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President
Steve Shears

GENERAL MEETING	7 th September 2026
MEETING OPENED	8.00pm
PRESENT	Delegates as per attendance register
APOLOGIES	Nil
PREVIOUS MINUTES	Accepted 1 st Dural 2 nd Blk
BUSINESS ARISING	Nil
PREVIOUS MINUTES	Adopted 1 st MTD 2 nd SFD
CORRESPONDENCE	Letter from East Coast Long Distance re. transporting their birds with ours to Cunnamulla this season. East Coast to allocate \$2500 for P/Money plus an extra \$1000 for other expenses. Steve read out the letter which outlined many reasons for our acceptance. Discussion ensued re pros and cons of acceptance. It was pointed out that our Constitution supports the promotion of Pigeon Racing. It was discussed that under our delegate system this matter should go to a vote from the members. Vote taken to refer matter to a vote of the members. 13 FOR 5 Against Voting sheet to go to Clubs
TREASURERS REPORT	Treasurers report tabled, Surplus Invoices to be finalised as soon as possible. Jason advised that our grant application via Canley Heights Club was not approved , however the way it works is that Canley Heights apply for a lump sum grant and they in turn distribute any amount gained to their affiliated associations. Treasurers Report accepted 1st DURAL 2nd WV
GENERAL BUSINESS	Steve Shears advised that the Australian National Pigeon Board had donated \$1000 toward a Union National on the 3rd Byrock, which would involve other Feds competing. It was agreed that this also should be sent out for a vote of the members.

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	Steve advised that a truck clean was to be done tomorrow, Tuesday 8/9/26 at 11.00 and asked if any volunteers were available to assist.
	Sydney Gold Ring is on this weekend. Clubs advised to forward basketing sheets to the Fed truck on basketing night. Dave asked that clubs mark fliers that did not time to be entered as such, and those who do not fly to be left untouched.
Business from Clubs	LIV. LIV delegate advised that Barry Devine was having a sale of selected Stock birds at Liverpool Club Rooms on this coming Sunday 13th Septembrer. GREYSTANES Jason handed out squeaker Sale cards from recently completed GREYSTANES S/Sale. SMPS. John Borg spoke re the increasingly hot conditions we are continuing to experience earlier in our season. He advised that fliers should make an effort to have their birds ready earlier to enable an earlier schedule start, as well as giving us the opportunity to schedule the longer races earlier to enable the birds a better chance of competing over the longer distances. Currently we were not giving the birds a good chance to fly in favourable temperatures to reach the longer races. Forward planning from the fliers would give us better options for the welfare of the pigeons. KPS Robert Gates reported that proposed schedules for the upcoming season need to be submitted prior to this years All Age Derby. This could possibly enable us to plan on having longer races held earlier as per previous speaker. It was Proposed that Dave send an Email to all clubs for submission of schedules. Delegates For 8 Against Nil MTD Warren Schofield spoke regarding the situation of fading Life Rings . Dave to enquire into alternate suppliers. One option is the FCI who would guarantee quality at an affordable price, however all rings for all clubs and races would be

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the same colour. Dave will contact Ted Dubois of Southern Fed re their supplier.

RPS

Frank Midgalski spoke of the possibility of comeback tosses or races to help fliers educate the birds they have left rather than lose them from the longer races. Milad SH also spoke on using the small truck for members comeback tosses.

Dave said that this would all come down to support and at the moment there was little or no support for surplus tosses. If clubs wanted tossing they need to contact Dave with possible numbers to see if it was at all feasible.

SFD and SMPS squeaker sales and blind auctions are on this weekend. Basketing Sheets to go the Fed Truck at Fairfield on basketing night, Ring off in your own club, results on Fed Website.

IHPS

Re: Losses and the issues with Trucks.

It was pointed out that an abundance of soot and mould was being encountered weekly.

This is apparently because the ventilation and Fan System was not working, as well as many other issues.

IHPS believe that it has to be firstly acknowledge that there is a serious problem and it has to be addressed as a matter of urgency, not ignored as it has been.

Sid Gard MBRA spoke re the ventilation not working and stated that the President was not being pro-active whatsoever regarding the issues.

Nick Kaparos MBRA spoke regarding the trailer saying that our trailer was ordered with a capacity that was twice the size of the ventilation system that we purchased. Hence the manufacturer would not warranty the unit, or guarantee it in any way.

Extremely heated discussions ensued regarding the trailer not being suitable for the transport of pigeons.

Alex Caruana BLK called for the immediate resignation of the President, Secretary, and Sam Sultana. He asked if the ventilation system was adequate according to the Manufacturers Specifications by Gerald. The answer was NO!

Steve Shears said that Alex statement that he should resign was a matter of opinion only.



	Heated discussions continued to follow. Sam Sultana stated that if a single basket is missing the system fails to work. All positions on the trailer need to be filled. Milad spoke saying that the Liberator had not been properly trained regarding the operation of the system, and that the trailer had not been constructed to specifications to suit Australian conditions. Milad then asked the President what he was going to do? Steve stated that a committee would be formed to decide action to be taken. Committee to be Vice Pedavoli, Alex Caruana, Tony Vaminakis and Mark Paes. Nash Achurch advised the chair that he will be standing for President at the next AGM and he assured everyone that if elected he would get things done! John Debrincat MTD believed that a large part of the problem was the Perspex fronts of the baskets, which negated any ventilation that did make its way to the pigeons. It was reported by an ex CCF liberator that visited the trailer at the Race Point that unit was all closed up and unattended. Shane Brown the liberator was asked why and how long for? Shane advised that he went and collected his dinner and was gone for approx. 30 mins. The fans were left on for the duration. Steve stated that the mould problem was caused by water being splashed around as the troughs were not properly emptied. This has been partially rectified. One possibility is the use of the old race trailer to complete the season. The roof vents on the old trailer have been welded shut among other things. Dave will make sure that the old trailer is up to speed and available by the 2nd Byrock. Dave suggested that daylight travel is recommended by the trailer manufacturer for the benefit of the birds Birds to leave at 4am and proceed to Byrock. Birds to be fed between 2pm and 4pm water to be left on continuously. Moved Nick Kaparos MBRA 2ND Mark Paes BLK 8 For 0 Against Carried
.No Further Business	Meeting Closed 10.02

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NEXT MEETING	21 st September 2026

Minutes Taken by Steve Craig BLK – Minute Secretary

Confirmed by Dave Gordon Secretary