

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of the February Delegates Meeting held at Notting Hill on Monday, 5th February 2018.

The President, Andrew Spiliopoulos declared the Meeting open at 8.20pm

One minute of silence was held for the late Len Burns, Luke Prys, and Vin Neylan. John Brislin, David Crosbie, and Henry Marciniac spoke of the deceased members.

Apologies: R. Stukel, G. Stevens

Roll Call

| | Present | Total | Delegates |
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| Bayswater-Nunawading | Yes | 5 | 1 |
| Diamond Valley | Yes | 12 | 3 |
| Greensborough | No | 6 | - |
| Heidelberg | Yes | 7 | 1 |
| Ivanhoe | Yes | 10 | 2 |
| Knox | Yes | 5 | 1 |
| Malvern | Yes | 0 | - |
| Mountain Districts | Yes | 4 | 1 |
| Northcote | No | 4 | - |
| North East | No | 0 | - |
| Notting Hill | Yes | 4 | 1 |
| Oakleigh-Waverley | Yes | 6 | 1 |
| Pathfinder | Yes | 16 | 4 |
| Plenty | Yes | 11 | 2 |
| South East | Yes | 5 | 1 |
| United | Yes | 4 | 1 |
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| Total | | 99 | 19 |

The Minutes of the December Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of J.Brislin
2nd J.Yates **Carried**

Matters Arising

Nil

The Minutes were adopted on the motion of J.Brislin 2nd N. Stone **Carried**

Correspondence

1. Office Bearers for Bayswater-Nunawading, Diamond Valley, Heidelberg, Knox, Pathfinder, Plenty, South Eastern
2. Suggestion from Oakleigh-Waverley that fanciers having the same birds registered in other federations not be allowed
3. Plenty suggesting that the race birds are to be given water at the race point in club races

4. Diamond Valley Notice of Motion to create a new rule

“Fresh water is to be made available at the race point before release at all club races e.g, For pigeons basketed on Friday for a Saturday release”

This will improve the welfare of any pigeon looking for water to drink and have the added benefit of providing awareness of water location for races when the pigeons are held in the units for a longer period.

5. Diamond Valley Notice of Motion to create a new rule

“Basketing for the VHA 500 and 600 mile races be conducted with two clear days before the release day e.g. for a race release day of Saturday, pigeons to be basketed Wednesday”

This is to allow ample time for pigeons to be transported to the race point and given a full day to recover and provides ample time for feeding and watering before release.

6. Meet and Greet evening at Excelsior Hotel Thomastown Saturday 24th March from 6.00pm and Convention day at VRPU rooms Sunday 25th March 8.00am to 8.00pm

7. Press release from ANRPB loaded onto the VHA web site under “Vet Corner”

Reports

Ring Registry

24 birds reported and owners notified. COULD ALL CLUBS PLEASE SEND IN YOUR RING ISSUE LISTS FOR RINGS ISSUED.

Liberation/Clock Chairman/Treasurer - All nothing to report

Transport Officer

Units are to be sent back to each of the Centres

General Business

1. Rota Virus Update: Colin Walker spoke of the latest updates on the availability of the vaccine

2. Building Alterations: Andrew Spiliopoulos stated that room alterations will begin within a week. With a mezzanine floor to be installed for the VHA meeting area with added cooling to that and the existing meeting areas

3. Drinker foam experiment: Andrew Spiliopoulos to further test for bacteria

4. Additional Honour Boards: Wall space to be provided for additional honour boards. Andrew Spiliopoulos to organise as part of the room alterations

Meeting closed 9.40pm