

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of August 2017 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:35 pm on Monday 7th August 2017

PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Wayne Williams	Vice-President
Jim Davis	Secretary
Peter Sawyer	Assistant Secretary
Rod Simmons	Committee
Gary Church	Committee
Charlie Grech	Committee
John Share	Committee
Steve Cini	Committee

Apologies:

Vince Cannizzo	Committee
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Guests:

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes July 2017

- 1.1 Minutes of July 2017 were read and received on a motion from P.Sawyer seconded by R.Simmons

Note

2.0 Business arising from July minutes

- 2.1 Minute 2.1 - Members were complaining about lack of fresh air around the units and baskets. Exhaust fans to be reviewed ASAP. P.Sawyer tabled quotation form Trydant Refrigeration. All believed too high. Another quote is coming. T.Price to follow up with VHA on further guidance on design requirements. T.Price to meet Mechanical contractor on site with the view that the design will be based on similar to VHA rooms. Awaiting quote D Crosbie. J.Davis requested this be put on hold until May 2017.T.Price to send email. Quote received "Aircon install Guys". Not accepted. T.Price to follow up with D.Crosbie via email.

TP

Ongoing

- 2.2 Minute 2.2 – Basketing night – Unit loader. J Share to meet at the Clubrooms and seek advice from J.Brislin as to it best installation location to cover all future transport methods. Mark out on floor is also required. After, J.Davis to arrange for I. Johnson to reinstall and recommission. Floor marked out to suit all types of trucks. Need to incorporate turn table to our unit. T.Price to follow up quotation from Adrian Johnson. Received a quote. Alternative loading system (up to the

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- loader) to be quoted. Revised concept to be finalised for allowing the truck to back into the rooms and some 5 units be on a steel platform at tray truck height ready for direct pushing onto truck. Existing lifter to be at one end for loading units onto new platform. J.Share to further discuss with transporter.P.Sawyer to follow up various platform options. Committee then to agree on best option and call for quotes.P Sawyer arranged for site visit from manufacturer of mobile platforms, however, costing too expensive. Agreed 2m wide by 6m long to be quoted by next door metalworker.T.Price and V.Cannizzo to arrange. Hold until review VHA future set up. P Sawyer recommended we weld angles to base of units so as can be safely lifted with forklift. V.Cannizzo to follow up. It was agreed not proceed with these works at this stage. Note
- 2.3 Minute 2.3 - V.Cannizzo advised that drinkers were in a bad state.P Sawyer to follow up cost for having stripped back and regalvanised. P Sawyer advised that C.Loten would provide sample and cost of powdercoated system as other will rust. P.Sawyer advised that C.Loten was going to provide sample of new galvanised and rate. Sample follow up C Grech. Tabled SS sample. Request price and request Gal version. Review overseas costs. R.Simmons to follow up. Measure standard unit for quoting purposes. RS Sept'17
- 2.4 Minute 2.7 - Classic race for 2017 needed to be clarified to all flyers. Finalise next meeting. P.Sawyer to prepare a statement for issue on website. C Grech to prepare statement for issue on website. Issued to J.Davis for website. JD Sept'17
- 2.5 Minute 2.9 - Thought to be put into minimal works for updating kitchen so as more user friendly. J.Davis tabled basic plan. Agreed to proceed. Seek website for best price rangehood. C Grech to coordinate works. CG Ongoing
- 2.6 Minute 2.11 - R.Simmons requested we review our current Telstra deal for update. J.Davis advised that we can delete land line and add Wi-Fi unit. This would cut costs noting White pages adverts now ceased. To be arranged. Done Note
- 2.7 Minute 2.12 - J Share questioned whether next season 2018 will be on the North track if 2017 season is missed or partly missed. Further discussion. Review next meeting when flyer numbers known. Further discussion to be held. All Ongoing
- 2.8 Minute 8.2 - P Sawyer advised that much of the website from hacking was showing error messages. J.Davis progressively re installing. Note
- 2.9 Minute 8.4 - It was agreed to allocate first 500 normal rings and 100 icon rings for the 2018 Classic. Icon rings to be collected after meeting. CG August'17
- 2.10 Minutes adopted on the motion of W.Williams seconded G Church Note

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3.0 Correspondence in:

- 3.1 T.Price tabled invoice for ink pads for reimbursement. Note
- 3.2 Various emails and offers from Telstra re changeover of phone and internet plans. Note

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Various emails and letters to Telstra re changeover of phone and internet plans. Note

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Item 3.1 J. Davis to issue cheque. Nominal lump sum fee to be charged to members with manual clocks for rolls and pads. Note
- 5.2 Items 3.2 and 4.1 closed.

6.0 Clock Chairman report

- 6.1 Nil

7.0 Secretary Report

- 7.1 J.Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of July 2017.
- 7.2 J.Davis reported there were 54 paid members.
- 7.3 It was agreed in order to save monies, room and unit cleaning will be carried out by members. All Note
- 7.4 J.Davis raised the issue of nonflying financial members who rarely attend the rooms, AGM or other VRPU activities have a right to vote. Requested investigate an alternative type of membership for this group. JD
- 7.5 J.Davis to follow up whether Union units are insured whilst in transport with VHA JD Sept'17
- 7.6 J.Davis to have reviewed the current insurance policy covers. JD Sept'17

8.0 New Business

- 8.1 Revised Race schedule for the "Union Flyers" was discussed and agreed noting:
- Starts 19th August 2017 and finishes 25th November 2017.
 - Costs per bird includes transport with any balance going to weekly prize money split over 1st 50%, 2nd 30% and 3rd 20 %.
 - VHA pigeonrace.net shall be used for results.
 - Birds shall be released as one group.
 - VHA will be picking birds up from Union rooms. Time to be resolved.
 - Open limit of birds in first 2 races and then 50 bird unless otherwise noted.
 - Participating members must be financial.
- Note

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- Club points will be raced for as well as VHA Fed.
- Contact T.Price if any queries.

8.2	J.Davis to update final race schedule and issue on Website.	JD	Aug'17
8.3	T.Price advised that V.Cannizzo was stepping down from all duties citing personal issues. J.Davis to follow up verbal advice.	JD	Aug'17
8.4	R.Simmons requested latest password for website to update various items.	JD	Aug'17
8.5	The committee agreed that we should investigate various options into our own transport in the future. Sub Committee agreed as R.Simmons, C.Grech and J.Share.Options to be presented with full costs and back up quotes where possible.	All	Note
8.6	J.Davis reminded that Benzing station 2 was not operating properly. W.Williams arranging upgrade of connections.	WW	Aug'17
8.7	A review of the basketing layout was agreed for after the meeting to ascertain both groups would not clash.	All	Aug'17

9.0 Minute Rules 2017

- 9.1 Rule 102. For all races over approximately 600km (known as the 400's), clocks are to be produced at the VPU rooms at **9:00pm** on the day of liberation or on the day following the day of liberation or as otherwise directed by the Committee. The only occasions that these times can be exceeded are when a member is still within 90 minutes of clocking.
- 9.2 Rule 118. It is incumbent on all members to follow the Social Media guidelines as set out under "Important Documents" on the VRPU website. Disregard for these guidelines shall invoke Rule 11 of the Constitution.
- 9.3 Electronic Rules – Schedule 1 – Use of ESB Systems. Rules 26a) and b) delete, thus if a race result print out from an electronic clock cannot be produced at an approved clocking centre, and then the result shall not be given.

Meeting closed 9:53pm - Next Meeting - 7:30pm 4th September 2017 at the VRPU rooms