

CROQUET SA Golf Croquet Committee Meeting
Held at 1.00 at Hutt Road on Tuesday 2 June 2020

Minutes

Attendance

Present: Graeme Thomas, Barry Haydon, Kim Millhouse, Karen Magee, Carolyn Cooper, Jane West, John Arney (arrived 1.30pm)

Apologies: Nil

Minutes of meeting held at 12 May 2020 at West Beach approved (moved by Karen Magee, seconded by Barry Haydon).

1. Reports:

1.1. Director - Graeme Thomas

1.1.1. Revised 2020 Program:

- **Unfinished team competitions:**

Graeme Thomas, Karen Magee and Peter Martynuik met Monday 1 June to revise the GC Program. The revised Program will be issued shortly. Most programs have been salvaged. However, Winter Pennants and Individual Doubles 5+ have been scrapped.

Autumn Pennants: 6+ still to be finished. One side withdrawn. Rest to be completed by mutual agreement by the end of July 2020.

Autumn 24+: 2 rounds with finals left to play. 2 sides, one from each block have withdrawn.

Weekend Pennants: Open will play a single round. 6+ and 9+ will be re-scheduled.

- **'Back for a Whack'** Midweek Singles and Midweek Doubles have been scheduled - modified Singles 10/11 June, Doubles 17/18 June. Thank you, Karen, for organising this event.

- **Pennants Play:** Graeme T noted that each team will be asked to bring a non-playing scorer. No clips will be used. A scorer to keep score for each colour/team.

1.1.2. Notes from the Board Meeting:

New Lawns: Memorandum of Understanding with Pembroke has been finalised and signed and forwarded to the Adelaide City Council for feedback.

1.1.3. Esports Desk App: Will need to be reprogrammed.

1.1.4. 2021 GC Interstate Shield and Associated Events: Croquet SA has been asked by ACA if it wishes to submit a proposal for ISS 2020 due to be held in Tasmania in either September or November 2020, depending on Covid 19 restrictions or lifting of same. Tasmania can hold all 3 events, Gold Medal, Men's and Women's Championship and ISS in September but cannot accommodate the Men's and Women's Championship in November. Considerable discussion ensued. The GC Ctee did not wish to hold the ISS event in September but would be willing to hold the ISS and related events in Adelaide in November if Tasmania did not wish to. However, the GC Ctee did not wish to compete with Tasmania. During the meeting, an email was received from Peter Freer, ACA Events which, amongst other matters, indicated that Tasmania was opposed to ISS coming to Adelaide in 2020. The GC

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Ctee agreed to submit an 'in principle' EOI bid should Tasmania not wish to conduct the event and to indicate that it was willing to hold the Men's and Women's Championship as a stand-alone event in November if ACA wished.

1.1.5. GC Regional Tournaments: On hold until 2021*** **Action: Kim Millhouse - Budget details to submitted to Treasurer.**

1.1.6. Fleurieu Pennants Tournament: Carolyn Cooper contacted Shirlene McBride who indicated that 3 clubs were interested in playing in 2020. Shirlene plans for these to be played as Home and Away matches on a Wednesday. Graeme noted that these matches will need to be completed by the end of November. *****Action: Carolyn will ask Shirlene if it is possible to complete by end November 2020.**

1.2. Coaching Coordinator - Kim Millhouse.

1.2.1. Coaching: ACA issued a press release about the new coaching program which Kim Millhouse tabled at the meeting (see attached at the end of this document). September is the date for the roll out of the new coaching system.

Barry Haydon queried the budget line for coaching ie what is for general coaching and what is for State coaching. As State Coach, Barry H requested \$500.

*****Action:** Coaching Budget to be submitted by Kim Millhouse.

1.2.2. Development Squad: To be held on Friday 12 June. Cohort will be split into 2 groups with Karen Magee and Julianne Jago assisting Kim. In future sessions, Kim will add a focus on tactics to the existing focus on skills.

Graeme T advised that he has a drafted a document on tactics and will forward same to Kim M.

1.2.3. Under 21 Competition: Another State Championship will be held in the October school holidays. Barry H asked for a budget of \$500 for this event.

1.2.4. Request from Barb Higgins for photo of Kim Millhouse as State Coach Coordinator wearing State Team uniform. Kim asked for approval from GC Ctee to do this and approval was given.

