

## **MINUTES OF THE VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

**Meeting held at Notting Hill on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 starting at 12.04pm.**

**Attendees:- Andrew Spiliopoulos, Steve Brown, Steve Gazzola, Kevin Clark, Alan Marcon and Mark Tung. Minute taker Jeff Weaver**

The Executive were asked at the last delegates meeting to give direction with regard to Diamond Valleys request for the VHA to pay building insurance for the Diamond Valley rooms. It was moved Steve Brown seconded Andrew Spiliopoulos that the executive advise the delegates that the VHA pay \$40 per affiliated member to each centre to support centre costs. This will be paid to the centres on application. Motion carried.

Andrew advised that Sam Spiliopoulos had inspected the trailer for suspected water damage. Sam found that water had damaged two diaphragms. The cost for repair has been quoted as \$1160. Andrew and Sam have offered to do the repairs for the cost of the parts which is \$26.00 each. A total of \$52.00.

Discussion was held with regard to our tenant and the outstanding amount owed by him. Andrew advised that he had tried on numerous occasions to make contact with no result. The recovery agency has had no success. It was decided that we should now go back to our solicitor who wrote the tenant's contract and seek proper process moving forward regarding recovery of money or finishing the lease.

The cost of life rings was discussed with the view to raising more money. No recommendations were made.

With regard to the Yolla race the issues with transport was discussed. Issues this year were raised with emphasis on flyers who had not nominated turning up causing issues with numbers. Andrew advises that next year we will revert to using the truck. He has a driver in Tasmania organised and a pigeon flyer to assist with the care and liberation of our birds.

The 110 Race will require at a minimum three new volunteers to run the race next year or the race will not be held.

It was decided that there be a recommendation that the maximum number of flyers to any one property be limited to two. This will require a notice of motion to alter the rule.

It was requested that better arrangements be made with regard to the running of the Notting Hill centre.

Alan Marcon sought clarification on the registering of pigeons on Pigeonrace.net after the federation race had been filled.

Mark Tung reported that he had been asked by donors to the VHA stock bird sale that the proceeds be put to a good use. Talk around this was a possible presentation night with entertainment or a VHA get together day where all members could meet and socialise.

Discussion was held on whether the duration of opening of the 500 and 600 mile races should be reduced by one day. This would require a notice of motion.

It was recommended that a hold over fee of \$10.00 be charged per participating flyer for each day the truck is held over at the race point.

The committee is to recommend a \$200 affiliation fee for the 2023 season.

Kevin Clark recommended the VHA re structure and be administered by a committee of management.

The meeting closed at 2.30pm.