



# WESTERN PIGEON FEDERATION

of Victoria Inc. A0008336A

## Board of Management (BOM) Meeting Minutes

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Date: 10 October 2023, Tuesday

Meeting opened: 7.30pm

Location: 2/242-244 Caroline Springs Blvd CAROLINE SPRINGS VIC 3023

Meeting Chaired by: Ray Russell – President

Present: R. Russell, J. Farrugia, M. Tenaglia, S. Mifsud, D. Tenaglia, J. Saggars,  
S. Cutajar, J. Pulis, C. Cachia

Apologies: Nil

Guests: Nil.

### 1. Review of previous BOM minutes.

Minutes from last month's BOM meeting 12 September 2023 were taken as read.

All business arising from the previous meeting minutes moved to General Business.

Moved: D. Tenaglia      Second: J. Saggars      carried: all

### 2. Correspondence.

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- 09/10/23 J. Saggars – transport
- 02/10/23 J. Saggars – Water tanks.
- 26/09/23 PRV Vic cup cancelled.
- 22/09/23 ANRPB – Bird of the Year nomination forms.
- 22/09/23 VPO transport with WPF 400, 500 & 600M [resolved via SGM-BOM 23/09/23]
- 19/09/23 Ivan Fonti membership via YRPC to WPF
- 18/09/23 VHA letter of appreciation to YRPC – National transport.
- 12/09/23 Yarraville – 3 new flyers 2024
- J. Goodwin request.

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- Nil.

All correspondence moved to General Business.

Moved: J. Farrugia      Seconded: S. Cutajar      Carried: All

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## **2. Financial Report**

Financial reports for 30 September 2023 presented by treasurer C. Cachia.

- a. Westpac balance \$64,288.88
- b. La Trobe Investments Balance \$175,906.16

Motion:

"All Breeders Plate prize money owing to flyers outside the WPF be paid. WPF members funds to be retained until the end of the year unless specifically requested and be paid with prize money as one transaction. All funds to be paid via electronic funds transfer into members' bank accounts.

Moved: S. Mifsud Second: D. Tenaglia Carried: all.

All outstanding 2023 Membership, Transport, Convoyer fees to be finalised and collected by C. Cachia who will speak to all club secretaries Thursday 12/10/2023.

Moved all outstanding accounts be paid.

Moved: S. Cutajar Seconded: J. Saggars Carried: All

## **3. General Business**

### **4.1. Business arising from previous minutes dated 12 September 2023.**

- a) Current transporter will not be transporting birds in 2024 due to business expansion and growth. WPF will need to get tenders out for a transporter and convoyer in 2024 and beyond – work in progress. M. Tenaglia to call transporter companies and convoyers whose numbers have been provided.
- b) 5-person team unload units save \$15 per week, publish volunteers wanted on a permanent base during 2024 full race season to unload truck. 5-person team will not have to pay the \$15 weekly admin fee – work in progress. No expressions of interest at this stage. May have to consider going back to single club unloading roster system.
- c) Review Breeders Plate rules for 2024 and beyond regarding presentation of bird on the night, stamping of the tail, Benzing live evaluation and any other potential rule change.

### **4.2. Correspondence.**

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1. 09/10/23 J. Saggars, reminder email to ensure 2024 transport is discussed at BOM meeting.
2. 02/10/23 J. Saggars.
  - a. Request to ensure water tanks are drained when the truck returns from the race and tanks a re-filled on the night of basketing.
  - b. Four BOM members, J. Pulis, J. Saggars, J. Farrugia & D. Tenaglia to take the lead and be responsible for,

