



# WESTERN PIGEON FEDERATION

of Victoria Inc. A0008336A

## Board of Management (BOM) Meeting Minutes

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Date: 14 November 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, D. Tenaglia, J. Saggars, J. Pulis, C. Cachia

Apologies: S. Cutajar, S. Mifsud.

Guests: Nil.

### 1. Review of previous BOM minutes.

Minutes from last month's BOM meeting 10 October 2023 were taken as read.

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

Moved: J. Pulis    Second: D. Tenaglia    Carried: all

### 2. Correspondence.

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1. 09/10/23, National official results.
2. 17/10/23, Financial clearance from VPO to WPF for C. Camilleri.
3. 25/10/23, Financial clearance from VRPU to WPF for Simon Grech & Renni Vella.
4. 08/11/23, Financial clearance from VRPU to WPF for John Forti.
5. 14/11/23, YRPC letter – Financial clearance and applications to join the WPF.
  - a. John Forti, Abel Sambat, Josh Evans, Frank DePasquale.
6. 27/10/23, Application & Financial Clearance to join the Sunshine club & the WPF in 2024 for Alby Bell.
7. 27/10/23, Application & Financial clearance to join the Sunshine club & the WPF in 2024 for J. Muscat.
8. 12/10/23, Request to transfer from Melton to Deer Park to basket at the WPF rooms from John Judde in 2024.
9. 11/11/23, Renewal request to fly as an out of boundary flyer in 2024 via Alton Club by Edmund Strzelczyk.
10. 5/11/23, Application to join the DPRPC and the WPF to race in 2024 under the name P&F&M&M Barbara by Paul Barbara.
11. 25/10/23, Financial clearance provide by the Alton City Pigeon Club for M. Portelli to fly in any Federation or club of his choice.

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12. 12/12/23, Request by B. Younger to carry forward fees paid to 2024 due to health issues preventing him from racing in 2023.
13. 19/10/23, Melbourne Pigeon Society request to reconcile any outstanding costs.
14. 22/10/23, VRPB action plan for 2023 completed.
15. 02/11/23, VRPU Presentation night Sat 9 December 2023.
16. 09/11/23, VRPU proposed race schedule 2024.
17. 07/11/23, Letter from Nick Iannozone regarding 2024 race schedule.

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1. Nil.

All correspondence moved to General Business.

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

## **2. Financial Report**

Financial reports for 31 October 2023 presented by treasurer C. Cachia.

- a. Westpac balance \$51,774.82
- b. La Trobe Investments Balance \$176,881.28

Moving forward the WPF will no longer make cash or cheque payments. All payments need to be made via EFT to the members' bank account effective 14 November 2023.

Moved all outstanding accounts be paid.

Moved: J. Saggars      Seconded: J. Farrugia    Carried: All

## **3. General Business**

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

1. 5 person team to unload units.
  - No takers for the unloading of units from the truck. BOM to resolve a solution for 2024.
2. Breeders plater rule review in progress.
3. YRPC – 3 mew members accepted to the WPF via YRPC.
  - Michael Saggars, Steve Clark & Barry Vaughan

### **4.2. Correspondence.**

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18. 09/10/23, National official results.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges the final National results and will publish them on the Website.
19. 17/10/23, Financial clearance from VPO to WPF for C. Camilleri.



- a. The BOM acknowledges receipt of the financial clearance for C. Camilleri from the VPO.
20. 25/10/23, Financial clearance from VRPU to WPF for Simon Grech & Reni Vella.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges receipt of the financial clearance for S. Grech & R. Vella from the VRPU.
21. 08/11/23, Financial clearance from VRPU to WPF for John Forti.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges receipt of the financial clearance for J. Forti from the VRPU.
22. 14/11/23, YRPC letter – Financial clearance and applications to join the WPF for John Forti, Abel Sambat, Josh Evans, Frank DePasquale.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges the membership applications and financial clearance of the above-mentioned flyers.
23. 27/10/23, Application & Financial Clearance to join the Sunshine club & the WPF in 2024 for Alby Bell.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges receipt of the financial clearance and application for A. Bell from the VPO.
24. 27/10/23, Application & Financial clearance to join the Sunshine club & the WPF in 2024 for J. Muscat.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges receipt of the financial clearance and application for J. Muscat from the VPO.
25. 12/10/23, Request to transfer from Melton to Deer Park to basket at the WPF rooms from John Judde in 2024.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges to transfer.
26. 11/11/23, Renewal request to fly as an out of boundary flyer in 2024 via Alton Club by Edmund Strzelczyk.
  - a. The BOM acknowledges the application to be held until the next BOM meeting.
27. 5/11/23, Application to join the DPRPC and the WPF to race in 2024 under the name P&F&M&M Barbara by Paul Barbara.
  - a. New member application to be held until next BOM meeting.
28. 25/10/23, Financial clearance provide by the Alton City Pigeon Club for M. Portelli to fly in any Federation or club of his choice.
  - a. Noted.
29. 12/12/23, Request by B. Younger to carry forward fees paid to 2024 due to health issues preventing him from racing in 2023.
  - a. The BOM has resolved that B. Younger will have his transport money paid in 2023 carried forward to 2024. He will be required to pay his full membership in 2024.
30. 19/10/23, Melbourne Pigeon Society request to reconcile any outstanding costs.
  - a. Treasurer C. Cachia to liaise with MPS [M. Tuung].
31. 22/10/23, VRPB action plan for 2023 completed.
  - a. Refer to website. <http://www.vrpb.org.au/action.htm>
32. 02/11/23, VRPU Presentation night Sat 9 December 2023.
  - a. Noted.
33. 09/11/23, VRPU proposed race schedule 2024.
  - a. Notes and for review during BOM race schedule discussion.



