

Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Prospect Petanque Clubrooms on Thursday 21 October 2010 Starting at 7:00 pm

Present:	Graham Clark	President
	Adrian Clements	Vice Chairman
	Stan Wilson	Secretary
	Maitie Beaumont	Treasurer
	Marcus Marende	Committee (Eastern Suburbs)
	Deb Rodda	Eastern Suburbs
	Ray Beaumont	Committee (Port Noarlunga)
	Glenis Head	Committee (Gawler)
	Anthony Pietsch	Committee (AHPC)
	John Wilson-Smith	Committee (FAB)
	Brett Williams	Committee (Prospect)
	Richard Voscamp	Prospect
	Tina Stockley	Committee (Adelaide)
	Rada Pierre	Adelaide

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from; Coonawara Petanque Club, Brenton Key

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

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9 September 2010 had previously been circulated to all members. There were no comments from the club delegates. Brett Williams proposed and Deb Rodda seconded that the minutes 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. A signed copy will be placed on the SAPL website.

3. Actions Arising:

- a. Contact Sport SA for advice on Insurance policies
The Secretary had completed this action but had not circulated the information to member clubs. Action to remain open until this is done.
Action Open
- b. Investigate a State wide Insurance Policy.
The Secretary is awaiting information from clubs
Action Open
- c. Write to Jean Phillippe Guiglielmi express in the results of the consideration of his proposal
Action Open
- d. Respond to PFA letter
The Secretary reported that he had sent a response to PFA after consultation with the clubs. He thanked all those that had contributed.
Action Closed

- e. The Secretary to inform Brenton Key of the committees decision

Action Closed

- f. Include discussion on state championships in the next Agenda.

Action Closed

- g. Agree rescheduled dates for the Interclub games.

Prospect Club has agreed to postpone an event due to be held on the 21 November to allow the Interclub round 3 to be held on that day. The Interclub will be held at the Adelaide Club but hosted by Port Noarlunga.

Action Closed

4. State Championships

Participation in the State Championships has been waning for some time. The Secretary tabled information on participation rates (attached) It was agreed that it was not worth holding a competition with too few participants but the cut off point was not agreed. The question of reintroducing a ranking system was discussed but it was felt that the ranking system is flawed because teams that are successful in local competition are not always eligible to play in Interstate competitions.

The Club delegates agreed to discuss the matter of poor participation at club level and to come back to the committee with suggestions for improving support for the SAPL organized events.

Action All

5. SAPL Marketing

Glenis suggested that the SAPL should consider asking a committee member to fulfill a marketing role for SAPL. Apparently the State Lacrosse organisation faced with dwindling numbers has recently done this with some success. Some members expressed concern that it would be too costly but Tina pointed out that promoting an organisation can be done with little expense. Others felt that the clubs should be the main promoters of Petanque as it is their best interest.

Adrian passed over a message that he had received from the Department of Education and Children's Services asking if SAPL would support an event on 3 November at ETSA Stadium related to the Premiers Be Active Challenge. There will be 50 Primary schools and about 300 children present.

We would need about 60 hand out packs and to arrange a way of letting the students have a go.

All agreed that this would be a good marketing opportunity, The Secretary agreed to do the organizing and Tina offered to help out with printing.

6. 13th Masters Games

The Secretary said that he had received an application form for SAPL participation in the games to be held in October 2011. The form had to be completed and returned by 29 October. The committee agreed that SAPL should support the games and a subcommittee consisting of Brett, Adrian and Stan was formed Brett agreed to ask his wife Sue if she would assist as she had been involved in previous games.

7. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer reported that the bank balance at the 19 October was 2668.60 this included money previously donated to the Junior fund. In response to a query raised at the last meeting regarding payments to Dave Ward the President confirmed that he had discussed the matter with Dave and was satisfied that the charges were reasonable.

There was some discussion over the number of bottles of wine available as prizes. The President confirmed that he had 7 bottles of wine. He originally had 9 but two were broken in transit. The President agreed to replace the lost bottles. It was noted that the State Triples Championship resulted in a \$37.00 loss due to poor attendance.

It was agreed that expenses up to \$100.00 could be charged to the Junior fund for the Premier's be Active Challenge event.

Tina Stockley proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted, this was seconded by Deb Rodda and carried.

