

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of SEPTEMBER 2022 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:35 pm on Monday 5th September 2022

PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Wayne Williams	Vice President
Jim Davis	Secretary
John Share	Assistant Secretary
Steve Cini	Committee
Nick Gecas	Committee
Vince Cannizzo	Committee
Gary Church	Committee
Joe Denaro	Committee
Pierre Anastasi	Committee

Apologies:

Nil

Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes August 2022

- 1.1 Minutes of August 2022 were read and received on a motion from W.Williams seconded by J.Denaro Note

2.0 Business arising from August 2022 minutes

- 2.1 Minute 2.5 - T.Price noted that we need to realistically look at next year's transport and how many birds we send, limits and hence units to the early races. We believe under joint transport 8 units. Protocols e.g., water etc to also to be considered for future discussion. Further discussions held. Agreed preference Short series on our own , Distance joint transport. T.Price and J.Davis to meet with WPF re 2023. Discussed various options. Finalised that the Sprint Series would be by ourselves and the Distance via joint transport. North track for 2023. Cost per member to be calculated after quotes received and flyer numbers known. Note
- 2.2 Minute 2.6 - Vince Cannizzo requested derelict car be removed from carpark. T.Price to check with next door if OK. S. Cini will arrange after OK given. Keys required. TP/S C Sept'22

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- 2.3 Minute 2.7 - As a result of the faulty Unit at the first Wedderburn, Tony Price is to meet with Colin Loten to inspect all units and ascertain extent of repairs including having all wheels refurbished. Agreed working bee from 6:00pm Friday 12th August. To be done at the end of the race season. Note
- 2.4 Minute 3.3 - Committee voted in favour noting VRPU requirements. J.Davis to issue response. VPO has confirmed acceptance to basket at the VRPU rooms. Numbers to be advised the week before. Any clocks that are not Benzing or Tauris will require the VPO to provide alternative electronic system and printer for basketing and evaluation at the VRPU rooms. Note
- 2.5 Minute 8.3 - Classic Sales were discussed re value, conscious of previous poor attendance/support. Further discuss. Note rings now available for Sale. Agreed one Sale in the New Year. Note

Minutes adopted P.Anastasi seconded N.Gecas

3.0 Correspondence in

- 3.1 Email 4th August 2022 re Convoyer's report Manangatang 2.
- 3.2 Emails 16th August 2022 re Convoyer's report for Manangatang 3 and Mildura 1.
- 3.3 Email 17th August 2022 from ANRPB re National 2022 race and application forms.
- 3.4 Email 30th August 2022 from PRV re sponsoring a combine 500-mile race. Note
- 3.5 Schedule 5th September 2022 re itemised extra fuel costs for VRPU transport.
- 3.6 Email/Letter 5th September 2022 for the Kilmore Club nominating new members M.Pace and P.Poldiano of the Kilmore Club.

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 All Convoyer's reports sent to members same day as received.
- 4.2 Email 8th August 2022 to members and other Federations regarding dates and times for VRPU two transport Sales. Note

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minute 3.1 and 3.2 noted.
- 5.2 Minute 3.3 – Individual members to complete forms for those interested.
- 5.3 Minute 3.4 – Wayne Williams explained that the PRV was looking into developing this into combined transport for future 500-mile and 600-mile events. Work in progress. Note
- 5.4 Minute 3.6 – Committee discussed and approved applications for new Kilmore members to be part of the VRPU. J.Davis to confirm and seek fees. JD

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6.0 Clock Chairman report

- 6.1 T.Price confirmed the VRPU's appreciation for all the works by John Brislin and John Share during the VRPU transport series. Note
- 6.2 T. Price advised that the fast and slow on clocks was no longer to be adjusted as it was now causing wear and tear on springs. Note
- 6.3 T.Price offered congratulations to VRPU flyers for winning one of the major lead up one loft races – Meadows One Note
- 6.4 Race 1 from Hay won by M.Doria and the Bundaberg 600 Race 2 from Marlborough won by R.Ziaja & G.Lup. Note

3.0 Secretary Report

- 3.1 J. Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of August 2022.
- 3.2 J.Davis advised that 2023 rings were selling well with 5500 already delivered.

Important Dates: 14th September 2022 basketting Tassie.

Note

8.0 New Business.

- 8.1 T.Price confirmed that F.Vellutto was having a reduction Sale 2nd October 2022 at 2:00pm at the VRPU rooms. TP
- 8.2 T.Price advised that R.Simmons had been locked in for the Classic transport. Another co driver/convoyer to be sought. TP
- 8.4 T.Price advised that a bulk order of Dunn peas was being ordered for delivery to VRPU rooms. Those interested to contact T.Price. Sample required first. Note
- 8.5 T.Price advised that a fork lift driver was required at the WPF rooms on Thursday nights for loading units.. Any interest please contact T.Price 0417 517 960. Note
- 8.6 S.Cini moved a motion and seconded J.Share that Kilmore Club would be required to basket and produce clocks at the VRPU rooms for the National and Tassie due to the logistics with loading time and minimum number of units allocated. All accepted. WW
- 8.7 P.Anastasi confirmed that a bird belonging to F.Rachkidi (Fadi's Loft) was reported from a non-pigeon racer person in Ocean Grove. After final contact was made by the owner, he requested the person take to the local vet as he was not interested in picking up the bird. This action not condoned by the VRPU. The Thomastown Club is to resolve the matter as a matter of urgency. JD
- 8.8 J.Denaro requested the VRPU 2022 Classic have a reminder placed on the website re the Classic race date and prize money. Email to be sent to other Federations re basketting and clock production (at the VRPU rooms) and that any non Benzing or Tauris electronic systems would have to have its base station and printer bought to the rooms. All

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- 8.9 V.Cannizzo raised, for discussion, the training of the yearlings via potential extension of bird limits or comeback races, trainers, mid-week union tosses. Further discuss noting that any limit changes would be required to go to an AGM. Note
- 8.9 J.Share raised to the item of publicity Officer currently done by the Secretary on website and with Facebook by M.Rifat. It was agreed any change would require a scope of duties to be agreed by the Committee. Note
- 8.10 J.Share raised the item of prize money allocation in races from 400 miles onwards to the second bird clocked if within the first 10 places. Further discuss. All
- 8.11 J.Davis requested that the Committee look at race points for the 2023 North track season and submit for discussion. J.Share requested we review North points that will not be the same as other Federations for the Sprint series.

9.0 Minute Rules 2022:

9.1 Rule 53 – Add

(d) has flown as a member in VRPU federation races for the last two (2) consecutive Years.

9.2 New Rule – 172

Transport fees

All transport up front yearly fees are to be paid by all race season participating members on the first basketing night of the first race or no later than the second race's basketing night.

Meeting closed 9:37 pm - Next meeting – 7:30 pm 3rd October 2022 at VRPU rooms.