeon club regarding their sale to be placed on website.

5.6 Letter from North Suburban club requesting a tossing unit service for the S/E line in 2020. Three tosses will be provided weather permitting. Monday 22nd June, Monday 29th June & Monday 6th July with toss points being Langhorne Creek and Milang. Support from the members will be evaluated before continuing.

5.7 Email from Barossa club. Notice of Motion to change Constitution **4.3**

Membership to read: The lofts of all SAHPA members competing in association races shall be situated within a **100km** radius of the Adelaide GPO. Notice of Motion to be voted on at the AGM.

6. Correspondence Out:

6.1 Letter of thanks to Warrnambool Club for \$500 donation.

6.2 Letter of thanks to Ray Mcilduff from the Committee for his outstanding contribution regarding the plumbing work completed at the hall.

7. General Business

7.1 Purchase of Mazda BT50 Ute. Approval for fitting towbar. **Approved**

7.2 SAHPA speed estimator based on wind velocity and direction over race route. The Chairman has designed a spreadsheet that can be used by the Release Panel to input predicted wind velocities along the route which will give an overall average of the estimated velocity of the birds over the race course. This would be run in parallel with current methods. The birds would only be released if the estimated race velocity for the entire journey is between 900 - 2000 m/pm, that is 54km/hr and 120km/hr.

7.3 Mega electronic rings. Investigate the option of use by other brands.

7.4 Atomic timing for setting clocks. Members to be notified at AGM of an alternative to Telstra time now it has been discontinued.

7.5 Marla qualification for 2020. Birds competing in the race from Marla or equivalent in 2020 must have previously had a race from at least 500km on the N/NW line of flight e.g. Lyndhurst, Marree, The Twins, Coober Pedy or Ceduna in that season.

Please note that the following year 2021, the Committee is bringing in a new rule that young birds cannot compete in any race further than 800km.

7.6 Summary of proposed changes to Race By-Laws and Constitution for AGM. Secretary to collate a list of all proposed Race By-Law and Constitutional changes for the AGM.

7.7 Capitation Fee for 2020 is reduced from \$220 to \$200 for members and \$100 for affiliates.

7.8 Presentation night 21st November 2020 at Chasers restaurant subject to Chasers being available.

7.9 SAHPA AGM to be held Friday 27th March, 2020 7:00pm

7.10 North Suburban squeaker sale. Perry Burton raised concerns that:

- Sausages were under cooked which could lead to food poisoning.
- A pigeon was vaccinated with PMV in the region of the throat.

7.11 Fee for Clubs that use the Hall for hampering and clock reading in 2020.

- Clubs \$200
- Plus club members \$70 ea.

7.12 Query from Committee member regarding the Google search engine. When conducting a search on Birds there is no result for Pigeons. Alan Agar to investigate ranking which is a paid option. Note : Search Birds SA, the SAHPA comes up on google page 4. Pigeons SA, SAHPA comes up as first listing.

8. Adjourned motions and business

8.1 The re-organisation of the lay out of the SAHPA hall to accomodate clubs as a basketing and clock reading centre. The Committee has given approval for purchase of eight 1500 x 1800 2nd hand portable screens for clubs to use when basketing. They have also identified the need for a working bee by clubs that are using the hall to remove unwanted items in readiness for next year.

8.2 New street signage for Hall. P Burke organizing signage.

8.3 Further options for Geraldty trailer with Aldom and various suppliers. Ongoing.

8.4 Repairs to hydraulic levelers on Gerald truck. Paul Springett to organize.

8.5 General Secretary to send out Membership form for each Club Secretary to complete, we have asked a few extra questions on the form. It will help us greatly if we can gather some statistics on our membership, the questions on the form are “Year of Birth”, “Number of Years expect to keep racing”, “Approval to include your Race Loft in our new Result System Google Map”. Membership forms and capitation fees to be forwarded to General Secretary by 31st March 2020.

Meeting Closed: 11:00 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 4th February @ 7:00pm