

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of April 2018 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:35 pm on Monday 9th April 2018

PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Wayne Williams	Vice-President
Jim Davis	Secretary
Peter Sawyer	Assistant Secretary
Charlie Grech	Committee
John Share	Committee
Steve Cini	Committee
Paul Burlak	Committee
Colin Loten	Committee
Rod Simmons	Committee

Apologies:

Gary Church	Committee
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Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes March 2018

- 1.1 Minutes of March 2018 were read and received on a motion from W.Williams Note
seconded by S.Cini

2.0 Business arising from March 2018 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 from 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. Investigate non-motorised 3 No. P Sawyer to check with roofer. Quote given. To proceed with the 4 natural flow units. C Grech to follow up electric driven. Moved J Share 2nd W.Williams CG May'18

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| 2.2 | Minute 2.3 - Charlie Grech showed letter formats for Clubs to apply for BBQ days at Bunnings. If accepted by Bunnings, it would require each Club or representatives to work at the various outlets on a Saturday (non-racing season) to raise funds. Club Contacts are: Broadmeadows – TBA, Coburg – M.Doria, Fawkner – T.Price, Footscray – D. Brown, Glenroy – P Sawyer, Kilmore – C Grech, NSHC – J. Share, Pascoe Vale – S.Cini, Preston – J.Floros, Regent – C.Cox, and Thomastown – W.Williams. C Grech to continue follow up. Needed Presidents and Secretaries, addresses and email contacts. Also note that any funds raised would be for future transport only. Notifications urgent. Those responded were NSHC, Glenroy and Kilmore. Bunning allocated one for March next year at Craigieburn. No further responses. C Grech advised had already had first BBQ and tabled March balance sheet. The VRPU BBQ is due in April'18. C Grech to issue details and format. Volunteers required. Application details issued. J. Davis to forward. Event Sunday 29 th April at Craigieburn Bunnings 7:00am to 4:00pm | JD | Apr'18 |
| 2.3 | Minute 2.4 - Honour boards now need to be installed with ones still in use at lower level. Working group to install. T.Price to confirm name of lettering company for update of Union board. Quote to be obtained – colour black. C Grech now arranging. Boards now all up. Clubs to issue update information and font and colour of updates to be discussed with sign writer. Still awaiting Club's advice to C Grech. | All | May'18 |
| 2.4 | Minute 2.5 - Transport subcommittee advised reviews continuing. New proposal next month. Submitted various cost of trailer types. Weights to be advised. | CG | May'18 |
| 2.5 | Minute 2.6 - J Share requested that the old STB clocks be given a 12 month window to change over to either the Quartz clocks or electronic given servicing difficult and becoming unreliable. Further discuss. Clock meeting to be held in May '18. J. Davis tabled list of Clock committee. To be issued. | JD | May'18 |
| 2.6 | Minute 2.7 - J Share advised that the current drinkers sit too low in brackets and birds struggle to drink. Brackets need a welded piece to raise 20mm. Further review. Inspect after the meeting. Slot required and weld spot added. | All | Apr'18 |
| 2.7 | Minute 2.08 - T.Price suggested, in the interest of having second back up for loading the truck with the forklift that we have our hydraulic lifter reinstalled. Need to review simplest and best location noting for back up only. Review location after meeting. C.Loten to check current regulations and Worksafe requirements. | CL | May'18 |
| 2.8 | Minute 2.10 - J Share tabled a sample of a medal for future Federation winners in lieu of trophies. Including box approx. \$20 each. | All | Ongoing |
| 2.9 | Minute 2.11 -T Price advised that had made application for a State Government sponsored defibrillator to be maintained in rooms. Received letter from Health Department not granting application. T Price to follow up with Council. | TP | May'18 |
| 2.10 | Minute 2.13 - J. Davis questioned whether our rooms and units will be cleaned by members this year as per 2017 or a fee charged for such. Further discuss. Members clean via roster. | All | Note |

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| 2.11 | Minute 2.14 - Due to the fact that AUS rings do not have a contact No. on them, we need to find out how many flyers have such rings. W.Williams to follow up Thomastown. Do they have a contact number on them .P Sawyer suggested another ring could be added each race with VPU number. AUS rings need to be highlighted on ring sheets and acceptable for this year only. | Note | |
| 2.12 | Minute 6.1 - A number of flyers wish to use the Benzing “Live”. J Davis advised this was not permitted under our current rules. J .Davis to follow up VHA and what they did. Minute Rule could be applied. Received will issue as minute Rule. | JD | May’18 |
| 2.13 | Minute 8.2 - WW advised that P. Moutney had offered services to make to front fence and gates. Needs to be ready by 23 rd September 2018. J. Davis requested approximate cost of materials for full fence and gate. | WW | May’18 |
| 2.14 | Minute 8.6 - Derby race (yearlings) discussed for a double Race on the same day. Follow VHA schedule. Need to check schedule. Discussed and agreed to add to the 11 th August 2018 from Griffith. Update race schedule | JD | May’18 |
| 2.15 | <p>Minute 8.8 - C Grech issued number of suggestions for review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winners from week before presentation on basketing night at 8:30pm • BBQ start after. • Raffle and spin the wheel by winner of Race. • Products sold after 8:30pm. <p>All discussed and agreed in principle. Time as close to. It was agreed that rooms would open at 6:00pm.</p> | All | Note |
| 2.16 | Minutes adopted Simmons seconded P.Burlak | | |

