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## 2023 SAHPA – Race and Awards Planning – Revised 05/04/2023

### A) SAHPA Race Distance Definitions.

1. All races up to and including **450kms** are deemed to be Short Distance Championship SDC, with sponsor naming rights assigned to Benzing Australia Series.
2. All races from **451kms to and including 650kms** are Middle Distance races and are deemed Assoc races towards SAHPA Aggregate Points.
3. All races **over 651kms** are Long Distance races and are deemed Assoc races towards the SAHPA Aggregate Points, races run by SA Long Distance Club are not included in the SAHPA Aggregate Points
4. All distances as above refer to distance from **race point to Adelaide GPO.**
5. Races Category
  - a. **Benzing Australia Short Distance Championship** – 10 SDC races :

Stirling North 1 & 2	Peterborough 1 & 2
Bookaloo 1 & 2	Yunta 1 & 2
Pimba	Olary
  - b. **Middle Distance** - 10 races :

Glendambo YBC	Little Topar SAD
Glendambo Open	Little Topar Open
The Twins Open 1	Wilcannia Open
The Twins 5 Bird Special	Wilcannia 5 Bird
The Twins Open 2	Emmdale.
  - c. **SAHPA Long Distance** – 4 races

Marla Open	Cobar
Cooper Pedy	Byrock
  - d. **SA Long Distance Championship** includes :

SAHPA Long Distance Races <b>plus</b>	
Kulgera	Alice Springs

### B) SAHPA Points Tables

1. The **Short Distance Championship and SA Long Distance Championship**) races will have separate points allocation tables, there will be no separate points for Middle Distance.

- a. **SAHPA Aggregate Points Table** which will include Middle Distance and Long Distance races marked as Assoc races on the program.
- b. Individual certificates for each bird will not be provided in 2023.
- c. Flyer Performance certificates will be awarded – to any flyer that had a bird placed in the top 30 birds in each series. The certificate will show a row for each bird that was in the top 30 positions.
- d. The Certificates will be based on the open result top 30 birds.
- e. SALDC races will have their own points allocation table.

**C) Five Bird Pool (5BP)**

1. The 5 Bird Pool will operate on SAHPA Association races only (exclude SDC races)
2. Nomination sheets to have the 5 birds marked as 5BP, copies of nomination sheets to be sent to SAHPA on hampering night. The flyer must mark the 5BP birds on their nomination sheet. Previous years we allowed the first 5 birds on their nomination sheet, but this year if they want to be included 5 birds must be marked with 5BP.
3. The birds in the 5BP are part of each flyers team of up to 30 birds nominated.
4. Only the first bird clocked of the 5 birds nominated are to be entered into the Results system.
5. The Aggregate Points winner of the 5 Bird Pool Series will receive a \$200 prize which includes \$100 allocated towards a trophy and be provided a certificate.

**D) Small Team Flyer Championship ( 100T Club)**

1. All flyers that have **120 or less birds** on their Prepaid List will be part of the Small Team Championship (100T).
2. We have changed the definition of small team from 100 in 2022 to 120 in 2023
3. The Results system will show a result for the 100T club
4. Flyer Performance certificates will be awarded – to any flyer that had a bird placed in the top 30 birds in each series. The certificate will show each bird that was in the top 30 positions.
5. The Aggregate Points winner of the Small Team Flyer Championship will receive a \$200 prize which includes \$100 allocated towards a trophy.

**E) Short Distance Championship (SDC)**

1. The Short Distance Championship is being sponsored by **Benzing Australia** in 2023. We once again thank Kevin Clark, the winner of each SDC race will be provided with a **\$200 Product Voucher**.

## **F) Trainers**

1. In 2023, Flyers will be allowed to send Trainers in addition to their maximum of 30 birds.
2. Trainers do not have to be scanned, but it is recommended if they are nominated for Sires Produce that they are scanned as proof the birds have raced on the line of flight. If a flyer chooses to have the birds scanned, please make sure they mark the 30 birds in the race on their sheets, if nothing marked it will be assumed the first 30 birds on their list are in the race.
3. There will be a charge of \$1/bird for any Trainers sent.
4. Club Secretaries are to collate the number of Trainers each week and notify the SAHPA Secretary when they ring through the number of birds. Please collect the money each week and at the end of the Short Distance races, the Club Secretary will deposit the monies collected in the SAHPA Bank and put in a reference of the club and send an email to [sahpa.treasurer2015@gmail.com](mailto:sahpa.treasurer2015@gmail.com) summarising the flyers and number of birds that have been paid up.
5. To avoid the Truck and Trailer having too many crates to load, please make sure that your club does not send up more crates than you have allocated.

