

ANRPB held Monday 12th August 2024

Meeting Opened 18:30 EST.

Meeting chaired by Vince Pedavoli

Attendees: Paul Gibbs, Stephen Shears, Gavin Harris, Russell Somerville, Andrew Crothers, Leo Turley, Philip Almond

Apologies: Tony Price, Janine Johnston, Louie Piculovski (having a break)

Special Guest:

Correspondence In: Laucke Mills – Have paid their ANRPB \$500 sponsorship

Vince Pedavoli – San Remo agreed to once again sponsor Ace Bird series

Nigel Allsop – Support from board for the Australian Military Award

Correspondence out: Vince Pedavoli – Letter of support for Australian Military Award

Previous Minutes Approved: Moved by Stephen Shears Seconded by Paul Gibbs

Junes Minutes amended as Russell was an apology.

Treasurers Report.

Current balance in everyday working account \$17,541.11

Term Deposit \$72,839.70, earned \$2839.70 interest, renewed for 12 months at 4.6%, matures 13/5/2025.

Transactions since last meeting : Lauke Mills +\$500, Leo Turley WA National -\$1000, R. Somerville +\$50 membership

Treasurer also presented the end of Financial report, a copy to be attached to the minutes.

Board agreed to proportion the Term Investment interest so that 50% of the interest earned on the Disease Management Fund goes back into the balance of the DM Fund and 50% goes into the ANRPB balance. Treasurer calculated it after the meeting as \$1283.82 to be added to DMF out of the \$2839.70 earned on the \$70,000 investment.

Disease Management Fund Last year Balance	\$63,293.73
Plus Interest allocates as a portion of Term Deposit	\$1,283.82
Balance as at 30/06/2024	\$64,577.55

Moved Leo Turley, **Seconded** Andrew Crothers

General Business

Promotional Video	Vince continues to liaise with Rod regarding promotional video. Rod has agreed to prepare 30 second video with a link at end of clip, Tony will follow up Rod. Stephen Shears spoke with Adam Archer and he has included our 5 min video.	Tony to contact Rod 30 sec.
Victorian Legislation	VCAT hearing completed, aim is to have pigeons listed with councils under the same “Racing Category” as Greyhound Racing. Tony Price to keep ANRPB updated on progress. Draft to be prepared in common language.	Tony Price
FCI	Stephen has emailed Mr. Matteo Grappa about the FCI logo on Life Rings, Stephen to follow up. Previous Notes : Mr. Matteo Grappa, Vice president of the FCI has notified Stephen that the Boards FCI application to become a member has been accepted. FCI rings The Board can access FCI rings – currently cheaper than clubs are able to source in Australia. The FCI have approved suppliers with rings sun resistant and to world standard, no numbers are duplicated on rings. 5 euros from each sale will go to the FCI. Central Cumberland plan to access rings through FCI due to quality and price. Leo asked questions such as what details go on the ring, are we able to differentiate states, eg WA need PRF and SA need SA printed on Rings, other states as well Stephen to investigate whether FCI needs to printed on rings ? FCI congress in China 2026 Due to new membership it is important for a representative to attend from the Board to promote Australia. Paul motioned that the Board should support and pay travel and accommodation costs for a member to attend the congress. Stephen to consider option of attending conference. FCI logo To be included on all correspondence / website where able to show support. Gavin to email Len about website and see if we can create a new letterhead to include FCI logo.	Stephen Shears to confirm whether rings must have FCI on ring and whether we can have our own codes like PRF, SA, etc plus mobile number for found pigeons. Stephen to try to obtain samples / photos of rings for the next meeting. Action : Stephen to consider attending Action : Stephen to see if he can get a better quality logo from FCI. Action : Gavin to update documents to include FCI logo

Loading Density / Code of Practice	Carried Forward /- Leo advised ongoing. Representative of WA has successfully presented to the Western Australia Department of primary industry and development with a positive response who recommended to present the case at the National body meeting when reviewed later this year. PRF have also written to Dr. Michelle Rodan Chief Vet Officer.	Leo to discuss with Grant Patterson.
Government recognition / Sports Australia.	Ongoing.	
Donation to ANRPB by Vince Pedavoli	Vince held a pigeon auction through Hawa Brothers who kindly donated their services for no charge. Vince's birds brought a tidy sum and he has donated \$11500 to the ANRPB. These funds will be distributed as \$6500 to Legacy Australia as a donation and each of the 5 states will have \$1000 allocated for their National Race.	ANRPB Members were very grateful to Vince for his generous donation. Action : Gavin to raise a Bank Cheque for \$6500 to Legacy Aust and post to Vince
2024 Grand National.	NSW Stephen advised Central Cumberland accepted the ANRPB grand national race for NSW and will transport other fliers. This year's grand national will include multiple federations and clubs. Stephen advised details for basketing will be sent out closer to the date. The race will be held in September. WA - Perth ANRPB Grand National was successfully held on 27th July 2024 - 500kms, Galena. Non-affiliated clubs to the PRF were charged \$2 per bird for freight plus the \$10 per bird entry for the Grand National. QLD - Philip Almond advised Nort Line St Lawrence 580km, invite everyone, no \$10 entry fee this year. Next year 2025 planning on 680 to 780km race. SA Emmdale 14th September \$10/bird entry fee applies. Russell reported that the Iron Triangle clubs (Port Augusta and Port Pirie) may not have any flyers as their season will be finished by then and he is still checking with Keith in the South East of the state. Free freight as birds are all prepaid in SAHPA. Victoria's National is held on 12th October from Dubbo. Tony advised that the sponsorship money from ANRPB will be divided \$250 to each Victorian Federation winner the \$10/bird does not apply in Victoria. Sponsorship for transport is already provided. Certificates – Examples to be provided to Vince by Leo to see if FCI logo can be added	Proposed Dates: WA – 27th July 2024 SA – 14th September 2024 NSW – 7th September 2024 VIC – 12th October 2024. QLD - Action : Leo and Vince

