

# VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes of April delegates meeting held at Notting Hill on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2019.

The President Andrew Spiliopoulos declared the meeting open at 8.00pm.

## ROLL CALL

CLUB	PRESENT	TOTAL	DELEGATES
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	4	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	12	3
Greensborough	No	6	0
Heidelberg	Yes	8	2
Ivanhoe	Yes	11	2
Knox	Yes	4	1
Malvern	Yes	6	1
Mountain District	Yes	5	1
Northcote	No	5	0
North East	Yes	5	1
Notting Hill	N/A	3	0
Oakleigh-Waverley	Yes	6	1
Pathfinder	Yes	15	3
Plenty	Yes	10	2
South East	Yes	6	1
United	N/A	3	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>109</b>	<b>19</b>

**Apologies** – None

Matters arising from the previous minutes – Note that the cost of works to split the property at Notting Hill should have read “close to 157K” not 167K as written. Moved Steve Kearsey seconded Neville Stone the minutes be accepted. Motion passed.

## REPORTS

**Ring Secretary** 22 pigeons reported and owners notified.

**Clock Chairman** nothing to report.

**Transport Officer** Wheels are still available at Notting Hill if required for units.

Ivanhoe club have purchased a property at 120 McEwan Road Heidelberg West with settlement on the purchase being the 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2019. The units will need to be loaded at this site by fork lift requiring some modification to the units.

**Treasurer** Bank balances as of 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2019. ANZ term deposit \$26 083.04 - Cheque Account \$37 393.52 - V2 110 Race \$1904.84. Tim reported a number of payments made since the last meeting. These were Bayswater-Nunawading centre reimbursement for the last two years \$950,

Ring secretary expenses \$634.91, body corporate fees Notting Hill \$1262.75 Telstra bill due January \$179.99, Yarra Valley Water \$212.77, Insurance for all centres \$5438.28, Rota vaccine \$19,392.01, cheques pending \$831.67, Telstra due \$179.99. Credits \$306 adjusted for Rota Virus order, credit \$344 from the ATO, credit from Diamond Valley for the rota vaccine \$3306.00. Further income of \$6,300 for Rings and Rota vaccine and rental from unit 1 still to be banked.

### **Correspondence**

Advice received from Steve Kearsy that the maximum number of pigeons allowed per unit is 38 for one night, 32 for two nights and 28 for any more than two nights.

Advice from Diamond Valley that Peter Pruessner had achieved 50 years of VHA membership. Peter will be included on the 50-year membership honour board.

Neil Machar requested permission to use the VHA rooms for a meeting of the ANRPB. Moves Steve Kearsy seconded Mark Tung permission be given. Motion carried.

The portable fire extinguishers will no longer be tested by Paul Brislin.

### **General Business**

The president notified members that the Rota virus vaccine would be distributed at the end of the meeting. Gerry Sheean advised that it had been decided a refrigerated truck was needed to deliver the vaccine to Notting Hill. This has incurred a further cost of \$650 for delivery of the vaccine. This cost will be apportioned to the clubs taking into account those clubs which have already contributed moneys for delivery.

Notice of motion submitted by the Ivanhoe club to alter rule 6, rule 8, rule 10 and insert a new clause in rule 22 as documented in the March minutes. It was moved Steve Kearsy seconded Steve Gazzola the motion be accepted. Motion carried. This rule change now allows for either the Secretary, Treasurer or President to transact on the bank accounts, against historically requiring two of these to authorise any payments. In particular it now allows us to use internet banking for payments.

Charles Hider addressed the meeting with regard to the VHA having to be registered to carry out pigeon sales. Charles advised the delegates that the VHA would be best served by registering as a bird organisation and not a commercial organisation. It was moved Steve Kearsy seconded Bob Stukel that the VHA register as a bird organisation. Motion carried.

Andrew informed the members that the Outback Truckers show which included our pigeon transport will be shown on Fox and 7 Mate later this month or in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of May. Andrew will try and get an exact viewing date when the time gets closer.

Authority for Bob Stukel to operate the 110 Race account was sought. Moved John Yates seconded Steve Gazzola this be allowed. Motion carried.

Discussion was had re the year books not yet published. It was Moved John Yates seconded Steve Kearsy that the year books referred to be put on website and not go to the printers. Motion carried.

Andrew Spiliopoulos and Bill Stone gave a small question – answer session to the delegates re the proposed foam inserts for the drinkers. Work is proceeding on this innovation.

In answer to questions received from the floor the following was advised:-

The honour boards were in process of being updated.

The secretary confirmed that the audit of the VHA books would be going ahead.

The Victorian Pigeon Union would not be transporting with the VHA this season.

The meeting closed at 8.51pm.