#### VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

## **Minutes of November 2014 Committee Meeting**

Held at 7:36 pm on Monday 10th November 2014

#### PRESENT:

Tony Price President
Wayne Williams Vice-President
Jim Davis Secretary

Mark Cavanagh Assistant Secretary

Joe Denaro Committee
Vince Cannizzo Committee
Colin Cox Committee
Paul Mountney Committee
Victor Borg Committee
George Borg Committee
John Floros Committee

**Apologies:** 

Guests: Nil

**Meeting Chaired by**: Tony Price

**Distribution:** 

All Present VPU Website

#### 1.0 Previous Minutes October 2014

1.1 Minutes of October 2014 were read and received on a motion from G.Borg seconded by W.Williams

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### 2.0 Business arising from October minutes:

- 2.1 Minute 2.3 T.Price to seek quotes for next year's transport including Friday night, Thursday night and holdover costs. To be finalised and let by first week of November 2014. Current transporter cannot change tarps therefore cannot do TP Ongoing .Further investigation/quote required. T.Price requested permission to follow up alternatives. Approved. Finalise next meeting
- 2.2 Minute 2.5 V.Cannizzo to follow up stencil for marking drinkers and feeders.Spray at end of season. Sample tabled and accepted.All Note
- 2.3 Minute 2.6 There were some reports/questions regarding dual loft flying. Refer Rule 71which is clear what the requirements are. At this stage no dual flyers are outside the Rule. Member submitted suggestion for change. Agreed member should Note submit as proposed rule change for AGM if required. Refer correspondence.
- 2.4 Minute 2.7 A question was raised regarding overseas rings. Not permitted .Refer Rule 113. In order to resolve this issue for 2014 season the Committee decided to add a new By Law under Rules 27 and 29 as follows:

	VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION  "South African rings specifically issued within Australia for the South African Million Dollar Pigeon Race are eligible to compete in all VRPU Federation races for the balance of the 2014 season"  It should be noted that a new Rule needs to be forwarded for presentation at the AGM.	JD	Note
2.5	Minute 8.3 - It was agreed that our West Track points needed to be discussed at the next meeting given no suggestions from Clubs. Refer correspondence.	All	Note
2.6	Minute 8.5 - J. Denaro questioned why we require the Tassie with the National weekend. T.Price advised as VHA do not have an earlier one anymore and too costly to do by ourselves. VPO have a system of jumping on to returning Tassie baskets/units. To be followed up.	All	Ongoing
2.7	Minute 8.6 - J.Denaro complained that the units are smelling mouldy. V.Cannizzo to advise T.Price on product for spraying and disinfecting. Tabled F10SC and approved for next season.VC to advise supplier so as can buy in bulk.	VC	Dec'14
2.8	Minute 8.7 - It was agreed that we need to set up a working bee to sort out location of wire baskets and refit a sample unit with new rollers. T.Price to check with I Johnson for prototype.	All	Dec'14
2.9	Minute 8.8 - P.Mountney to arrange to repair wire facing over front window.	PM	Dec'14
2.10	Minute 8.9 - G.Borg questioned how new rooms were going as becoming dangerous at night with children finishing training from oval across the road as we are arriving. It was agreed that the areas that we can afford are well out and members would not want to travel that far for basketing and clock production. V.Cannizzo to source anyway for presentation to members. W.Williams advised that R.Simmons offered services. Accepted.	All	Ongoing
2.11	W.Williams requested review of birdage rates for the Produce and Whaley. Will discuss with line of flight.	All	Dec'14
2.12	Minutes adopted on the motion of M.Cavanagh seconded V.Borg		
Cor	respondence in:		
3.1	Letter form J.Dismore of the Pascoe Vale Pigeon Club regarding proposed changes to Rules 71 and 73. Already posted on board.	Note	
3.2	Letter from R.Zora of Broadmeadows Club re incident at the VPU Rooms on the 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2014.	Note	
3.3	Email from R.Simmons of Thomastown Club dated 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 re proposed 2015 Race schedule.	Note	

Letter from the NSHC dated the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014 proposing change to Rule 71.

