

**SA LONG DISTANCE RACING PIGEON CLUB INC  
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

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**DATE:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023  
**TIME:** 7:00pm  
**VENUE:** Angle Park Greyhound Track  
**PRESENT:** Greg Hodgins (Chairperson), Gavin Harris (Secretary), Lee Abbott (Treasurer),  
Bronte Andrewartha, Russell Somerville, Troy Tirrell  
**APOLOGIES:** George Tsonis

**1) Nomination for SALDC Management Committee for 2023**

The members are Greg Hodgins, Gavin Harris, Lee Abbott, Bronte Andrewartha, Russell Somerville, George Tsonis and Troy Tirrell all wish to renominate for positions on the SALDC Management Committee this coming year.

**2) Finance Report**

As agreed by the SALDC Committee – we donated \$1000 to the SAHPA for assisting us to raise funds by auctioning birds donated to the SALDC.

The SA Convention auction raised \$17,950, less transaction fees paid to Square of \$276.45, the amount paid into SALDC bank account was \$17,675.55.

SALDC Secretary to calculate our portion of the Mazda expenses for 2022 and pay SAHPA.

**3) SIRES 2023**

We agreed that the race point for 2023 will be Marree. We have selected Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September, hamper Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept at SAHPA Hall. We have chosen this date as it is 4 weeks after the Glendambo YBC so birds for Sires can compete in the YBC, we also wanted to avoid Fathers Day (Sunday 3rd September).

The Sires Auction is scheduled for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February and Willi Thiele has agreed to be the Auctioneer.

The Prepaid birds for the Sires 2023, we normally close nominations at the end of March each year after the AGM reminder, last year we extended it to the night of hampering for the first race. In 2023 we will close prepaid nominations on the night of hampering the 4<sup>th</sup> race (Peterborough) on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

Qualification on the line of flight ruling for 2023 – To avoid flyers entering birds that have not been qualified on the line of flight, each flyer must present a form at hampering, showing which race each of their birds had competed, ideally an Evaluation List from their ETS or a copy of their nomination sheet.

In 2023 the birds must have competed in a race on the North/North West Line.

**4) Alice Springs (NT) (1320km) 2023**

We agreed to schedule Alice Springs for release Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August, hamper Tuesday night 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Nominations \$25 per bird

SALDC Committee reviewed the Alice Springs 2022 weather and have agreed that we need to be further considerate of the error factor in weather forecasts and ideally aim for weather conditions where the birds get some assistance on at least one of the days on their way home. Unfortunately the weather deteriorated to stronger head winds in 2022 than what had been forecasted, so we need to be conscious of weather forecast variations.

SALDC seek permission from SAHPA Management Committee to conduct the race on this date.

\*\*\* Action : SAHPA COM \*\*\*\*

Russell Somerville has offered to do a Training toss in preparation for Alice Springs. Our plan is to use the Mazda Unit and have a release from Lake Hart (458km NW of Adelaide). The Toss is planned for a date 3 weeks before hampering for Alice, so depending on weather conditions the release would be Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August.

**5) Kulgera 2023**

The SALDC Management Committee seek approval to hold a second long distance race in 2023 at the end of the season from Kulgera (1130km NNW) of Adelaide, 21 kms North of the SA Border with NT.

As the Westline series is not being run in 2023, we have decided to move away from Border Village and go NNW to Kulgera.

On the SAHPA programme, could you show it as Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, hamper Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. However at that time of year it could well be too hot, so we may move it back until we find suitable weather, based on 2022 weather patterns it was cooler than expected during October.

Nominations will be \$20/bird, 5<sup>th</sup> bird free.

**6) Cock Bird Special 2023**

The SALDC Management Committee seek permission from the SAHPA COM to hold the Cock Bird Special race from Coober Pedy on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

We recommend that the birds be released 30 minutes to 1 hr after Main race.

Our understanding is that the SAHPA COM are handing back the race to SALDC to run and there will not be any SAHPA points allocated for this race.

We intend to charge \$5 per bird and flyers get their 5<sup>th</sup> bird free. We will publish a poster to go to the clubs and each club secretary can deposit the money direct into the SALDC Bank Account.

Can the SAHPA COM and Treasurer advise whether the birds will be transported to the race point for no charge, so we can then work out how we allocate the prizes from the nominations paid ?

\*\*\* Action : SAHPA Treasurer \*\*\*\*

**7) Meeting Closed**

9:15pm