

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes of the VHA August delegates meeting held at Notting Hill on the 4/8/2025.

The President Andrew Spiliopoulos declared the meeting open at 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL

CLUB	PRESENT	MEMBERS	DELEGATES
Diamond Valley	Yes	12	3
Frankston	Yes	9	2
Heidelberg	Yes	12	3
Ivanhoe	Yes	9	2
Knox	Recess	0	0
Malvern	Yes	9	2
Metropolitan	Yes	11	2
Mornington	Yes	4	1
Northcote	No	5	1
North East	Yes	5	1
Notting Hill	Yes	4	1
Oakleigh	Yes	6	1
Pathfinder	Yes	8	2
Plenty	Yes	12	3
South East	Yes	8	2
United	No	6	1
TOTAL		120	27

Apologies – A. Demidowski & P.McDonough

Previous minutes of the July delegates meeting (distributed via email)

Business Arising- Ed Sheean enquired who decided that the Gippsland RPF birds would be released with the VHA birds. He was advised that the delegates voted accordingly at the July meeting.

Minutes adopted – Moved N. Stone Seconded B. McPherson Carried.

Voting:

South East moved a motion at the previous meeting that all members basket their birds at the Notting Hill Centre for the National, both 500's & the 600. A vote was held and the motion was defeated 11 votes to 14.

Reports

Clock Chairman- NIL

Ring Secretary- Hank Merbis. 50 birds reported & owners notified. The ring draw for clubs for 2026 rings was read out by Hank. 2026 rings (Blue) were distributed to clubs.

Treasurers Report- Paul Bryant Acc Balances – Cheque \$122,760-52 On Line Saver \$70,000-00

Paul reported that we made a very slight loss in the 3 club races (\$157) Paul stated that we were on track regarding our budget regarding transport. He also requested that 3 invoices be paid to SJS Transport for the club races. Moved M. Tung Seconded N. Stone Carried.

Transport – Andrew Spiliopoulos Sam will attempt to collect birds from the Ivanhoe Centre in the prime mover on the Mildura 1 race He should be able to reverse down a side entrance. Hopefully this can be done. Ivanhoe to have a forklift on standby for loading, if required. Mittyack 1 race was postponed until Derby day with the YB Derby being released 30 minutes after.

Correspondence

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C. Walker - Re concerns re PIC non compliance

VRPB – Advising they are making further enquiries re the compulsory registration of PIC's with Agriculture Victoria.

Metropolitan, Mornington & Notting Hill – Line of flight for 2026.

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All Members - Minutes of July delegates meeting & South East's proposal re basketing at Notting Hill Centre for longer races.

Gippsland RPF - Advising acceptance to transport their birds from Morgan onwards & Yolla.

C. Walker – Acknowledgement of correspondence re PIC's.

All Members – Reminder of Up Front Fee nominations & postponement of Mittyack 1 to Derby day.

General Business

- **Property Identification Codes (PIC)** Andrew Spiliopoulos has made some enquiries regarding the compulsory requirement for members with 50 or more pigeons and it appears that it will be mandatory for members to apply for a PIC on line (free of charge) and there may be large fines for non compliance. Further information to come.

- **Proposed VHA raffle** – David Wetering suggested to the Executive that the VHA conduct a raffle for funds to go towards transport for 2026. Four major prizes were suggested with Andrew Spiliopoulos to arrange tickets. This could be drawn at our presentation night at the Sandown Greyhounds – Booked for Thursday 11th December 2025. Steve Brown to check regarding if raffle permit required. The proposal was well received by the delegates.
- **Fire Safety Compliance** – (Notting Hill rooms) Ari Barshetshet from Malvern club was given the go ahead to arrange for the inspection for compliance. Moved J. Weaver Seconded Sam Spiliopoulos. Carried.
- **2024 Diplomas** – Tina Dark is currently completing last year's diplomas.
- **Proposed lines of flight** from 3 clubs will be distributed to members for consideration and voting at the October delegates meeting.
- Jeff Weaver suggested that if we are going to have a VHA squeaker sale, then this needs to be arranged early rather than at the last minute. Noted.

Meeting Closed. 7.59 PM