

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of March 2025 Committee Meeting

Held at 9:30 pm on Monday 3rd March 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
John Ranno	Committee

Apologies:

Nil

Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes February 2025

- 1.1 Minutes of February 2025 were read and received on a motion from J.Denaro seconded by J.Share

2.0 Business arising from February 2025 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. Have contacted. 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. Sample sent out. 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 2.5 - J.Share to follow up steel sleeves to underside of units. JS
- 2.6 Minute 2.10 - It was noted that the wheels of the Units needed to be changed over. Steel wheels required. J.Share to follow up. J.Share advised sample provided. Approved with new bolts to be purchased. JS
- 2.7 Minute 2.11 - 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. 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. JD
- 2.8 Minute 2.12 - 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
- 2.9 Minute 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. JD/TP
- 2.10 Minute 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. J. Share arranged for works to start. JS
- 2.11 Minute 8.8 - S.Cini to offered to change the front gate lock type and keys. Approved. SC

Minutes adopted J.Ranno seconded M.Cavanagh

3.0 Correspondence in

- 3.1 Email dated 2nd February 2025 from B.Warlow with Auditors report.
- 3.2 Email dated 8th February 2025 from VHA re N.Podesta Sale

4.0 Correspondence out:

- 4.1 Email dated 19th February to EGOnamia re upgrading 2024 Diplomas.

5.0 Business arising from correspondence

- 5.1 Minute 3.1 – Auditors report included in Annual Report. Note
- 5.2 Minute 3.2 – N.Podesta Sale posted on website
- 5.3 Minute 4.1 – J.Davis advised had lost complete contact with Diploma service. Will continue to follow up.

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6.0 Clock Chairman report:

- 6.1 T.Price advised that he has requested that Benzings have available second-hand electronic clocks for first year VPU flyers. Continuing to discuss with K.Clarke. TP
- 6.2 J.Share received advise that the manual clocks could no longer be serviced or parts available. It was agreed that manual clocks were to be phased out. From 2026 electronics only. JD

7.0 Secretary Report

- 7.1 J. Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of February 2025. Note
- 7.2 J.Davis advised we had sold 8300 rings to date. Note
- 7.3 J.Davis advised that one of the members had advised that we had not complied with Rules 12(1)(a) or 30(d) regarding the amount of annual subscriptions not being dealt with at the AGM. The Committee acknowledged and would refer to meeting in the future. Note
- 7.4 J.Davis read out the prize money allocation for the 2025 Classic Sale. Approved. To be published. JD
- 7.5 J.Davis to ensure that the VRPU Produce nominates Meadow One Lofts as sponsor with two free entries into the following years race. JD

Important Dates:

VRPU first basketing night : 27th June 2025 Note

8.0 New Business.

- 8.1 T.Price thanked, in particular M.Rifat, for his help in the Classic Rings and Sales. Note
- 8.2 M.Cavanagh suggested that for the Classic Distance races we have all clocks produced at the clubrooms with BBQ and drinks. All
- 8.3 J.Davis reminded that if we are to have a 2025 presentation night, then someone needs to volunteer soon to organise. All

9.0 Minute Rules 2025:

- 9.1 Nil.

Meeting closed 10:10pm - Next meeting – 7:30 pm 7th April 2025 at VRPU rooms.

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