

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of October 2024 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:36 pm on Tuesday 15th October 2024

PRESENT:

Tony Price	President
Jim Davis	Secretary
John Share	Assistant Secretary
Steve Cini	Committee
Joe Denaro	Committee
Robert Cauchi	Committee
John Ranno	Committee
Luke Taliana	Committee
Mark Cavanagh	Committee

Apologies:

Nil

Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present

VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes September 2024

- 1.1 Minutes of September 2024 were read and received on a motion from J.Share seconded by R.Cauchi

2.0 Business arising from September 2024 minutes

- 2.1 Minute 2.1 - J.Davis advised that honour boards needed to be updated. N.Gecas to follow up. J.Davis to ring C.Grech. C.Grech has details for update. J.Davis to arrange contractor when 2024 season ends. JD
- 2.2 Minute 2.2 - It was agreed that the VPU have a logo. All to come up with some suggestions. J.Davis advised currently having someone prepare. JD
- 2.3 Minute 2.3 - J.Denaro advised that the existing floor had hollows or ruts. These to be filled. To be done after season complete. JD
- 2.4 Minute 2.4 - T.Price advised we would apply for sponsorship to "The Meadows" once applications were open from the 1st July. Ongoing. T.Price advised that booked Saturday 9th November at the Meadows for sponsorship function. Logo tee shirts to be arranged. TP

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- 2.5 Minute 2.5 - T.Price advised that the original signage above the roller door was now inaccurate and badly fading. New to be sought. Size to be confirmed. 5m by 1.2m. Await finalisation of logo.
- 2.6 Minute 8.8 - Race rules in the constitution was raised again and discussions held noting that the Constitution is about the running of the VRPU and its membership in accordance with Consumer Affairs and irrelevant to the detail of the sport we are involved in. The Race rules cover what sport we are involved in. Further discuss.

Minutes adopted M.Cavanagh seconded L.Taliana

3.0 Correspondence in

- 3.1 Membership application dated 12th September 2024 B Esho (Broadmeadows Club).
- 3.2 Membership application dated 16th September 2024 S.Hennessy (Pascoe Vale Club)
- 3.3 Email dated 26th September 2024 from WPF seeking approval to run Tassie on the same day as National Note
- 3.4 Flyer received 4th October 2024 from Melbourne Greyhounds advising of fundraising opportunity.

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Flyer sent 15th September 2024 to all Federations re VRPU Classic 2025
- 4.2 Email dated 27th September 2024 to WPF confirming approval of tassie race date.
- 4.3 Email dated 3rd October 2024 to Committee re suggested response to VRPB re liberation guidelines. Note
- 4.4 Email dated 13th October 2024 with Interim 2024 National results.

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minutes 3.1 and 3.2 – subject to Loft Inspections by T.Price and J.Denaro TP/JD
- 5.2 Minute 3.4 - T.Price to make application for sponsorship night.. TP
- 5.3 Minute 4.3 - Committee approved draft response to VRPB. J.Davis to issue. JD

6.0 Clock Chairman report:

- 6.1 T.Price advised that Xreme lofts continued to have problems with chips not registering on returning from races. Note
- 6.2 T.Price advised that one of the club systems was faulty. Repairs to be arranged. TP

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- 6.3 T.Price advised that 2 members clocks read incorrectly re daylight saving time (one hour out). It was agreed that the checker of the basketing sheet needs to check times before signing off. Note
- 6.4 L.Taliana advised that all evaluations should be done temporary first, particularly Benzing live so as results can still be achieved if an error occurs. Note
- 6.5 T.Price advised that a manual clock user put thimble in first hole and rubber only in second. 2nd bird not recognised. Extra thimble donated to flyer. Note

7.0 Secretary Report

- 7.1 J. Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of September 2024. Note
- 7.2 J.Davis advised that ring sales were proceeding well with some 7500 rings ordered to date. Note
- 7.3 J.Davis advised that he would not be standing for Secretary 2026 season. Duties to be handed over progressively as required. Note
- All

Important Dates:

VRPU Presentation night – 7th December 2024

8.0 New Business.

- 8.1 It was agreed that the WPF join us to have a combined presentation night at the Meadows. Note
- 8.2 T.Price advised that the ANRPB was arranging for the 2025 pigeon convention to be held 29th/30th March 2025 in Sydney. Note
- 8.3 T.Price advised that a SA flyer requested booking the rooms for April 2025 for a Sale.
- 8.4 T.Price advised that the VRPB was involved in 2 cases with Councils re permits etc.
- 8.5 T.Price advised that some flyers preferred trophies to medallions. Option approved. Trophies to be sought. Note
- 8.6 T.Price advised that the WPF requested obtaining our old lifter. Approved. Inspection TP to be arranged.
- 8.7 J.Share to follow up steel sleeves to underside of units. JS
- 8.8 J.Davis advised of draft 2025 West track schedule. To be issued to Committee for comment. JD
- 8.9 It was suggested that we have discussions with other Federations re Combined distance races – greater than 350 miles - run on same basis as the 2024 National re transport. J.Davis to follow up. JD
- 8.10 Rooms keys to be issued to R.Cauchi. TP

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- 8.11 M.Cavanagh thanked everyone for their efforts in basketing for the VRPU Classic which was a great success. Note
- 8.12 Ring sales person to be arranged at WPF for 2025 VRPU Classic. J.Denaro to follow up. JD
- 8.13 T.Price recommended that the VRPU purchase the trailer previously owned by V.Cannizzo as our future unit for the Classic and any other uses that come up. Note
Vote taken . Unanimous support re purchase.

9.0 Minute Rules 2024:

9.1 Nil

Meeting closed 9:21 pm - Next meeting – 7:30 pm 11th November 2024 at VRPU Rooms