8. Umpire's Report.

Ray Beaumont confirmed that the Umpires report for the State Triples had been provided to the President and Secretary. There were no adverse incidents. The Secretary confirmed that he had circulated a copy of the Umpire's report to all clubs.

One club indicated that one of its members who would not normally be given a copy of the Umpires Report had passed some comments on the report related to the Triples.

After some discussion, the committee decided that the decision taken on the 10 September 2009 that the secretary should circulate the Umpire's report to all clubs was wrong and the Umpire's report should no longer be circulated.

9. Coaches Report

There were no coaches present at the meeting, the Secretary reported that he had received a call from Brenton shortly prior to the meeting giving his apologies. In preparation for the Interstate Competition Brenton had reported that Dave Ward has been training the Over 60's on Brenton's behalf as Player/Coach.

He requested that the committee pay the \$100.00 entry fee due to PFA for the team to enter the competition. This was agreed and a cheque made out to PFA was handed over to the Secretary for transmission to PFA

Action Stan Wilson

10. Tournament Director's Report

Anthony reported that everything had gone smoothly at the Triples in spite of some last minute changes to format caused by the low turn out.

Brett Williams proposed a vote of thanks to the Tournament Director for a well run event, this reinforced by Adrian Clements who said he was grateful that Anthony had been willing to take the job over.

The Secretary asked if Anthony could write a note describing for an event what Host Clubs need to do and list what the Tournament Director would do there had been some confusion in this area at some events.

11. AOB

- a. Ray Beaumont informed the committee that the Trophy supplier had almost run out of SAPL inserts for the medals. He asked agreement to order a new batch. This was agreed.
- b. Brett Williams proposed that SAPL put an entry into the Yellow Pages. The Committee thought that this had already been done. It was found that individual club's contact details had been entered under "Sporting Clubs" heading. It was agreed that we would attempt to get a "Pétanque Clubs" heading inserted.

Action Brett Williams

- c. Tina Stockley reminded members that there were some important cups coming up at some clubs. The Dingo cup at Eastern Suburbs and the Pierre Cup at Adelaide. She asked that all delegates try to generate some enthusiasm in their members and support these events.
- d. The Secretary asked where the next meeting would be held. There was a proposal that the venue should alternate around those clubs that have the necessary facilities but it was finally agreed that meetings should be held at the Club de Pétanque d' Adelaide

Meeting closed at 20:35

Signed

President



Secretary



Date:

2-12-2010

Next meeting: 7.00pm 2 December 2010 at Club de Pétanque d' Adelaide

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On Thursday 21 October 2010 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.

Ref	Date	Actionee	Description	Status
22	8 April	All	Send calendar dates to Adrian	Closed
23	8 April	S Wilson	Incorporate comments into draft wherever possible	Ongoing
24	20 May	A Clements	Adelaide Club to write to PFA asking for a financial statement for 2009	Superceded
25	8 July	S Wilson	Write to clubs asking for an indication of interest in a year end dinner	Closed
26	8 July	S Wilson	Contact Sport SA for advice on Insurance policies	Open
27	8 July	S Wilson	Write to clubs with a proposition to be voted on at the next meeting	Closed
28	8 July	All	Review and comment on the Jean Phillippe Guiglielmi proposal	Closed
29	29 July	Stan Wilson	Investigate a State wide Insurance Policy	Open
30	29 July	All	Pay SAPL affiliation fee	Closed
31	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Write to Jean Phillippe expressing the result of consideration of his proposal.	Open
32	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Send a response to the PFA letter after circulating the draft to all clubs for comment	Closed
33	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Inform Brenton Key of the committee decision	Closed
34	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Include discussion on State championships in the agenda of the next meeting	Closed
35	9 Sept	Tina Stockley	Agree rescheduled dates for Interclub games caused by the change to the Triples	Closed
36	21 Oct	All	Prepare proposals for improving support at State Championships	Open
37	21 Oct	Stan Wilson	Send entry fee cheque to PFA	Open
38	21 Oct	Brett Williams	Investigate getting a Pétanque Clubs heading in Yellow Pages	Open
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Appendix 1

