

Victorian Racing Pigeon Body

**VRPB**



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## **Action Plan 2024**

- 1. Review and approve the VRPB Code of Practice 2024 and redistribute it for publication to all Victorian Racing Pigeon Federations.**
- 2. Make application to the ANRPB for funding to finance a study on how to minimise disease in one loft races and set up a separate disease Management Fund under the control of the VRPB. Seek further funding if necessary from Racing Pigeon Federations around Australia to make up the shortfall.**
- 3. Develop liberation protocols for Victorian Racing Pigeon Federations to use for pigeon races. The following steps will need to be followed to do this:**
  - i. Interview the liberation committee members from the VHA, GMPF & Western Fed. To determine the decision-making process, they follow when deciding when to liberate their birds for races. Ask any other racing pigeon federation to submit their own decision-making process for liberation to the VRPB Secretary.**
  - ii. Develop a flow diagram of the decision-making process used for the VHA, GMPF & Western Fed.**
  - iii. Develop explanatory documents which will be named VRPB Bird Release Protocol**
  - iv. Seek comments from VRPB representatives regarding their own preferences for the best liberation procedure and determine as a committee the best model.**

- v. Develop a set of definitions for the role of Conveyer, Liberation Committee, Head Liberator etc...**
  - vi. Develop a risk analysis chart on weather conditions to consider when liberating birds for a race. Use a colour code system to outline Low risk = green, medium risk = amber and high risk = red to do this.**
  - vii. Trial the new risk analysis flow chart with any interested liberation committees and make any improvements necessary**
- 4. Review the upcoming VCAT Case – City of Darebin vs Varelas which is to be held on 2 May 2024 and make decisions about the next step that needs to be taken following the case.**