# Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Club de Petanque d'Adelaide Clubrooms Thursday 29 June 2012 starting at 7:00 pm 

| Present: | Adrian Clements | President |
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|  | Anders Holmdahl | Vice President |
|  | Stan Wilson | Secretary |
|  | Maitie Beaumont | Treasurer |
|  | Tina Stockley | Committee (CDPA) |
|  | Anthony Piestch | Committee (AHPC) |
|  | Deb Rodda | Committee (Eastern Suburbs) |
|  | Glenis Head | Committee (Gawler) |
|  | Ray Beaumont | Committee (Port Noarlunga) |
|  | Dave Ward | Prospect |
|  | Richard Voskamp. | Committee (Prospect) |

1. Apologies: Apologies were received fromCoonawara Pétanque Club and John Wison-Smith

The President declared the meeting open and thanked the committee members for attending.

## 2. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 29 March 2012 had previously been circulated to all members. Ray Beaumont proposed and Anthony Piestch seconded that they be accepted as a true record of that meeting. The vote accepting them was unanimous. The President and Secretary then signed and dated a copy of the minutes. A signed copy will be placed on the SAPL website.

## 3. Actions Arising:

Actions 36 and 38. These two actions have been open since October 2011 and no specific responses been made. Action 36 relates to improving championship attendance and this has been happening. The actionee for 38 is no longer a club delegate. The Secretary proposed that these two outstanding actions be closed and all agreed

## Actions Closed

Actions 40, 41, 64 and 72. Remain unresolved
Actions Open
Action 83. The Secretary and President addressed this point with the PFA Sports Director during the National Doubles Championships. He stated that to obtain PFA funding for the Easter event SAPL would need to write a report. Action 83 is considered closed. r.

Action Closed
A new action was placed on the Secretary to write a report on the Easter event and submit it to the PFA Sports Director

Action 85. The 2012/2013 calendar has been circulated..
Action Closed
Action 86. The President has tried in vain to find the State Women's Doubles shield
Action Closed

## 4. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer presented each delegate with a copy of her Financial Reconciliation report. The report showed the bank balance as $\$ 4638.76$ on the 10 May 2012. This included money previously donated to the Junior fund.

The Treasurer noted that the closing balance includes a payment of $\$ 900.00$ made by PFA. This payment was player and coach recompense $\$ 100.00$ each for participation in the 2011 Trans Tasman.

The Secretary explained that in spite of a written commitment to pay $\$ 100.00$ to each player and the coach for the 2011 Trans Tasman in May 2011 PFA had never paid in spite of a number of reminder letters from PFA. On Friday 27 April during the PFA AGM financial section Glenis Head raised the non payment with the board. The PFA President stated that he was sure that he had paid the SA players and the payment would be verified. The PFA Board met on Sunday 29 April and during the discussions the SAPL Secretary was asked to confirm the SAPL bank account details to the PFA President as he was conviced that a transfer of funds had occurred.
The details were done on Tuesday 1 May on return from Melbourne. On the 2 May Sylvio Jolicoeur sent an email to the SAPL Secretary with an extract from the PFA bank Statement for the period 16 Jan 2012 to 7 Feb 2012 this statement showed that a transfer had been made on the 18 January to "trans tas sa" this payment had been recredited to the PFA account on the same day with a comment "invalid BSB number. As soon as this point was recognised the sum of $\$ 900.00$ was tbransferred to the SAPL bank account on the 3 May. Once receipt had been verified by the Treasurer the SAPL Secretary wrote to Sylvio Jolicoeur on the 5 May confirming that the cash had been relieved and thanking him for his prompt action once the error was uncovered. The $\$ 900.00$ would be redistributed to the relevant players and coach as soon as cheques could be signed.
Secretary's post meeting note: I have checked my correspondence on this matter I first wrote to PFA in October 2011, I followed $\varphi$ with a reminder on the 9 January and in that message I included an erroneous BSB number for the SAPL Bank account.

