

**South Australian Pétanque League Inc**  
**Minutes for the Meeting held on Saturday, 20th January 2018 at 10:30am in**  
**the Club de Petanque d'Adelaide clubrooms**

**Attended by:**

Adrian Clements President

Naz Saunders Secretary

Anthony Pietsch Vice President

John Wilson-Smith Treasurer

Tina Stockley CDPA

Christine O'Sullivan NGPC

Brett Williams PPC

Raymond Beaumont NPC

Dee Greenslade ESP

Jonathon Giddings NGPC

The President welcomed committee members and opened the meeting at 1030am.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Deb Rodda ESP, Annie Hambour FAB, Stan Wilson GPC, Glenis Head GPC, Allan Sanderson PPC, Coonawarra Petanque Club and Peter Beaumont NPC.

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- a. The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017, had been distributed previously to members. Brett Williams proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record which was seconded by John Wilson-Smith and the vote was unanimously accepted. The President and Secretary then signed and dated a copy of these minutes. A copy of the signed minutes will be posted on the SAPL website.

**3. Actions Arising from Previous Minutes**

The secretary noted that all action items had been closed other than a reminder to discuss participation in the Masters Games in 2019.

- a. **Action 178.** Masters Game 2019-Petanque Participation. **Open**  
Reminder for the committee to discuss whether to participate in the Masters Game 2019. Discussion should take place at the March or May meet. The Masters Games 2019 will be held in Adelaide, previously petanque had participated and Stan Wilson asked the committee to consider whether we should continue to do so. An early decision will alleviate the stress associated with organising the games. Adelaide is the only place where petanque has featured in the Masters Game and therefore many local players participate.

#### 4. Treasurer's Report

- a. The Treasurer's Report was distributed at the meeting and is summarised by an increase from \$4625 to \$4746 over the period 18<sup>th</sup> November 2017 to January 20<sup>th</sup> 2018. This increase is largely attributed to payments from the league round held at GPC plus bank interest. Due to circumstance Stan Wilson bought the league rounds wine prizes which in turn means the previously bought wine by Deb Rodda will be used for prizes in a future round. The Treasurer John Wilson-Smith proposed that this report be accepted which was seconded by Tina Stockley and unanimously accepted.

#### 5. Umpire's Report

- a. Raymond Beaumont introduced the subject of non-playing umpires being compensated for umpiring State League games. He stated that PFA have recommendations which have been adopted in Victoria and would serve as a base for our discussion but noted the final decision is up to individual State Leagues. Raymond hoped that this action, if successful, would help reinvigorate umpiring. He noted that a non-playing umpire has the opportunity to manage the game, respond to questions and generally control the game far more effectively compared to a playing umpire, especially in time games.

Discussions culminated with this rationalisation, if a non-playing umpire was paid \$100 per game plus refreshments (lunch and drinks), would that be considered fair compensation for travelling to a game, a full day's work and completing the follow up reports. So that is about 10 hours of commitment time for a league cost of less than \$130.

Discussion on the funding model noted that only a \$60 profit was made at the last round. Anthony Pietsch noted that any increase in costs to players may not be in the best interest of the game as in general he noted that players did not want to pay anymore. He stated that in recent years the league has struggled for numbers at state championships and an increase in playing fees would not help in this regard.

The proposal that the committee ultimately agreed upon is that non playing umpires in State League games should be compensated \$100 plus refreshments with SAPL funding this up until the next AGM.

Prior to the next AGM the Committee should discuss the umpire fees and whether a small general increase in fees is needed to sustain this plus CPI increases. Tina Stockley proposed this which was seconded by Christine O'Sullivan and the vote was unanimously accepted.

**Action 179.** Discuss Budget/Fees prior to AMG 2018      **Open**

- b. Raymond stated the licenses for the new umpires were being issued by PFA and mentioned that Terry Hall (FAB) had achieved a great result and congratulated him.

## 6. Coach's Report

- a. Adrian Clements commented that he will be the head coach at the 2018 Trans-Tasman Tournament in New Zealand and was Chair of the Coaching Commission and as such, Chair of Selectors.

The 2018 Trans-Tasman will be held in Tauranga, New Zealand on March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. A team comprising 12 Open players and 12 Over 60s players (6 men and 6 women) is required with South Australia represented by Rada Pierre, Dominic Pierre and Dave Ward in the over 60s and by Selina Daly and Deb Rodda in the Open team. Dave Lefer has withdrawn along with others from interstate thus the team has yet to be finalised, with 3 males and 2 females required. There is a concern that the team may not be filled as although over 60's players can backfill the Open team none are available. Adrian noted players must be of international level.

