

# VICTORIAN NATIONAL PIGEON RACE COMMITTEE

## Minutes of August 2023 Committee Meeting

Held at VRPU Rooms 7:45 pm on Wednesday 30th August 2023

### PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Jim Davis	Secretary
Steve Brown	Secretary of the VHA
Andrew Spiliopoulos	President of the VHA
Rod Churchill	President of the GMPF
Gary Gillard	Race Secretary of the GMPF
Ray Russell	President of the WPF
Marc Tenaglia	Secretary of the WPF

### Guests:

John Saggars	Yarraville Racing Pigeon Homing Club
Matt Ciancio	Yarraville Racing Pigeon Homing Club

### Apologies:

Rod Churchill President GMPF.

### Meeting Chaired by:

Tony Price

### Distribution:

All Present  
VPU Website

### Sponsorship:

- Tony Price welcomed all and advised that he had invited the Yarraville Racing Pigeon Homing Club to confirm what was entailed in their generous offer to sponsor the 2023 National race's transport costs. Note
- John Saggars advised that the sponsorship was to cover the WPF transport cost only and that any costs for Federations getting their birds to the WPF rooms was to be borne by those Federation. All
- John Saggars confirmed that at this stage the sponsorship was for 2023, however, depending on various outcomes of future transport etc. and how this seasons' race transport coordination goes, sponsorship will be considered in the future. Note
- Tony Price , on behalf of the National Committee, thanked Yarraville for their very generous sponsorship. Note

### Election of Office bearers

- Steve Brown moved that the current Officer bearers remain and the structure of the Committee remain as is. 2<sup>nd</sup> Gary Gillard – Accepted. Note
- Tony Price confirmed that the National Rules would continue to be as per the VRPU Rules. Note

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### 2023 Race

- Further to last year's minutes wherein Geelong was an approved Federation for the National, Jim Davis to email Geelong Federation contacts to confirm invitation to race and details of conditions. JD
- All Federations to transport their birds to the WPF rooms by 9:00pm. Andrew Spiliopoulos requested this be extended to 9:30pm given number of pick-ups required by the VHA from their centres. Ray Russell to confirm. RR
- Any flyers wishing to participate in the National that are not of the four major Federations are to check and gain approval to basket and produce at their nearest centre. Note
- Tony Price confirmed that clock production must have a minimum of four (4) participating members present to commence evaluations. Note
- Steve Brown questioned whether flyers from the one loft with same names could enter their two teams. It was agreed that they could enter their teams as they had paid for their two memberships and two transport fees. Note

### Other items

- Tony Price advised that the ANRPB was still promoting a State by State National from Emmdale with prize money. Although the concept was appreciated, it was agreed that Victoria could not participate as too early in the season. Note
- Tony Price advised that he had secured \$1000 sponsorship for our National from the ANRPB. Note
- Tony Price advised that the VRPB had completed and issued the Victorian Racing Pigeon Code of Practice 2023. All agreed it be adopted by all Federations as a minimum code. Jim Davis to issue with minutes. JD
- Tony Price reminded all of the upcoming Victorian Racing Pigeon convention 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> November. Marc Tenaglia outlined the programme for the weekend with finalisation still ongoing. Marc requested all Federations promote the Convention at any opportunity as promotion will be the key to its success. All
- Tony Price that funds raised from Convention would be split 50% to a charitable organisation and 50% Federations. Note
- Marc Tenaglia pointed out the amount of special races that were being held this month a "Spring Carnival" which should be promoted. Note
- Andrew Spiliopoulos advised that the VHA would aligning their future tracks with the other Federations as from 2024. Note
- **Next year's event – from Dubbo 2024 12/10/24.** Federations to include this date in their 2024 Race Schedule.
- **Meeting closed 9:15 pm - Next Meeting – 7:30 pm date TBA**

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