

# VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC.

Minutes of September delegates meeting held at Notting Hill on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

The President Andrew Spiliopoulos declared the meeting open at 8.02 pm.

## ROLL CALL

CLUB	PRESENT	TOTAL	DELEGATES
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	4	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	12	3
Greensborough	No	6	1
Heidelberg	Yes	10	2
Ivanhoe	No	11	2
Knox	Yes	4	1
Malvern	Yes	6	1
Mountain District	Yes	5	1
Northcote	No	5	1
North East	Yes	5	1
Notting Hill	Yes	5	1
Oakleigh-Waverley	Yes	6	1
Pathfinder	Yes	15	3
Plenty	No	10	2
South East	Yes	6	1
United	N/A	3	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>113</b>	<b>22</b>

**Apologies** – Jeff Weaver, Neville Stone, John Yates.

**Matters arising from the previous minutes** – Correction of Heidelberg member total.

## REPORTS

**Ring Secretary** – Hank Merbis 24 strays reported and owners notified. Hank reported that C. Tanmahapran used a ring over 10 years old that was registered to him. Hank recommended it be approved and it was carried by the members. Tim Brudenell had no time recorded because a bird was registered to the wrong team. Hank recommended that it be disqualified –carried.

**Clock Chairman**—Some discussion came up regarding an electronic clock if power was lost at the loft. It was determined that the clock could be taken to another fancier's loft, hooked up, registered with that pad and the pigeon scanned. Care should be taken.

**Treasurer**—Tim Brudenell gave a summary of the income and expenditures for the month. Balance of accounts are as follows: ANZ term deposit \$10,000.00, Cheque Account \$89,136.54 and the VHA110 Race Account \$90,909.89.

**Transport Officer**—Andrew Spiliopoulos Andrew indicated that the convoyer's reports for Mittyack, Wycheproof and Ouyen will be attached to the minutes. He also indicated that a new tap will be required to fill the water tank on our transporter because the outside outlet has been removed. Andrew further stipulated that the Renmark release point will need to be changed and recommended Berri as the new release point. This was moved by S. Kearsey and seconded by D. Crosbie—carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE—**

Neil Machar sent a memo in recommending that all the Centres have a defibrillator for emergencies. This will be explored. Neil also recommended a name change for C. Vasilakopoulos because Charles Hider has lost all his race birds due to a fox. The Vasilakopoulos family has offered to change their affiliation to Vasilakopoulos and Hider. This move is to ensure that C. Hider continues his interest this year, although he can't fly from his own loft. Permission for the three birds entered in the VHA 110 race under Charles name to be changed to the new partnership also. This was moved by S. Kearsey and seconded by S. Gazzola—carried.

G. Sheean indicated he got a reduced bill from Momentum Energy. He also indicated he received a memo from Rohan Burns regarding name discrepancy on the Produce Honour Board and the 2017 VHA Year Book relating to his father's name, Len Burns. They should read L. R. & J. Burns. The honour board has been rectified and the year book to be attended to as well, including Len in the Vale section.

The VHA also received a memo from the Ivanhoe Homing Club Inc (see attached) to sponsor both races from Yolla in the 2019 season to the order of \$3,000 for each race. The VHA and its members sincerely "thank" the Ivanhoe Homing Club for their kind offer.

**Notification of Fed Winners**—In order to ensure prompt payment to be made, we need to verify Fed winners ASAP after the race.

A Spiliopoulos mentioned that the Body Corporate has complained about nails in the parking lot, claiming our tenant is responsible. This has been brought to the

attention of the tenant, however having done that, the secretary and President had inspected the area and found nothing connected to the tenant. The secretary has responded back the Body Corporate accordingly, we will continue to monitor.

With regard to the Notice of Motion that was put forward last month to formalize the Line of Flight by Bayswater, it was voted on and the results were 10 yes and 3 no –carried. Moved by D. Crosbie and seconded by N. Fleming.

R. Stukel reported on the VHA110 race and wanted to sincerely “thank” everyone that has supported the race. By extending the \$100 entry through the month of August, we achieved getting an additional \$10,000 to \$15,000 more into the race and will be in the \$90,000 plus range. The committee will now determine the prize money breakdown and positions to be paid.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

R. Stukel clarified that only 2018 rung birds can be entered into the VHA110 Race.

A. Spiliopoulos reported that all boards have been updated. Some discussion came up in reference to names on the back of the 500 Mile Federation Winners board. This will be clarified.

Diplomas will be ready next month.

There will be a National Meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September at the VHA Headquarters to discuss transportation, and participation of the National race.

G. Sheean said that direct deposit of prize money will be made to those clubs that have provided banking details. He also asked for some indication on the number of birds for the Yolla race as Shepparton is keen to transport with us.

Meeting closed at 9.26pm.