- i. Water tank, Food, trickle charger, any other items relating to ensuring the truck is ready to leave on time.
  - ii. Arrange solar panel kit to be installed on sleeper to aid in retaining battery life for A/C unit and tail gate use. D. Tenaglia to arrange maximum cost estimated to be \$800.00.
- 3. 26/09/23 PRV Vic cup cancelled.
  - a. J. Farrugia confirmed all refund cheques are in the process of being written.
  - b. J. Farrugia also confirmed that the rings offered as part of the WPF Jubilee event will be replaced with a cash token of \$100.00. for C. Cachia & M. Tanti.
- 4. 22/09/23 ANRPB – Bird of the Year nomination forms.
  - a. Reminder to all members that the ANRPB Ace Bird of the year nominations can be submitted via the WPF BOM.
- 5. 22/09/23 VPO transport with WPF 400, 500 & 600M [resolved via SGM-BOM 23/09/23] VPO were declined to transport with the WPF for the 400-, 500- & 600-mile races.
- 6. 19/09/23 Ivan Fonti membership via YRPC to WPF.  
Ivan Fonti accepted as a member of Yarraville and the WPF with financial clearance.
- 7. 18/09/23 VHA letter of appreciation to YRPC – National transport.  
The WPF and the YRPC would like to thank the VHA for their letter of appreciation regarding the YRPC sponsorship of the National.
- 8. 12/09/23 Yarraville – 3 new member application for 2024.
  - a. Michael Saggars
  - b. Steve Clark
  - c. Barry Vaughan
- 9. J. Goodwin – Liberation report, request submitted via contact us on website but not received. M. Tenaglia & C. Cachia to investigate with web designed to fix.
  - a. Liberation report documentation and structure to be discussed later prior to next season.

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- 1. Nil.

#### **4.3. New Business.**

- 1. Transporter Auction.
  - a. 5 race teams sold, Collingwood Jumper sold, funds raise \$3,350.00.
  - b. BOM agrees to deposit funds into a separate La Trobe Financial Account to ensure visibility for the membership.
  - c. Next Auction 25 October 2023 – 29 October 2023, currently we have 4 teams to be auctions.

[Transporter fundraising our target \\$100,000 - brief](#)  
[Who has pledge squeakers towards our transporter fundraiser?](#)

2. Food for 2024.
  - a. Create own mix to replace current race mix ad peas being left behind, raised by J. Pulis.  
Alternate mix suggestions  
Peas, Wheat, Brown rice, Saff, vetch.  
Popcorn, Wheat, Saff, Brown rice, Vetch.
3. Communicate to members what type of transporter the BOM is looking to obtain as a replacement, raised by S. Cutajar.
  - a. The current BOM is undecided on what the replacement transporter will be. It may be a replacement prim-mover trailer or a tray truck, it is too early to make this decision and ultimately it will be left to the BOM in position at the time when the funds are available. It is important to understand that there are a lot of pros and cons for either transporter option.
4. WPF 2023 End of Year Presentation dinner.
  - a. Target date in December.
  - b. Venue to be sourced and confirmed.
  - c. Preferred dates
    - i. 08/12-10/12
    - ii. 15/12-17/12
5. Transport/Liberation 2024.
  - a. Source a camera, GPS tracking, convoy report, raised by D. Tenaglia.
6. WPF 2024 – J. Farrugia.
  - a. What prize options will be considered.
  - b. Recognition of Bird.
  - c. Communicate with members earlier.

Moved: D. Tenaglia    Seconded: J. Farrugia    Carried. All.

Reminder BOM meetings are normally held on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Tuesday of every month.

Meeting closed:	Time:	9.00pm
Next meeting:	Date:	10 October 2023 – Tuesday
	Time:	7.30pm
	Location:	TBC

**Important Dates:**

check out the events calendar. <https://wpf.org.au/events>

**Sales.**

2024 Breeders Plate Sale dates.

Sunday 19 November 2023

Friday 8 December 2023

Sunday 7 January 2024

Friday 16 February 2024

2024 Transport Squeaker Sale date.

Saturday 3 February 2024. To be held in conjunction with the WPF Annual registration day.

2024 Melton Classic Sale [Melton Rooms]

Friday 26 January 2024.

2023 Victorian Racing Pigeon Convention

Friday 24 November 2023 – Sunday 26 November 2023

2023 End of year presentation night date to be set.