

South Australian Pétanque League Inc
Minutes for the Meeting held on Thursday 26th September 2019 at 6:30pm
at Club de Petanque d'Adelaide clubrooms.

Attended by:

Anthony Pietsch Vice President/AHPC

John Wilson-Smith Treasurer

Allan Sanderson Public Officer/PPC

Naz Saunders Secretary

Kenny May NGPC

Rada Pierre APC

Deb Rodda ESP

Brett Williams PPC

Dee Greenslade ESP

Ray Beaumont PNPC

Terry Hall FAB,

Anthony Pietsch (Vice President) welcomed committee members and opened the meeting at 7pm. He thanked Rada and Dom Pierre for attending at late notice and opening the club rooms.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Guy Detot and Mal Redman CPC, Peter Beaumont NPC, Stan Wilson GPC, Roland Peik NGPC, Adrian Clements President, Phil Pollard CPA Annie Hambour FAB, Tina Stockley CPA, Glenis Head GPC.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 20th July 2019, had been distributed previously to members. Allan Sanderson proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record which was seconded by Deb Rodda and the vote was unanimously accepted. The Vice 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 the following Action Item which should be addressed during the meeting.

a. Action 189. Masters Game 2019-Petanque Participation. NS Open

This action will remain open until the completion of the AMGs.

Naz Saunders noted that the games were next week and 72 individuals had enrolled from furthest away New Zealand, then NSW, Vic, ACT and home SA.

Current bookings are summarised as female singles 15 players, male singles 24 players, female doubles 28 players, male doubles 36 players, mixed doubles 60 players, and Triples 30 male players, 24 female players and 54 players in mixed triples.

Anthony Pietsch provided a player schedule and tournament format guide which was sent along with a note to players Friday 27th September. He will be the Tournament Director for the Singles at ESP, Male/Female Doubles and Mixed Doubles at NGPC. Adrian Clements will be the Tournament Director for Triples at Prospect PC. Ray Beaumont said that they would cover the umpiring side for AMG.

Wendy Bensen mentioned she would be creating 3 new pistes at ESP which will accommodate the registered 39 players for Singles games

Naz Saunders will receive the official AMG documentation, volunteer packs, banners and medals during the week. AMG and Naz Saunders are still working on finalising teams.

- b. **Action 194.** Purchase a PFA Shooting Kit: - PFA provided a free kit which was delivered by Ray Beaumont to CPA for collection by Adrian Clements. **NS Closed**

4. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed at the meeting and is summarised by an increase from \$9642 to \$11,012 over the period 20th July 2019 to 26th September. John Wilson Smith mentioned that the increment seen in the statement was due to receipts from the Australian Masters Games (17AMG) which would be distributed back to clubs involved with 17AMG later in the year. After the committee considered the report there were no questions as the usual business activities were self-evident.

After consideration there were no questions and John Wilson-Smith proposed that this report be accepted which was seconded by Allan Sanderson and unanimously accepted.

5. Umpire's Report

Ray Beaumont noted there were some slow games at Interclub Rd2. At one point a yellow card was issued due to a time infringement. Anthony Pietsch suggested that this matter be discussed under AOB as it was already on the agenda.

6. Coach's Report

Anthony Pietsch

- a. Oceania will be held in Melbourne in October. The team includes South Australians, D Rodda, W Bensen, S. Dally and A Alexi. Naz Saunders noted that Ray Drummond (Vice President) at Eastern

Suburbs petanque had presented each player with a small imburement and wish them well at their last meeting.

7. Tournament Director's Report

- a. Anthony Pietsch noted that there had been a great turn out at Interclub Round 2 with 29 teams, thus 87 people, playing. He noted these were the best numbers seen in the last 12 years.

Rada Pierre commented that she was unhappy with regard to how her team, although winning all five games, did not finish in a medal-winning position.

Anthony tried to explain that it was a very unusual circumstance in that five teams in one pool won all of their three preliminary games. It's not possible for them all to play off for the top positions with just two games in the afternoon. The team in question started at a lower level because of their points differential, but, with wins in the afternoon against two other teams at that level, were able to work their way up to finish fourth overall.

8. PFA.

- a. The PFA e-Newsletter was forwarded (September 9th) to all clubs prior to the meeting.
- b. Jonathan Giddings had requested that Funding for Oceania Championships be discussed as PFA are asking assistance from all Australian clubs of \$100. This is noted here but up for indivual clubs to participate.
- c. A new shooting kit mat was received from Ray Beaumont.

9. AOB

- a. Anthony Pietsch opened a discussion with regard to the long game that occurred at the Interclub Rd2 competition, having earlier recirculated to the Committee the League's current "Guidelines for the Application of Article 37".

It was noted that one second-round game on that day ended after 1pm, hence people were waiting for what was perceived as too long and there was a late lunch and a late finish to the day. It was also mentioned that play didn't start until 9:50am, about ten minutes later than usual, which also added to the lateness of the proceedings.

Ray Beaumont stated that Article 37 allows for a game to be finalised if it holds up the commencement of the next round. The reason he chose not to exercise this provision on the day, when asked to do so by the tournament director, was because he believes a second-round

game could thus be unfairly penalised because of a prior first-round game that finished late, given these are untimed games and the start time is not noted. If the morning games were timed, on the other hand, this would solve the problem.

Naz Saunders suggested that each team, along with their score, records their start and end time thus making clear how long a game has been running and if the proposed guideline to Article 37 could be applied to a particular game. If timed games were to be considered, then make the time generous as then most games would come to their natural end.

Anthony Pietsch pointed out that there are other problems with timed games, most notably the need for non-playing umpires. On this matter, Ray Beaumont stated he was now of the view that timed games could be played without a non-playing umpire.



Consequently, Allan Sanderson proposed that timed games be used in Round 3, on a trial basis, to be reviewed again at the next SAPL meeting. Morning games to be timed to 50 mins plus one end and another end if tied - after-lunch games to remain untimed. The motion was seconded by Ray Beaumont and carried six votes to one.

- b. Ray Beaumont asked if players could be reminded to bring a tape measure to games as it may alleviate the umpires being called to issues that could be resolved by a simple measure.

10. Next Meeting and Close

The meeting was closed at 7:50pm and the next SAPL committee meeting is to be held on November 28th 2019 at Club de Petanque d'Adelaide at 6:30pm. The secretary will organise, noting that Greenhill Road has peak hour time restrictions.

Signed:

President  Secretary 
Date 28/11/19