

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NO. 65

MINUTES HELD ON 4th MARCH 2024 @ 8:17 PM AT VRPU CLUBROOMS

PRESENT:

President	Tony Price
Secretary/Treasurer	Jim Davis
Committee and Members	45 No. (42 Attendees, 3 proxy votes)
<u>Apologies:</u> A.Matti and A.Cox	

Meeting Chaired by Tony Price

- 1.0 Minutes Silence was called by the President in remembrance of those members and loved ones who had passed in the previous year.
- 2.0 Minutes of the 2023 were read and moved by M.Cavanagh 2nd C.Grech and carried.
- 3.0 Business arising – Nil
- 4.0 Minutes adopted – moved L.Taliana, 2nd S.Cini and carried.
- 5.0 J Davis read audited Income, Expenditure statement and balance sheet. Noting a new auditor had been engaged.
J. Davis highlighted that a small profit was made for the season despite transport costs mainly due to generous donations and transport fund raising. It was highlighted that fixed assets had been adjusted to coincide with current values and if we were to make minimal profits for 2024 season, we would need fund raising of some \$10,000.
Accepted on a motion from J.Ranno 2nd M.Cavanagh and carried.
- 6.0 Secretary's annual report was delivered by J Davis as per the 2023 annual report issued to attending members.
- 7.0 President's addendum was delivered by T.Price as per the 2023 annual report adding a thank you to the Yarraville Racing Pigeon Homing Club for their sponsorship for the National race and to all members who attended the Victorian Pigeon Convention at the Meadows Convention Centre.
- 8.0 Election of office bearers for 2024.
The President advised that the following positions were not contested so would carry over to 2024:
President Tony Price
Vice President Joe Denaro
Secretary/Treasurer Jim Davis.
Motion S.Cini 2nd C Grech and carried.

The position for Assistant Secretary nominations were J.Share and L.Taliana.

The Secretary issued slips to attending members to mark off their preference. These were collected by Committeeman R.Simmons together

with the Secretary and counted. The results were declared by the President as follows: J.Share.

The Committee 2024 J.Denaro, R.Cauchi, M.Cavanagh,
R.Simmons, J.Ranno, N.Gecas and L.Taliana.

Moved in block by P.Hardwick, 2nd Simmons voted and passed.

9.0 Presentation of the balance of trophies for 2023, not presented at presentation night, was carried out by the President T.Price.

10.0 Motions:

The Secretary confirmed that in accordance with Rule 39(1), for a Rule to be changed two thirds of the members are required to vote in favour. In this instance **30** votes were required.

1. Rule 16: Ceasing membership - Committee

“Add”

Upon the membership resignation of a person or the person does not fly with the VPU which results in that person or any joint membership flying with another Melbourne Federation, then that person or any joint membership shall not be permitted to reapply for membership or fly in the VPU for a period of four (4) years.
Supported by the Committee.

Motion from R.Simmons – 2nd J.Davis.

J.Davis spoke for the motion outlining the reasons for the change.

J.Denaro spoke against the motion.

R.Simmons spoke for the motion.

President called for a vote. Vote taken. For 32. Carried.

2. Rule 114: Aggregate – Wallan Kilmore Club

Delete

“The VPU shall award a trophy to the winner of the Short Distance, Long Distance and combined Old bird aggregates”

Add

“The VPU shall award a trophy to the winner of the Short Distance, Long Distance, Combined Old bird aggregates, and a trophy/ Certificate for the aggregate winner of each Section.”

Not supported by the Committee.

Motion from C.Grech – 2nd M.Cavanagh.

C.Grech spoke for the motion highlighting with distances now between flying groups, one should be rewarded for your seasons flying in your area/section.

N.Gecas spoke against the motion.

President called for a vote. Vote taken. For 35. Carried.

3. Rule 139: Boundaries - Wallan Kilmore Club

Delete

Latitude S37 15' 23.04" and

Add

S37 14' 31.2". This means moving the Northern boundary approximately 1.6 km North.

Supported by Committee.

Motion from V.Cannizzo - 2nd R.Simmons

President called for a vote. Vote taken. For - Unanimous. Carried.

Meeting Closed at 9:14 pm.