CROQUET SA Golf Croquet Committee Meeting

Held at SACA at 1.00pm on 5 December 2017 at 1.00pm

Minutes

1. Attendance

Present: Graeme Thomas, Barry Jennings, Karen Magee, Shirlene McBride (on Skype),

Jane West

Apologies: Robert Weaver

Minutes of meeting held on 19 October, 2017 approved (moved by Karen Magee and seconded by Barry Jennings).

2. Reports:

2.1. Director – Graeme Thomas

2.1.1. Team App/Croquet SA: Ongoing

2.1.2. Succession Planning:

The Referee Coordinator: A vacancy still exists. ***Action: Graeme Thomas will consult with Bernie Pfitzner on a way forward.

GC Scorer: Julie Grindrod will take on this role in 2018. Thank you, Julie. Again, the GC Ctee wishes to thank Mick Reidy for stepping in to this role at short notice.

***Action:

- Graeme Thomas to address the issue of the GC Scorer Mailbox
- A planning workshop will be conducted with Julie to facilitate the transition. Graeme to organise.
- **2.1.3.** Croquet SA Presentation Day: GC Ctee will set up the room so Ctee members are requested to arrive at 9.30am.
- **2.1.4. Dropbox:** Graeme will liaise with Cathy Leske re moving GC Ctee folders, currently in Graeme's personal dropbox, to Croquet SA dropbox.
- 2.1.5. GC Under 21 National Championships: Scheduled for January 2019

2.2. Coaching Coordinator -Robert Weaver

- **2.2.1.** Coaching Subcommittee: The Ctee requests a status report from Robert W.
- **2.2.2. GC Schools Sub-Committee:** The GC Ctee seeks an update on the latest progress/information
- **2.2.3.** Coaching Program: Course for new coaches held 21 and 26 November. The Ctee requests a report from Robert W.
- **2.2.4. Development Squad:** The Ctee requests a status report from Robert W.

2.3. Event Planning & Programming – Karen Magee

2.3.1. Disputes Committee: Issues include playing out of order on index points. May be 1 or 2 matches under review pending players' eligibility and handicap. Barry is waiting to cite documents.

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2.3.2. GC Survey 2017: Matters arising for discussion:

- ➤ Determining player order in pennant matches just on handicap rather than handicap and index. Discussion ensued. The status quo will be maintained in 2018.
- ➤ Weather Policy: No further action. Note: The ACA will need to be aware that the Croquet SA Weather Policy will apply during the GC Under 21 National Championships..

2.3.3. Country Week: Not scheduled for 2018

2.3.4. October/November Results:

- Spring Pennants Open 6+ and 9+: Started 5 October (for 9+). To be completed by Presentation Day.
- GC Sunday Singles: 8 October. Cancelled.
- Spring Pennants Agg 24+: Started 9 October. Semi-finals and final to be played on Monday 11 December 2017.
- GC Men's Open Singles Championship: 20 -22 October 8 players.
 Congratulations to the winner, Jim Grindrod and the runner –up, Barry Haydon.
- GC Women's Open Singles Championship: 27 -29 October 5 players.
 Congratulations to the winner, Shirlene McBride and the runner-up, Julie Grindrod.
- **2.3.5. Major Events:** The Selection Ctee and the Events Coordinator will liaise regarding match format when an event is to be used for State selection.

2.4 Handicap Coordinator : Barry Jennings

- 2.4.1 Standing Item –Handicapping System:
- **2.4.2 Spring Pennants: Fleurieu Competition Handicap Matters:** Barry has contacted all the Fleurieu teams re copies of match results and **is still awaiting this information.**

2.5 Refereeing Coordinator: Refereeing Sub-Committee

- **2.5.1 GC Rules Presentation:** Held at Mt Gambier 23 & 24 October. Awaiting report.
- **2.5.2** Meeting of the Referee Subcommittee: No report.
- **2.5.3** Robert will ask a member of the Refereeing SubCtee to attend GC Ctee meetings to report on the activities of the Refereeing SubCtee. The GC Ctee welcomed this. ***Action Robert
- 2.5.4 Matter of 'Referee Rewards' scheme: ***Action: Graeme Thomas to discuss with Robert Weaver and Bernie Pfitzner re possible allocation of funds.

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2.6 Chair of Selection: Shirlene McBride

- **2.6.1 Selection Ctee:** Chair Shirlene McBride, Committee Members Janet Wiltshire NACC and Barry Haydon, Hyde Park. GC Director is an ex-officio officer of the Selection Ctee.
- **2.6.2** Captains State Team Report loaded and has been sent to Board members.
- **2.6.3** Coaches Report to be forwarded to the Board.
- **2.6.4 State Selection Events:** Good results were achieved by the men and women competing in the recent Spring Open events in October with players (except one female) winning over 50% of their games/matches. This means except for the first-place winners, all others also competitive at a high level. This indicates that the HP training is achieving its purpose.
- **2.6.5 State Squad 2018:** Sixteen players were sent invitations for the 2018 State Squad. All have accepted (list loaded) with the first practice being on the 8th December at Brighton Croquet Club due to SACA being used for a party.
 - 2.6.5.1 The State Coach has requested that the hire fee to be paid to BCC be provided from the profits made from the party and not from the SS coaching funds because this training was booked in the calendar when no other bookings were confirmed for this date. The GC Ctee supports this recommendation. ***Action: BCC to invoice Croquet SA. Graeme to advise the Croquet SA treasurer of this matter.

2.7 Other business:

- **2.7.1 Hoop setting:** Ron McBride Letter attached. Is requesting assistance in a matter that concerns him in relation to this job he is doing. GC Ctee advised that Ron McBride reports to the Croquet SA Board.
- **2.7.2 Board action on State Team Shirt:** The new team playing shirt was accepted by AC and the Board as the State Team Shirt. Concern was expressed re the decision below by the Board and discussion ensued.

21	Any Other		
	Business		
	AC Team polo	AC Selector has suggested an alternative shirt for the AC Team.	AC Selection
	shirts	Discussed by Board. The Board prefers both codes having the same shirt	
		for consistency and simplication of the process. However if AC squad do	
		not wish to use the new shirt used by GC, it should be a vote by the	
		squad. The squad can work towards providing a design to Board when a	
		concensus is reached.	

The GC Committee expresses strong objection to this decision given that the Board required AC players to approve the new State design, which they did. GC Ctee complied with Board instructions and the Ctee believes this a divisive decision that should be reviewed.

***Action: Graeme to advise the Board of the GC Committee's position.

Jane West Approved 23/01/18 Next meeting: 23 January 2018 at 1.00pm