

Newsletter February 2020

We held a Delegates Meeting on Wednesday 16th October 2019 and the Executive met on Tuesday 19th November 2019 followed by another Delegates Meeting on Sunday 24th November 2019. The AGM was held on Sunday 15th December 2019. We held further Executive Meetings on 3.02.20 and 10.02.20. There was a Delegates Meeting on 3.02.20. We held our first Race Meeting on 23.02.20. As you will appreciate, your Committee has been very busy.

The Gold Ring Scheme will be continuing, so please notify your Club Secretary of your requirements. We intend to video liberations during season 2020. The presentation had to be cancelled due to an ongoing situation. Would Secretaries ensure prompt payment of Federation Fees and also include their Crate Paper requirements when sending me their Returns.

The paperwork has performed a task for us, but it would be helpful if the pro-forma was used consistently, we are sometimes receiving information on scraps of paper. At other times there was incomplete information. This paperwork is your safeguard. The driver is not expected to chase for it. The work must be done by the Club. Would the Clubs with difficulties downloading from the Facebook Group let me know and I will print and supply their paperwork.

We require to tighten up the reporting of races. The emailed results require to be standardised, since information needed for the result has been missing which means when the paperwork arrives, a full rework must be done. This is work intensive, so the emailed results do not achieve their aim of simplifying the workload. Clock books have been issued and future requirements will be the return of the clock book front sheet. The second sheet goes to the racer. All fanciers should check their copy since their result and positions will rely on its accuracy. The third sheet is retained by the Club. Supporting the clock book front sheet shall be the rubbers of all pigeons timed and entered onto the book as well as their accompanying paper tab. The clock printout and master timer printout should also be included. ETS entry and arrival sheets should be returned. Club result sheets should be returned. I require clock variation and number of pigeons entered by the individual fanciers to be shown on the club result. If your emailed result doesn't show this then you should indicate it by adding it in pen. Full details are contained within the Bye Laws. If the hard copy does not arrive with the correct enclosures, it will be returned.

Every Club should return a copy of all pigeons contained in every fancier's ETS clock including their ETS ring details particularly the security numbers.

Club Secretaries should verify to me that all their Members have vaccinated their pigeons in accordance with MAFF guidelines.

Contact must be made if you are experiencing difficulties.

We are busy attempting to secure Advertisers and Sponsors for season 2020 which is almost upon us. Good luck to all throughout the Racing Season and hopefully the weather will be kind to us.