

VICTORIAN HOMING ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of the March Delegates Meeting held at Notting Hill on Monday, 6th March 2017.

The President, David Wetering declared the Meeting open at 9.10pm following a talk from Dr. Colin Walker re the current situation with the rota virus. This is the first Delegates Meeting of the year with no Delegates Meeting held in February due to the virus situation.

A Minutes Silence was held as a mark of respect for Mr. John Peels who recently passed away. Ken Crawford spoke in relation to John and his time in pigeons. The family tradition continues on through his son Shane, a member of the Heidelberg Club. Rest in Peace John.

Roll Call

	Present	Total	Delegates
Bayswater-Nunawading	Yes	6	1
Diamond Valley	Yes	16	4
Greensborough	Yes	8	2
Heidelberg	Yes	10	2
Ivanhoe	Yes	13	3
Knox	Yes	8	2
Malvern	Yes	9	2
Metropolitan	No	12	-
Mountain Districts	Yes	7	1
Northcote	No	5	-
North East	Yes	8	2
Notting Hill	Yes	4	1
Oakleigh-Waverley	Yes	15	3
Pathfinder	Yes	13	3
Plenty	Yes	10	2
South East	Yes	13	3
Springvale	No	13	-
United	No	7	-
		177	31

The Minutes of the December Delegates Meeting were received on the motion of A Spiliopoulos
2nd R.Stukel **Carried**

Matters Arising

A special thanks to Andrew Spilipoulos and his family for all the work they did in organising and providing their premises as a venue for the VHA Presentation Day. The day was a huge success and greatly enjoyed by all those who attended.

The Minutes were adopted on the motion of J.Brislin 2nd T.Balcke **Carried**

Correspondence

1. VRPU Transport – Confirmation from the Secretary of the VRPU that, after a vote of their membership, they will be transporting with the VHA in 2017.
2. Australian National Racing Pigeon Board (ANRPU):- Thank-you letter received from the Treasurer of the ANRPU re the VHA Donation of \$2000.00

Notices of Motion re Clock Presentation Rules:- These will be held over until the April Delegates Meeting

Matters Arising from Correspondence

1. VRPU Transport: John Brislin advised the meeting that in his view Paul Brislin taking our trailer to the VRPU accompanied by Cam Murrell, our convoyer, had a large bearing on the VRPU voting to transport with the VHA.

Resolved that the Secretary will write to both persons thanking them for their efforts.

2. ANRPU Donation:- The Secretary advised that the VHA sent an initial donation of \$2000.00 towards the Virus Fighting Fund. This donation is to assist with the early costs. When the overall cost to the pigeon fraternity is known, this matter will be re-visited by the Executive Committee. (Delegates)

Reports

Ring Registry

1. 40 birds reported and owners notified.
2. The Ring Secretary advised that he has had some pigeons reported and the rings are not recorded on the VHA Ring Registry.

The Secretary stressed that clubs can only sell rings to Full VHA Members and Club Honorary Members who have all their details recorded with the club in question. All rings sold must be forwarded on a list to Ring Registry with full details of the purchasers of the rings. Rings must never be sold as a commercial transaction to a non-member.

General Business

1. Information Lecture from Dr. Colin Walker: As mention, Dr. Walker conducted an information session re the virus prior to the Delegates Meeting. A special thanks to Colin. The Secretary to send a thank-you letter.

2. Racing 2017:- As a result of the virus, it was moved by G.Jacobs, 2nd K. Clark that a vote be conducted:-

(a) Racing for 2017 start at the scheduled starting date of 1st July 2017

OR

(b) Racing commence for 2017 at a time to be decided after a vaccine becomes available and the pigeons have been inoculated.

This motion is referred back to the Clubs for discussion and will be voted on at the April Delegates Meeting.

The Secretary advised that 2016 Membership will carry over until the April 2017 Delegates Meeting. The Annual Meeting will be on the same night as the May Delegates Meeting. Annual Membership Fees and Membership Lists must be forwarded to the Treasurer prior to the May 2017 Annual/Delegates Meeting.

Meeting closed 10.15pm

David Crosbie
Secretary,
Victorian Homing Association Incorporated