In particular the 2 short races that the Adelaide Pigeon Club also convoy on the truck may need to have limited numbers for trainers from clubs. Please ask your members to avoid sending trainers on 17<sup>th</sup> June Stirling North 2 and 15<sup>th</sup> July Bookaloo and if they do, only to the fill up partially filled crates.

If a member presents Trainers for those 2 races, please contact SAHPA Secretary to see if we can fit them on before basketing the birds as they may be turned away if we get too many.

## **G) Clocks**

1. Please note the SAHPA COM will be enforcing the rule from our Clocking Bylaws.
  - 1.1 SAHPA competitors shall register one (1) clock (brand and serial number) for use in all races in each yearly SAHPA race programme. Should this registered clock become unsuitable for use (for whatever reason), the competitor may use a 'club spare' at each club or make use of suitable clock (electronic or mechanical). This second clock shall be duly registered.

## **H) 2023 SAHPA Other Race/Hamper/Clocking Details**

1. A copy of the nominations sheet will be sent to the SAHPA each week.
2. A copy of flyer nomination (hamper) sheets are to be held by club secretaries for whole season. If the flyer has birds competing in the SALDC Sires Produce

then the sheets should be available to help verify that any birds they present for basketing of Sires have flown on the line of flight.

3. Only flyers with placings in the top 30 are required (through their club secretaries) to send clocking sheets to the SAHPA race adjudicator – these must be sent within 7 days of the original hamper date for that race.
4. All SAHPA race nominations are limited to 30 birds per flyer.
5. Secretaries are to enter results into the Results system. The Results system will default to First Bird Clocked result but Overall results and the First Three Birds will also be available.
6. Th **Bird of the Year** points to be calculated for top 30 Overall result, same as the **ACE Pigeon Awards**.
7. Weekly results for all race series shall be published on the front page of the SAHPA website as acknowledgement of excellent performance.

#### **D) SALDC Role in 2023**

1. The SALDC COM shall be responsible for the organisation of the following races:
  - a. Coober Pedy Cock Bird Special
  - b. Kulgera – replaces Border Village as no Westline in 2023
  - c. Marree Sires Produce
  - d. Alice Springs
2. SALDC will be responsible for advising race points and tossing programmes to fit the LDC races.

## **J) SAHPA Race Income for 2023**

1. **Bird transfer fees** will not be required in 2023 – now included in cost of racing. Owners are still required to advise the ring secretary of changes in ring ownership prior to race 1 of the SAHPA programme.
2. Race rubbers, crate seals and cardboard will be supplied at no cost to clubs – all will be expensed as race consumables and included in cost of racing.
3. Capitation fees have been set at **\$200** per flyer for the 2023 race season and are **due and payable** on or by the **31st March 2023**.
  - a. Pre-paid Lists of life rings was the option selected by members at the SAHPA AGM for 2023. Our best estimate is \$2.90 per bird (was \$3.20 in 2022) but that is subject to change based on the total number of birds listed by all clubs.
  - b. Club Secretaries will collate the number of birds for each flyer on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 and email/sms/ring them through to the SAHPA Secretary by 8pm, on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 the SAHPA Secretary will publish the price per bird on the SAHPA Website.
  - c. Pre-paid Lists will be sent to the SAHPA on basketing night of the first (1<sup>st</sup>) race Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, members are to pay their Club Secretary on or before Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Club Secretaries are to pay the monies into SAHPA Bank account by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June.
  - d. If a member reduces the number of birds on their list between Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June then we ask that the secretary marks a comment on the Flyers cover page as to the reason.
  - e. Revised Pre-Paid list of any late ring numbers will be lodged no later than the night of hampering for the 4<sup>th</sup> Race of the season 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023, late prepaid nominations will not be accepted. The late registration fee is 50% on top of the normal Fee, our best estimate is \$4.35 per bird.
  - f. Preferably all payments are to be electronic or, by club arrangement with the SAHPA Treasurer. One payment per club.
  - g. **Nomination fees do not include SALDC races.**
  - h. Charges for **2023 life rings** have been set at **\$1.00** per ring for the 2023/24 breeding season. Preferably all payments are to be electronic or, by club arrangement with the SAHPA Ring Secretary.