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## **SAHPA Management Committee Meeting**

**Date:** Tues 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020 @ 7:00 pm

### **Zoom Conference**

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

**Apologies:** Nil

1. Approve minutes of last meeting. **Carried**
2. Business arising out of minutes. **Nil**
3. Financials. Update by Treasurer. Harvey Norman to continue rental agreement for storage containers on SAHPA site.
4. ANRPB update. The SAHPA is not seeking a refund of the 2017 \$5,000 donation which is held in trust in the ANRPB Disease Management Fund, we would like it to be held in reserve to tackle the next disease challenge.

## **5. Correspondence In**

- 5.1 Email from B Hill regarding private tossing and Coronavirus restrictions. Covid-19 concerns with tossing, after discussion with SAHPA Chairman and contacting SA Police and National Hot line his concerns were allayed.
- 5.2 Email from Murray Bridge Club advising that they wish to remain as affiliates should the SAHPA expand the boundaries.
- 5.3 Request from ANRPB to publish details on website about Pigeon Radio Australia's initiative to release birds on Anzac Day morning.
- 5.4 Barossa Club Council restrictions on access to clubrooms and written confirmation of Insurance cover needed before activities can resume. Copy of insurance sent to Barossa club.

## **6. Correspondence Out:**

**6.1** Contact with R Sommerville regarding fitting of the towbar to the new ute. Now exploring advise from Southern Towbars regarding safety improvements for towing the Geraldty trailer.

## **7. General Business**

**7.1** Coronavirus review on implications for pigeon racing and safety plan. The SAHPA have published a comprehensive Covid-19 Safety Plan which includes guidelines for all clubs to be compliant with S.A Government regulations. Copies sent to club secretaries and published on website.

**7.2** Rebate for new members. The Prepaid plan allows for free nomination of first 50 birds for new members.

**7.3** Capitation refund for two West Torrens members. Treasurer to organize refund.

**7.4** Unincorporated Associations. The SAHPA recommends that all clubs should be Incorporated Associations for the legal protection of their members.

**7.5** Revision of race program. New updated program approved by Committee with 4 double headers on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup>. Now published on website.

**7.6** Prepaid system. The Committee has decided to continue with the prepaid system for 2020 which is the same used in 2019. This will eliminate the need to handle cash at the SAHPA office and clubs. All club secretaries are asked to submit their member's bird numbers to the General Secretary by 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020 so the Treasurer can estimate the price per bird that will cover all racing costs. There will be no 5 Bird Pool series this year.

**7.7** Training plan. New training program including 3 S/East tosses updated and published on website.

**7.8** Infringement of Rules 10. b) Non-collection of Reported Stray Pigeon.

Members must make contact with persons reporting pigeons registered in their name within 24 hours of contact by the Ring Secretary. The reported pigeon(s) must then be collected within 7 days, after which the Ring Secretary must be notified of the collection.

Failure to comply with the above will result in a fine of \$50 and further nominations of pigeons in races shall be prohibited until the above procedure has been complied with, and the fine is paid to the General Secretary. Further infringements may result in possible suspension or termination of Membership.

Our particular concern is with birds reported by a member of the public, pigeons need to have collection organized in a very timely manner. Unfortunately, one of our members failed to communicate correctly with a member of the public reporting the pigeon and it resulted in the person taking the bird to the RSPCA. The Committee moved a motion to impose the \$50 fine on the member. **Carried**

## **8. Adjourned motions and business**

**8.1** The re-organisation of the lay out of the SAHPA hall to accommodate clubs as a basketballing and clock reading centre. The Committee has given approval for purchase of eight 1500 x 1800 2<sup>nd</sup> hand portable screens or uniform cupboards for clubs to use when basketballing. They have also identified the need for a working bee by clubs that are using the hall to remove unwanted items in readiness for this year. Now restricted by social distancing rules and limited number of members allowed in the hall.

**8.2** New street signage for SAHPA Hall. Signwriting completed, paid and ready for pickup. P Burke to organize erection of new sign.

**8.3** Paul Springett exploring options for Geraldine trailer with Southern Towbars.

**8.4** Fitting of Bug screen to Geraldine truck. With two spotlights shielding the radiator it has been decided that a better option is to clean the radiator with a strong water hose as part of a weekly maintenance program.

**8.5** Long reach tow bar has been fitted to the Mazda BT50.

**Meeting Closed:** 10:40pm

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday 9th June 2020