The Treasurer moved that the report be accepted. This was seconded by Tina Stockley and carried.

## 5. Umpire's Report.

Ray reported that the umpires report for Round 4 had been sent to the Secretary. There had been no specific incidents to record.

## 6. Coaches Report

Adrian reported that there will be an International coaches course held in Sydney on the 13 to 15 June any one interested in attending should contact Warren Sowter.

To date there has been no attempt to form a State Squad, PFA do not seem to be keen on organizing an ISC but are concentrating on an over 60's competition.

From discussions that were held in Melbourne during the National Doubles it would seem that there is a strong desire to hold such events in SA. Any club with 24 or more pistes is encouraged to put its name forward to host the 2013 event.

## 7. Tournament Director's Report

The Tournament Director reported that for Round 4 we had 22 teams competing which meant that he ran two divisions:
With the welcome shelter of the new Adelaide Hills proto-clubrooms, and the beautiful surroundings, Round 4 was the best attended round that we've had this season. It was a very successful and convivial day, with much more sunshine than rain.
In Div I, a number of new faces appeared amongst the top placed teams. Congratulations to Lionel Chazal and Mark Harris who (together with Louis Oltarczy) won the day in their first league appearance. Congratulations also to Tory McBride and Lionel Pujol (playing with Dave Ward), who overcame some strong opponents to reach their first League final. Another personal best of note was achieved by young Harvey Walker, together with Luke Randall (also a junior) and Rob Mitchell, who claimed a few impressive scalps too, on their way to a very creditable fourth place for the Gawler club.
In the points table, Prospect maintain the lead but Club d'Adelaide have gained ground on them, stepping into second place in the process ( 3 points ahead of Eastern Suburbs). At the other end of the table, Gawler were the team on the up, moving into fifth place ahead of Port Noarlunga.

Meanwhile, in Div II, a good turnout from host club Adelaide Hills saw them snare second place overall, behind Gawler who again won the day (as they did in the only other Div II event held so far this season).

There was a problem applying the seeding rules because the condition in the agreed rules that teams who were $1^{\text {st }} 2^{\text {nd }}$ or $3^{\text {rd }}$ in the last round would be seeded and play against 1615 and 14 led to teams from the same club competing against each other. The Tournament director asked that the committee agree to a small change to the rules to give some flexibility in setting the qualifying poules. This was agreed and a copy of the approved regulations is appended to these minutes

## 8. Easter 2012

This item had been adequately discussed under Agenda item 3

## 9. Programme 2012-2013

The committee used the draft document provided by Tina and agreed definitive dates for all the SAPL and previously notified major Club events for the 2012 to 2013 season. The President proposed a vote of thanks to Tina for her work in preparing the Calendar this was approved by all present.

## 10. AOB

a. The Secretary reminded all delegates that he had sent out a survey from PFA which asked member clubs for comments on the way PFA operates. It is important that we respond to these requests as it seems that the new PFA board is prepared to listen.
b. The President remarked that Dave Ward will soon be enjoying a well earned bliday in Europe and extended the thanks of the SAPL committee for his work as SAPL Webmaster.
c. Anthony Pietsch has agreed to take over as the SAPL webmaster. He needs to obtain some software to do this. The Committee suggested that SAPL could provide the Software but Anthony preferred to procure his own.
d. It was agreed that the SAPL AGM will be held on Thursday the 2 August. The Secretary was a asked to follow up with the required notifications

