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Committee Meeting – Minutes Camberwell Petanque Club 7.15 pm, Monday 9 October 2017

1. Attendees

Graeme McIntyre (Vice President)
Peter Wells (Secretary)
Geoff Turner (Treasurer)
Aileen Hebblethwaite (Member)
Guy Mercier (Member)
Danny Green (ex-officio, State Director of Umpiring)

2. Apologies

Max Chaperon (President)
Terry Barter (Member)
Jean Francois Veysiere (ex-officio, State Director of Coaching)

3. Correspondence

Email form PFA regarding State Super 4 (Attached for Item 7.2)
Email from Jean Francois Veysiere regarding same matter (Attached)

4. Previous Minutes

An addition to the previous Minutes of: “In future we also agree to ensure all players representing Victoria in events such as these have appropriate uniforms.” in Item 6.1 was proposed, and agreed to, as this discussion point had been omitted in the earlier version of the Minutes of the previous meeting. With this change the Motion was put: That the Minutes of the VPCI Committee Meeting of 11 September 2017 are a true record of that meeting.

Proposed: Geoff Turner

Seconded: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Vote: Passed unanimously

5. Treasurer’s Report

Geoff Turner to present an overview of the VPCI finances.

Opening bank balance as of 11 September 2017:	\$6,541.57
Income to 8 October 2017:	\$ 340.00
Expenditure to 8 October 2017:	\$ 600.00
Closing balance as of 8 October 2017:	\$6,281.57

Geoff’s full report is attached

6. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

6.1 2018 Victorian Calendar

It was noted that the Draft 2018 Calendar has been available on the VPCI website for a little over 3 weeks. The Committee has received no adverse comments, so it was resolved that this Draft version be ratified as the 2018 Victorian Calendar.

It was noted that there were still a few vacant dates and clubs may bid for those if they wish. It was also agreed that with the agreement of both clubs any 2 tournaments could be swapped if requested.

6.2 VPCI Annual Member Club Fees

There currently are 22 financial Member Clubs of VPCI; it was reported that the Apollo Bay Petanque Club recently renewed their VPCI Membership.

Stella Clavisque Petanque Club status: That club has asked for a written statement as to the need to join VPCI. This request will be re-directed to PFA as the current PFA Constitution is not clear on this point.

Bellarine Peninsula Petanque Club status: This new club has indicated it will very likely apply to become a VPCI Member Club following their AGM that will be held later this week.

6.3 2017 Victorian Championship Doubles

Now scheduled for Sunday 17 December at Weird Entertainers & Petanque Club.

Umpire: Danny agreed to organise an umpire for this event

Scorer: Peter Wells

Format: Separate Men and Women Divisions. It was agreed that subject to team numbers we may offer the Men's Championship Doubles in 2 Divisions determined by player Rankings.

Cost: \$20 per player

Other matters: Left unresolved for the moment was any change to the prize money to be paid, and whether to offer a special memento to the winners (only) in all Divisions.

6.4 VPCI Website

Peter Wells reported back that an editable, password protected, version of the VPCI website is possible and would procure further details.

7. Other Business

7.1 2017 Victorian Championship Mixed Doubles

Now scheduled to be run at Caulfield on 3 December

Umpire: Danny agreed to organise an umpire for this event

Scorer: Peter Wells

Format: Single Division

Cost: \$20 per player

7.2 2018 State Super 4 (and similar events)

The Committee, while not totally happy with the current State Super 4 arrangements provided by PFA, did agree to support this event without further suggested changes as in our view this event should be allowed to run basically unaltered for at least 2 years (as it has undergone too many changes in a short time frame already).

The Committee is not a strong supporter of a proposed National League Title as that adds yet another competition, still to be fully outlined, to an already full schedule (in Victoria), and adds nothing, in our view, that is not present in the State Super 4 arrangement. The Committee were also concerned at the extra cost that players would incur attending another interstate tournament.

