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Petanque Victoria Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting held Monday 26 October, 2026 at 7:00 PM by Video conference (Google Meet) |

1. 1 Attendees:

Geoff Shaw (President)
Ken Scott (Vice President)
Lynette Johnson (Treasurer)
Kerrie Maddern (State Coach Manager)
Guy Mercier (State Umpire Manager)
Laurent Fossaert
Vinz Mueller
Beverley Forsyth (Minutes)

1.2 Apologies

Jean-Luc Gonnet

2. Approval to have meeting recorded

G. Shaw asked if there were any objections to the meeting being recorded to assist in producing the Minutes. All were in favour

3. Notice of Other Business Items

State Championship Doubles format at Mt Martha (see General Business 8ii)

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the PV Committee Meeting of 14 September 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting, and those Minutes are now confirmed.
Moved: Beverley Forsyth. Seconded: Vinz Mueller Vote: Passed unanimously

4.1. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

i. Video conferencing subscription
G. Shaw noted as per his email to the Committee that a subscription to Google Meet has been taken The Committee approved the annual Google Meet subscription of $207 after a 3-month discount to facilitate uninterrupted online meetings.

ii. State coach selection policy review
No action while awaiting the PA policy to be finalised.

iii. Conflict of Interest Policy review
Geoff Shaw, Ken Scott, and Beverley Forsyth finalized the draft Conflict of Interest Policy amalgamating Petanque Australia guidelines with Clause 65 of the Constitution.
Motion: That Petanque Victoria formally adopt the final Conflict of Interest draft and it now be published on the official PV website.

Moved: Ken Scott. Seconded: Beverley Forsyth Vote: Passed Unanimously

iv. Vacancy on the Calendar Committee
Beverley Forsyth called for a nomination to fill the Calendar Committee vacancy caused by the resignation of Terence Garrett. Kerrie Maddern volunteered and was accepted.

2 5. Correspondence

5.1 In

i. 21/09 From P. Wells requesting that PV provide firm guidance to clubs hosting tournaments that they provide a competent scorer. Also, guidance requested re ranking teams for the first round of a Swiss system draw
ii.4/10 From R. Shears, MMPC requesting rescheduling of a washed-out event to Sunday, 6 December 2026. P. Wells notified and event placed on Calendar
iii.8/10 From various club administrators to update details on PV website. P. Wells contacted and errors corrected after website malfunction
iv. From R. Maddern, PA President requesting written feedback from PV re revised PA Coaching Policy and National Coaching Committee terms of reference
v. From Guy Mercier resigning as State Umpie Manager

5.2 Out

i. 15/09 To M. Lacasse advising tournament entry fee for juniors. Thanks received
ii. 18/09 To PV Committee members seeking input re Victorian State Triples format. Responses received from 7 members
iii.26/09 Formal proposal to committee members that there be a Complementaire in each division. Majority responses agreed to proposal.
iv. 6/10 To P. Wells requesting that G. Shaw be added as a user on the website domain to facilitate Google Workspace account. Carried out on 07/10
v. 18/10 To J. Stacey, President Nagambie PC re change in tournament date from 26 September to 10 October 2027

5.3 Acceptance of Correspondence

Motion: That the correspondence be accepted
Moved: Kerrie Maddern Seconded: Beverley Forsyth. Vote: Passed Unanimously

5.4 Business arising from Correspondence

i. Swiss System Tournament Draws
The committee addressed correspondence from P. Wells seeking guidance on the initial draw formatting for 5-round Swiss competitions. Following discussion on the limitations and inequities of historical player rankings across states, consensus was reached on draw procedures and P. Wells is to be advised that PV recommend using a random draw rather than player/team rankings for the first round of 5-round Swiss competitions.

ii. Club Scorer Competency and Mentorship.
Following tournament delays at recent events the committee reviewed scoring standards. It was decided that PV will issue a directive recommending all clubs hosting calendar events ensure they have a designated member trained in the scoring software. P. Wells will be approached to provide pre-event mentorship or training to club scorers.
Action: G. Shaw

iii. Response to PA re revised Coaching Policy and Terms of Reference

The committee reviewed Petanque Australia's revised coaching policy. Key feedback points raised included necessity of having separate national squad and international championship coaching roles and the need to establishing resources to develop community-level coaching.

6. Reports

6.1 Treasurer's Report.

Lynette Johnson tabled her report showing a balance of $7147.33 as of 15.10.2026. She noted the bank balance increase of $2000 is due to the deposit of funds for the coaching clinics. Missing payments for the clinics from Bernard Reed (paid) and Tim Shaw (pending) were reviewed.

Kenn Scott agreed to visit Bendigo Bank (Oakleigh branch) with required documentation to update bank account signatories. Action: K. Scott

Motion: That the Financial Report be accepted as true and correct

Moved: Lynette Johnson. Seconded: Kerrie Maddern. Vote: Passed unanimously

7. State Managers' Reports

7.1 State Coach Manager's Report

Kerrie Maddern reported high attendance at the women's shooting clinics held in Mt Martha and Ballarat with a follow up session to be held on Nov6.. Upcoming clinics are planned for Bellarine (Jan), Bendigo (Feb), and Grampians (May). There was some discussion regarding travel cost reimbursements and participant fees for coaching clinics, and a decision will be made at the next meeting.

There has been a good take up of the Sonke Backens clinics for coaches and the additional vacancies have been offered to Rod Gell, Bernard Reed and Tim Shaw.

7.2 State Umpire Manager's Report

Guy Mercier submitted his written resignation as State Umpire Manager, and he recommended Jean-Luc Gonnet be appointed to the position. Jean-Luc has been acting as State Umpire Manager while Guy was overseas and has indicated his interest in continuing in the position. Guy will coordinate with Danny Green regarding backup duties and updating the Umpire's form to reflect the changes.

The Chair thanked Guy for his work as State Manager.

7.3 Business arising from Reports

Change of personnel on umpires claim form is required

Action: G. Mercier

8. General Business

i. Review of Victorian State Triples events.

Umpire's report for the event was circulated prior to the meeting. It was noted the event ran smoothly at Weird. However, only 50% of participants complied with uniform requirements. Uniform standards with matching-coloured tops for teams as a minimum for state championships will be mandated for future events.

ii. Victorian State Doubles Championship

Geoff Shaw Tournament Director; Guy Mercier Umpire and Peter Wells Scorer will officiate on the day. There are 20 women's and 21 men's teams registered. There will be a Complementaire section for both divisions but no sociales for non-qualifying teams. Prize

money will be allocated to the top two teams in the Complementaire along with the advertised prize money and medallions for the Principales placegetters.

iii. Approval of the Provisional Calendar to be presented at the AGM for ratification.
Beverley Forsyth reported that apart from a change in date for the Nagambie Triples, there had been no further requests from clubs since the provisional calendar was published on the PV website. The committee approved the provisional calendar be presented to the AGM for ratification.

iii. AGM Agenda items
Geoff Shaw asked current committee members to indicate if they intended continuing for the next term. He noted it is important that the position of President and Secretary be filled and asked members to consider nominating for either position.
Nomination forms must be signed by a member of another club and will be issued shortly.
Action G Shaw.

9. Other business
i. Annual General Meeting (AGM) Schedule.
The AGM was set for Monday, November 16, 2026, at 7.00pm via videoconference. All executive and committee positions will be declared vacant. Nomination forms and meeting documentation will be distributed at least 14 days prior. Action: G. Shaw

10. Date of Next Committee Meeting
The next PV Meeting will be on Monday 14 December 2006
Commencing at 7.00 pm via videoconference
The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed _____

Geoff Shaw, President