

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

Minutes of July 2025 Committee Meeting

Held at 7:35 pm on Monday 7th July 2025

PRESENT:

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

Apologies:

Nil.

Guests:

Nil

Meeting Chaired by: Tony Price

Distribution:

All Present
VPU Website

1.0 Previous Minutes June 2025

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| 1.1 | Minutes of June 2025 were read and received on a motion from J.Ranno seconded by J.Share | Note |
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2.0 Business arising from June 2025 minutes.

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| 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. Quote too high. J Share offered to find writer. J.Davis to forward details. T.Price to follow up further contact. L.Taliana arranging samples. | LT |
| 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. Further sample rejected . Continue. Approved. T.Price to check potential logo manufacturer. | TP |
| 2.3 | 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. | Note |

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| 2.4 | Minute 2.6 - 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. Also confirm Liberation protocol for the Combine series when equal vote for and against Liberations. J.Davis suggested a Zoom meeting. | JD |
| 2.5 | Minute 2.7 - J.Share requested we follow up that the WPF was picking us up for Tassie. J.Davis advised our responsibility to get our birds to rooms. Various options for truck and driver to be followed up. | JS |
| 2.6 | Minute 8.2 - Trailer awaiting registration. J.Share to follow up. Certificate received from Department of Infrastructure. Registration with local VR's to be done. | JS |
| 2.7 | Minute 8.3 - T.Price advised that forklift gas bottle required refill. T.Price to arrange. | TP |
| 2.8 | Minute 8.4 - T.Price advised that at the next VRPB meeting , Property registration with ID code with Department of Agriculture for pigeon flyers would be recommended. Await outcome. T.Price advised that from legal advice received remain as is. | Note |

Minutes adopted M.Cavanagh seconded L.Taliana

3.0 Correspondence in

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| 3.1 | Email dated 26 th June 2025 from VHA regarding their race schedule, flyer re Croydon Club Tassie race and latest minutes of the VRPB. | Note |
| 3.2 | Email dated the 2 nd July 2025 from VHA re line of flight for 2026. | |
| 3.3 | Email dated 2nd July 2025 from WPF with advice on proposed main schedule 2026 North West track. | |
| 3.4 | Letter dated 4 th July 2025 from the Australian Government's Department of Infrastructure and Transport granting Concessional RAV Entry approval of our tossing unit. | |
| 3.5 | Email/Letter dated 5 th July 2025 from WKHC submitting a complaint of a fellow VRPU flyer not following the Code of Conduct re a passing comment made to one of their members on basketing night 4 th July 2025. | |

4.0 Correspondence out:

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| 4.1 | Nil | Note |
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5.0 Business arising from correspondence

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| 5.1 | Minute 3.1 – 3.3 – Noted. | Note |
| 5.2 | Minute 3.4 – Refer Minute 2.6 | JS |
| 5.3 | Minute 3.5 – The matter was discussed and it was agreed that the passing statement was unnecessary. T.Price to speak to offending member. | TP |

6.0 Clock Chairman report:

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| 6.1 | T.Price advised that members Benzing clock had a flat battery and needed to be exchanged for new or sent away to be fixed. Flyer using alternative clock. | Note |
| 6.2 | T.Price advised that many of the new flyer's Benzing Clocks did not have their flyer names entered on the first basketing night. Believe now updated. | Note |
| 6.3 | T.Price advised that colours of pigeons were still missing in some clocks on some birds. | All |
| 6.4 | T.Price advised that he waited for a new flyer to present his clock for evaluation reminding him of his presentation 2 hours after clocking. | Note |
| 6.5 | T.Price questioned whether we wanted to set up a third Benzing clocking station. Agreed we should to help with time. | Note |
| 6.6 | Manual clock setting was to be by B.Dodds , J.Denaro and D.McMahon. | Note |
| 6.7 | T.Price advised that certain Benzing Live members did not want to have their results published as their birds were clocked. J.Davis to remove. | JD |
| 6.8 | Given their were mistakes made by flyers basketing hens and cocks, it was agreed to have two separate set ups – Hens in one lot of units to one side and cocks in another lot of units to the other side. | Note |
| 6.9 | T.Price advised that members who ordered chips for this year and had not collected had been returned to K.Clarke. | Note |
| 6.10 | It was noted that basketing sheets whether electronic or manual, were part of our system and to remain. | Note |

7.0 Secretary Report

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| 7.1 | J.Davis advised that the accounts were balanced as at the end of June 2025. | |
| 7.2 | J.Davis advised had received first transport invoice instalment from the WPF and paid. | Note |
| 7.3 | J.Davis advised all that ring lists were now received. | |
| 7.4 | J.Davis advised that he could not be sure of how many members were going to actually fly as had not received any notifications of not flying. Current Nos. 44. | |

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Important Dates:

VRPU first basketing night : 27th June 2025

VPU Clock production BBQ night 6th September 2025

8.0 New Business.

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| 8.1 | T.Price advised that 2026 rings would be available this week. SMS to be sent to members requesting Nos. and type. | Note |
| 8.2 | Non VRPU rings was raised and it was important to know that members cannot fly with rings that do not have a contact numbers on them and if not VRPU , at least approved by the VRPU as per rules. | All |
| 8.3 | L.Taliana recommended that we have some sort of strapping system for units to forklift as a safety precaution. Solution to be resolved. | All |
| 8.4 | J.Davis questioned whether we were to commence VRPU tossing. Transporter to be followed up. | JD |

9.0 Minute Rules 2025:

- 9.1 Nil.

Meeting closed 8:45 pm - Next meeting – 7:30 pm 4th August 2025 at VRPU rooms.