## Action Stan Wilson

Meeting closed at 20:05
Signed


Next meeting: 7.0pm 21 June 2012 at Club de Pétanque d' Adelaide

## Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Adelaide Clubrooms

On Thursday 10 May 2012 Action Tracking Sheet

| Ref | Date | Actionee |  | Description | Status |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 23 | 8 April | S Wilson | Incorporate comments into draft wherever possible | Ongoing |  |
| 36 | 21 Oct | All | Prepare proposals for improving support at State Champ ionships | Closed |  |
| 38 | 21 Oct | Brett Williams | Investigate getting a Pétanque Clubs heading in Yellow Pages | Cosed |  |
| 39 | 2 Dec | Stan Wilson | Ask clubs for boule register information | Closed |  |
| 40 | 13 Jan | Ray Beaumont | Organise a presentation on the rules | Open |  |
| 41 | 13 Jan | Stan Wilson | Ask clubs about coaches | Open |  |
| 64 | 25 August | Dave Ward | Check Website invoices | Open |  |
| 72 | 24 Nov | All Clubs | Find a new SAPL Webmaster | Open |  |
| 73 | 5 Jan 12 | All Clubs | Check availability of clubs for Easter 2012 event | Closed |  |
| 74 | 5 Jan 12 | Tina Stockley | Check if CDPA is willing to move its "Interstate" event | Closed |  |
| 75 | 5 Jan 12 | Adrian Clements | Clarify PFA Bond payment | Closed |  |
| 76 | 5 Jan 12 | Stan Wilson | Draw up Triples flyer | Closed |  |
| 77 | 5 Jan 12 | Adrian Clements | Clarify ISC Host Club requirements | Open |  |
| 78 | 5 Jan 12 | All Clubs | Check club availability for ISC | Closed |  |
| 79 | 16 Feb | Stan Wilson | Inform A Deramond that ESP and Prospect are interested in ISC | Closed |  |
| 80 | 16 Feb | Stan Wilson | Draw up a Flyer for the Easter event | Closed |  |
| 81 | 16 Feb | Stan Wilson | Inform all clubs that there will be no Ladies State Triples competition | Closed |  |
| 82 | 16 Feb | Stan Wilson | Circulate the letter from Prospect. Put the item on the agenda of the next meeting | Closed |  |
| 83 | 29 March | Stan Wilson | Contact PFA regarding Easter event prize money | Closed |  |
| 84 | 29 March | Richard | Inform SAPL of any progress with PFA Insurance enquiry | Open |  |
| 85 | 29 March | Tina Stockley | Format Calendar and circulate for comment | Closed |  |
| 86 | 29 March | Adrian Clements | Look for State Women's Doubles shield | Closed |  |
| 87 | 10 May | Stan Wilson | Provide a report on the Easter Event to PFA | Open |  |
| 88 | 10 May | Stan Wilson | Prepare SAPL AGM | Open |  |
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## APPENDIX 1

## MATCH STRUCTURE

## SAPL Interclub Competition

## Format and Match Structure

Last Revised: May, 2012

## General

Each round of the competition follows one of three formats...
Round One is different because all teams start on an equal footing - there are no seedings based on prior results and no divisions.
For subsequent rounds, there is a 'Standard Format' with 16 teams in one division (Div. I) and the remainder in a second division (Div. II).
If there are not enough teams for two divisions, then an 'Alternative Format' applies.

The following features apply in common to all formats...
All games are to 13 and are untimed.
All teams play five games, per round.
In each round, clubs score championship points from their two best-placed teams (in each division, where applicable).

Initial seedings (for Round 2 onwards) are determined by final rankings from the previous round.

## Round One

For the first round of the season, all teams are grouped together.
The draw is random.
The winner and placings are decided by number of wins first, then net points difference.
The first twelve place-getters get: $30 ; 24 ; 21 ; 18 ; 15 ; 12 ; 9 ; 9 ; 6 ; 6 ; 3$; and 3 championship points, respectively.

In the event of teams being tied on wins and points, there are three possibilities:

1. If the two teams have played each other in the course of the day, then the winner of that game takes the higher position.
Otherwise ...
2. Two teams might in some circumstances be permitted to play a 'Tie-breaker'.

Otherwise ...
3. Equal placings are awarded and each team receives an equal share of the total championship points allocated to the positions being contested.