Email from M Doria of Coburg Club dated the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014 regarding deleting rule allowing clocking of 2 birds for races in excess of 600km's.

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	3.6	Email from M Canata of Glenroy Club dated 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 regarding re reducing number of races per year, not starting early and finishing by first week of October.	Note					
	3.7	Letter from Coburg Homing Club dated 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 proposing Rule Changes to 96d – One Federation position in all Races. Rule 87 Reduce Federation positions to 15.	Note					
	3.8	Email from R.Tabone of Coburg Club dated the 7 <sup>th</sup> November re next year's Race schedule – non clocking of 2 birds and shortening season.	Note					
	3.9	Email from Denaro & McDonald of the Pascoe Vale Club dated the 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 proposing 2015 race schedule and altered birdage rates.	Note					
	3.10	Email from J.Floros of the Northcote Club dated the 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 proposing that the Tassie and 10 birder be in the Short Series and reduce number of Races to 16	Note					
	3.11	Proposed 2015 Schedule from Thomastown commencing two weeks early, races on Saturday and Sunday in first 2 weekends, finish first week October.	Note					
4.0	Cori	respondence out:						
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	4.1	Email to members dated the 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2014 re Rule Changes and Race schedule to be to the Committee by the 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2014.	Note					
	4.2	All correspondence adopted on the motion of C.Cox seconded G.Borg and carried.	Note					
5.0	Busin	ness arising from correspondence						
	5.1	All correspondence regarding Rule changes shall be included in the agenda of the AGM.	JD	Feb'15				
	5.2	All correspondence regarding Race Schedule proposals shall be finalised after meeting with WPF with Committee's acceptance that the Race season will not start before the first week of July and will not go past the last week of October.	Note					
	5.3	R.Zora's letter. It was agreed in future all issues relating to clock production, rule queries etc shall not be handled by committee members on the floor but the issue be bought to T.Price and J.Davis attention for their resolution.	All	Note				
6.0 Clock Chairman report								
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	6.1	T.Price advised that M.Pereira's clock roll print was faint and needed a new ink pad.	note					
7.0 Secretary Report								
	7.1	J.Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of October 2014.	Note					
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J.Davis advised that the VRPU 2014 Classic Race was now paid out in full paid out. Note

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	7.3	J.Davis advised that a non approved advertisement had been published in the "Pigeon Fancier" by S.Grech of the Brimbank Club re a 2015 One Loft Race and using the VRPU's racing calendar for training and hence flying 2 lofts from the one address. J.Davis to follow reasons and the committee noted that the actions taken by S.Grech were totally unacceptable.	JD	Dec'14
	7.4	J.Davis requested that if a Committee member has been drinking on coming to the Club on results day that he should forgo his duties for that time/day.	Note	
	7.5	J.Davis to issue reminder on website re first Sale date for Classic Race $-23$ November $2014-11:00$ am.	JD	Nov'14
8.0	New	Business		
	8.1	It was again raised that members should not be going onto websites and blogging damaging opinions on outcomes of events that have occurred.	All	Note
	8.2	Committee agreed that the proposed 600 should not proceed under the current weather forecasting. Liberation committee to discuss with WPF.	Note	Nov'14
	8.3	The weather conditions are now a real and serious issue in particular the heat, UV etc and our schedules need serious review and racing should not go past the last week of October .	All	Dec'14
	8.4	It was recommended that we review having mechanical fan/ducts to circulate air in rooms. Mechanical contractor to be sourced for advise.	All	Note
	8.5	J.Denaro advised that the back area was filthy and attracted rats. A working bee required or pay someone to clean up and throw out or sell baskets etc not required.	All	Note
	8.6	It was raised that the Union should buy PMV vaccination in bulk and distribute as local suppliers dwindling. Further discussion required.	All	Note
	8.7	2015 Sprint series to be reviewed .Check format with K.Leighton.	Note	Dec'14
	8.8	W.Williams advised that we had a Club member interested in the room and unit cleaning for 2015. Scope to be given for tender	JD	Dec'14

Meeting closed 9:45pm - Next Meeting – 7:00 pm 1st December 2014 il Ciccio's Restaurant on the corner of Camp Rd & Hume Highway.