3.0 Correspondence in

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| 3.1 | Quotation dated 2 nd February 2018 from Jackson Creek Manufacturing re pigeon racing trailer | | |
| 3.2 | Email dated 7 th February 2018 from VHA re Benzing “live” rules | | |
| 3.3 | Quotation dated 5 th March 2018 from Geraldty re pigeon racing trailer | | |
| 3.4 | Letter dated 15 th March 2018 Department of Health and Human Services. | | |
| 3.5 | Email dated 16 th March 2018 from ANRPB | Note | |
| 3.6 | Email dated 28 th March 2018 Consumer Affairs. | | |
| 3.7 | Email dated 4 th April 2018 from VHA reconfirming previous transport agreement. | | |
| 3.8 | Email dated the 4 th April 2018 from VHA calling for a meeting re long distance transport season 2018. | | |

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- 3.9 Letter dated 9th April 2018 from NSHC re application of two new members.
- 3.10 Memo from C.Grech re Basketing nights.
- 3.11 Liquor License kit tabled from P.Sawyer

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Email to ANRPB dated 15th March 2018 confirming VPU's support of the ANRPB re animal wealth standards. Note

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Jackson Creek quote noted. Weight required CG May'18
- 5.2 Benzing Live Rules to be added as minute rules JD Apr'18
- 5.3 Gerald quote noted. Weight required. CG May'18
- 5.4 Letter from DHHS advised we do not qualify for defibrillator. T.Price to follow up Council TP May'18
- 5.5 ANRPB advised of update on Rota Virus together with questionnaire for all flyers. Issued to members via email for completing and forwarding to the ANRPB. J. Davis to send reminder to members re vaccine survey JD May'18
- 5.6 Consumer Affairs advised that our revised Rules were now accepted. Note
- 5.7 VHA transport noted Note
- 5.8 VHA long distance meeting should be attended by T.Price and J. Share. TP/JS Apr'18
- 5.9 Application of 2 new members accepted. J. Share to request members forward their clearances before finalising. JS May'18
- 5.10 Basketing nights discussed under minute 2.15. Note
- 5.11 Liquor License application to be reviewed by J. Davis and advise of requirements JD May'18

6.0 Clock Chairman report

- 6.1 Nil Note

7.0 Secretary Report

- 7.1 J.Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of March 2018. Note
- 7.2 J. Davis requested monthly summary of Social Club funds. Received Note

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8.0 New Business

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| 8.1 | T.Price congratulated R.Simmons and Pigeon Radio for the efforts made in holding the very successful Pigeon Convention. | Note | |
| 8.2 | T.Price thanked the Social committee and W.Williams for their efforts in having the Clubrooms looking in great shape for the convention. | Note | |
| 8.3 | T.Price thanked those who attended the working bee in having the outside of the clubrooms refreshed and tidy for the convention. | Note | |
| 8.4 | The format of next year's Classic was discussed re hot spots etc. Further discuss. | All | May'18 |
| 8.5 | T.Price gave an update on the supply of the Rota vaccine noting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should be available in 3 weeks. • Currently two injection 6 weeks apart and 0.3 ml dosage. It was agreed that this should be made up for a 0.5 ml dosage so as current PMV guns and needles can be used. No confusion. T.Price to advice. • Not aware of who will be distributing as yet. | TP | May'18 |
| 8.6 | T.Price advised that A.Simpson should be refunded his ring purchases for the Classic as he is out of the boundary and therefore cannot compete. C.Grech to arrange. | CG | May'18 |
| 8.7 | W.Williams requested a flyer be sent re ordering EBSS chips or inserts so as can advise K.Clarke. | JD | May'18 |
| 8.8 | P Burlak advised that the Social Club was going to run a "Open the 2018 season "on the 26 th May 2018 at 2:00pm. BBQ provided plus some fund raising activities as well as advise from the President and Secretary re changes and expectations for 2018. | All | May'18 |
| 8.9 | C Grech tabled membership numbers that will be distributed to members. Numbering from 1 up will be arranged from longest serving flyer being 1 and so on by year. Same year the alphabetical. J. Davis to issue flyer. | JD | Apr'18 |
| 8.10 | C Grech suggested that our year book have added at the back a Breeding and Pedigree section. Agreed .C.Grech to follow up costs. | CG | May'18 |

9.0 Minute Rules 2018

- 9.1 "Benzing Live or equivalent" Add to **Rule 145** before the last paragraph:
- (i) The use of an EBS System that allows a competitor to evaluate his clock via the 'Live System' in a manner the same as or similar to 'Benzing Live System' is approved for use in the VPU.
- (ii) The VPU Clock Chairman must be satisfied with the integrity of any EBS System proposed to be used and its ability to carry out the functions and provide the required level of security. Approval of EBS Systems will be the responsibility of the VPU Clock Chairman. The only approved system at the time of implementation of this rule is 'Benzing Live'

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(iii) The use of Benzing Live or any other future approved system within each VPU clocking centre will be a decision for the members of each individual Centre.

(iv) Any Centre wishing to use an approved 'Live' System must have an email facility at the Centre, the email address encompassing the name of the Centre either wholly or in part.

(v) The Centre Clock Chairman or his designate or his designate will be responsible for the receiving and printing of the emailed evaluation sheets.

(vi) In the event of a competitors email evaluation sheet not arriving at his designated Centre, the competitor will be required to produce his electronic clock at his designated Centre within the normal time frames as set out in Rules 125-128. No additional time to produce will be allowed. Failure do so will result in no time being given.

(vii) To clarify and avoid confusion, where an email evaluation sheet does not arrive at a competitors designated Centre within the normal time frames set out in Rules 125-128 due to a failure in the email system and the competitors clock is not produced at his designated Centre within the normal time frames as set out in Rules 125-128, then no time will be given.

Meeting closed 10:40 pm - Next Meeting – 7:30pm 1st May 2018 at the VRPU rooms.