

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of February 2025 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:35 pm on Monday 3rd February 2025

PRESENT:

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

Apologies:

John Ranno	Committee
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Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes December 2024

- 1.1 Minutes of December 2024 were read and received on a motion from S.Cini seconded by L.Taliana

2.0 Business arising from December 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 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. JD

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- 2.5 Minute 2.6 - J.Share to follow up steel sleeves to underside of units. JS
- 2.6 Minute 2.8 - Ring sales person to be arranged at WPF for 2025 VRPU Classic. P.Anastasi now VPU representative. Note
- 2.10 Minute 2.9 - It was noted that the wheels of the Units needed to be changed over. Steel wheels required. J.Share to follow up. JS
- 2.11 Minute 7.4 - A discussion was held regarding quotes for 2025 transport. It was moved by S.Cini and 2nd J.Denaro that we only go to the WPF as they were the only Federation on our full west track. Vote taken 4 for 2 against – carried. JD
J.Share reminded all that we need to have the WPF include for picking us up in the quote. Awaiting WPF quote and final race schedule 2025.
- 2.12 Minute 7.5 - J.Davis advised that along with P. Sawyer , there would be a tossing programme, open to all, starting early at short distances and using the VRPU’s tossing unit.. Costs to be reviewed. Discussed \$15-\$20 per flyer. Schedule to be advised. It was noted that longer tosses should be south or south west and not north due to clashes and falcons. JD

Minutes adopted M.Cavanagh seconded R.Cauchi

3.0 Correspondence in

- 3.1 Email dated 22nd December 2024 from P.Anastasi re application for ring secretary and cleaning rooms and units for 2025.
- 3.2 Email letter dated 22nd December 2024 from the Wallan Kilmore Club requesting AGM item – amendment to Rule 99 and prize money birdage fee.
- 3.3 Email dated 7th January 2025 from A.Dimidowski re Godfrey Stevens Sale.
- 3.4 Email dated 10th January 2025 from Melbourne Greyhounds confirming sponsorship.
- 3.5 Email dated 21st January 2025 from auditor requesting various information for 2024 audit.

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Email dated 23rd December 2024 to the WPF requesting quote for 2025 transport and west track race schedule.
- 4.2 Emails dated the 27th December 2024, 8th January 2025 and 15th January 2025 to the ANRPB re bird of the year. Note
- 4.3 Email dated 7th January 2025 to members re Godfrey Stevens Sale.
- 4.4 Emails 21st and 28th January 2025 to auditor re response to information requested.

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5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minute 3.1 – Application approved.
- 5.2 Minute 3.2 – Noted .To go to AGM. Motion not endorsed by Committee. Note
- 5.3 Minutes 3.3-3.5 noted.

6.0 Clock Chairman report:

- 6.1 T.Price advised that he has requested that Benzing have available second-hand electronic clocks for first year VPU flyers. Note

7.0 Secretary Report

- 7.1 J. Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of January 2025.
- 7.2 J.Davis advised that yearly auditing of 2024 accounts had been done and certified. Note
- 7.3 J.Davis advised that AGM letters would be sent out this week.
- 7.4 J.Davis advised that information had been sent to publisher for 2024 Year book.

Important Dates:

VRPU Classic 3rd squeaker sale – 14th February 2025 – Sale start 7:30pm at the VRPU rooms.

Note

VRPU Rooms AGM – 3rd March 2025 – Start 8:00pm

8.0 New Business.

- 8.1 J.Share requested that the National Committee consider basketing on the Wednesday night and we need to have agreement on minimum and maximum birds per tier for all Federations. T.Price/J.Davis to take to National Committee. TP/JD
- 8.2 J.Share advised that A.Kalaitzis had joined the Northern Suburbs Homing Club and was seeking approval to join the VRPU to race the 2025 season. Committee voted for acceptance. Approved. Note
- 8.3 T.Price advised that D.Muscara had joined the Craigieburn Club and was seeking approval to join the VRPU to race the 2025 season. Committee voted for acceptance. Approved. Note
- 8.4 T.Price advised that R.Tabone had advised that he would be returning to racing 2025. Committee voted for acceptance. Approved. Note
- 8.5 J.Share proposed to prepare the tossing unit for 2025. 1. Bearings to be serviced.2. Power connection and light lens to be fixed. 3.Registration. 4. Jockey wheel repaired. JS

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- 8.7 T.Price and S.Cini to check on sponsorship by Meadows One Loft for the VRPU Produce. TP/SC
- 8.8. S.Cini to purchase cable ties for sale pens and offered to change the front gate lock type and keys.Approved. SC
- 8.9. T.Price advised the Sydney 2025 Pigeon Convention in Sydney was to be held from 28 -30 March 2025 run by the CCRPF. Flyer on website. Note
- 8.10 L.Taliana suggested that no VRPU member should be on a board or committee of various pigeon organisations that were not incorporated. Note
- 8.11 J.Share highlighted that 2024 Diplomas were not showing 2nd Bird from 400 onwards. JD
J.Davis to address.

9.0 Minute Rules 2025:

- 9.1 Nil.

Meeting closed 8:55 pm - Next meeting – 9:00 pm 3rd March 2025 at VRPU rooms.