

# Victoria Petanque Clubs Inc.

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## Committee Meeting – Minutes

Camberwell Petanque Club  
7.00 pm, Monday 10 February 2020

### 1. Attendees

Aileen Hebblethwaite (President)  
Jean Francois Veyssiere (Vice President)  
Max Wright (Treasurer)  
Peter Wells (Secretary)  
Jeff Langdon (Member)  
Martial Leconte (Member)  
David Shaw (ex-officio, State Director of Umpiring)

### 2. Apologies

None

### 3. Correspondence

In: National Tribunal Report (Strictly confidential – see Item 7.9)  
In: Correspondence from PFA regarding the 2020 PFA Interstate Challenge (Attachment 1)

### 4. Previous Minutes

Motion: That the Minutes of the VPCI Committee Meeting of 20 September 2019 are a true record of that meeting.  
Proposed: Aileen Hebblethwaite  
Seconded: Jean Francois Veyssiere  
Vote: Passed unanimously

### 5. Treasurer's Report

Max was welcomed in his new role as Treasurer and presented an overview of VPCI current financial position. Max's report is attached (Attachment 2).  
Bank balance as of 10 February 2020: \$4,612.72  
Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted.  
Proposed: Max Wright  
Seconded: Aileen Hebblethwaite  
Vote: Passed unanimously

### 6. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

#### 6.1. VPCI 2019-2020 Budget

It was resolved that:

- (a) For each club-hosted Calendar Event the hosting clubs will pay to VPCI at least the lesser of the 10% Player fee or the supervising Umpire's fee of \$100 per day.
- (b) As currently required, after club-hosted Events, the supervising Umpire must lodge their written Report with the State Director of Umpiring. Payment will then be made to the Umpire

by VPCI on the recommendation of the State Umpire, who is also to provide VPCI with a copy of that Report. Each Umpire must send in their Report within 3 months of the Event in order to receive their fee.

- (c) VPCI will continue with the general practice that a non-playing supervising Umpire should be used whenever possible, especially in timed Events. A playing supervising Umpire is acceptable in an untimed Event, and will be paid at the rate of \$50 per day.
- (d) VPCI will pay to each club hosting a Victorian Championship Event a flat fee of \$100. The previous payment of 20% of the Player fee will be discontinued as of 17 February, 2020.
- (e) An amount of up to \$1,000 will be budgeted by VPCI for 2020 to go towards promotion activities. To this end, a Promotion Sub-Committee will be formed comprising Jeff Langdon (Chair), Aileen Hebblethwaite and Jean Francois Veysiere.

## **6.2. 2020 Calendar**

It was resolved that:

- (a) The State Calendar currently on the VPCI website is confirmed as correct.
- (b) For 2020, the Championship Events would include only the Singles, Doubles and Triples Events. The possible separate Divisions within these Events will be Men, Men 60+, Women, and Women 60+, on the condition that for a Division to run there must be at least 6 Teams Registered by the closing date.
- (c) For 2020 there will be no Mixed Gender Championship Events.

## **6.3. Melbourne French Festival**

The VPCI Secretary will write to the following for their invaluable help in promoting petanque at the Melbourne French Festival on 29 and 30 November and 1 December 2019:

- Mt Martha Mornington Petanque Club (coordinated by Geoff Turner)
- Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club (coordinated by Louise Potter)
- Claire Sampson from the Nagambie Petanque Club.

## **7. Other Business**

### **7.1. Letter of appreciation to Geoff Turner**

It was agreed that the VPCI Secretary shall write to Geoff Turner to express the thanks of the VPCI Committee for his contribution to petanque in Victoria over the past few years in his role as VPCI Treasurer.

### **7.2. State Director of Coaching**

This issue is yet to be resolved. VPCI's declared lack of confidence in the incumbent continues. Efforts will be made to find an alternative and make a recommendation to PFA.

### **7.3. Increasing Umpire Numbers**

David Shaw, the State director of Umpiring, was asked to lead this discussion. While Victoria has the largest number of Umpires it also has by far the largest number of licenced players. It was noted that the PFA recommendation that every club with 30 or more members should have an umpire within their club membership, will not be adequate in this State; we have to do better.

David agreed to continue his efforts to enlist more Umpires. The Committee also discussed the idea that from January 2021 any club wishing to host a club-hosted Event will be responsible for providing an accredited Umpire (from within their membership, or otherwise). However, it was also made clear

that if this were to become VPCI policy, that VPCI would continue to pay Umpires the daily fees noted above.

Clubs are asked to respond with suggestions in order to improve Umpire numbers.

#### **7.4. Upcoming Tournaments**

Prior to the next VPCI Committee Meeting the following Events for which VPCI are responsible for are:

- (a) 29 February Shooting Competition – Camberwell (Director is Max Wright with Umpires to be arranged by David Shaw and with assistance as required from Coaches.)
- (b) 1 March Victorian Championship Singles at Camberwell (Director is Jean Francois Veysiere, Scorer is Peter Wells. David Shaw has been asked to provide an Umpire.
- (c) 29 March Victorian Championship Triples at Camberwell (Director is Aileen Hebblethwaite, Scorer is Peter Wells. David Shaw has been asked to provide an Umpire.
- (d) 19 April Regional Challenge Cup at Halls Gap (N & W Region). This Event is the responsibility of the Grampians Petanque Clubs to organise (as last year's winners) with a representative from each of Pyrenees, Mt Macedon and Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Clubs. David Shaw has been asked to provide an Umpire.
- (e) 19 April Regional Challenge Cup at St Kilda (Metro & SE Region). This is the responsibility of St Kilda Petanque club to organise (as last year's winners). If St Kilda Petanque Club require some guidelines and/or assistance, they are encouraged to approach the VPCI Committee. David Shaw has been asked to provide an Umpire.

