

Victoria Petanque Clubs Inc.

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Committee Meeting – Minutes

Videoconference

Monday 14 June 2021 Commencing at
7.05 pm

1. Attendees

Aileen Hebblethwaite (President)
Michael Lacase (Vice President)
Martial Leconte (Member)
Claire Sampson (Member)
Shirley Marshall (Member)
Peter Wells (Member)
Guy Mercier (State Umpire Manager: ex-officio)
Jean Francois Veyssiere (State Coach Manager: ex-officio)
Mike Forsyth (Invited)
Chinka Steel (Invited)

2. Apologies

Max Wright (Treasurer, see Attachment 1 for report).

3.1 Correspondence

Out: Notes to all Clubs on COVID-19 Guidelines (on the VPCI website, regularly updated and on Facebook).

Motion: That this VPCI Committee Meeting invites Mike Forsyth to be a General Committee Member of this Committee.

Proposed: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Seconded: Peter Wells

Vote: Passed unanimously

4. Previous Minutes

Motion: That the Minutes of the VPCI Committee Meeting of 12 April 2021 are a true record of that meeting. A copy of these Minutes is also available on the Committee page of the VPCI website and subject to an amendment to the 12 April Minutes, to appoint Chinka Steel as Secretary, these Minutes were approved.

Proposed: Shirley Marshall

Seconded: Michael Lacase

Vote: Carried

5. 1. Treasurer's Report

Max's report is attached to these Minutes.

Opening Balance on 5 April 2021: \$7,950.93

Income: \$930.00

Expenditure: \$729.00

Closing Balance on 12 June 2021: \$8,151.93

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Proposed: Peter Wells

Seconded: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Vote: Passed unanimously

5.2. State Coach's Report

The Victorian State Coach Manager, Jean Francois Veysiere reported that Smart Petanque certificates will be issued following the coaching clinic at Ballarat Petanque Club. JF also advised that he had held a recent Junior Coaching Workshop. Coaching at club level was postponed due to the pandemic and there will be more to report in a couple of months.

5.3. State Umpire's Report

The Victorian State Umpire Manager, Guy Mercier reported that competition in Metropolitan area was not allowed. Regional Victoria will only be able to run tournaments when the whole of the state is allowed to participate.

6. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

6.1. Regional Cups

The 2 Regional Cups were held on 18 April 2021:

North & West – The Grampians (12 Teams registered) – The winning team was from the Grampians Petanque Club.

Metro & South – St Kilda (14 Teams registered) – This went smoothly, and players observed they would like a repeat next year. This Regional Cup was won by Dove Petanque Club.

6.2. Qualifying to Finals – How Many Teams?

A broad suggestion was made around a maximum of 70% of the Qualifying cohort of Teams should be allowed in any State Finals.

The Committee finally resolved that this should be left to VPCI Clubs at Club-hosted Events to determine and make clear on their Flyers.

For State Championship Tournaments this will be covered by a statement on the Flyer.

It was also resolved that in future the Registration for State Championship Tournaments will close on the Wednesday before the competition.

7. Other Business

7.1. Draft Calendar 2022

Clubs should have their initial requests for hosting 2022 Events in to the VPCI Secretary by the August Committee Meeting based on Metropolitan Clubs having 4 dates and Regional Clubs 2 dates. As usual, the 2022 Victorian State Calendar will be confirmed at the 2021 AGM. Clubs may also request permission to host 3 Victorian Championship Tournaments to be run in 2022 at about the same times as in 2021.

The State Shooting Competition was discussed, and a suggestion was made to have Clubs conduct their own qualifying Rounds, prior to a State Shooting Competition. This will be re-visited at the next meeting. But PFA now requires State Shooting competitions to be completed and the result submitted by 28 February each year.

A Pointing Competition was discussed to run in parallel with the National Shooting Competition.

7.2. Covid-19 Restrictions

Many covid restrictions for Community Sport are now significantly relaxed when not in lockdown. However, shared equipment (rings, jacks, measuring tools) still are required to be cleaned between use unless handled by one player alone.

Shared equipment and sporting goods (Current DHHS wording)

Avoid the shared use of equipment in the workplace and during activities, classes, or training sessions.

Where it is not possible to eliminate shared use of equipment:

- ensure all equipment is cleaned between each user
- make disinfectant wipes available for clients to clean equipment and surfaces after client use
- ensure any clothing such as sporting jerseys, harnesses and wetsuits, is laundered between use
- ensure all employees and clients thoroughly wash their hands with soap and water or sanitise before and after each activity, class or training session

The shared use of phones, desks, offices, computers, and other devices should also be avoided. Where this is not possible, these items should be regularly disinfected.

7.3. Recognition by Sports and Recreation Victoria

An application to Sports and Recreation, Victoria for seeking recognition of petanque as a sport is progressing. Claire Sampson has offered to assist in developing a Strategic Plan.

7.4. Launch Pilot Schools Program?

If successful in getting Petanque recognised by Sports and Recreation Victoria, then one idea put forward was to launch a pilot petanque program in schools.

7.5. VPCI Member Clubs

To note: Recent advice from PFA has indicated that Clubs that do not pay the Annual Fees to their State Leagues may not be affiliated with PFA.

7.6. Any Other Business

(a) Chinka Steel resigned as Secretary of this Committee.

(b) A suggestion was offered that banners and leaflets be held at Camberwell Petanque Club for Metro Clubs and at a Regional Club such as WHRPC for N and W region Clubs.

[c] Resolving clashes of Events on the same date may only be resolved by the Clubs agreeing and being well separated by a suggested distance of at least 150 km.

[d] The Committee asked if Mike Forsyth would be prepared to be Secretary of this Committee and he was happy to accept.

Motion: That Mike Forsyth, Maldon Petanque Club be appointed as VPCI Secretary.

Proposed: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Seconded: Claire Sampson

Vote: Passed unanimously.

7.7. Authorised Expenditure

No expense claim for Umpiring is outstanding.

8. Date of Next Committee Meeting

Monday 16 August 2021 at 7:00pm.

The meeting closed at 8:38pm.

Signed:

Aileen Hebblethwaite
President

Mike Forsyth
Secretary

(Date) -----

Attachment 1

TREASURER'S REPORT

This report covers the period 13 April 2021 to 12 June 2021

There have been 9 financial transactions recorded on the Bendigo Bank account during this period.
The 9 transactions relate to:

Income

Club Event Fees (3) \$230, Entry Fees for Regional Cup Events (2) \$650 and Club Membership fee \$50 (2020/2021 year) from Stella Clavisque
less

Expenditure

Umpiring Duties \$100, Uniforms for Victorian Junior Squad \$429 and Donation to St Kilda PC Member to assist with child's medical costs (\$200).

In relation to outstanding 2020-2021 VPCI Annual Club Fees the following clubs are yet to pay:

Portsea, Somers.

Account Summary for the period 6 April 2021 to 5 June 2021

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Expenditure \$729.00

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Max Wright – Treasurer VPCI

Saturday 12 June 2021