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**To:** All Victorian Clubs

**Cc:** Councillors, Group and Association/District Secretaries

**Proposed Unification of RVBA and VLBA.**

As you are aware the Joint Working Party (JWP), which was established by the RVBA and the VLBA, has been meeting on a regular basis over the past two years.

Although we will continue to provide updates over the next three months, we believe that we have now reached the point where we have done just about as much as we could possibly do to inform all bowlers throughout the State of the details of the proposed unification and of the benefits arising there from.

We have therefore determined that the vital vote on the proposal will take place on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009 at meetings to be conducted by both the RVBA and the VLBA at the Moonee Valley Racecourse at 1.00pm. (Formal details of the meeting will be forwarded to you in October, 2009)

The purpose of this letter is to provide your club with a copy of a presentation which the JWP has prepared which sets out the details and benefits of unification. (See attached)

To achieve a successful vote we require 75% of votes cast by Victorian clubs to support the proposal. For individual clubs to decide how they wish to vote we strongly suggest that you refer to your club's constitution and follow the procedure as outlined there. In most cases we believe that a simple majority will apply when determining the club's vote.

A package will be forwarded to all clubs by mid-October formally advising of the meeting arrangements on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, together with details of the resolution to be put and proxy voting details.

Should you have any matters that would currently cause your club to vote against the proposal we would greatly appreciate it if you could advise us of your concerns so that we may address them hopefully to your satisfaction. There are many economies to be achieved by unification, with the significant changes to be seen in State administration. Your ongoing support for unification would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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