34. 07/11/23, Letter from Nick Iannozzone regarding 2024 race schedule.

- a. Notes and for review during BOM race schedule discussion.

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1. Nil.

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

1. SHOUTOUT!

- a. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO TURN OUT TO HELP WITH THE WORKING BEE ON Sunday 12 November 2023.

2. WPFC rings.

- a. Due to an increase in the 2024 Memberships applications, we have almost sold all the 2023 ring issue [900 icom remaining].
- b. The BOM members will return their issue of WPFC-23 rings so they may be reissued, to cater for the increased 2024 membership [early indications suggest >100 in 2024] to those who have purchased rings.
- c. The BOM members will have their WPFC-23 ring issue replaced with 5 normal WPF-23 ring to be used as WPFC-23 rings.
- d. The BOM will enter this new allocation in their clocks as WPFC-23 to ensure they are clearly & easily recognised.

3. Diplomas 2022 & 2023 season [C. Cachia].

- a. Production of these is extremely time consuming and no longer possible to be completed by a BOM member. Work would need to be outsourced.
- b. Suggestion to move away from Diplomas as all results are now visible on the internet and in the Yearbook which is distributed to all members.
- c. Obtain a quote from a printer.

4. Truck [J. Saggars]

- a. Camerons on each side of the truck.
- b. GPS tracking.
- c. All information to be visible to BOM members only.

5. Unit flooring repair [C. Cachia].

- a. T. Holwell has repaired approx. 50% of the unit floors as well as the wheels making it easier to move around. He will continue to work on the remaining units. Thank you to Trevor for his hard work and support in volunteering his time to complete the work.

6. F. Velluto requested consideration to St Albans Club being re-established within the WPF for original members to return [R. Russell].

- a. M. Tenaglia to call F. Velluto to discuss.

7. Cash collections [R. Russell & C. Cachia]

- a. All clubs to take more accountability for the collection of cash from their members and deposit funds into the WPF accounts in 2024.

8. Bacchus Marsh club [D. Tenaglia].

- a. Bacchus Marsh club did not race in 2023.
- b. For the club to continue in its own right, in 2024 it must ensure as per the Racing by-laws that the appropriate flying/racing members are every week.



- c. Less than 6 and the club will need to basket at either the WPF rooms or the Melton rooms.
- 9. Transport.
  - a. Liaising with two transport companies to provide quotes for 2024.
- 10. Convoyer.
  - a. Still work in progress.
- 11. 2023 Bird of the Year.
  - a. Blue Checker Hen GC-2022-2127, raced by David Mallia [79 points].
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> place Blue Bar Hen WPF-2022-9120, raced by J&J Pulis [70 points].
  - c. 3<sup>rd</sup> Blue Bar hen WPF-2022-3455, raced by F. Briffa [70 points].
- 12. Transporter replacement race team auction fund raiser.
  - a. SHOUTOUT! Thank you to all those that have provided birds to be given to the successful purchasers.
  - b. Auction 1.
    - i. 5 teams sold raising \$2,850.00
    - ii. 1 x Collingwood 2021 jumper sold \$500.00
  - c. Auction 2.
    - i. 2 teams sold raising \$1,100.00.
  - d. TOTAL \$4,450.00
- 13. 2024 Race schedule.
  - a. Start date: 29/06/2023, end date 26/10/2023
  - b. 230M [363km] basketing to move from Friday to **THURSDAY**.
  - c. 500M & 600M races to be brought forward and finish on a 400M race.
  - d. 10 birders to be removed and the whole race to be named after those the 10 bird races was named after.
  - e. Yolla date to be confirmed for September.
  - f. Refer to website. <https://wpf.org.au/race-schedule>

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:	10.20pm
Next meeting:	Date:	12 December 2023 – Tuesday
	Time:	7.30pm
	Location:	Yarraville Bowls

### **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 from 6.30pm until completed.

To be held in conjunction with the WPF Annual registration day [night].

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.

1. WPF 2023 Presentation dinner \$65 per person for a 3-course meal.

Saturday 16 December 2023 from 6.30pm @ MELTON ENTERTAINMENT PARK & MANTRA MELBOURNE MELTON,

[Registration Link](#)