

Victoria Petanque Clubs Inc.

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Committee Meeting Minutes

Videoconference
Monday 14 October 2024
Commencing at 7.00 pm

1.1. Attendees

Aileen Hebblethwaite (President)
Shirley Marshall (Vice President)
Peter Wells (Secretary)
Lynette Johnson (Treasurer)
Glenn Bovell (Member)
Bob Hutchinson (Member)
Danny Green (Acting State Umpire Manager, in Guy Mercier's absence)

2.1. Apologies

Guy Mercier (State Umpire Manager: ex-officio)
Michael Lacase (State Coach Manager: ex-officio)

3.1. Correspondence

Report from Lindsay Kinghorn re. 2024 ISC (attached on page 4)

3.2. Previous Minutes

Motion: That the Minutes of the VPCI Committee Meeting of 5 August 2024 are a true record of that meeting, and those Minutes are now confirmed.

Proposed: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Seconded: Shirley Marshall

Vote: Passed unanimously

4. Treasurer's Report

Lynette Johnson's report is attached to these Minutes. As of 1 October 2024, the balance in the VPCI account was \$6,306.39

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Proposed: Lynette Johnson

Seconded: Aileen Hebblethwaite

Vote: Passed unanimously

5.1. State Coach's Report

Michael Lacase asked prior to the meeting that VPCI note Lindsay's 2024 ISC Report (page 4).

5.2. State Umpire's Report

Danny Green was invited to attend this VPCI Committee Meeting as he is standing in for Guy. Danny asked that VPCI attempt to ensure that Clubs who host Victorian Championship Events prepare Lanes that are of adequate size and condition. VPCI agreed to ensure that Clubs hosting major Tournaments ensure that Lanes are of the minimum size of 13 m x 3m and that the surface is clear of foreign matter. While rain is always an issue, we would also ask Clubs to talk to their local Councils/Shires to assist with drainage if that is an issue (also see item 6.2).

6. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

6.1. Interstate Challenge 2025

Report from Lindsay Kinghorn (attached)

6.2. Victorian Championship Singles

Report – Conducted on Sunday 15 September

Also added here is a relevant section of Danny Green's Umpire report

Other comments:

The additional piste added was substandard, but allowed the registered teams to participate in the Championship. Registration should only be accepted from the number of teams able to be accommodated on suitable pistes, not leaving decisions to be made on the day. A few of the pistes were very slippery due to mossy sludge.

6.3. Clubs Requesting Calendar Events for 2025

The 2025 Calendar is now very close to being full. This can be viewed on the VPCI website at <http://www.petanquevictoria.com.au/calendar.htm>

Clubs will be contacted in the near future to sort out any outstanding issues in order to have the 2025 Calendar ready to be accepted by all Clubs at the 2024 VPCI AGM.

6.4. Victorian Championship Events for 2025

The tentative dates for these Events in 2025 are:

Victorian Championship Triples to be held on Sunday 2 February (venue to be decided)

Victorian Championship Singles to be held on Sunday 6 April (venue to be decided)

Victorian Championship Doubles to be held on Sunday 28 September at Weird Petanque Club

7. Other Business

7.1. Responses to PFA Documents

The VPCI Committee is unanimously opposed to the decision by PFA to award lower Ranking points to players in a 60+ Division compared to players in an Open Division.

7.2. Renewal of Zoom Account

The current VPCI Zoom account is now expired. VPCI is exploring other options.

7.3. Clarification of ex-Officio Members

There was a brief discussion as to how people get onto the VPCI Committee. Generally, office bearers are elected at the AGM (usually in late November each year when all position fall vacant). In addition, casual vacancies on the VPCI Committee are dealt with under item 57 of the Model Rules (see <http://www.petanquevictoria.com.au/documents.htm>).

Historically, the State Umpire Manager and the State Coach Manager attend the VPCI Committee as ex-officio Members but have not been allowed to vote on VPCI Committee decisions. We feel that this should be reviewed with the aim to allow these two office bearers to have a vote. This will be discussed at the forthcoming 2024 VPCI AGM.

7.4. 2024 VPCI AGM

The 2024 VPCI AGM will be held Tuesday 26 November by videoconferencing commencing promptly at 7.00 pm. The AGM Agenda will be circulated to all Clubs in a few weeks' time.

7.6. VPCI Documents

The VPCI_Publicity_Flyer was an issue in that it contained information about all Clubs with Office Bearers noted. It became unmanageable with continual changes taking place. The VPCI Publicity Flyer has been reviewed and returned to the VPCI website as a simplified document: <http://www.petanquevictoria.com.au/documents.htm>. And this is an appropriate time to ask all Clubs to advise VPCI of any changes to Club Office bearers in a timely manner, please.