It is noted that the tournaments are not held in major cities therefore there is extra time and cost involved in getting to the locations (around 5 days). Additional costs (such as uniforms) means the total cost is around \$1.5K per player. Fundraising options are limited as the 'Go Fund Me' sites target the same people thus become less effective with time.

- b. Super 4s entry closes at the end of the month. No teams have registered to date but it is known that 3 teams are getting organised. If no teams register the State Coach can nominate a team. Should more than one team register, in either the Open or Over 60s category, SAPL will organise a playoff. Registration is via the mypetanque.com site where a SA Super 4s tournament has been set up.

There is a \$200 entry fee per team with half the money staying with SAPL. Committee discussions around the SAPL money resulted in two thoughts, either to reimburse the players or if a playoff/ tournament is required keep a little back to provide prizes to non-winning teams. Further discussion is needed but the majority feel reimbursing the players is the best option.

**Action 183.** Discuss the SAPL part of S4 entry fee. **Action Opened**

## 7. Tournament Director's Report

- a. Anthony Pietsch reported on SAPL, Mixed Triples Round 3, held at the Gawler Petanque Club on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017, saying there was a decent turnout but still only 15 teams in attendance. He thought that

consideration should be made to change the date, if it suits the GPC, so not to clash with hot weather, Christmas functions and major events such as The Ashes. No incidents were reported.

## 8. PFA.

- a. The special general meeting held on 9th December 2017 with regard to a Constitutional Change to allow club members to be directors was put to the vote and successful. (The proposed amendment to clause 13.3(a) (ii) of the constitution is to allow a person who holds an official position with a member club to nominate for and hold office as a director of Petanque Federation Australia.). So active players who already hold official positions with their respective clubs can hold office with PFA.
- b. The 2018 PFA AGM 1<sup>st</sup> Notice was distributed. The AGM will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at Caulfield Petanque Club and nominations for election to the Board are called for. Two present members of the Petanque Federation Australia board, President Joe Corcoran and Secretary Terry Dando will be standing down as required by the constitution. Joe Corcoran will be seeking re-election, however the secretary will not be seeking re-election. There will be four vacancies to be filled for election to the board.
- c. PFA are reviewing the casual Licence Policy. PFA currently has an invitation out for clubs to comment on proposed changes to the casual Licence policy. At the moment Clubs can obtain a number of casual licences for use at their club by unlicensed players at Club Tournaments. A slight change is being proposed where up to six day passes can be used by Clubs at competitions. Feedback from Clubs is welcomed by Jan 24th.
- d. A new Federation of Petanque and Jeu Provençal (FIPJP) shooting kit is available from PFA. Adrian Clements proposed that SAPL purchase a kit which was seconded by Ray Beaumont and unanimously accepted. Naz Saunders to organise the purchase.

**Action 180.** Purchase Shooting Kit rom PFA.

**Action Opened**

## 9. AOB

- a. With regard to Adelaide Festival Centre featuring petanque at the French Festival, Carrick Hill on January 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> 2018. Adrian Clements thanked the volunteers who had helped namely, Ray Drummond, Shelley Li, Ernie Palmer, Judith Brown, Naz Saunders,

John Luttrell, Ian Maroney, Deb Rodda, Denise Steinborn, Jill Morrell, Rae Grierson and Lio Chazal. SAPL received a thank you letter from Sarah Carey of Carrick Hill stating that 'the petanque display added a wonderful aspect to the event and we hoped all the participants enjoyed being part of the weekend'.

- b. Judith Brown contacted SAPL to say she had enjoyed her time at the French Festival and suggests it would have been good to have had information about SAPL to hand out. It was noted that SAPL Flyers had been produced about a year ago and will be made available.

**Action 182.** Secretary to locate SAPL Flyers. **Action Opened**

- c. Clubs should start to schedule their event dates for collation into the State Calendar 2018-2019.



**Action 181.** Clubs Organise their 2018-'19 Schedules. **Action Opened**

#### 10. Next Meeting and Close

- a. The next meeting will be held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 10:30am, at the Club de Petanque d'Adelaide clubrooms.
- b. John Wilson Smith suggested that next year the meeting should be held in February, after the league rounds, as there was not much to report on treasury wise, Raymond Beaumont stated that Saturdays were generally not suitable for him.

No other comments, meeting closed at 10:30pm

Signed:

President  Secretary 

Date 24/3/2018