

The National Pigeon Association of Great Britain Meeting of the National Committee
30th June 2024 held at Premier Meetings Coventry East (M6,J2), Gielgud Way Coventry
West Midlands CV2 2SZ

Present; David Iddon, Mark Rudd, Helen Seed, Jamie Vaughan, Nick Dawyd, Graham Bates, Graham Giddings and Keith Brain.

Meeting Commenced 10.10am

- 1) **Chairman's Welcome.** Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.
- 2) **Apologies from Absence.** Colin Jeckell and Colin Ronald.
- 3) **Minutes of meeting held April 2024** Proposed by KG and Seconded by JV as a true record, all in favour.
- 4) **Committee decisions made between meetings.** The Committee had agreed via email since the last meeting to increase the ring fee to £4.00 which was passed, Proposed by KB, Seconded by DI.
- 5) **Membership/Ring Secretary's Report.** In Colins absence the committee went through the information provided and it was agreed that the format of the reports need to revert to the ones previous provided by GG, GG to speak with CJ. This style of report allows easier comparison and records. Business card style membership card to be reinstated with only HS postal address printed. 2025 ring order to be circulated around the committee along with the costings.
- 6) **Treasurers Report.** HS had circulated before the meeting the accounts figure to end of May. The accounts were included in the agenda to discuss further.

7) NPA Management.

- a. **NPA Accounts** - The Committee reviewed Income & Expenditure for the association and were pleasantly optimistic that the year end figure will be as expected if not slightly better. The committee discussed that they would agree on amount of monies that would be kept in reverse and then to agree on the investment going forward that the association could use for the show season and promotions.
- b. **Holiday Cover** - Phone and Rings, it was discussed that although it has worked well this time covering holidays, HS had run out of rings before CJ's return, which leads to duplicate work. It was agreed for more rings to be available for the next holiday period.
- c. **NPA Calendar Year.** GG raised that he felt the NPA calendar year should be changed, however after discussing the decision made previously for the year adjustment and the time allowances within the NPA Calendar; all to remain the same, Proposed ND Seconded by DI All in favour.
- d. **AGM - 2023/24** AGM to be held on Sunday 16th February 2025 at a location in 'the north' close to A1 M62 area. HS to find venue and book.
- e. **Updated Ring Size List.** Not Received, CJ to circulate on return from holiday.

f. John Elsdon.

The committee talked openly about John Elsdon and their memories of him, also those present at Johns funeral recapped the tributes for those unable to attend.

- Donation - John has very kindly left a sum of £1000.00 in his will which the committee are to discuss further the way in which this could be used in memory of John, and this would continue via email when everyone could be included.
- Life Member - It was agreed that John's life membership would pass on to Beverley
- Tribute - It was also be discussed in the presence on all the committee what tribute the NPA would like to commemorate John.
- ND asked for the BPSS to dedicate their show in memory of John and GB advise he would speak to Richard Henderson and advise the committee.

Helen to write to Beverley thanking her for John's donation, advise of Life Membership and if she would like to continue as NPA Scrutineer.

g. Website. - GG suggested that the website was out of date and needed alterations, as no suggestions where available at the meeting it was agreed that the committee would discuss this via email.

h. Standardise Schedule. The committee discussed again the ways in which a standardized schedule for all NPA Championships shows could be produced and although the ideal scenario we realise that this option isn't possible.

It was agreed to aim for 2025 to produce a 'special edition' of FPW containing all 11 Championship Show Schedule, this to be discussed with the show secretaries.

The costings of this would be in the region of £2400.00, based on 40 pages, production and postage.

8) Positive Management and Promotion.

a. Fancy Pigeon World. Everything was well with the production of FPW and a reminder task list for September's issue. Page quantity to be confirmed once known, expected to be a bumper edition.

b. Pigeons of Today.

- Editor available and fee, Denise would be our editor for this publication with costs to be confirmed but in the region of £10.00 per page subject to how the content is provided
- Recap on task list was discussed and all items to be chased.

9) Correspondence.

Letter from John Elsdon Solicitor

Reply to Scottish Jacobin Letter, response already sent.

Master Breeder Application to be ratified by club - HS to correspond accordingly.

10) Any Other Business.

Judging List - Modena Club - Additional judges to be added as requested.

Meeting Closed 13.25