7.7. Other Business

(i) Women's Divisions in Victorian Championship Tournaments.

Following a discussion about the total number of Women players in Victoria who are under 60 years of age, it was resolved that in future (2025 onwards) that in the Victorian Championship Tournaments (Singles, Doubles and Triples) the Women 60+ and the Women Open Divisions will be combined from the outset and only the Women Open Division will take place. The Prize money for this combined Women's Division will also be increased.

(ii) Men's Divisions in Victorian Championship Tournaments.

It was also decided that for the time being that the Men 60+ and Men Open Divisions will be offered as separate divisions in all the Victorian Championship Tournaments (Singles, Double1s and Triples).

7.8. Pre-Authorised Expenditure

The VPCI Treasurer is authorised to make the following payments:

(i) Payment associated with submitting the 2024 Annual Report to Consumer Affairs Victoria.

8. Date of Next Committee Meeting

The next VPCI Committee Meeting will be on Monday, 03 February 2025, commencing at 7.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 7.43 pm.

Signed:
Aileen Hebblethwaite
President

Peter Wells
Secretary

Reports
2024 Interstate Challenge Report

We did four weekend sessions of coaching at St Kilda plus 2 midweek coaching sessions of Macedon Ranges players. All team members bonded well together over that period of time. The main concern was that the players had heard of the size of the stone on the terrain in Queensland. We practiced on similar terrains and used different combinations of players making up the teams to try to address the terrain issue. I met with Shirley twice to discuss team combinations.

The team was confident and some went early to train on the stone. They performed to the best of their ability. Day one everyone was doing well. We were in the middle of the field. On Sunday the temperature was up to 30 degrees which made it hard for everyone. Everyone played hard but the teams faced stiffer opposition. The hardest two teams were the WA teams and unfortunately we played them in the last round. Despite all this, everyone had a great time, enjoying the camaraderie of such an event. They all said that they'd learnt a lot and the feedback from the players was fantastic. One outcome is that players are keen to arrange for heavier stone on their home pitches so that everyone can learn to play on this type of terrain.

Kind regards
Lindsay

September 2024

The financial report is attached to this document

Opening Balance 27.07.24	\$6,773.39
Income	\$1,514.00
Expenditure	<u>\$1,981.00</u>
Closing Balance 01.10.24	<u>\$6,306.39</u>

Income

Entrance	\$1,180.00
Player Levy	<u>\$334.00</u>
Total	\$1,514.00

Expenditure

Umpire payments	\$300.00
Entrance	\$200.00 Interstate Comp
Prize Money	\$840.00
Hosting Fee	\$200.00
Trophies	<u>\$441.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,981.00

LYNETTE GLENDA JOHNSON

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Statement Account

Account title VICTORIA PETANQUE CLUB
INC
BSB 633 000
Account number 151047958
Account opening date January 07, 2014

Proof of Account

Bendigo Bank is pleased to confirm your account details and the following transactions:

\$6,306.39
Current balance

Transactions from 27/07/2024 - 01/10/2024 This Proof of Account was generated by Bendigo e-banking on October 02, 2024 at 09:31am

Date	Transaction	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
October 01, 2024	TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED / TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED 09/24	-\$0.00		\$6,306.39
October 01, 2024	INTEREST		+\$0.00	\$6,306.39
September 26, 2024	Osko Payment Received / Event Fee Petanque Doubles To> / MTMARTHA BOWLS, PETA		+\$114.00	\$6,306.39
September 25, 2024	Osko Payment Sent / Mt Martha Doubles 22.09.24 / Geoff Shaw	-\$100.00		\$6,192.39
September 17, 2024	Osko Payment Sent / D Green VPCI Singles / Danny Green	-\$100.00		\$6,292.39
September 16, 2024	DEPOSIT - CASH / SINGLES		+\$140.00	\$6,392.39
September 13, 2024	Osko Payment Received / VPCI fee for Umpire at comp 8> / CAMBERWELL PETANQUE		+\$126.00	\$6,252.39
September 13, 2024	Osko Payment Sent / Medal reimbursement / Peter Wells	-\$441.00		\$6,126.39
September 12, 2024	Osko Payment Sent / Umpiring Camberwell 08.09.24 / Christophe Serre	-\$100.00		\$6,567.39
September 01, 2024	TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED / TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED 08/24	-\$0.00		\$6,667.39
August 27, 2024	Osko Payment Received / Weird Entertaine		+\$94.00	\$6,667.39
August 06, 2024	Osko Payment Sent / VPCI entry 2 teams ISC / PFA	-\$200.00		\$6,573.39
August 01, 2024	TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED / TRANSACTION FEES CHARGED 07/24	-\$0.00		\$6,773.39