

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of the November Delegates Meeting, held at Notting Hill on Monday, 11th November 2013.

The President David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 8PM

The Meeting opened with the President conducting a Minutes Silence for the passing of Peter Starrow. David Wetering spoke about Peter who he had known for a long period of time.

Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	7	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	12	3
Greensborough	No	8	
Heidelberg	Yes	10	2
Ivanhoe	Yes	11	2
Knox	No	7	
Malvern	Yes	17	4
Metropolitan	Yes	9	2
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	5	
North East	Yes	8	2
Notting Hill	Yes	5	1
Oakleigh	Yes	8	2
Pathfinder	Yes	12	3
Plenty	Yes	12	3
South East	No	5	
Springvale	Yes	16	4
United	Yes	17	4
Waverley-Box Hill	Yes	7	1
Yarra Valley	No	5	
			35 Votes

The Minutes of the October Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of A,Spilliopoulos
Seconded R.Stukel Carried

Matters Arising

Oakleigh Proposal re abandoning the Up-Front Fee. This proposal was withdrawn by the Oakleigh Club.

Pathfinder Line of Flight Proposal. This letter was withdrawn by the Pathfinder Club.

Minutes Confirmed and Adopted Moved N.Arathoon Seconded N.Lakiotis. Carried

Correspondence

Incoming

1. Ring Registry Report
2. Fed Winners Verification – Various Clubs. Cobar National, Yolla (1) & (2), Nyngan, West Wyalong (4) and Coonamble (1)
3. Robbins and Furst Mt. District Club. Letter of thanks for the letter sent from the VHA to assist them in their Local Council issues
4. Stephen Kearsey – Vaccine Trial
5. Oakleigh Proposal re abandoning the Up-Front Fee.- As per Matters Arising
6. Pathfinder Line of Flight Proposal.- As per Matters Arising

Outgoing

7. Thank-you Letters. Tony Maslowski and Patrick Robinson

Business Arising from Correspondence

Ring Registry Report - October 2013 - 70 reported. Owners notified.

Robbins and Furst Mt. District Club Letter. They were successful at the Local Council and now have authority from the Yarra Ranges Council to keep and race pigeons after initially being told all pigeons would have to be removed from the premises. Their success was based on the “existing use right to keep, breed and train racing pigeons as an ancillary component of the use of the land for the purposes of a dwelling.” The decision was based on the fact that pigeons had been there for over thirty years.

Vaccine Trial – Stephen Kearsey advised that Pfizer had agreed to reimburse the cost of the Vaccine Trial and as a result all donations were returned to those that donated. The VHA Members donations collected via annual fees was reimbursed to the VHA with a cheque for \$3920.00 attached.

Moved J.Brislin Seconded A. Spilliopoulos that this money to go into consolidated revenue of the VHA. Carried

Reports

Transport

John Brislin advised all was operating well.

Liberations

Liberations had gone well for the races we have flown however we are still being affected by elements with smoke from the NSW fires affecting us. The Secretary added that the late change for basketting for Coonamble (1) was due to a late change in the weather forecast. The Executive felt it was better to do the late change than to proceed with basketting and have the pigeons sitting at the race point in excessive heat

Treasurer

Account sent to clubs. Please pay by early December. Only forwarded money for rings sold.

Clock Chairman

Couple of minor corrections but otherwise all good.

General Business

It was Moved D.Klopprogge Seconded N.Arathoon that the pigeons in Coonamble (2) be liberated 12 Midday Friday and not Saturday morning. The President put it to the vote and it was Carried 18 For 12 Against 5 Abstained. After the vote, there was lively debate and the President after considering the weather predication re heat at 12 Midday at Coonamble, Vetoed the Vote. The Coonamble pigeons will be released on Saturday Morning. Clock Presentation on Sunday Night.

Presentation Day/Night

Neville Arathoon suggested the Presentation Day could be conducted at the refurbished Cranbourne Centre along with their Official Opening and Squeaker Sale. This was referred to the Cranbourne Centre for consideration. This has since been discussed with the Cranbourne Officials by the President and the Secretary and it was unanimously decided that, with the Squeaker Sale, the premises would not be big enough.

Members are requested to consider what sort of Presentation Day/Night they would like have and to forward suggestions to the next Delegates Meeting.

Line of Flight Meeting

The President stated that each stage would be voted on. Members had to consider the starting date, whether two races are conducted on the same day as per the Oakleigh proposal, whether the 2nd 350 and the 10 Bird are on the same weekend and whether the Yolla Race was on the same day as the National as per the Metropolitan proposal.

Meeting Closed at 9.00pm

Andrew Demidowski

Minute Secretary

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