

Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Adelaide Clubrooms Thursday 25 February 2010 Starting at 7:00 pm

Present:	Graham Clark	President
	Adrian Clements	Vice Chairman
	Stan Wilson	Secretary
	Brett Williams	Committee (Prospect)
	Marcus Marende	Committee (Eastern Suburbs)
	Deb Rodda	Committee
	Ray Beaumont	Committee (Port Noarlunga)
	Glenis Head	Committee (Gawler)
	Anthony Pietsch	Committee (AHPC)

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from Maitie Beaumont, Tina Stockley, Raluca Raicu, Brenton Key and Coonawara Petanque Club

The League President, Graham thanked the committee members for attending and opened the meeting.

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14 January 2010 had previously been circulated to all members. The Secretary was asked to pay more attention to the names of the committee members as there were several mistakes in this regard Marcus Marende proposed and Ray Beaumont seconded that they be accepted as a true record of that meeting. The vote accepting them was unanimous. The President and Secretary then signed a copy of the minutes.

The Prospect Club requested that copies of draft minutes be put on the SAPL website for use at its club meetings. The Secretary replied that he was not in favour of publishing information that had not been verified by the committee members and issued draft minutes to all club delegates and Secretaries usually within one week of each meeting. The committee considered that this was adequate and the request from the Prospect Club was not agreed.

3. Actions Arising :

- a. The Secretary has circulated a Strategic Plan Template and Guideline to all club Secretaries and Delegates. The action is considered closed.

The objective of this was to help each club to formulate a Strategic Plan for its own use and assist with producing a plan for SAPL. It was noted that response the draft Rules Of Association had been slow in coming and little progress had been made on these.

It was agreed that as far as the SAPL is concerned it is necessary to produce and agree new Rules of Association prior to working on a Strategic Plan

The Secretary was asked to email the President of each club that had not responded to the draft Rules of Association asking for an input before the next SAPL meeting.

Action Stan Wilson

- b. No further information had been given on alternate wine sources for prizes. Action remains open
The President agreed to contact the Coonawara Club with regard to this subject.

Action Graham Clarke

- c. The Secretary had received some correspondence from Ian Parmenter agreeing that it was impossible to play Pétanque in Elder Park and suggesting we look for something in the Botanic Gardens. Members who had participated in an earlier Tasting Australia event criticized the temporary pistes provided but it was agreed that we would continue to pursue this event and try to get an input into the piste design.

Action Stan Wilson

- d. Ray Beaumont provided figures for the Triples Championship on behalf of the Treasurer showing that an excess of income over payment of \$51.60 occurred. Action closed.
- e. Information has been received from PFA regarding the Australian Open and AGM **Action closed.**

It was noted that very few players from SA were planning to go to Perth and our clubs would therefore not be represented at the AGM. Ray Beaumont informed the committee that he would be officiating at the event and would, if necessary, present the SA clubs proxy votes to the Board.

- f. The webmaster was informed of the change of dates and had updated the website. **Action Closed**
- g. The Secretary reviewed the constitution and had circulated the result of the review to all Club Secretaries and Delegates. **Action Closed.**

The review revealed that any properly incorporated Pétanque club can request to become a member of the SAPL. The secretary considered that there was provision for a veto club of membership but the committee members disagreed.

The Secretary was actioned to write to FAB informing them that based on this review the committee had taken a wrong decision in July 2009

Action Stan Wilson

- h. The Secretary had not informed Club Secretaries of the decision regarding the use of the SAPL website. **Action remains Open**

4. Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer presented a financial statement and stated that the Junior fund stood at \$1304.19 this sum was included in the overall SAPL total closing balance of \$2887.99

Brett Williams moved that report be accepted this was Seconded by Marcus Marende and unanimously accepted by the committee.

5. Umpires Report:

There have been no SAPL Tournaments since the last meeting and hence no umpires reports.

Ray Beaumont informed the members that if any club wanted to enter players in the Australian Open shooting competition entries had to be submitted by the 12 March. Only one player per State for each category was allowed so if there were more than one nominee he would have to organize a competition. Clubs should inform Ray of nominees by 1 March

Action All Delegates

6. Coaches Report:

No coaching activities have occurred since the last meeting

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7. Tournament Director.

The Tournament Director told the committee that he had reviewed the proposal from Ray Beaumont and preferred the original proposal from Anthony Pietsch. It was decided unanimously that the following system is adopted for Interclub League rounds from round 4:

Interclub League rounds – Division 1

Morning Games

Form Pools based on results in previous round, as is done now, but arrange games in each pool as:

Game I: $a \ v \ d$ and $b \ v \ c$

Game II: $a \ v \ c$ and $b \ v \ d$

Game III: $a \ v \ b$ and $c \ v \ d$

where a , b , c and d are the four teams in a pool, ranked from highest seed to lowest seed.

Afternoon Games

In round 4, **the winner of Pool A plays the winner of Pool D**, and the winner of Pool B meets the winner of C . Similarly, $A2$ plays $D2$; $B2$ plays $C2$; $A3$ plays $D3$; **and so on**.

In round 5, winners play winners and losers play losers (as is done now).

