#### VICTORIAN NATIONAL PIGEON RACE COMMITTEE

# **Minutes of September 2016 Committee Meeting**

Held at VPU Rooms 7:30 pm on Monday 12th September 2016

#### PRESENT:

Tony Price President Jim Davis Secretary

Dave Wetering President of the VHA
Ray Russell President of the WPF
Joe Farrugia Vice President of the WPF

Guests: Nil

**Apologies:** Nil

David Crosbie

Michael Portelli

David Leisham

Dominic Paruit

Secretary of the VHA

Secretary of the WPF

President of the GMPF

Secretary of the GMPF

**Meeting Chaired by**: Tony Price

#### **Distribution:**

All Present VPU Website

Minuets of previous meeting accepted and adopted .Moved Ray Russell , 2<sup>nd</sup> D.Wetering

# 1.0 General:

### Reconfirmed

- Transport cost to the alternate rooms and collection of returned units each year is to be dealt with by the individual Groups and will not be part the of the overall National transport costs.
- It was agreed that future yearly Race schedules will be shared/discussed by all Groups prior to finalising.
- Majority rules on a let up/liberation (whether to release or not).
- D. Wetering advised and wanted it be known, that the VHA did not attend last year's National due to their Committee vote, that in their opinion, the weather would be too inclement for racing that weekend and for no other reason. Noted.

# 2.0 This year's event from Cobar 8/10/2016

- WPF advised that the transport costs would be the same as last year and all were welcome to share on pro rata basis.
- Birds to be transported to WPF rooms for loading. Note no lifter required on trucks.
- VPU advised will be going with WPF.
- D Wetering to discuss VHA transport with Delegates on offer, combined or by

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themselves and advise.

• Post the meeting T.Price advised that the GMPF had contacted him and advised that they would be going to Cobar most probably with the VPO in their new unit.

# 3.0 Next year's event – from Cobar 2017.

• Need to review acceptable date that will allow National birds to participate in other Races later in season. Most probably 7<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

#### 4.0 Tasmania

• It would seem that the various groups cannot tie into together for the same date. To be further reviewed.

# 5.0 Other

- Concern was raised regarding the increase in flyers using Social Media to comment or make judgements, criticise, degrade the sport or other flyers or Federation organisers. All agreed that it is not doing our sport any good at all and cannot see what the individual gets out of their Social Media publications. Various members of the Australian National Board had commented to various members of the Victorian National Committee on this point and have reconfirmed that the Government follows these publications which does not help the current efforts in setting up National protocols.
- D. Wetering advised that the new Victorian representative on the National Board was Graham Walk.
- It was noted that we would be all on the same track next year (North) and that our schedules needed to be carefully considered. It was also agreed that the early start to the 2106 race season to avoid the heat has not really worked and a review of a later start time (first week in July) was needed. To be discussed at the November 2016 meeting. All to prepare draft schedule for discussion.

Meeting closed 8:30pm - Next Meeting – 8:00pm 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at (to be advised)

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