#### **7.5. The Big Blue Tournament**

This is a joint promotional Event by the State Leagues of NSW and Victoria. The 2 lead Organisers are Gary Hosie (NSW) and Jean Francois Veysiere (Victoria). The Event is to be held at Tarcutta, NSW, over the Anzac Day weekend of 25-26 April, and also be used to promote the Wagga Wagga Petanque Club.

Two Umpires from ACT have agreed to assist.

The Draw details are still being worked through, but all the 67 current interested Victorian and NSW players, will be invited to participate.

In Victoria it is agreed that Jean Francois Veysiere will form a Sub-Committee to rank and select Victoria players to specific Events, and it was also agreed that this Sub-Committee could enlist some of Victoria's top players to assist them in this task. All Victorian players who have indicated their interest through MyPetanque will be contracted shortly to confirm their ongoing availability after the registration process closes on 14 February.

Martial Leconte is very generously providing the Big Blue Trophy.

Victorian participants will be asked to purchase a dark blue polo shirt for a Uniform.

#### **7.6. Payment to Camberwell Petanque Club**

It was agreed to pay the Camberwell Petanque Club \$120 for the use of their rooms for the 5 VPCI Committee Meetings and the VPCI AGM in 2020.

### **7.7. Bank Signatories**

Current signatories for the VPCI Bendigo Bank account are Max Wright and Peter Wells. It was agreed that a 3<sup>rd</sup> signatory would be appropriate, and Aileen Hebblethwaite has agreed to be that 3<sup>rd</sup> signatory. Max Wright will arrange this.

### **7.8. Trans-Tasman 2020**

It was agreed that all Victorian players selected for the 2020 Australian Trans-Tasman Team will be provided with a grant of \$100 each. This will be actioned once we receive formal notice from PFA of the Victorian players selected.

### **7.9. National Tribunal Report**

As requested, VPCI have agreed to keep totally confidential all matters associated with the recent National Tribunal Hearing, but urge the PFA Board to expeditiously accept the Recommendations of the National Tribunal Report so this matter can be concluded.

### **7.10. PFA 2020 Interstate Challenge**

Attached is the note from PFA calling for Clubs who might be interested in hosting this ISC Event in September 2020 to contact PFA. If any Victorian Club wishes to put their name forward, VPCI are prepared to provide assistance in terms of advice and support, and personal if requested.

### **7.11. Expenditure Authorisation**

Motion: That the VPCI Committee authorises Max Wright to make the following payments:

- (a) \$120 payment to Camberwell Petanque Club for the use of their rooms for meetings in 2020.
- (b) \$100 to each Victorian player selected for the 2020 Australian Trans-Tasman Team.

Proposed: Peter Wells

Seconded: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Vote: Passed unanimously

### **8. Date of Next Committee Meeting**

This will be arranged for sometime in April, and Committee Members advised.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Signed:

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Aileen Hebblethwaite  
President

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Peter Wells  
Secretary

(Date) -----

**Attachment 1.** (PFA Letterhead, logos and signature removed to fit on page)

**Melbourne February 2020**

**ISC Competition 2020**

**ISC to be played by**

- Open
- 60+

**Teams of 6 players in each category**

- 3 Men and 3 Women

**Team to be selected by their respective state (State Coach)**

**Minimum of 4 teams required to hold the competition in both category**

**Entry fees**

- PFA \$100 per team
- State league to set own fees

**Entries – VIC, WA, SA, NSW, TAS, ACT, QLD**

- An even number would be better to run competition
- Possibility to add a local team (host state) if necessary to make up numbers

**Playing format: Each state to play one another**

**Time game 13 points of 50' + 1 end + 1 end if on equal score**

**Day 1 – 3 to 4 rounds can be played**

**1<sup>st</sup> round**

- 1 Single competition
- 1 Double competition
- 1 Triples competition

**2<sup>nd</sup> round**

- 2 Mixed triples

**Team composition as per team captain decision, must be announced before start of game, team composition can be changed every game.**

**Day 2**

- **Completion of competition**

**Presentation of trophies and medals**

**Scoring:**

- Winner of each match scoring 3 points

**Ranking:**

- 1 – State with the higher score
- 2 – if on equal score
  - o Number of game won
  - o Results between each state
  - o Delta +/-

(Signed: Andre Deramond, PFA Sport Director)

## **Attachment 2.**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT for Committee Meeting Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2020.**

This report covers the period 7th Dec. 2019 to 10th Feb. 2020.

There have been 8 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 7th Dec. 2019 to 10th Feb. 2020.**

\$14.95 Payment for Domain Renewal (VPCI) Dec 2019

\$59.20 Payment for Annual Return Fee, Consumer Affairs Dec 2019

\$100.00 Payment to Patrick Dufresne, Umpiring Duties Caulfield Park Mixed Doubles, 5th Jan

\$248.00 Payment to Weird Entertainers, Hosting Fee for Vic Doubles Championship, 29th Sept 2019

\$100.00 Payment to Guy Mercier, Umpiring Duties Weird Entertainers, 2nd Feb

### **In the same period the VPCI received the following monies.**

\$72.00 Player Levy from Caulfield PC, Mixed Doubles Sunday 5th Jan 2020

\$88.00 Player Levy from Weird Entertainers, Open Doubles Sunday 12th Jan 2020

\$96.00 Player Levy from Weird Entertainers, Mixed Triples Sunday 2nd Feb 2020

### **Account Summary for the period 7th Dec 2019 to 10th Feb 2020.**

Opening Balance as at 7th Dec 2019. \$4,878.87

Income \$256.00

Expenditure \$522.15

Closing Balance as at 10th Feb 2020. \$4,612.72

Max Wright – Treasurer VPCI

Monday 10th Feb 2020