

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of the November Delegates Meeting held at Notting Hill on Monday, 7th November 2016.

The President, David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 8.05pm

A Minutes Silence was held as a mark of respect for Alby Armstrong formerly of the Box Hill Club who recently passed away. Rest in Peace Alby.

Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	6	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	16	4
Greensborough	No	8	-
Heidelberg	Yes	10	2
Ivanhoe	Yes	13	3
Knox	No	8	-
Malvern	Yes	9	2
Metropolitan	No	12	-
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	5	-
North East	No	8	-
Notting Hill	Yes	4	1
Oakleigh-Waverley	Yes	15	3
Pathfinder	Yes	13	3
Plenty	Yes	10	2
South East	Yes	13	3
Springvale	No	13	-
United	Yes	7	1
		177	26

The Minutes of the October Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of A Spiliopoulos
2nd S.Zandona **Carried**

Matters Arising

Nil

The Minutes were adopted on the motion of J.Brislin 2nd K.Crawford **Carried**

Correspondence

1. **VRPU Transport** – Acceptance of the VHA offer to transport VRPU pigeons in 2017.
2. **Temperature and Atmospheric Data Logger**: Cobar National Race. The date logger was attached to the VHA Unit. Results similar to previous results.
3. **Federation Winner Verifications**: - Cobar (1), Cobar National, Cobar (3), West Wyalong (4), Yolla (2), Coonamble (1).

4. Northern Combine: – PMV statutory declaration received. It was required as they are transport with us in the longer races.

Matters Arising from Correspondence

The President spoke at length in relation to the Victorian Racing Pigeon Union joining with the VHA to transport to the race points. All discussions have been very cordial with agreement on all aspects. Line of Flight for 2017 is the North Line as scheduled. In 2018, we will fly the north-east track and in 2019 the north-west track. As part of the agreement, this puts us on the north-east track a year earlier and the north-west track a year later. We have also agreed to fly the west track in 2020 then fly a four-year rotation of the four tracks.

Reports

Liberation Committee

Liberation has been generally difficult this year with the weather conditions. Saturday's race from Coonamble was a head wind race but neither heat nor rain were present and the birds left well.

Transport

1. With adverse weather forecast for Saturday and Sunday, it is recommended that we still basket Wednesday 9/11/16 for the Collarenbri Race but use Godfrey's unit instead of the truck. Birds to be liberated Friday.

Moved G. Jacobs Seconded T. Brudenall that we adopt this recommendation **Carried**

2. Brakes on the trailer will require some maintenance work at the end of the season.

Ring Registry

1. 50 birds reported and owners notified.

2. In West Wyalong (4) G. Mountjoy and Son's clock bird was not registered in their name. T & M Maslowski's clock bird was not on the VHA Ring Registry. Moved H. Merbis Seconded R. Stukel that neither flyer get their time in that race. **Carried**

Clock Chairman

Members are reminded that all clock birds clocked on the day must be presented ON THE DAY regardless of the time of clocking.

Treasurer

1. Godfrey Stevens through his Company Greg Sewell Forgings has donated \$1500.00 in prizemoney for each of the last three races. He has also donated a further \$3000.00 towards the overall cost of transport next year thereby decreasing the Member's commitment to the Upfront Fee by that amount. This is a total donation of \$7500.00. Many thanks Godfrey on behalf of all the Membership.

2. All other matters proceeding as normal.

General Business

1. Mezzanine Floor: The Town Planning Permit has been approved by the Monash Council so we are now in a position to proceed. This has been a drawn out process as these things always are.

Andrew Spiliopoulos has spent a countless amount of time and effort on this process and we thank him very much for his efforts.

2. VHA Presentation 2016: 10th December 2016. See attachment to the email.

Meeting closed 9.35pm

David Crosbie
Secretary,
Victorian Homing Association Incorporated