7.3 AGM

The Committee agreed to the following regarding the 2017 VPCI AGM

Date: Saturday 9 December 2017

Time: 11.00 am

Venue: Camberwell Petanque Club

Office bearers continuing: Max Chaperon, Graeme McIntyre, Geoff Turner

Peter Wells advised the Committee that he and his wife are in the process of selling their house in Gisborne and are likely to move further away from Melbourne, and that he will not be able to continue as Secretary if this occurs.

Members continuing: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Guy Mercier will advise as to his availability to continue as a Committee Member in due course.

Other matters: A Draft 2017 AGM Agenda will be circulated for approval to VPCI Committee Members in the near future, and the final version sent to all Member Clubs well before the 21-day limit required prior to 9 December.

7.4 2018 Victorian shooting Competition

Now scheduled for 26 January 2018 at Weird Entertainers & Petanque Club.

Time: 9.00 am for a 9.30 am start

Format: As defined by PFA

Umpires in attendance: Danny plus others as required

Coaches in attendance: Jean Francois plus others as required

7.5 2018 VPCI Committee Meetings

Dates: Bi-monthly commencing on 12 February 2018 for a total of 5 Committee Meetings plus the AGM in December

Times: 7.00 pm start

Payment: Agreed to pay \$120 to Camberwell Petanque Club, if acceptable, for 5 VPCI Committee Meetings, plus the 2018 AGM scheduled for December.

7.6 Other Business Items

- (a) It was agreed that the \$120 payment to Camberwell Petanque Club for use of their room for 2017 be paid now.
- (b) It was agreed that we offer the usual financial support of \$100 to all Victorian Players and Coaches be offered to those representing Australia at the World Championships at Kaihua, China. However, it was further agreed that in future while this support of \$100 to all Victorian players representing Australia would continue, that the \$100 financial support for Victorian Coaches would in future be limited to just 1 Victorian Coach for any one tournament.
- (c) It was agreed that VPCI would provide the same \$100 per player for those representing Australia at the Oceania Games, but we do not as yet have a list and Jean Francois and PFA would be asked to provide the list of players.
- (d) It was agreed that any Victorian players who were winners at any event at the Easter Nationals (or similar National/International event) would be offered reimbursement for any costs in the engraving of their names on the appropriate trophies. This offer is to back-dated to the 2016 Easter Nationals.
- (e) Graeme McIntyre reported a successful involvement of Mornington Peninsula clubs at the recent YMCA "Get Active" 55+ Senior's Festival held on 6 October.

7.7 Expenditure Authorisation

Motion: That the VPCI Committee authorises Geoff Turner to make the following payments:

- (a) \$100 each to those Victorian Players and Coaches representing Australia at the World Championships at Kaihua, China
- (b) \$100 each to those Victorian players representing Australia at the Oceania Games
- (c) Reimbursement to any Victorian Player who is required to pay for their names, as winners, of any engraving on trophies associated with the PFA Easter Nationals (including 2016), or similar events.

Players and Clubs are reminded that while these above payments are offered, the players concerned have the responsibility to ensure that their banking details are made available to the VPCI Treasurer, Geoff Turner, so that payment may be made by direct credit EFT.

Proposed: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Seconded: Geoff Turner

Vote: Passed unanimously

Date of Next Committee Meeting

The next VPCI Committee Meeting will be held on 12 February 2018, although any urgent business may also be attended to at, or immediately after, the 2017 VPCI AGM on 9 December.

The meeting closed at 08.30 pm

Signed:

Graeme McIntyre
Vice-President

Peter Wells
Secretary

(Date) -----

Treasurer's Report for VPCI Committee Meeting Monday 9 October 2017

This report covers the period 11th September to 8th October 2017

There have been 11 financial transactions recorded on the Bendigo Bank account and no Bendigo Bank transaction fees have been debited during this period.

Using payees registered to the VPCI account the following monies have been paid for the period 11th September to 8th October 2017.

\$100.00 to Dr Gerard Finette, for Pan Pacific Games, 15/16 Sept. 2017.

\$100.00 to Denis Masson, for Pan Pacific Games, 15/16 Sept. 2017.

\$100.00 to Sebastian Edouard, for Pan Pacific Games, 15/16 Sept. 2017.

