

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of the April Delegates Meeting, held at Notting Hill on Monday, 7th April 2014.

The President David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 8.00PM

Apologies: R.Stukel, H.Marciniec, K.Clark, A.Demidowski

Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	4	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	13	3
Greensborough	No	8	-
Heidelberg	Yes	9	2
Ivanhoe	Yes	12	3
Knox	Yes	7	1
Malvern	Yes	17	4
Metropolitan	Yes	10	2
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	5	-
North East	No	6	-
Notting Hill	Yes	4	1
Oakleigh	Yes	6	1
Pathfinder	Yes	15	3
Plenty	Yes	11	2
South East	Yes	8	2
Springvale	Yes	16	4
United	Yes	15	3
Waverley-Box Hill	Yes	5	1
Yarra Valley	No	4	-
			34 Votes

The Minutes of the February Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of A.Spiliopoulos
Seconded G.Jacobs **Carried**

Matters Arising

1. Mt. District's Notice of Motion to alter the Rules to include the West Track.

Prior to this matter being put to the vote, a letter from Mt. District was read to the Meeting. This letter expressed the Club's dis-satisfaction that the March Delegates Meeting Minutes had only been forwarded one week before the April Meeting not giving Clubs sufficient time to have meetings and discuss the issue. They requested the vote be held over to the May Delegates Meeting. The President stated that it was up to the Delegates to take matters to Club Meetings and not rely on the distribution of the Minutes. However he sought the view of the Meeting and the consensus was that holding the matter over to the May Delegates Meeting would not alter the vote. As a result, The President decide to put the Notice of Motion to incorporate the West Track in our lines of flight to this Meeting.

The Motion was **defeated**

2. Letter from Les Caracella requesting the VHA to reconsider his payment of his 2013 Up-front Fee Payment

This matter was referred to the Race and Finance Committee and their recommendation was put to the Meeting. The Race and Finance Committee Recommendation was that the outstanding \$960.00 be paid in full.

After some discussion it was Moved N.Fleming Seconded K. Crawford. that Les Caracella pay \$55.00 per week commencing no later than the 1st Club race. This payment is to be maintained until his Up-front Fee Payment from 2013 is paid in full. If this payment is not made each week, he would become an un-financial Member and would not be able to race.

This payment has no effect on his 2014 Up-front Fee Payment which must be paid in the normal manner.

This motion was referred to the Clubs for voting at the May Delegates Meeting

Minutes Confirmed and Adopted Moved A.Spilliopoulos Seconded J.Brislin. **Carried**

Correspondence

1. Cranbourne Centre verifying Fed Winners 1st and 2nd Rushworth

2. Minutes of the Race and Finance Committee Meeting held 17th March 2014

Reports

Ring Registry. Hank Merbis stated he had received 32 reports for March and Owners notified.

Transport

Transport for Young Birds going well. No issues.

Clock Chairman

No issues.

General Business

1. Hank Merbis advised that he had rings returned that had been sold. Clubs are advised that they can return unsold rings, but once a Member purchases rings, they can't be returned.
2. General discussion re Young Birds.
3. The VHA Show is on 18/5/14. Des Twomey advised that he was waiting until the meeting of the Show Committee next Monday to see how entries are going. As well as the Show, there will be Trade Displays.
4. Ian Thomas spoke on his Committees efforts to publicize pigeon racing
5. Web Site There was discussion on the state of the Web Site. The President stated that a lot of work had gone in to setting up the Web Site. He said at the time of setting up the Web Site that it would only be as good as Members are prepared to make it. At this time we don't have any Members prepared to input information and maintain the Web Site. We need a Member or Members prepared to maintain our Site. When members mention how good other pigeon web sites are, it's because those Federations have Members prepared to maintain their web site.
6. Other matters mentioned – Benzing Live, Signs on our building, Liaison with NSW Feds in Old Birds.

RING REGISTRY

Members are encouraged to do your ring transfers now where you can. Members will be reminded of this at every available opportunity in an effort to lessen the huge deluge of transfers that arrive at the Ring Registry in the couple of weeks leading up to the commencement of Old Birds.

Meeting Closed at 9.05pm

David Crosbie
Secretary
Victorian Homing Association Incorporated