

VICTORIAN RACING PIGEON UNION

On behalf of the VPU executive, I would firstly like to thank you for your participation in the ninth running of the “UNION DOUBLE CLASSIC”.

Unfortunately, with the GMPF now conducting their own Breeders Plate and John Van Beers One Loft race, the proceeds of the 2 auctions, ring sales and nominations has only given an overall total amount of \$18,000.00 to be allocated for this year’s prize money.

For each race, prize money (50% flyer 50% breeder) will be as follows:

1 st \$5000	2 nd \$1200	3 rd \$800	4 th \$600	5 th \$300
6 th \$200	7 th \$100	8 th \$100	9 th \$100	10 th \$100

A further prize of \$1000 (50% flyer 50% breeder) for the Bird of the Series will still be competed for. Points will be awarded to the first 100 birds clocked in each race. (100 points for 1st down to 1 point for 100th). The bird that accumulates the most points from both races will win the Bird of the Series. To be eligible the bird MUST successfully return from both races. In the event that more than one bird has equal top points, the prize money of \$1000 will be equally divided between those flyers and breeders.

The race points and dates to be flown are as follows:

SUNDAY September 6th – Hillston (300M)

SUNDAY September 27th – Mt Hope (350M)

BASKETING FOR THE HILLSTON RACE WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY NIGHT FROM 6.30pm – 8pm. BIRDS WILL ARRIVE AT RACEPOINT 4am FOR SUNDAY RELEASE.

RACE RULES AND CONDITIONS OF EVENT

1. Competition will be known as the Union Double Classic.
2. Races will be conducted under the auspices of the “Victorian Racing Pigeon Union Inc.”
3. All birds or rings purchased for this competition are eligible to compete in both events from Hillston (300M) and Mt Hope (350M).
4. All prizes paid out will be evenly divided between the flyer and breeder (donor). That is, 50% flyer 50% breeder.
5. Basketing of birds will take place at the VPU rooms, Domain St, Glenroy from 6.30pm on the Saturday night prior to the Hillston race and on Friday night prior to the Mt Hope race.
6. Both races will be flown on Sunday where possible. (Subject to weather conditions)

7. Clock setting for both races will take place at that competitor's own Federation clock centre on the Saturday prior to the race.
8. Production of clocks will be at the VPU rooms, Domain St, Glenroy on the day of clocking between 7pm & 8pm.
9. The Union Double Classic series will be flown under the current VPU race rules.
10. All persons competing must have their loft distance co-ordinates compiled by the GPS system.
11. Electronic Timing System are permitted to be used by any competitor in either of the two races. However all requirements to run the ETS system must be supplied to the Union 4 weeks prior to the first Union Double Classic race.
12. "The VPU committee" who has been vested with the responsibility of administering the Union Double Classic series will adjudicate any disputes and their decision will be final and binding.
13. Total prize money of 18,000.00 will be competed for. Each race will have a total amount of \$8,500.00 allocated to it. 10 prizes will be paid out in each race. A further \$1000.00 will be awarded to the Bird of the Series.

John SHARE
President