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## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOMING PIGEON ASSOCIATION COM Meeting Wednesday 8th March 2023

1. Meeting opened at: 6:30 pm  
**Present:** D Walker, W March, G Mitchell, R Williams, J Harper (Secretary), R Somerville (Vice Chairman)  
**Invited guests.** G Harris, T Perkins.  
Approval from COM for G Harris to chair the meeting. M, S, **Carried.**
2. **Apologies:** T Tirrell (Treasurer), G Hodgins
3. **Previous Minutes** 07/02/2023. True and correct. M, S, **Carried**
4. **Treasurer's report**
  - a. Overview of all accounts supplied by Treasurer.
  - b. Insurance for clubs. T Tirrell to proceed with quote from current provider.
  - c. LDC to forward payment for share of Mazda use in 2022.
  - d. Treasurer for 2023. The Treasurer's position is still open. In the interim the position will be shared by G Harris and D Walker as book keeper.
5. **Business arising from minutes: Nil**
6. **Correspondence In:**
  - i. Overview of all accounts from Treasurer.
  - ii. Minutes of meeting from members requesting a 5 midweek SE line race program, with possible use of Mazda Ute. The COM approved use of the Mazda for the midweek series. M, S, **Carried**
  - iii. Wayne Wilson Signs unable to update honour boards until late March/April due to shoulder operation.
  - iv. Further information required by Morgan Stuckey regarding Insurance renewal 2023-24.
  - v. Request for race rubbers from affiliate club SFRPC
  - vi. Application from R Somerville for reappointment of positions of Vice Chairman and Clock Chairman (received after meeting)

## 7. Correspondence Out:

- i. Reply to SFRPC regarding cost and availability of race rubbers.
- ii. Email to Vitesse club regarding text message for squeaker sale.

## 8. General Business

- a. AGM presentation of Pre-paid/Race spots options. Revision of slides supplied by G Harris for AGM explaining the cost structure of both pre-paid options so that the members can make an informed decision on which system will be used in 2023. Presentation slides to be made available for viewing on SAHPA website prior to AGM.
- b. Naming of races. Rudy Diener Marla to be changed to Byrock due to the race already named Keith Wickham Marla. COM to discuss naming of another two races at next meeting.

## 9. Other Business

- i. Roller door flashing repairs to be done by N Stojakovic. Ongoing.
- ii. Bull Bar for Mazda Ute. G Hodgins submitted prices from several suppliers and W March will book in vehicle which will be registered on 1<sup>st</sup> May. Ongoing
- iii. Entrance to the truck bay has now been widened to allow easier access especially when reversing the truck. Warren March and Nenad Stojakovic have overseen project and the COM are very appreciative and thank them for their efforts. **Completed.**
- iv. Hino maintenance. New tyres have now been fitted to the trailer. The side curtains, sourced locally by Warren March, are now at headquarters. Perspex covers. frames and handles from Geraldly have now arrived. Padding for two front seats to be done when the vehicle is re-registered.
- v. Tossing trailer maintenance. Replacement of latches, new spare tyre, improvement to airflow inside unit. Nenad Stojakovic to oversee maintenance which is almost completed.
- vi. G Hodgins to follow up on a full audit of the Mazda ute and organise any repairs required to the rear tossing unit. Wide outside rear vision mirrors also need to be installed.
- vii. Request for a quotation from Evolving Solutions for a software program to print race certificates. Ongoing
- viii. SAHPA Vet and information night, open to further discussion, possibly for late April 2024.
- ix. Website management and possible upgrade. In the future. Secretary to liaise with website manager regarding any changes which can then be discussed at COM level. Ongoing.
- x. Promotion of pigeon racing to various ethnic groups with further discussion on a planned approach. G Mitchell suggested we approach Sunrise breakfast T.V program and or South Aussie with Cossi to see if they would be interested in a pigeon racing segment.

- xi. The COM wish to endorse the appointment of G Harris and R Somerville to the ANRPB.
- xii. R Somerville suggested that a special Sub Committee of younger flyers be formed that would meet a couple of times a year to put forward their ideas to the COM for the future of the sport.
- xiii. Weeds in carpark to be sprayed by W March and G Hodgins.  
**Completed.** Volunteers required for future maintenance.

**10. Meeting Closed:** 9:45pm

**11. Next Meeting** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April