CROQUET SA Golf Croquet Committee Meeting

Held at Brighton Croquet Club at 1.00pm on 11 April 2017

Minutes

1. Attendance

Present: Graeme Thomas, Karen Magee, Barry Jennings, Robert Weaver

Apologies: Shirlene McBride

Minutes of meeting held on March 2017 approved (moved by Graeme Thomas and seconded by Barry Jennings).

2. Reports:

2.1. Director – Graeme Thomas

- **2.1.1. Team App/Croquet SA:** Under review. Awaiting Jeffery Billing, VHCC, return. Jeffery has offered to assist in the development of the App. Thank you Jeffery.
- **2.1.2. World Croquet Federation Under 21 Championships:** Based on an email from Barry Haydon, the SACA Board has given approval for an application to conduct the Under 21 GC Australian Championships 26 -28 January 2018 be made to ACA.

2.2. Coaching Coordinator -Robert Weaver

- **2.2.1.** The Ctee is looking for someone to assist in this role as there are requests for coaching in the country, and GC has requirement to run coaching courses to get our coaches requalified. If you can assist, please contact Robert Weaver at 0407796265.
- **2.2.2. GC Schools Sub-Committee:** Trish Fazackerley, Woodville CC is organising an event for ANZAC Day

2.2.3. Coaching Program:

- Basic Coaching course held by Robert Weaver at TTGCC from 9.00am -1.00pm. 15 people attended. Well received.
- Enquiry from Pt Lincoln to conduct coaching course. Robert will explore the
 possibility of conducting a combined coaching/refereeing course for the
 region.
- **2.2.4. Development Squad:** Potential to encourage younger members has been identified at North Adelaide and Hyde Park.
- **2.2.5.** Coaching Badge: Levels of coaching are changing. There will be four (4) levels of coaching. Re-accreditation procedure not yet clarified.

2.3. Event Planning & Programming – Karen Magee

- **2.3.1. Conditions of Play:** Combination of AC & GC Conditions of Play removed from the website.
- **2.3.2. Review of Adverse Weather Conditions:** Under consideration. Discussion ensued.

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2.3.3. Disputes Committee:

- The Hyde Park appeal against the GC Ctee decision was upheld by the Board. The GC Ctee notes the reasons for the decision given by the Board.
- 2 recent matches were reviewed. The GC Ctee decided to give the relevant clubs a warning due to the changing handicap system.

2.3.4. Upcoming Events for April 2017:

- GC SA Men's Championship: 21-23 April. 12 entries so far.
- GC Women's Championship: 28-30 April. 3 entries so far.

2.3.5. March/April Results:

Bronze Medal: Congratulations to the winner, Sara Kendrik and the runner-up, Brian Kendrik.

Other Business

2.3.6. 2018 Planning: Karen noted some issues related to Weekend Pennants:

- matches played on Saturday and Sunday
- 5.30 sessions
- hot weather cancellations.

Discussion ensued regarding the structure of Pennant matches and the number of teams per club entering a division. A review pending for 2018.

2.4 Handicap Coordinator : Barry Jennings

2.4.1 Standing Item - New Handicapping System:

Considerable time and effort was put in by all and especially Barry, especially during the first 4 days of implementation at Victor Harbor. Thank you, Barry.

Barry met with Bernie Viklund in relation to the Handicap page of the Croquet SA website. One issue is that Barry only gets information when a change of handicap is made. Discussion regarding possible processes to improve the frequency of updating indices ensued. Barry recommended that the Score Sheet be reformatted to include starting and finishing indices.

As of 11.04.18, Barry was still awaiting some updated handicap sheets from a number of clubs.

***ACTION Barry will develop an updated Score Sheet to better reflect the new handicap system and submit it to the Ctee for consideration.

2.4.2 Special Meeting: A successful meeting with 31 club representatives and 7 presenters/organisers attending was held 14 March 2017. Well presented and well posed questions. Barry outlined the new handicap system and distributed the new handicap cards to attending clubs; Bernie Pfitzner outlined the requirements to qualify as a referee; Robert Weaver explained the new coaching system and made a plea for assistance in this area; Graeme Thomas raised the matters of Country Week Organiser, Regional Involvement and the proposed Team App.

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In the final agenda item 'Where to from here?', the following matters were raised:

- **1.** A suggestion from 2 country clubs to reduce the number of events as it interfered with their Gala Days. Under consideration for the 2018 calendar.
- 2. Displays at Hutt Road. A suggestion was made to change the displays on the walls i.e. the photo displays and the Honour Rolls. It was suggested that the Hammer Time photos could be replaced with photos of an annual SACA Champions and the Honour Boards be made electronic.
 - *** ACTION The GC Ctee recommended this proposal be referred to the Board.
- 3. Country Week: There was a suggestion that Country Week be held in a country location. Discussion ensued. Prior to the September planning session for the 2018 Calendar, the Ctee will review what and how Country Week could look in 2018.

2.5 Refereeing Coordinator: Refereeing Sub-Committee

The GC Ctee thanks the Refereeing SubCtee for performing this coordination role.

- **2.5.1** Referee Workshop held 12 April 2017 at Hutt Rd 1- 7pm. The GC Ctee thanks the SubCtee for such a good presentation.
- **2.5.2 GC Rules Presentation:** A GC Rules Presentation has been held at the following clubs, Holdfast Bay, Hyde Park, Aldinga, North Adelaide, Millswood and Brighton over March and April. The GC Ctee thanks the Refereeing Subcommittee for their efforts in this area.

2.6 Chair of Selection: Shirlene McBride

2.6.1 Selection Ctee: State Team is to be announced on 15 May 2017.

Jane West

Approved 6 June 2017

Next meeting: 06.06.2018