

# VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

## Minutes of the April Delegates Meeting held at Notting Hill on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

The President David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 8.00pm

Apology: G. Stevens

### Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	4	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	16	4
Greensborough	No	8	-
Heidelberg	Yes	9	2
Ivanhoe	No	13	-
Knox	No	8	-
Malvern	Yes	9	2
Metropolitan	No	12	-
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	4	-
North East	No	8	-
Notting Hill	Yes	4	1
Oakleigh	Yes	9	2
Pathfinder	Yes	13	3
Plenty	Yes	10	2
South East	Yes	9	2
Springvale	No	13	-
United	No	7	-
Waverley-Box Hill	Yes	6	1
		169	21

The Minutes of the March Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of A.Spiliopoulos  
2<sup>nd</sup> H. Merbis **Carried**

### **Matters Arising**

Nil

The Minutes were adopted on the motion of J.Brislin 2<sup>nd</sup> T. Brudenall **Carried**

### **Correspondence**

Nil

### **Reports**

#### **Treasurer**

Nothing to report re financial matters. If you haven't returned rings, do so ASAP

#### **Ring Registry**

30 birds reported and owners notified.

## **General Business**

1. Mezzanine Floor: All the requirements for design, planning and permits is progressing very satisfactory. Further report next month
2. Animal Health Association Conference: The President gave a run-down of the Meeting he attended with our representative Stephen Kearsey and the other Federation Presidents. He noted that we, as an Association, are fully compliant with all matters raise so far.
3. PMV: From the VHA Honorary Veterinarian Dr. Colin Walker BSc BVSc MACVS (Avian Health), there are only two PMV vaccinations registered for use in Australia. There is evidence that other un-registered products are being bought in from overseas and their use can create a dangerous situation for our pigeon population. As a result, he has recommended that only pigeons that are vaccinated with one of the two registered products namely "Poulvac" and "Newcavac" be allowed to compete in races in the 2016 season. He wished Members to note that:-

**This protocol is required to ensure effective immunity to the PMV virus and is necessary to protect the health of all member's pigeons during racing.**

The Executive has fully supported this recommendation and the required Statutory Declaration has been drawn up to include this recommendation. This Statutory Declaration is distributed as Page Three (3) of these Minutes. Members can help with distribution by printing additional copies for Members you may know that are not on the VHA email stream. (Page three only)

It is very important to note that this is the only Statutory Declaration that will be accepted this year

Meeting Closed at 9.05pm

David Crosbie  
Secretary,  
Victorian Homing Association Incorporated

**Statutory Declaration**

I, \_\_\_\_\_

[Full name]

of \_\_\_\_\_

[Address]

\_\_\_\_\_

[Occupation]

**Do solemnly and sincerely declare:-**

- That all the pigeons I will be entering in races in 2016 racing season have received two (2) vaccinations against PMV using a killed La Sota based PMV Vaccine.
- That I have used one of the two brands registered for use in Australia namely **'POULVAC'** (manufactured by Pfizer) or **'NEWCAVAC'** (manufactured by MSD).
- That these two (2) vaccinations were given at two to four week intervals with at least the second being given when the pigeon being vaccinated was over eight weeks old.

**I acknowledge that this declaration is true and correct and I make it with the understanding and belief that a person making a false declaration is liable to the penalties of perjury.**

Declared at \_\_\_\_\_

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this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 16

Signature of person making this declaration

Before me,

.....

The authorised witness must print or stamp his or her name, address and title under section 107A of the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1958* (as of 1 January 2010), (previously *Evidence Act 1958*), (eg. Justice of the Peace, Pharmacist, Police Officer, Court Registrar, Bank Manager, Medical Practitioner, Dentist)