General Business

National Ace Bird Awards	Paul Gibbs has tabled the amendments to the 2 awards we introduced last year, Short to Middle Distance and the Middle to Long Distance. He has also documented the criteria for the new award “Over All Distances”, must be clock bird 3 times must be at least one in Short to Middle and least one in Middle to Long distance. Notes from Previous Meeting - Paul Gibbs and Stephen Shears have organized the Photos, Frames, Glass Etched Trophies and Certificates. San Remo Lofts was our sponsor 2023 Ace Bird Award costs to ANRPB were \$395.50,	Gavin to edit 2024 Ace Bird forms as per instructions from Paul Gibbs and email them back to Paul for verification then get them posted on ANRPB website by Len Vanderlinde Vince to contact Pat Arcella for sponsorship 2023 and 2024
Victorian Country Delegate	Ongoing search for regional candidate.	Tony Price
Queensland Delegates	Ongoing search for regional candidate.	Philip Almond
Tasmania Delegates	Ongoing search for regional candidate.	
ANRPB Secretary	May need to appoint a Secretary as we have not been able to get response from Janine for several months. Agreed to \$300 per annum payment should we find someone to take the minutes.	Action - All
Merchandise	No plans for any new merchandise purchases. Previous minutes - Agreed to supply some promotional merchandise to Paul Gibbs to present. Source from Stephen or let Gavin know if he wants stock sent from Adelaide. Paul going to UK Doncaster Event, agreed that ANRPB present to Editor(s) of the Pigeon Racing Pictorial International, give them a ANRPB Mug each, Cap each and sew on badge. Provide some merchandise for Kevin Wilson to take overseas to one Loft race at Pattaya International	Paul Gibbs Action : Stephen Shears
Sponsorship	Anpario donation to the Board – the Board has placed Anpario logo on the website. Laucke Mills logo to be put on website and if clicked on go to their website.	Action : Gavin and Len

	Russell to visit offices 1519 Sturt Highway, Daveyston SA 5360. Ongoing – seek sponsorship from veterinarians such as Knox Veterinary clinic, Dr Rob Marshall. Paul has had no response.	Action : Russell
ANRPB Life Ring	Ongoing: Re-visit this in the future should the Board take over the life rings when current sellers Alex and Ted are ready to retire.	
Patron	Ongoing. Discussion with Gary Honan about possibly getting Ray Hadley.	Vince
National Convention March 2025	CCF have appointed a subcommittee to plan the convention 29 th and 30 th March – at Arena Greyhound Centre - Yagoona	Stephen to report.
Pigeon Pictorial UK Magazine	Paul Gibbs has provided an article from ANRPB to be published in Sept Issue Thank you Paul.	
Kempsey Council Issue	Paul provided an update, Leo Turley had provided material to the flyer that was having trouble with the council. Previous Meeting - Stephen Shears advised of a fancier in Kempsey to join Australian Bird Keepers Association, (Life member \$200 per individual), Fancier is in an area of zoning that advises he is unable to keep animals. Currently in disagreement with a neighbor who has hired a barrister to force local council to force the fancier to rehome pigeons. Current council legislation in that area states no animals at all allowed.	
State Round Up / Discussion	QLD – Rotavirus, Philip recommends treatment using Gaviscon liquid (Aniseed) 30ml/8lts water.	
ANRPB – List of Contacts for each state.	Federation details for states being collated. Gavin is waiting on responses from each state's delegate so he can collate the list.	All delegates (Andrew has responded)

FCI website article from ANRPB	Stephen Shears advised the FCI are currently redesigning their website to include continents with Australia to have a box seat to promote pigeon racing. Ideas include on the site include Paul's article regarding the Board and purpose, contact details for all the States and Federations, graphically interesting races highlighting distances including Alice Springs race of 1300klms of desert for pigeons, Launceston to Newcastle. Tony Price to seek interest for a Tasmania to Victoria race across the Bass Strait.	Paul to prepare draft, Russell has provided history of Alice Springs race. Tony – information about Bass Strait races
Protocols for Advertising on ANRPB	Protocols for advertising – Agreed that advertisers need to seek Board permission prior to releasing any documentation or advertisement of the Board.	Action : Len and Gavin
Business Plan for the Board	Paul suggested we need to schedule some time to prepare a Business Plan	To be scheduled

Meeting closed 20:15hrs EST Time. Next meeting to be held Monday 16th Sept 2024 at 18:30 EST, 18:00hrs CST, 16:30hrs WA.