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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOMING PIGEON ASSOCIATION COM Minutes Wednesday 6.30 pm 6th December 2023

1. **Meeting** – opened at 6.30pm by Chairperson.
Present: Mr G Harris (Chairperson), Mr R Williams, Mr G Hodgins, Mr W March, Mr G Mitchell, Mr B Andrewartha. Mr T Perkins (Secretary) Mr D Walker
2. **Apologies** – Mr R Somerville (Vice Chairperson),
3. **Previous Minutes 01/11/2023 – Accepted – MSCarried.**
Amalgamation of accounts back to 3 accounts to be finalised by Treasurer MSCarried
4. **Business arising from previous minutes.**
 - 1) Camera in transporter in truck- Purchased \$200
 - 2) Tony to obtain quotes for camera for the Golden Mile Loft.
5. **Treasurers report. Tabled MSC**
6. **Correspondence In -**
 - 1) Centrals club- Squeaker sale vaccinations.
The COM decided Vaccinations are still **mandatory**, please continue to vaccinate your pigeons for Pox, PMV and Rota.
7. **Correspondence Out –**
 - 1) Response to Centrals Club
8. **General Business.**
 - 1) Zones- Secretary to check all zones have equal members.
 - 2) Bank account for the Golden Mile Club.
New Club formed “The Golden Mile Racing Pigeon Club”.
Treasurer please arrange a Debit card from the Commonwealth Bank in the name of “Tony Perkins The Golden Mile Loft”
Moved Bronte Andrewartha Seconded R Williams Carried
 - 3) Secretary to arrange payment of \$640 to pay the sign writer. MSC
 - 4) Gas bottle - Secretary to fill or exchange the SAHPA gas bottle.
 - 5) The SAHPA COM moved to assure Gavin Harris we will continue to use the superior results system provided at no charge by Gavin and his software business. Thank you, Gavin, MSC
 - 6) David Walker requested Gavin Harris to enter an invoice for other work including many hours spent on the production of this year’s race certificates MSC.

- 7) Warren March donated his Benzing SDC prize of \$200 to the Golden Mile Loft, Fred DiMella donated \$100, John Luter donated \$125, Geoff Rayment also donated \$50 to the Golden Mile loft, personally as Chairman of the Golden Mile Racing Pigeon Club I would like to thank these members for their donation as it will go to helping the 12 former members who will return as members in 2024. All donations welcome. This is giving an opportunity to former members who are not able to race themselves for various reasons. Please sign up for next year if you no longer race pigeons. 10 bird team, come and watch when your birds are racing, watch Benzing Live on the big TV that David Walker donated or hopefully we will have the live stream camera up and running to watch from home.
- 8) N/E, East and S/ East draft race programs for 2024 were decided upon and will be published on the SAHPA website.
- 9) Ricky Williams asked if it would be possible all Association race winners have the chance to make a speech at the annual presentation night.
- 10) The Victorian Racing Pigeon Body VRPB (represent 4 federations in Melbourne (VHA, GMPF, VRPU and WPF) they are making legal representation to VCAT (Victorian Civil and Administration Tribunal) about the council's interpretation of pigeon number restrictions to be the same as Poultry (only 5). Half the funds raised by the Victorian Convention 2023 are going to Prostate Cancer Research and the other half to pay for legal expenses for VCAT case being held in January 2024. The SAHPA believe that it is very important that the VRPB win their case and the SAHPA COM agreed to donate \$2000 of our funds to help with their legal expenses. Treasurer to make EFT payment to VRPB.

10. Meeting Closed at 9.15pm.

11. Next Meeting – Wednesday 3rd Jan 2024 at 6.30pm.