

# VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

## Minutes of June 2023 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:32 pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Jim Davis	Secretary
John Share	Assistant Secretary
Steve Cini	Committee
Mark Cavanagh	Committee
Rod Simmons	Committee
Joe Denaro	Committee
Pierre Anastasi	Committee
Robert Cauchi	Committee
John Ranno	Committee
Nick Gecas	Committee

### Apologies:

Nil

### Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

### Distribution:

All Present  
VPU Website

### 1.0 Previous Minutes May 2023

- 1.1 Minutes of May 2023 were read and received on a motion from M.Cavanagh seconded by R.Cauchi Note

### 2.0 Business arising from May 2023 minutes

- 2.1 Minute 2.1 - 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 and documentation required. TP
- 2.2 Minute 2.2 - S.Cini advised that he noted the bird were finding it difficult for bird to get to drinkers due to them being too low. Solution is to spot weld knobs on brackets. To be arranged for next year. Welder to be sought. Next week JD
- 2.3 Minute 2.3 - It was agreed that we select the best wire baskets for upgrade and overhaul so as we have available for potential races. Assessment required. Next week. JD

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- 2.4 Minute 2.4 - With next years shared transport it was noted that WPF would be picking us up (North track) as per previous agreements. T.Price to confirm. Meeting to be held with WPF to finalise next year including weekly return of units. J.Davis advised had spoken with WPF and requested the review of pro rata costs since there are now three major Feds involved on truck. Need to discuss weekly pick up/drop off weekly rotation of units. T.Price advised that awaiting date from WPF re joint meeting. Meeting to be held 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Held . In principle agreement made. Awaiting final letter. J.Davis advised on final quotation. Accepted. Note
- 2.5 Minute 2.6 - P.Anastasi requested that we investigate a Juniors competition next year. This was approved. A Committee person is to be nominated as the leader of this competition and the rules are to be developed. J.Davis to download typical Junior Rules for review and SMS request from members as to who will participate. P.Anastasi tabled a set of guidelines for discussion. Further discuss next meeting. J.Davis tabled further draft. Discussions held and revised draft to be issued. It was noted that the Juniors will be going forward in 2023. J.Davis read out letter from L.Taliana. Agreed with comments excepting up to 40 birds allowed to be allocated. Final version of rules approved. To be posted on website. JD
- 2.6 Minute 2.10 - R.Simmons advised we needed to check Race point clashes with other Federations and come up with alternatives. Discuss next meeting. T.Price requested flyers check the race alternate race points suggested by J.Share and advise next meeting. Discussed and alternative race points approved. Name of races to remain as schedule. Note
- 2.7 Minute 5.3 - Minute 3.3, 3.5 and 3.6 - Memberships approved noting J.Tinao's is subject to loft inspection by P.Anastasi. P.Anastasi advised loft complies with Code of Practice. P. Anastasi to confirm whether flying Club or Federation in first year. PA
- 2.8 Minute 5.4 - Minute 3.8 - T.Price requested M.Cavanagh obtain the addresses of those flyers that are close but south of our Northern boundary so as we can review. MC
- 2.9 Minute 8.1 - It was agreed that P.Anastasi and J.Share present to the Committee bird numbers per tier for Friday, Thursday and Wednesday night basketing. T.Price noted that when Southerly winds predicted more units should be allocated to hens. Friday **27**, Thursday **25** and Wednesday **17** noting one less for cocks. Note
- 2.10 Minute 8.4 - T.Price advised that manual clocks were in danger of becoming extinct as there was no longer any servicing available for ink pads or spare parts. Flyers needed to seriously consider going electronic. T.Price also advised trialling home-made silk ink pads. Ongoing noting that some spare pads found. Note

Minutes adopted P.Anastasi seconded J.Ranno

### 3.0 Correspondence in

- 3.1 Email received 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 from the VPO confirming P.Burlak's clearance. Note
- 3.2 Email letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 from PRV re offer for sponsored 2024 "500 Combine."

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- 3.3 Email received 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 from Melbourne Pigeon Society re 2023 show to be held at the WPF rooms in July.
- 3.4 Email letter received 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 from WPF re 2023 transport final offer.
- 3.5 Email received 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 from VRPB re hosting the 2023 National Conference at the Meadows on the 24<sup>th</sup> November to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023.
- 3.6 Email received 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 from J.Share re draft response to PRV

### 4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Nil Note

### 5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minutes 3.1- 3.3 and 3.5 were noted.
- 5.2 Minute 3.4 – Refer minute 2.4 Note
- 5.3 Minute 3.6 - Agreed to hold draft response.

### 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 May 2023. Note
- 7.2 J.Davis to advise those members with electronic clocks that their birds must be entered into their clocks with correct colours and sex and not all Blue Hens for example. Incorrect coloured birds will not be permitted to go to the race. JD
- 7.3 J.Davis to remind members of rule 99 regarding committing to prize money. Your first basketing night will require your option to be finalised. For those that commit to prize money there can be no changing or dropping out during the season. Those that try will not be permitted to continue racing. J.Davis advised that from SMS request sent “for who would be interested in compulsory prize money” 18 members advised yes. JD
- 7.4 J.Davis raised that the procedure adopted of not recording pigeon ring numbers in results (November 2022 meeting minute 8.5) was not a workable option citing various examples where it just would not be correct to do so. J Share forwarded a motion to revert to standard system in line with all other Federations and world practices. Vote taken 7 for 1 against – passed. Note

### Important Dates:

**First basketing night: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

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### 8.0 New Business.

- 8.1 T.Price confirmed that we needed a transporter and convoyer for the 2023 Classic. SMS to be sent out to members. JD
- 8.2 T.Price advised that the units wheels needed greasing. To be done during working bee. Date to be advised to all members. JD
- 8.3 T.Price advised that 2024 Classic ring would be buy 5 and get one free. Note
- 8.4 T.Price was not aware that our information was not being added to VRPU Facebook. M.Rifat to be contacted. RS
- 8.5 T.Price advised that there was a spare Tassie transport available. It was agreed that if to be held would be non-Federation. Note
- 8.6 S.Cini advised that he would be running a weekly \$50 loft nomination and prizes to 10 positions. Note
- 8.7 P.Anastasi requested that we provide results to the Australian Pigeon Fancier for publication. Note
- 8.8 It was agreed that R.Simmons be the VRPU publicity Officer. Note
- 8.9 It was noted that Junior winners will be awarded their weekly ribbons each following basketing night. Note
- 8.10 P. Anastasi advised that a new flyer had a Vision clock system. It was agreed that if flying Club only the flyer could send through a photo of his result. If flying Federation he would have to produce at the rooms and thus someone would need to be trained in how operate Vision result printout. Note

### 9.0 Minute Rules 2023:

- 9.1 Nil

**Meeting closed 9:42 pm - Next meeting – 7:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at VRPU rooms**