\$100.00 to Camberwell PC, for Zac Nicholson to attend World Junior Games in China, 2018.

\$100.00 to Peter Mandan, Umpire Duties, Main Ridge 17 Sept. 2017.

\$100.00 to Trish Ritman, Umpire Duties at Caulfield 24th Sept 2017.

In the same period the VPCI received the following monies:

\$50.00 Membership renewal from Apollo Bay PC.

\$100.00 Player Levy, Main Ridge Open Triples, 17 Sept. 2017.

\$20.00 Player Levy, Main Ridge Open Triples, 17 Sept. 2017.

\$76.00 Player Levy, Dove Open Doubles, 1st Oct 2017.

\$94.00 Player Levy, Caulfield 2+1 Triples, 24th Sept 2017.

Account Summary for the period 11th Sept 2017 to 8th October 2017

Opening Balance		\$6541.57
Income	\$340.00	
Expenditure	\$600.00	
Closing Balance as at 8 th October		\$6281.57

Player Levies

To date in this calendar year, we have received \$1857.50 from clubs hosting VPCI calendar events.

\$416.00 – Dove (5 tournaments)

\$158.50 – Camberwell (2)

\$214.00 – Weird (3)

\$208.50 – Mt Macedon (1)

\$208.50 – Pyrenees (2)

\$190.00 – Apollo Bay (2)

\$202.00 – Caulfield (3)

\$140.00 – St Kilda (1)

\$120.00 – Main Ridge (1)

Membership

All 22 existing clubs have now renewed their VPCI membership fees, totaling \$1100.00.

Representative Support

To date, in this calendar year, we have paid \$1100.00 towards travel expenses for players & coaches representing Australia in overseas tournaments.

Payments to Umpires

To date, in this calendar year, we have paid \$900.00 to umpires officiating at tournaments.

Attachment for Item 7.2

Subject: Proposed Super 4 2018

Date: Thursday, 21 September 2017 5:17 PM

Dear League presidents and secretaries,

The PFA Board after receiving comments from leagues and players like to put forward the following for your consideration.

Majority of members are opposed to a club based competition.

Super 4 2018 to remain as a 4 players competition (2 Men and 2 Women from same State League)

Open and Over 60

Super 4 registration to become the responsibility of each state league

Team registration and registration fees

Entry fee to remain at \$200 per team

\$100 to be kept by State league (Umpires and organisation cost)

\$100 per team to be returned to PFA upon submission of teams registrations

Teams including names and total \$ amount

Cut-off date for registration with PFA to be set up by PFA

Competition rules and format as per PFA instruction

Review of substitutes and team withdrawal to be look at and published

Final to be run by PFA at a designated venue – EOI to be sent to all leagues and clubs for 2018

Each league might decide to use the \$100 for prizes or support to their winning team (uniforms, travelling etc.)

NATIONAL League Title:

Members are concerned that we would be increasing the number of competitions thus increasing the cost for players; we would like to be guided by the leagues and their clubs regarding the possibility of running a new event.

Please consider and return your comments to PFA

Kind regards,

Andre Deramond

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Email of 27 September from J.F.

Good morning all,

I will be on annual leave at our next meeting, so I put some comments under.

Super 4: I believe it should be a Super 6 (2 women, 4 men) to reflect the reality of competition. I know our demographic is pretty much the same in gender, but the fact is more men play than women in tournaments. It also can be run as a National League title.

I suggest qualifications to be played on Saturdays. I also think it's logical to have 2 Victorian teams qualified in the final event. We are the State with almost 50% of all the licensees in Australia. It was already the case this year in the Super 4, but it is better if it's officially announced at the beginning of the competition.

If selections are needed, the coaches in Victoria could do the selection.

There are my thoughts.

Have a good day.

JF

Item 7.3 AGM

Camberwell may have a social game on Saturday starting around mid day, so it would be desirable that our AGM does not intrude. Before releasing the minutes please check with Terry if a 11am start is early enough. The umpires course at Camberwell a few weeks back finished before 12, but players were arriving then.