

CANADIAN RACING PIGEON UNION INCORPORATED  
DIRECTORS MEETING  
TUESDAY MARCH 16th, 2010 – 8:00pm  
C.R.P.U. HEAD OFFICE, TILLSONBURG, ONTARIO

Present: M. Collins

Conference Call: M. van der Jagt, O. DeVries, R. Hastie, J. Stevenson, N. Oud

Next meeting: Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00pm.

Minutes from March 9<sup>th</sup> 2010 deferred till next meeting to be approved.

The CRPU is looking into the possibly of stocking PRIMALAC. The Directors feel that it is a popular product and we should investigate the possibility of stocking it

**ACTION ITEM: M. Collins to find out some sizing, pricing and purchase product.**

The Directors looked at the fee of \$5.00 added to a membership if renewed after Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2009.

The minutes from Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 reflected no discussion on new memberships being waived this \$5.00 fee.

The Board of Directors did not intend this fee to be added to the new members coming into the sport. Any new members charged this fee should please contact the CRPU Head Office for a refund or credit.

The Directors reviewed the status of the Fledgling Racer Program and are going to advertise in the next newsletter for a volunteer to run the program. This would include receiving applications, finding mentors, etc.

In the meantime, an application has been received from Patrick Pratt. N. Oud and J. Stevenson will act as mentor until the program has a new chair.

**ACTION ITEM: N. Oud to write up a small note regarding the need to have a volunteer to run the Fledgling Racer Program. M Collins to email N. Oud and J. Stevenson Patrick Pratt's email address for the time being.**

The CPFA and the CRPU are in communication regarding the possibility of publishing a one time joint newsletter.

**MOTION: N. Oud second R. Hastie to work with the CPFA to run a joint newsletter in the next few months.**  
CARRIED

A request was received for a bilingual newsletter from A. Laplante. There was a discussion regarding costs and the ability to have the newsletter translated.

**ACTION ITEM: M. Collins to contact A. Laplante and ask if he has anyone that could help in getting material translated into French or does Mr. Laplante have any French articles that could be published in the upcoming newsletter.**

#### 2011 BAND PROPOSAL

Some decisions were made regarding new options for CRPU bands for 2011 year. The Directors decided to switch the name "vanity" band to "personalized" band. It was decided to give members the option of ordering COMBI bands or Regular bands in 2011. The new COMBI bands will accept ETS e-chips supplied by several of the clock companies (Tipes and Unikon). A new order form will be placed in the April newsletter and sent out to all CRPU affiliated club contact emails There will be NO COMBI CU bands available off the shelf. They will have to be pre-ordered only. The Directors decided that band cards were an unnecessary cost that serve no real purpose and will no longer be used. The Directors approved the pricing for the 2011 bands. Shipping will continue to be by traceable package through Canada Post due to protection against loss of bands in the regular mail.

**MOTION: J. Stevenson seconded by N. Oud that all bands CU, CLUB and PERSONALIZED bands will have the [www.crupu.ca](http://www.crupu.ca) on them by default unless club or personalized bands are ordered with the local contact information.**  
CARRIED

**ACTION ITEM: M. Collins to send out band form to all email contacts as well as place the new band order form into the newsletter.**

The Northlands Invitational Homing Club sent in a new club application. Since that application was received, the CRPU received further notification that several members have moved to another club leaving only one CU member on the original application. The application payment will be returned to the original requestor.

The CRPU received a request from a local supplier to stock his perches and feeders. The Directors decided that the supplies should be stocked and carried by the CRPU provided suitable terms can be arranged with the supplier.

The CRPU received a request for pre 1960 race results to be used in a new book to be written involving the racing pigeon history in North American. M. Collins to supply national library information to the requestor as well as inform them copies of our past yearbooks exist but that they have never been cataloged and it would be labor intensive to copy and send them the race records from the past. We would be willing to place an individual on this task at a cost back to the requestor.

B. Butterfield has offered the CRPU DVD's on racing pigeons for new or junior members for education on racing. The CRPU does not have the time or the resources or staff to manage a lending library at this time, however, it is a great idea and we thank Bill for the offer.

**ACTION ITEM: M. Collins to respond to B. Butterfield with thanks for the offer but that time and space constraints will not allow us to accept at this time.**

R. Hastie updated the Directors on the bylaw in Regina. R. Hastie received a favorable response with no issues getting the bylaw to be changed to allow a more appropriate age of young birds  
The Directors confirmed that the Strategic planning meeting will be Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 9:00am at Head Office. This will be a full day meeting. The Agenda will be forwarded prior to the meeting.

MOTION: R. Hastie seconded J. Stevenson to adjourn meeting

CARRIED