

ANRPB Meeting held 16 November 2022

President Greg Kakoschke opened the meeting at 1745hrs EST.

Attendees: Greg Kakoschke, Paul Gibbs, Gavin Harris, Peter Flack, Janine Johnston, Marc Tenaglia, Stephen Shears, Russell Sommerville, Kevin Wilson

Apologies: Jeff Profke.

Correspondence In:

Correspondence out: Nil tabled.

Business arising from Correspondence in: Nil

Business Arising from previous general meetings. Nil

FCI	Ongoing	
Government recognition / Sports Australia.	Ongoing	
Promotional Material	Ongoing	
COBAR Grand National	Preparation of ideas for 2023.	
Publicity and Promotion	Ongoing	
Adelaide National Convention	Discussed in general business	

General Business

Coefficient Race	A general discussion was held re a proposal to draft a ANRPA coefficient race for the 2023 season: (SAHPA currently have an ACE bird series). The ACE bird needs to be placed in the top 5% of birds placed in the season, The club's secretary checks and confirms results the ACE bird is in the top 5% of results for the race as opposed to the bird of the year who finishes consistently. 2 race nominations ACE young bird, ACE old bird and can be organized at either state, federation or club level with a minimum of 20 fliers to participate. The pigeon does not need to be a club winner – just	Paul Gibbs - to draft a proposal. Russell Somerville– Discuss and gain feedback at convention to gain interest / feedback
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	consistent in returns. With the diversity of regions and club a short-middle race of 80 – 549 klms and middle -long 550klm+ may entice short distance fliers to enter due to coefficient calculations.	
Grand National Race for 2023 around the states.	<p>WA are currently looking at options for their 2023 Grand National Race. Fanciers can fly the same line as 2022 or can trial the East line. Currently still in discussion and organizing transport in the lead up to races for the 2023 season.</p> <p>QLD – Peter Flack advised he will organize own transport for the event to not rely on QPF. Early nominations of birds will be required in order to organize transport. QPF are flying Broken Hill line 2023 whilst Toowoomba are flying West.</p> <p>NSW – A small core may participate in the race however Central Cumberland are racing a southern line. Central Coast / Mid North Coast are flying North.</p> <p>SA – Paul Gibbs is currently in discussion in the National Race being held at a one loft premise. Current discussion may see a one loft potential foe 2024. Contingency and pricing to be worked out to prevent out of pocket expenses whilst also ensuring potential viability for the race.</p> <p>VIC – Marc advised facilitating the race was a process. Marc is happy to promote the race to enable Victorian clubs to make own decisions.</p> <p>2023 race point discussion followed with suggestions of Emdale as potential. Gavin suggested Cobar, Russell suggested Thargominda/Quilpie. NSW suggested to work with fanciers and queried Mitchell / Charleville.</p>	Ongoing for 2023.
Victorian Country Delegate	Marc advised he has been working on the process. No communication from Peter Vergona, Victorias has rules around its country delegate. EOI from Matt Whitechurch Gippsland.	
Western Australia – George Azar	George Azar welcomed to the meeting via Zoom. George has proposed a fundraiser to support a WA fancier with legal fees following court action after a fancier was charged treating a pigeon at home. George proposed to auction 10 birds from each state to raise money, becoming an annual event funds raised could be put aside to aid further fanciers should support be required. The proposal included transport costs to be removed from funds received to alleviate financial costs of volunteers. An in-depth discussion was held regarding determining cases to support, prevention of a precedence and resolving cases. Each case to be assessed on merit. Fanciers are required to abide by their state and local governments laws and acts. The board can't defend the breaking of council bylaws. A unanimous decision was made to provide support to the initiative	

	of the WA pigeon racing federation. The board will encourage a working relationship with other support groups in order to support fanciers.	
National Convention	Russell Somerville advised of minor changes with the convention . 2 x 24 seater buses have been organized for loft visits, otherwise fanciers are welcome to organize own transport. Details are up on website. Gavin Harris advised a storm had damaged windows to the facility – awaiting repairs. The stall has been organized with merchandise ready to go. A discussion was held to close the stalls whilst the presentations are on. Stephen Shears advised 40 shirts have been presold prior to the convention.	
WA Country Representative	Kevin Wilson has advised he has emailed country fliers seeking interest for a WA country representative. No response at this time.	
National Code of Practice 2022	The NCP has been reviewed with minor updates to ensure currency with thanks to Stephen Shears. The board will circulate to seek input from clubs within Australia for the provision of feedback. Copies are to be placed at the convention stall. Peter Flack to share link of FB groups. Feedback to be received by 28 th February 2023. The draft was moved to be accepted by Paul Gibbs and seconded by Peter Flack.	Awaiting feedback to be received by COB 28 February 2023.
National Constitution	Section 17 details 5 year terms with a potential 3 year extension. Greg advised the National Board will require a new chair president for 2023. Greg gave reflection on the boards achievement and circumstantial challenges faced in the last year. Kevin will require the WA PRF vote to renominate for another 3 years prior to AGM.	AGM 7 th December.

Treasurers Report: Gavin Harris advised current balance in bank as at 16 November 2022 \$67493.89 report moved by Stephen Shears and seconded Peter Flack.

State News.

NSW – Stephen Shears would like to promote the Sydney Gold Ring race at the convention stand.

QLD – Peter Flack advised PMV has been in QLD lofts. Currently difficult to get the vaccine – more may be available late December however expecting shortage in 2023.

Meeting closed 2003hrs by president Greg Kakoschke.

Next meeting : AGM 7th December 2022. (1730 Qld – 1700 SA – 1730 NSW & Vic – 1430 WA)