

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NO. 66

MINUTES HELD ON 3rd MARCH 2025 @ 8:15 PM AT VRPU CLUBROOMS

PRESENT:

President	Tony Price
Secretary/Treasurer	Jim Davis
Committee and Members	42 No. (35 Attendees, 7 proxy votes)

Apologies: P.Sawyer

Meeting Chaired by Tony Price

Tony Price welcomed all attending new members either first year or returning – A.Martins, A.Curcio, S.Hennessy, Wael Al Zoheri, Bassam Esho, N.Quagliarella and wished them good luck for 2025.

- 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 2024 were read and moved by N.Gecas 2nd P.Pace and carried.
- 3.0 Business arising – Nil
- 4.0 Minutes adopted – moved J.Share, 2nd M.Cavanagh and carried.
- 5.0 J Davis read audited Income, Expenditure statement and balance sheet. J. Davis highlighted that a small profit was made for the season with transport costs roughly equal to income. It was highlighted that fixed assets had increased \$11,000 due to the purchase of the forklift and tossing unit. J.Davis also thanked the Craigieburn Club for their generous donation of \$6,000 for the purchase and upgrade of the forklift.

Accepted on a motion from P.Pace 2nd M.Cavanagh and carried.
- 6.0 Secretary's annual report was delivered by J Davis as per the 2024 annual report issued to attending members.

Accepted on a motion from M.Doria 2nd B.Dodds and carried.
- 7.0 President's addendum was delivered by T.Price as per the 2024 annual report adding a big thank you to all members who helped with working bees.
- 8.0 Election of office bearers for 2025.

The President advised that all the following positions were not contested so would carry over to 2025:

President	Tony Price
Vice President	Joe Denaro
Secretary/Treasurer	Jim Davis.

The Committee 2025 R.Cauchi, M.Cavanagh, S.Cini, J.Ranno,
J.Share and L.Taliana.

Moved in block by J.Ranno, 2nd S.Hennessy voted and passed.

9.0 Presentation of the balance of trophies for 2023/24, not presented at presentation night and 2024 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 **28** votes were required.

1. Rule 99: Distribution of Prize Money - Kilmore Wallan Club

Delete whole.

Amend to:

- a) All Federations races will race for prize money as follows- 100% to Sections.
- b) Section prize money will be allotted pro rata to the number of birds sent in each section, which will comprise of sections as per Rule 140.

Motion from R.Simmons to amend the motion to delete "For all Federation Races in the Short....."

Add "For all Federation events 100% to sections." 2nd C.Grech

Various members spoke for the amended motion outlining the reasons for the change.

Various members spoke against the motion.

President called for a vote. Vote taken. For 11 (incl proxies). Motion defeated.

2. Committee:

General.

That the VRPU Constitution (Associations Incorporation Rules) have the Race Conditions (Rule 83 to 172) separated i.e. the Constitution only be Rules 1 - 82 and the Race Rules 83 - 172.

J.Denaro put forward an amendment to the motion adding existing Rule 84 (Routes) to remain in the Constitution. 2nd S.Cini.

Various members spoke for the amended motion outlining the reasons for the change. None spoke against.

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

Meeting Closed at 8:40 pm.