'Weighted' Ranking System

The teams which lose both round 4 and 5 games get penalised, while those that win both of the afternoon games are rewarded, as follows:

rounds I-III <i>Position in pool</i>	round IV	round V	Final Ranking	Club Points
1st	W	W	1	30
1st	W	L	2	24
1st	L	W	4	15
1st	L	L	6	12
2nd	W	W	3	18
2nd	W	L	5	12
2nd	L	W	8	9
2nd	L	L	10	6
3rd	W	W	7	9
3rd	W	L	9	6
3rd	L	W	12	3
3rd	L	L	14	- *
4th	W	W	11	3

4th		W	L		13	- *
4th		L	W		15	- *
4th		L	L		16	- *

Relegated - *

Division II games will be played using the existing System.

Glenis Head said that some of the Gawler players felt that clubs with a large selection of league players played senior experienced players in the Second Division to gain club points advantage. The Tournament Director said he had received similar complaints in the past but there was little the league could do to control this.

8. PFA Correspondence

The Secretary said that he had passed all PFA correspondence received since the last meeting to the club secretaries and delegates.

Brett Williams said that Prospect thought that PFA should be approached with a view to reinstating the Day Licence system albeit with a token fee. Committee members agreed that this was desirable. SAPL is not affiliated to PFA but individual clubs are, it was agreed that this should be raised as an issue at the forthcoming PFA AGM.

9. AOB

- a. Following a request from Brenton Key the Secretary to informed the committee that the Dereck Rowley Cup registration is 9:30 not 10:30 as shown on the calendar.
- b. Adrian Clements informed the committee that the Moya Cup will be called the Adelaide Cup due to the Moya family mourning the loss of a grandson.
- c. Prospect Club made a proposal, which is attached to these minutes, that League rounds held in the summer months should be played in the evening to avoid the heat of the day. The committee considered that the quality of lighting at the clubs needed to be verified before this could be considered. Also it was noted that games usually stretched over 6 to 7 hours and to finish at a reasonable time games would need to start at around 3pm which is the hottest part of the day in Daylight Saving Time. The delegates agreed to discuss the proposal within their respective clubs and report back.

Action All Delegates

- d. The Secretary tabled a publication from the Office of Consumer and Business Affairs which consists of a checklist of Good Governance for Healthy Associations. The information was provided for information and to encourage member clubs to check their own performance against the list.

Signed

President 

Secretary 

Date: 8-9-10

Next meeting 7.00pm 8 April 2010 at Adelaide Club

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Action Tracking Sheet

As we have a number of agreed actions which are still ongoing I thought that perhaps the committee members would find this sheet a useful addition to our minutes as an Aide memoire of those things we committed to do but have yet to action. Let me know if you would like to continue with it.

Ref	Date	Actionee	Description	Status
3	3 December	All Delegates	Propose alternate affordable wine sources for SAPL prizes	Open
4	3 December	All Delegates	Propose alternative format for SAPL Championships in writing	Open
5	3 December	R Beaumont	Confirm that the CD handed out to clubs showed the correct version on PFA Rules	Closed
6	3 December	Dave Ward	Send Adelaide Review reference to all delegates and committee members	Closed
7	3 December	S Wilson	Follow up Tasting Australia	Closed
8	14 January	M Beaumont	Provide financial figures for the Triples champions hip	Closed
9	14 January	S Wilson	Seek clarification from PFA about the Easter Open and AGM	Closed
10	14 January	S Wilson	Inform the webmaster of the revised SAPL Calendar	Closed
12	14 January	S Wilson	Review the SAPL constitution to clarify club qualification requirements	Closed
13	14 January	S Wilson	Inform club secretaries of the Decision on use of the website	Open
14	25 February	S Wilson	Contact the presidents of each club that had not responded to the draft Rules	Open
15	25 February	G Clark	Contact Coonawara reference wine purchase	Open
16	25 February	S Wilson	Contact I Parmenter to see if SAPL can have an input into temporary piste design	Open
17	25 February	S Wilson	Write to FAB	Open
18	25 February	All Delegates	Inform Ray of shooting entrants	Open

PROPOSAL

To: South Australian Pétanque League

From: Prospect Pétanque Inc.

Date: 18 February 2010

Proposal:

The SAPL discusses the options for State League rounds to be held in the evening during the summer season.

Background:

Currently, State League rounds are held on Sundays, commencing in the morning and finishing late afternoon. Several pétanque clubs, including Adelaide, Prospect, ESP, and Adelaide Hills have adequate lighting to facilitate evening/after-dark play. This makes it possible to run League rounds in the evening.

Rationale:

Adelaide summers can be extremely hot. This year we have experienced a series of “mini-heatwaves” from November through to February. The heat can continue well into March.

Our “hot weather policy” means Sunday games are cancelled when the forecasted maximum temperature for the Sunday exceeds 35 degrees.

This results in the inconvenience of rescheduling the round when players may have made other arrangements.

Many of the League players are people well over 50; heat and sunstroke issues are concern to everyone but older people are even more vulnerable. These days, players continue to “super-senior” age.

Many players dislike being in the summer sun all day, even if the temperature is below 36 degrees. With the prevalence of skin cancers a major concern in the Australian population, there are occupational health and safety issues, and a duty of care, to be considered in playing for long periods in the sun.

Now that four clubs have lighting, it would be possible to hold State League rounds under lights during the summer months.

The 2009-2010 SAPL calendar includes rounds in October, November, March and April commencing at 9.30am. These rounds sometimes continue until dusk, through the most intensive sunlight of the day.

Recommendation:

The SAPL consider the feasibility of State League rounds being held in the evenings during the summer months for the 2010-2011 calendar-year – on a trial and review basis.

The four clubs with lights will host the rounds in October, November, March and April on Friday or Saturday evenings. (The clubs without lights could host daytime rounds during the other two months.)