

VICTORIAN NATIONAL PIGEON RACE COMMITTEE

Minutes of October 2014 Committee Meeting

Held at VRPU Rooms 11- 13 Domain Street Hadfield 7:40 pm on Wednesday 1st October 2014

PRESENT:

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| Tony Price | President |
| Jim Davis | Secretary |
| Dave Wetering | President of the VHA |
| David Crosbie | Secretary of the VHA |
| Keith Flentjar | President of the GMPF |
| Tony McPherson | Treasurer of the GMPF |
| Ray Russell | President of the WPF |
| Michael Portelli | Secretary of the WPF |

Guests: Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 General:

- Race rules and conditions will follow last year.
- Results of each Federation will be collected and combined generally by the VHA and the top 50 results recorded and published.
- Limit for birdage is 10 birds for the Cobar National
- There will be no costs per bird. Each Federation shall charge their own fee. Cost for transport, convoyer, stationary, etc. will be charged out as per Tassie. (pro rata based on birdage)
- Whenever all the Federations are together and released as one, then this will be nominated as a National (without any National prize money) and results collected and top 50 issued by the VRPU together with National Certificates. E.g. Tasmania.
- Due to Federations now looking after their own finances, it was agreed to use the money from the National account to offset National costs and then close account.
- Rules are based on the VRPU system noting hours of darkness are from sunset or within ½ hour to sunrise or within ½ hour reopening for each bird clocked after sunset and open for ½ hour and then closed and so on.

2.0 This year's event from Cobar 11/10/2014

- Release is as one and as early as possible in the morning.
- Release to be coordinated with other Federations to ensure no clashes.
- Release would be coordinated with the liberation committee person from each Federation. (Names and numbers given to J. Brislin).
- Transport Costs were agreed as Brislin Transport at \$1.85 (incl GST) per Km and \$200 per night for convoyer.
- Transport trailer had insulated roof and hessian/shade cloth sides (down during

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travel).

- Birds to be transported to VHA rooms for loading. Note no lifter required on trucks.
- It was agreed that a ply board would go between the straw units and the wire floor units.

3.0 Next year's event – from Morgan 2015.

4.0 Tasmania

- The allocation of units will be 3 units WPF, 3 units VPU, 2 units GMPF.
- It was noted that all units will be wire floor due to regulations.
- It was noted that each federation was required to supply their own feeders.
- Would like birds to be at rooms Wednesday night between 9:30pm – 10:00pm
- VHA will organise feed and water. Note their choice of feed standard mix.
- No convoyer as Tassie contact takes over when the boat arrives.
- Cost per bird will be pro rata of all costs. Therefore each Federation must advise on number of birds.
- Health Certificate Form P2 for Pigeons must be forwarded from each Federation completed with number of birds and signed on behalf of Federation on the night of basketing (refer attached) to davidcrosbie@optusnet.com.au.
- If anyone wished to assist in loading birds on Thursday morning they were welcome say from 10:30 am at VHA rooms.
- Release was to be coordinated with the Federation liberators – VRPU – Wayne Williams, GMPF was Paul Gardner – 0414 506 344, WPF was Michael Portelli and VHA was John Brislin.

5.0 Other

- VPO to basket and produce at VPU as last year.
- T.Price questioned why we now have Tassie with the National. D.Cosbie advised that this was the only Tassie they currently fly on their programme and for a Federation to do on their own would be cost prohibitive. A second Tassie for their next season is on their agenda.
- Transport next year will be tendered. Each interested Federation to obtain a quote noting Morgan as race point. Truck should have a tail gate lifter.
- Given Morgan is the race point for 2015, it would be better to basket or pick up at the WPF rooms as basically on route.

Meeting closed 8:40pm - Next Meeting – 7:30pm 12th August 2015