

# VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

## Minutes of the June Delegates Meeting held at Notting Hill on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015.

The President David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 8.02pm

A Minutes Silence was held as a mark of respect for the late Tom Meehan who recently passed away. John Brislin spoke in relation to Tom. He spoke of Tom's time as VHA Secretary, his dedication to the VHA and his dedication to pigeon racing. Rest in Peace.

Apologies: T.Brudenall, J.Jackson and J. Shore

### Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	4	1
Diamond Valley	No	16	-
Greensborough	No	8	-
Heidelberg	Yes	7	1
Ivanhoe	No	14	-
Knox	Yes	7	1
Malvern	Yes	7	1
Metropolitan	Yes	11	2
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	5	-
North East	Yes	8	2
Notting Hill	Yes	5	1
Oakleigh	Yes	7	1
Pathfinder	Yes	14	3
Plenty	Yes	10	2
South East	Yes	11	2
Springvale	Yes	16	4
United	Yes	10	2
Waverley-Box Hill	Yes	6	1
Yarra Valley	No	4	-
			25 Votes

The Minutes of the April Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of R.Stukel  
Seconded N.Arathoon **Carried**

### Matters Arising

The President spoke on 'Benzing Live'. It was voted into our rules that the system be used in the VHA. The full rules under which the system will be operated have now been prepared and were read out by the President and are reproduced here.

## Electronic Clocking Rules - Rule 27 ©

This rule is read in conjunction with Rule 59. All time frame conditions set out in Rule 59 in relation to the production of clocks applies in exactly the same manner to the arrival of the email evaluation sheet at a competitors designated Centre.

- (i) The use of an EBS System that allows a competitor to evaluate his clock via the 'Live System' in a manner the same as or similar to 'Benzing Live System' is approved for use in the Victorian Homing Association.
- (ii) The VHA Clock Chairman must be satisfied with the integrity of any EBS System proposed to be used and its ability to carry out the functions and provide the required level of security. Approval of EBS Systems will be the responsibility of the VHA Clock Chairman. The only approved system at the time of implementation of this rule is 'Benzing Live'
- (iii) The use of Benzing Live or any other future approved system within each VHA Centre will be a decision for the members of each individual Centre.
- (iv) Any Centre wishing to use an approved 'Live' System must have an email facility at the Centre, the email address encompassing the name of the Centre either wholly or in part.
- (v) The Centre Clock Chairman or his designate or the Centre Supervisor or his designate will be responsible for the receiving and printing of the emailed evaluation sheets.
- (vi) In the event of a competitor's email evaluation sheet not arriving at his designated Centre, the competitor will be required to produce his electronic clock at his designated Centre within the normal time frames as set out in Rule 59. No additional time to produce will be allowed. Failure do so will result in no time being given.
- (vii) To clarify and avoid confusion, where an email evaluation sheet does not arrive at a competitors designated Centre within the normal time frames set out in Rule 59 due to a failure in the email system and the competitors clock is not produced at his designated Centre within the normal time frames as set out in Rule 59, then no time will be given.

The Minutes were adopted on the motion of J.Brislin    Seconded A.Spilliopoulos    **Carried**

## **Correspondence**

### Incoming

1. Office Bearers Metropolitan.
2. Letter from Rod Churchill re Old Bird Training.
3. Membership. Heidelberg one (1) old. One transfer to Oakleigh. Metropolitan 2 New and 2 Old.
4. Application from Sam and Andrew Spilliopoulos re the Clock Chairman' position.
5. Letter from Cranbourne Centre re clocking of an extra pigeon

### **Business Arising from Correspondence**

1. Letter from Rod Churchill re Old Bird Training. The Secretary stated that as an organization we support people who organize group training such as John Brislin and Rod Churchill because of the benefit to all flyers who use the facilities. As part of that support, Rod Churchill's advertising pamphlet will be distributed with these Minutes

2. Application from Sam and Andrew Spilliopoulos re the Clock Chairman' position. The President spoke on this matter. He stated that the Spilliopoulos Family appear to volunteering for a number of positions that have become vacant as no-one appears to want to do anything. It was time that other Members who had been in the organization for long periods of time and never done anything, start to consider putting their hand up to assist. He thanked Sam and Andrew Spilliopoulos. It was moved J. Brislin Seconded H. Merbis that Sam and Andrew Spilliopoulos be VHA Clock Chairman in partnership. **Carried.**

3. Letter from Cranbourne Centre re clocking of an extra pigeon in four races during the season.

**Carried**

### **Reports**

#### **Ring Registry**

94 birds reported and owners notified. A further reminder, The Ring Registrar wished Member to note that all ring transfers must be in the hands of the Ring Registrar two weeks before the 1<sup>st</sup> race. This year that is by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2015. This will be strictly adhered to.

Also only two clubs advised the Registrar of how many rings they would require. Each Club to contact Hank with your ring requirements

#### **Transport Officer**

John Brisin advised that Cam Murrell will again be our convoyer. All Units are back in the Centres.

Units should be checked re wheels etc.

#### **Treasurer**

Audit has been completed by a Certified Accountant and forwarded to the Office of Fair Trading.

#### **Publicity Officer**

1. Dealing with three schools that may set up permanent lofts at the school for the children.
2. Plans in place to attend three pet expos in the coming months.

### **General Business**

1. Yolla Race will be for VHA Members only. The other Feds have their own race on 5/9/15.

It was moved H. Merbis Seconded R. Stukel that our Yolla Race be conducted on the same day as the 10 Bird Special that is 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015 instead of 10<sup>th</sup> October 2015 **Carried.** Amended Schedule will be attached.

2. Discussion re National Transport. The President and the Secretary are attending another National Committee Meeting on 12/6/15. Further information after that meeting.

3. Discussion re the location of the EBBS pads. Further at a later time when the rules are reviewed

4. The President wants all clubs to discuss if they support in principal our 500 and 600 mile races being open to all flyers who are within the VHA Boundary. He will take a vote for or against at the next meeting before any of the finer points are looked at.

5. The President advised that we had another successful VHA Show and thanked the Committee and all other people that assisted.

Meeting Closed at 9.55pm

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