State Championship attendance

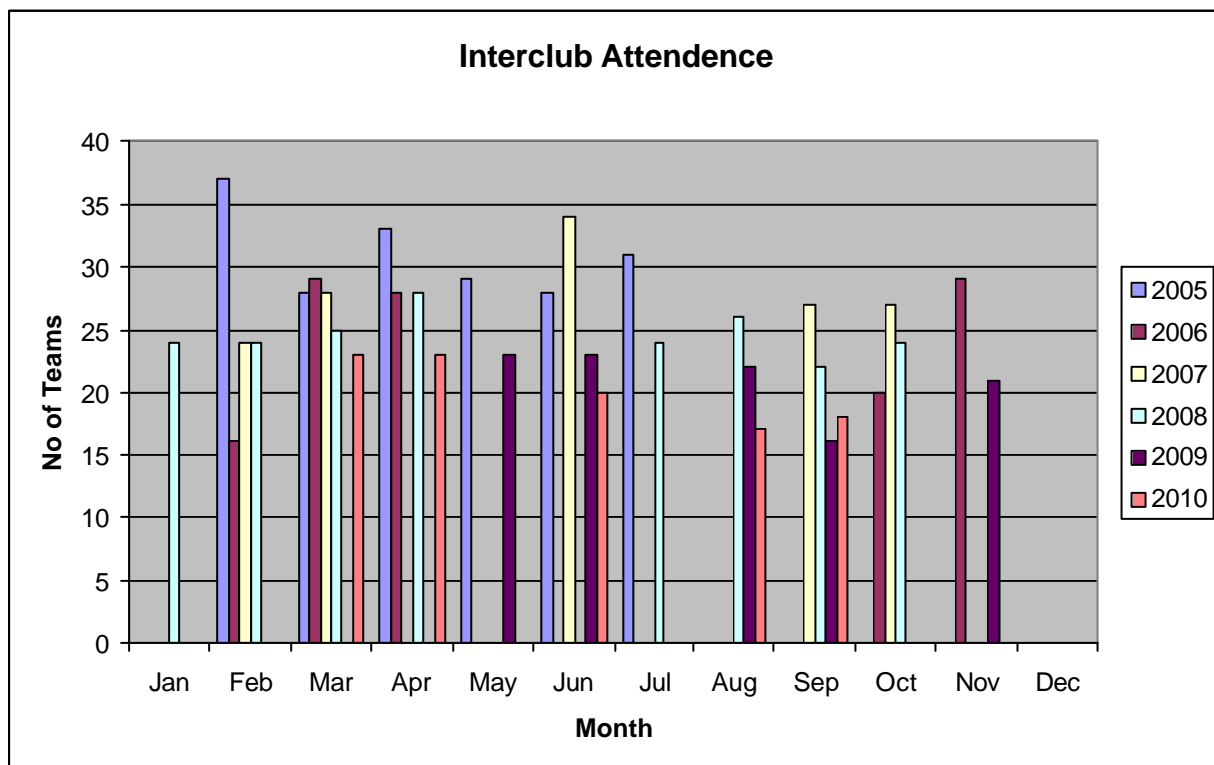
Championships and Interclub Competitions.

At our next meeting we are planning to discuss the structure of our championships and Interclub competitions, a topic requested by Prospect at our last meeting. I thought that I would prepare a few facts and figures to help in that discussion.

Figure 1 number of teams attending interclub games by month.

Month	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Jan				24		
Feb	37	16	24	24		
Mar	28	29	28	25		23
Apr	33	28		28		23
May	29				23	
Jun	28		34		23	20
Jul	31			24		
Aug				26	22	17
Sep			27	22	16	18
Oct		20	27	24		
Nov		29			21	
Dec						

Figure 2 Graphical representation of the data



ENTRIES				
	Triples	Doubles	Singles	2+1
1998	39			
1999	30			
2000	21			
2001	17			
2002	21	27		
2003	26	48		
2004	27	36		
2005	24	26		
2006	17	27		13
2007	2	39	28	17
2008	16	28	33	
2009	15	22		
2010	14			
2011				

Fig 3 Number of entries in State Championships by Year

It is not unusual for non prime sports to suffer from periodic loss of support Squash and Lacrosse are going through a difficult time at the moment and I recently read a report that support for State level Netball is on the downturn.

What is important in changing the current situation, if that is what we want, is how it is addressed. I would like to suggest that we use this discussion as a first step in producing a Strategic Plan for SAPL. To do this we should agree on our objectives as far as State Championships and Interclub competitions are concerned, set in place strategies to help us reach those objectives and then get teams or individuals to do the work towards implementing the strategies.

I have shown the process pictorially over the page.

Please give this proposal some thought and we can, I am sure, improve on it on Thursday.

Stan Wilson