1.3. Event Planning & Programming - Karen Magee

1.3.1. Disputes Committee: None

1.3.2. Moving of Hoops: Karen Magee, Kim Millhouse, Peter Martynuik and Barry Haydon moved the hoops on 25 May 2020. Thank you to this group for completing this task.

1.3.3. Revised Calendar of Events:

Modified ISO Singles: 10/11 June - 45 entrants, 1 reserve

Modified ISO Doubles: 17/18 June – 23 teams, 1 team in reserve

1.3.4. Premium Events: ACA Bronze Medal: Needs to be held by August. Could be held at a venue other than SACA. Gold Medal needs to be announced 2 months before the event is held.

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1.4. Handicap Coordinator – Carolyn Cooper

1.4.1. Handicapping System: Nothing to report

1.5. Refereeing Coordinator – John Arney

1.5.1. Refereeing SubCtee: Accreditation of GC Refereeing Course: Next meeting Thursday 14 June to discuss this.

1.6. Chair of Selection – Barry Haydon

1.6.1. Selection Ctee: State Squad training conducted on Friday 15 May and Sunday 17 May.

1.6.2. Barry had prepared and emailed to Graeme T two documents, Selection Policy - Golf Croquet State Squad and Selection Policy - Golf Croquet State Team. These were tabled for the GC Ctee's consideration.

***** Action: Graeme will forward these documents to the Board for approval.**

Jane West Approved 14 July 2020

Next Meeting: 1.00 Tuesday June 30 at Hutt Road. Post meeting Note: Meeting rescheduled to 14 July at Hyde Park.

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PRESS RELEASE

Australian Croquet Coaching Update

We are pleased to report that the following Coaching Manuals will be reviewed by Cam Tradell (Senior Consultant Workforce Coaching and Officiating Lead at SportAus) at the end of May 2020.

Association Croquet Level 1 (Coaching New Players)
Association Croquet Level 2 (Coaching Club Members)
Association Croquet Level 3 (Coaching Competitive Players)
Association Croquet Level 4 (Coaching Advanced Competitive Players)

Golf Croquet Level 1 (Coaching New Players)
Golf Croquet Level 2 (Coaching Club Members)
Golf Croquet Level 3 (Coaching Competitive and Advanced Players)

Ricochet Level 1 (Coaching New Players)
Ricochet Level 2 (Coaching Club Members)

Gateball Level 1 (Coaching New Players)
Gateball Level 2 (Coaching Club and Advanced Players)

Once the recommendations from SportAus have been implemented all Manuals will be reviewed by all State Coaching Directors prior to the launch of the Manuals in each State.

The criteria for Association Croquet Level 5 will be met by the Association High Performance Manager.

The Criteria for Golf Croquet Level 4 will be met by the Golf High Performance Manager

General Principles

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AustSport are currently reviewing all online courses and requirements. Currently, the due date is September 2020.

Croquet specific topics have been identified and are built into each Level of the new Coaching Manuals.

At this stage, Coaches are not required to complete any online courses for any Level. However, if a Coach wishes to use this service for their own personnel development it can be used for that purpose

Accreditations /Qualifications

All Foundations Level 1 Coaches qualifications have been extended until the new program is rolled out in each State (dates to be announced at a later stage).

If your Coach's expiry date is not until June next year (2021) you are still qualified to coach and only need to complete a refresher course if you choose to do so.

Applications

Anyone wishing to apply to become a Coach or Presenter must complete an application form.

This form is then review by the relevant State Director of Coaching.

The State Directors will then plan and co-ordinate the training sessions.

Prerequisites

The prerequisites will be listed on the application form for each level.

For example, to become a Level 4 in Association Coach you will need to be a referee.

Recognition for prior learning (RPL's)

The National Director of Coaching will consult with the State Directors

Examples:

Participant covered the same topic recently in another Level.

Participant has shown competency based on recent activity.

The Coach of the Year Award (September 2021)

All nominations to be received by the Coaching Director of each State.

State finalists to be announced.

National Winner to be announced.

The closing date for all nominations to be confirmed at a later date.

There are many exciting things happening in the background that we hope to share with you all soon.

Greg Bury and Barb Piggott

National Director and Assistant Director of Australian Coaching