



Australian National Racing Pigeon Board

The Australian National Racing Pigeon Board (ANRPB) is a national body representing the Australian racing pigeon fraternity. Its primary objectives are to:

- Promote the protection, welfare and improvement of homing pigeons and in particular the sport of pigeon racing in Australia.
- To represent the interests of State racing pigeon associations and federations in any appropriate forum.

The ANRPB is focussed on dealing with the macro issues in our sport in both the short and longer term. The Board supports best practice at all times in the caring for our birds and in all aspects of the sport.

We encourage all pigeon fanciers to take a strategic view of the future of pigeon racing and consider ways to attract and retain people in our clubs, and to encourage behaviours that promote a positive image around pigeon racing.

With this in mind we are asking all fanciers to contribute to the identification and development of initiatives to sustain and grow our sport. We invite your ideas and submissions to address the challenges. We are asking you to send through your thoughts on topics that could positively contribute to this outcome. Tell us what it is you would like to achieve and how you think all of us could achieve it.

Some of the major issues the sport of pigeon racing faces at present are listed below. The list is by no means exhaustive and we welcome any other initiatives you have implemented or are aware of.

- Aging and Declining Membership / Recruitment and Retention
- Cost Factor / for pensioners and low-income earners
- Animal Welfare Groups and Council Regulations including Urban Infill
- Climate Change / impact on race programming and returns
- Earth's Magnetic Field / Sunspot Activity / Telecommunications including 5G network
- Wellbeing of our birds / impact of disease and predators

We are particularly keen to hear about initiatives that you, your club, or pigeon organisation may be undertaking to address the challenges facing our sport. With your consent we would like to share your initiatives with pigeon organisations Australia wide. We are also asking for your contact details so we can discuss your thoughts in more detail.



A second document is attached to the email to capture your thoughts. If you wish to contribute please complete and send to your State Delegate.

The State Delegates are listed below and their email addresses are included in the covering email.

VIC – Neil Machar

NSW/ACT – Stephen Shears

SA – Phil Squire philsquire@optusnet.com.au

WA - Kevin Wilson

TAS – Peter Wallace

QLD – **No Delegate**

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