

CANADIAN RACING PIGEON UNION INCORPORATION
DIRECTORS MEETING
Sunday Oct. 2, 2011
C.R.P.U. HEAD OFFICE, TILLSONBUR ONTARIO

Present: Nick Oud, Shannon Beadow
Conference: Oscar Devries, Ron Hastie, Dan Archibald
Absent: John Stevenson, Mike van der Jagt, Ken King

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by the chairman Vice-President Oscar Devries.

The minutes of the Directors meeting held on August 7, 2011 were read.

Ron Hastie moved that the August 7, 2011 Board of Director Minutes be accepted as read.

Seconded by Dan Archibald

Carried

Finance

Nick Oud moved that the General Account of the CRPU beginning April 1, 2011 with cheque number 4429 and ending August 31, 2011 with cheque number 4529 totalling in the amount of \$140,684.67 be approved and paid.

Seconded by Ron Hastie

Carried

After a short discussion on next years (2012) anticipated cost increases and future commitments of the CRPU Nick Oud moved:

“That for the 2012 membership year the membership fees be set at \$50.00 taxes included and that the Family membership be set at \$75.00 taxes included.”

Seconded by Dan Archibald

Carried

Bylaws:

Chairman Ron Hastie reported no outstanding issues.

Awards:

Chairman Oscar Devries reported that the Old Bird National Awards were being processed on the database and should be available soon.

Close to 80 clubs and combines uploaded their Old Bird race results and although not all clubs uploaded results he is quite happy with the amount of participation.

Nominations for Volunteer of the year and Executive of the year were sent out in the last Newsletter. The deadline has passed and there was no response from the membership.

We will try again next year.

Rules:

No outstanding issues reported. One request as to the positioning of and ETS antenna in an aviary was received. The request was answered.

Promotions:

Chairman Dan Archibald reported that he is in the process of updating the Fledgling Racer Program.

Youth Initiative Committee:

No report

Race Program:

Chairman Ron Hastie reported that there were no problems reported with the Winbird software.

Health:

Chairman Nick Oud reported that there did not seem to be any abnormal health problems at the present time.

It is again time to vaccinate the birds for PMV. Even though the Newcastle vaccine has proven to be effective in the prevention of PMV outbreaks in the past, it should be understood that it is a poultry vaccine and is being used off label when vaccinating pigeons. The manufacturer will not be liable if PMV outbreaks occur after using the Newcastle vaccine. If anyone intends to export birds out of the country, government health certificates will not be issued for pigeons vaccinated with the Newcastle vaccine. That being said the large bottles of Newcastle vaccine are again available and can be obtained from the office.

It is important to understand that when vaccinating young birds one dose does not offer full protection and that the manufacturer recommends a booster shot after the first shot. Problems with partial protection, after only one dose, have been reported in California and it is strongly advised that members follow the manufactures instructions and recommendations.

PMV in pigeons is a reportable disease by law. If your pigeons come down with the virus you are obliged by law to report the outbreak to your vet. Protect yourself and the sport by vaccinating your birds for PMV.

Old Business:

Yearbook layout was discussed and the format of the race results will be changed. The Old Bird results for each club/combine will be followed immediately by their Young Bird Results. This should make it more convenient when looking through the clubs results. They will all be in the same place.

The 2011 Convention was discussed. As there did not seem to be any interest by the membership in the proposed show, it was decided to drop it. All other convention matters are on schedule and is going smoothly thanks to the convention conveners: Enna Oud and Shannon Beadow.

The draw tickets for the birds donated by Hans and Evert-Jan Eijerkamp, Gerard and Bas Verkerk and Gert-Jan Beute are ready for sale and order forms will be included in the October newsletter. Tickets can also be purchased online from the CRPU website.

The CRPU has reserved and paid for a booth at the Royal Winter Fair which is coming up in November. We will ask for volunteers in the next newsletter. To date no one has stepped forward.

New Business:

Shannon Beadow reported that there were several nominations for the upcoming BOD elections received at the office:

President: Nominations for Oscar Devries and Dave Booth

Vice-President: Nomination for Terry Humberstone

Treasurer: Nomination for Nick Oud

Secretary: Nomination for Steve Walsh

Director: Nomination for Dan Archibald, Ken King and Paul Finch

As there are two nominations for President a ballot for this position will be sent out. All other positions are acclaimed.

Nick Oud moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Dan Archibald

Carried

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm October 2, 2011