## Rounds Two to Six

If there are 21 or more teams, the Standard Format is used. This involves separation into two divisions:
Division I contains the sixteen highest-seeded teams and is arranged into four pools of four. Match-ups are determined according to seeding position (see Standard Schedule / AM).

Division II contains whatever number of teams remain. If there are more than six then matchups are drawn at random.

If there are less than 21 teams, then all go into a single Division I.
All match-ups (including byes, where applicable) are determined by seeding position, as specified by one of the Alternative Format schedules.

## Standard Format -- Division I

The sixteen teams in Div. I are grouped into four pools of four.
In the morning session teams play the other three teams in their pool, as follows ...

## Standard Schedule / AM

|  | Seed <br> Position | Play v. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Game 1 | Game 2 | Game 3 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 16 | 9 | 8 |
|  | $\mathbf{8}$ | 9 | 16 | 1 |
|  | $\mathbf{9}$ | 8 | 1 | 16 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 1 | 8 | 9 |
| $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | 15 | 10 | 7 |
|  | $\mathbf{7}$ | 10 | 15 | 2 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 7 | 2 | 15 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 2 | 7 | 10 |


|  | Seed <br> Position | Play v. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Game 1 | Game 2 | Game 3 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{C}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | 14 | 11 | 6 |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ | 11 | 14 | 3 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | 6 | 3 | 14 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 3 | 6 | 11 |
| $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | 13 | 12 | 5 |
|  | $\mathbf{5}$ | 12 | 13 | 4 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 5 | 4 | 13 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 4 | 5 | 12 |

After their three games, teams are ranked within their pool by wins and then points.
Match-ups in the afternoon session are then as follows...
In the fourth game: Group 1: A1 plays D1; B1 plays C1;
Group 2: $\quad$ A2 plays D2; B2 plays C2;
Group 3: A3 plays D3; B3 plays C3;
Group 4: A4 plays D4; and B4 plays C4.
In the final (5th) game, winners play winners and losers play losers within each group.
Final ranking positions and championship points are then assigned as follows...

## Standard Schedule / PM

| Games <br> $\mathbf{1 - 3}$ <br> rank | Game <br> $\mathbf{4}$ <br> result | Game <br> $\mathbf{5}$ <br> result | Final <br> Ranking | Ch'ship <br> Points |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | $W$ | $W$ | 1 | $\mathbf{3 0}$ |
| 1 | $W$ | $L$ | 2 | $\mathbf{2 4}$ |
| 1 | $L$ | $W$ | 4 | $\mathbf{1 8}$ |
| 1 | $L$ | $L$ | 7 | $\mathbf{9}$ |
| 2 | $W$ | $W$ | 3 | $\mathbf{2 1}$ |
| 2 | $W$ | $L$ | 5 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| 2 | $L$ | $W$ | 8 | $\mathbf{9}$ |
| 2 | $L$ | $L$ | 11 | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 3 | $W$ | $W$ | 6 | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| 3 | $W$ | $L$ | 9 | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 3 | $L$ | $W$ | 12 | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 3 | $L$ | $L$ | 14 | - |
| 4 | $W$ | $W$ | 10 | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 4 | $W$ | $L$ | 13 | - |
| 4 | $L$ | $W$ | 15 | - |
| 4 | $L$ | $L$ | 16 | $\mathbf{-}$ |

The lowest team or teams in the rankings may be relegated to Division II in the seedings for the subsequent Round. The number of teams relegated is determined by the number of teams to be promoted from Division II, which in turn depends on the number of teams competing (as explained below).

