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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOMING PIGEON ASSOCIATION COM Minutes Wednesday 6.30 pm 1st May 2024

1. **Meeting** – opened at 6.30pm by Chairman.
Present: Mr G Harris (Chairman) Mr B Andrewartha, Mr M Donnellan, Mr G Hodgins, Mr J Jackson, Mr W March, Mr T Perkins (Secretary)
2. **Apologies** - Nil
3. **Previous Minutes 10/04/2024** Accepted MSC
4. **Treasurer's report-** Tabled MSC
 - a. With the bank accounts discussed cba sahpa rings 0829 supposed to be closed.
 - b. Cba Juniors 5657 and Business 0343 to be transferred to a new CBA Term Acct to get around 4.75 % interest. Any interested earned on Junior's portion to be added back to the Juniors General Ledger account.
 - c. Awaiting naming Benzing competition confirmation, Tony to send email to Kevin Clark and Benzing head office.
 - d. ATO requirements ABN non-for-profit incorporation, Cheryl Cox our Auditor to submit information behalf of SAHPA.
5. **Business arising from previous minutes.**
 1. **Concrete grinding** in truck bay.
Task completed at a cost of \$100 labour plus grinder hire.
Thank you to all involved.
 2. **Yearbook-** In printing shop now for extra pages
 3. **2024 Planning document-** Gavin tabled and accepted, to be put on website and circulated to club secretaries. MSC
 4. **Whipper Snipper-** Tony to purchase Stihl 2 stroke with blade.
 5. **Benzing Results** - Gavin is in discussion on with Attilo at Benzing in regard to importing Benzing live results into the SAHPA results system. -Ongoing
6. **Correspondence in.**
 1. **Email from the Bird Keepers Association.** Public Liability Insurance cover for all clubs paid, will receive certificates later in June 2024 - Tabled.
 2. **Email from Southern Vales Club** requesting a refund of \$200 for a member of Southern Vales who will not be flying this season due to health. MSC.
 3. **Treasurers report** from Golden Mile One Loft Race MSC.

4. Email from Australian Avian Pigeon Products National Lofts

We are pleased to announce Australian Avian Products are donating a \$200 voucher for the winner of the **SAHPA Little Topar SAD**. They will also be sponsoring The Golden Mile One Loft Race with a \$250 voucher.

The SAHPA and The Golden Mile committees wish to thank **Mark Schubert** for this kind donation.

5. Email from Para Hills requesting the West line and NW line be added to the lines of flight voting form in the coming Lines of flight meeting.

The COM agreed to add the extra options.

- a. There will be three voting papers that will be organised for upcoming lines of flight meeting at the end of June.
- b. Voting paper one (North Line): NW or N N/W (north as far as Marree then onto The Twins, Coober Pedy, Marla)
- c. Voting paper two (Alternate Line): W, NE, E, Traditional SE, or Lower SE
- d. Voting paper three (Term of Lines): 2 years or 3 years

6. Letter from HVRPC re Postal Voting.

The COM thank the HVRPC for the postal voting draft document and will use it as a reference when finalising the postal voting slip.

7. Correspondence Out. – Nil.

8. General Business.

8.1 Pools - The Chair suggested that the SAHPA COM consider adding \$1000 to the prize pool for the Pools competition being run by Alan Agar, Darren Aquilina and Tom Tirrell. Details for competition on the SAHPA website. MSC

The COM would like to show support to the subcommittee that came up with the concept and they will be administering on behalf of the SAHPA.

8.2 Derby Prizes - The SAHPA currently pay \$200 to the winner of each SAHPA Middle Distance and Long-Distance race, the COM have agreed to increase the prize by \$300 towards the winner of the two SAHPA derbies, so now the YBC and SAD winner will receive \$500 for these prestigious races. MSC

8.3 Drug Test – The SAHPA Com have budgeted for drug testing in 2024, a pre-race sample will be taken.

9. Prepaid Costs for 2024 season – The COM reviewed the forecast of the racing costs and approved the amount that we are to recover this year to run the race program. We have agreed to discount the total cost of racing (Fuel, Driver, Convoyer, Loading Stewards, Prizes, Cardboard, Trophies, Honour Boards, Feed) which was more than \$56,000. The amounts subtracted included \$4600 which is the amount we discount from funds raised at SA Convention each year for 5 years, less \$2550 from last year's SAHPA Surplus, Less Adelaide Pigeon Club \$3000, less expected income from Trainers \$1100. The total amount we need from Prepaid nominations is \$45,200. On Monday 27th May when all clubs ring/SMS through their member prepaid numbers, our General Secretary will calculate from the table what the Prepaid amount per bird for 2024 will be and notify all members.

10. Release Times - The COM request the Release panel, aim to get race birds to arrive in central Adelaide around 1pm race days for the short races.

11. The SAHPA Golden Mile One Loft Race manager asked for training fuel cost to be shared with The Golden Mile Racing pigeon Club during the first few weeks of training until Nick Albanos starts training. MSC

*******To encourage more members to put trainers on the Geraldty truck to be released separate from the SAHPA Golden Mile One Loft race birds, Golden Mile Management have agreed to race from Crystal Brook 170km's for the first trial race on Sunday the 26th of May to be released at 10.30am, weather permitting.**

12. Trophy Donors - The COM are asking for Trophy donors to forward \$100 to the General Account then notify the General Secretary on which race their preferences to sponsor. We thank previous sponsor and welcome new members to donate.

13. Promotional signs- Joe Jackson and Alan Agar to design signs to present to the next COM meeting.

14. Order life rings- David Walker to handle order, option 2 of the samples were selected.

15. Stray pigeons- Reminder that all members to please pick up their stray pigeons when notified, especially when the finder is a member of the public. Fines may apply for not complying.

16. Roller Doors to be serviced - General Secretary to arrange.

17. Second Truck Option for Geraldty Trailer SAHPA2 – suggested by Bronte that the SAHPA COM consider getting quotes to mount the SAHPA Trailer on a small truck, which would give us an option for racing alternate lines on the same weekend and backup in case the other unit was not available for any reason. Aldom's to be consulted and quote for a smaller Hino considered, this is a project that be reviewed over the coming year.

18. Just to confirm- The COM have made the decision not to go ahead with the 120 Club this year a majority of the members of the Association were in it.

19. Meeting Closed at 10:00 pm.

20. Next Meeting – Wednesday 5th June 2024 at 6.30pm.