

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of February 2019 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:40 pm on Monday 4th February 2019

PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Jim Davis	Secretary
Peter Sawyer	Assistant Secretary
Charlie Grech	Committee
Steve Cini	Committee
Paul Burlak	Committee
John Share	Committee
Colin Loten	Committee
Gary Church	Committee

Apologies: Nil

Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes December 2018

- 1.1 Minutes of December 2018 were read and received on a motion from P.Burlak seconded by S.Cini Note
- 1.2 Amendment – New Business Minute 8.8. – New sections were discussed and it was agreed to present to the AGM rule changes to Nos. 99 and 140. Prize money to be changed to 25 % Fed and 75% Section and 5 new sections with allocation of Clubs to relevant section. J.Davis to propose amended rules. JD Dec'18

2.0 Business arising from December 2018 minutes

- 2.1 Minute 2.1 - Transport subcommittee advised reviews continuing. New proposal next month. Submitted various cost of trailer types. Weights to be advised. P.Burlak advised that a generous donation had been secured via P.Sawyer contact specifically to be allocated to transport. Further proposal options next month. R.Simmons stepped down from subcommittee and S.Cini stepped up. C.Grech advised that further quotes were being reviewed. J.Davis tabled further schedule of costs based on own truck. Costs of driver and accommodation not included. Further options to be sought with business plan. Vote to continue alternatives was 5 for 3 against. Continue options. C.Grech advised trailer prototype being produced for the Kilmore Club. CG Ongoing

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| 2.2 | Minute 2.3 - The Committee requested that J. Share report back to LDC requesting that the second 500 and 600 be a week later than scheduled in 2018 and 2019. J Share advised being discussed at VHA delegates meeting. Ongoing re procedures etc. J Share advised that discussions were ongoing re full support for the 2019 season. Further advice in new year. | JS | Ongoing |
| 2.3 | Minute 2.6 – Damaged Unit to be repaired at the end of the season. | GC/CL | TBA |
| 2.4 | Minute 2.8 - Tauris flyers are to be taught how to operate their clocks for basketing and reading so as not relying on one person – J.Dismore, R.Cauchi, K Anderson, M.Cavanagh, D. Reardon, D Cavanagh. Scan procedures and issue. T.Price to follow up. Await finalisation of 2019 flyers. | TP | Ongoing |
| 2.5 | Minute 2.10 - J. Davis reported there were two roof leaks to the southern side approx. half way in. Need working bee to caulk. P. Sawyer to follow up. | PS | Ongoing |
| 2.6 | Minute 2.12 - J. Share advised that the wire floors to the units needed to ½’’ as birds with Electronic ring getting feet caught in larger wire floors. Approved to have reworked. C. Grech to request C.Loten if interested. It was also agreed to have frames slimmer so as access to drinkers back to original height. Quote required. | CG | Ongoing |
| 2.7 | Minute 8.1 - J.Davis advised had received quote from F.Lia for cleaning rooms and units for 2019. Follow up N.Gecas for further quote. Check F.Lia insurance. | JD | Mar’19 |
| 2.8 | Minute 8.2 - P.Burlak noted that the Social Club was reviewing setting up a better area for serving. Principle approved. Sketch design and budget to be sought. Sketch provided and approved. Follow up members who may be able to contribute time and materials. | PB | Mar’19 |
| 2.9 | Minute 8.7 - T.Price advised that the water pump used for transport was missing. Check rear area. Could be locked in transport cabin. | JD | Mar’19 |
| 2.10 | Minutes adopted G.Church seconded C.Grech | | |

3.0 Correspondence in

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| 3.1 | Email dated 19 th December 2018 from ANRPB giving update on Rota noting vaccine now approved. | | |
| 3.2 | Email dated 23rd December 2018 from Kilmore Club nominating C.Grech for either President or Vice President. | | |
| 3.3 | Email dated 1st January 2019 from WPF advising Tassie 31/8/19 and suggestion on bird limit for early races. | Note | |
| 3.4 | Email received 19 th January 2019 from ANRPB advising of vaccine producer Treidlia and enclosed application form for vaccine. | | |
| 3.5 | Letter dated 21 st January 2019 from St Albans Club advising that John Forti is cleared. | | |

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- 3.6 Email dated 23rd January 2019 from United Club advising Joe Denaro and John Ranno are cleared.
- 3.7 Email dated 25th January 2019 from VHA re revised transport offer for 2019.
- 3.8 Quotation received 31st January 2019 from SunCopy for printing Annual Reports.

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Email dated 1st January 2019 to WPF advising we will follow up bird limits for early races.
- 4.2 Email dated 31st January 2019 to SunCopy accepting printing quotation. Note
- 4.3 Email to dated 4th February 2019 to Treidlia forwarding VRPU bulk order for vaccine.

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minutes 3.2 -All noted. Note
- 5.2 Minute 3.5 and 3.6 – Clearances accepted.
- 5.3 Minute 3.7 – Revised transport offer discussed with Committee agreeing that had already committed to WPF.
- 5.4 Minute 4.3 - J.Davis to question Treidlia of timing of issue of vaccine. JD Feb'19

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 December 2018. Note
- 7.2 J. Davis requested monthly summary of Social Club funds. P.Burlak forwarded full balance sheet up to end December 2018. Note
- 7.3 J.davis advised that the VRPU rules , hard copy , were available for collection at the rooms noting also on website. Note

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8.0 New Business

8.1	T.Price confirmed that the 2019 Classic was from Murray Bridge.	Note	
8.2	S. Cini to follow sponsors for 2019.	SC	Mar'19
8.3	T.Price to follow up status of Wallan Club re flyers for 2019.	TP	Mar'19
8.4	Electronic ring lists were discussed and it was agreed that the full list is to be submitted on first night of basketing.	All	Note
8.5	Flying in two Federations in the same season to be further discussed.	All	Note
8.6	It was noted that Julian Cannata has advised that he will be applying for membership flying from Untouchables loft using STB clock. Approved.	Note	
8.7	T.Price issued flyer for the VHA \$100k race. J.Davis noted application form on website. T.Price to follow up whether VPU rooms can be a basketing centre given on route.	TP	Mar'19
8.8	T.Price advised that would research why our South adjoining owner has 24/7 security out the front of the property.	TP	Mar'19

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'
 - (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 to 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.

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9.2 **27 Appointment of mediator**

(1) If the parties to a dispute are unable to resolve the dispute between them within the time required by rule 26, the parties must within 10 days—

- (a) notify the Committee of the dispute; and
- (b) agree to or request the appointment of a mediator; and
- (c) attempt in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation.

(2) The mediator must be—

- (a) a person chosen by agreement between the parties; or
- (b) in the absence of agreement—
 - (i) if the dispute is between a member, another member or a Committee member a person appointed by the Committee.

(3) A mediator appointed by the Committee may be a member or former member of the VPU but in any case must not be a person who—

- (a) has a personal interest in the dispute; or
- (b) is biased in favour of or against any party.

29 Failure to resolve dispute by mediation

If the mediation process does not resolve the dispute, then the current VPU committee shall determine the dispute after hearing the grievance dispute from both parties and may

- (1) reprimand one or both members; or
- (2) fine one or both members; or
- (3) suspend the membership rights of one or both members for a specified period;
or
- (4) expel one or both members from the VPU.

Meeting closed 9:30pm - Next Meeting – 9:00pm 4th March 2019 at the VRPU rooms.