## Standard Format -- Division II

The format of Division II is essentially the same as that used in Round One.
If there are five or six teams, all teams play all other teams. Otherwise, the draw is random.
Div. II final rankings are determined by wins and points, as per Round One.
signed Min 7-10-5-12

The number of Championship Points awarded, the initial seedings for the subsequent round, and the number of teams promoted to Division I, all depend on the number of teams in the Division, as follows..

| No. Teams: | 5 |  | 6 |  | 7 |  | 8 or more |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Position | Ch'ship <br> Points | Seeding <br> Position | Points | Seeding | Points | Seeding | Points | Seeding |
| 1st | 12 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 18 | 12 | 24 | 12 |
| 2nd | 9 | 17 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 18 | 13 |
| 3 rd | 6 | 19 | 6 | 18 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 15 |
| 4th | 3 | 20 | 3 | 20 | 6 | 18 | 9 | 16 |
| 5th | - | 21 | 3 | 21 | 3 | 20 | 6 | 19 |
| 6th |  |  | - | 22 | 3 | 22 | 3 | 21 |
| 7th |  |  |  |  | - | 23 | 3 | 23 |
| 8th |  |  |  |  |  |  | - | 24 |
| 9th... |  |  |  |  |  |  | - | 25... |

The promoted teams are those given a seeding of 16 or above.
The lowest-ranked teams from Div. I are placed (in order) into the spaces between the seeding positions allocated to Div. II teams.

At least three rounds incorporating a second division must be held within a season, for a Division II Championship to stand and for prizes to be awarded.

## Alternative Format

## Morning Session

Teams are divided into two pools - A and B.
All teams play three qualifying games. Match-ups are specified according to seed position. (See schedules below for details.)

Teams are then ranked within pools, based on wins and points
(to give A1, A2, A3... and B1, B2... etc).

## Afternoon Session

All teams play two playoff games, in groups of four.
Game 4: Top Group: A1 plays B2, and B1 plays A2;
2nd Group: A3 plays B4, and B3 plays A4;
3rd Group: A5 plays B6, and B5 plays A6;
... etc. ...
Game 5: Within each group of four, winners play winners and losers play losers.

## Final Rankings

As usual, winners of afternoon games are rewarded; losers of afternoon games are penalized. Hence, following the same pattern as the Standard Schedule / PM ...

The Top Group
The Second Group
The Third Group
The Fourth Group and The Last Group
play off for positions:
play off for positions: $3,5,8 \& 11$;
play off for positions: $6,9,12 \& 14$;
play off for positions: $10,13,16 \& 18$;
play off for positions: $15,17,19 \& 20$.

## Alternative Schedules...

## Alternative Schedule 17 / AM

| Pool | Seed <br> Position | Play v. <br> Game <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 17 | 11 | Game <br> $\mathbf{2}$ |
| Game <br> $\mathbf{3}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{4}$ | 15 | 13 | 5 |
|  | $\mathbf{5}$ | 13 | 15 | 4 |
|  | $\mathbf{9}$ | 11 | 17 | 1 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | 9 | 1 | 17 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 5 | 4 | 15 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 4 | 5 | 13 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | 1 | 9 | 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |


| Pool | Seed <br> Position | Play $\mathbf{v}$. <br> Game <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Game <br> $\mathbf{2}$ | Game <br> $\mathbf{3}$ |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | 16 | 14 | 8 |
|  | $\mathbf{3}$ | 10 | Bye | 7 |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ | 12 | 8 | 16 |
|  | $\mathbf{7}$ | 14 | 12 | 3 |
|  | $\mathbf{8}$ | Bye | 6 | 2 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 3 | 16 | 12 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 6 | 7 | 10 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 7 | 2 | Bye |
|  | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 2 | 10 | 6 |

## Alternative Schedule 18 / AM

| Pool | Seed <br> Position | Play $\mathbf{v}$. <br> Game <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{y}$ | Game <br> $\mathbf{2}$ | Game <br> $\mathbf{3}$ |  |  |
| $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 15 | 13 | 8 |
|  | $\mathbf{4}$ | 10 | 17 | 5 |
|  | $\mathbf{5}$ | 13 | $\underline{\mathbf{1 6}}$ | 4 |
|  | $\mathbf{8}$ | 17 | 11 | 1 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 4 | 15 | $\mathbf{9}$ |
|  | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | 8 | 15 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 5 | 1 | 17 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | 1 | 10 | 11 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | 8 | 4 | 13 |


| Pool | Seed <br> Position | Play $\mathbf{v}$. <br> Game <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | Game <br> $\mathbf{2}$ | Game <br> $\mathbf{3}$ |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\underline{\mathbf{1 1}}$ | 18 | 7 |
|  | $\mathbf{3}$ | 16 | 14 | 6 |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ | 18 | 12 | 3 |
|  | $\mathbf{7}$ | 14 | 9 | 2 |
|  | $\mathbf{9}$ | 12 | 7 | $\underline{\mathbf{1 0}}$ |
|  | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 9 | 6 | 16 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 7 | 3 | 18 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{5}$ | 12 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 6 | 2 | 14 |

## Alternative Schedule 19-20 / AM

| Pool | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Seed } \\ \text { Position }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Play } \mathbf{v} . \\ \text { Game } \\ \mathbf{1}\end{array}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{c}$ |  |  |  |
| Game |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{2}$ |  |  |  |  |\(\left.] \begin{array}{c}Game <br>

\mathbf{3}\end{array}\right]\)

| Pool | Seed <br> Position | Play $\mathbf{v}$. <br> Game <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 16 | 18 | Game <br> $\mathbf{2}$ |
|  | Game <br> $\mathbf{3}$ |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathbf{3}$ | 14 | $20^{*}$ | 7 |
|  | $\mathbf{6}$ | 13 | 10 | 16 |
|  | $\mathbf{7}$ | 18 | 13 | 3 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $20^{*}$ | 6 | 1 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | 6 | 7 | 14 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | 3 | 16 | 13 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 1 | 14 | 6 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | 7 | 1 | $20^{*}$ |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | 10 | 3 | 18 |

* With 19 teams, 'Team 20' becomes a Bye.


## Seeding Positions

Seedings are used to make the draw as balanced, fair and equitable as possible.
Seeding positions are held by the clubs. For any given club, their number of available seeding positions is the number of teams ( $\boldsymbol{x}$ ) they had competing in the preceding round of the competition.
If a club has (at least) $\boldsymbol{x}$ teams competing again this time, their initial allocated positions correspond directly to the final rankings of their teams in the previous round.
For each round, any club may choose to direct the allocation of their available seedings to specific teams. They should do so by listing their teams in the desired order (starting with the highest seed) and stipulating "in that order" when registering their teams.

If a club does not clearly specify the order of its submitted teams, seedings will be allocated at the discretion of the Tournament Director, following common-sense principles.

When significant line-up changes have occurred, it is much better if the club specifies their preference, so the TD doesn't have to make these decisions.
Seedings determine the match-ups in Division I, under the Standard Format, and all match-ups under the Alternative Formats, but do not affect match-ups in Division II.

## 'Tweaking'

In order to emphasize the Inter in Inter-club, the draw may sometimes be tweaked to minimise the number of match-ups between teams from the same club.

Tweaking may occur in one of two ways...
Random Draws (i.e., in Round One and in Div. II):

If the first randomly-generated schedule delivers a higher-than-average incidence of teams playing others from their own club, then another random draw is generated, and so on, until the number of intra-club match-ups is at least average or preferably better.

Seeded Draws (i.e., in Division I):
The TD may move two or more teams by a single seeding position, in order to avoid situations where teams from the same club would be playing each other in the preliminary rounds.
Ideally, each of the four pools will thus contain teams from four different clubs (unless, of course, one club has more than four teams in Div. I).

Where one of two teams in a pool needs to be moved, preference is always given to moving the team with the lower ranking, if possible.

## Anthony Pietsch

SAPL Tournament Director

