

CROQUET SA Golf Croquet Committee Meeting
Held at SACA at 1.00pm on 19 September 2017

Minutes

1. Attendance

Present: Graeme Thomas, Barry Jennings, Karen Magee, Robert Weaver, Shirlene McBride (on call)

Apologies: Nil

Minutes of meeting held on August 8, 2017 approved (moved by Barry Jennings and seconded by Graeme Thomas)

2. Reports:

2.1. Director – Graeme Thomas

2.1.1. Board Notes:

- Still vacancies for nominations to the Board
- AC Eire Cup will be held in Adelaide in March 2018
- Discussions continuing for the 4th lawn

2.1.2. Team App/Croquet SA: Ongoing

2.1.3. Succession Planning:

Karen Magee emailed general list on 16/8/17 with an invitation for members to attend GC Ctee meetings as observers with a view to becoming committee members. No requests received.

2.1.4. Croquet SA AGM: To be held on 26 September 2017 at Hutt Road @ 10.00am

2.2. Coaching Coordinator - Robert Weaver

2.2.1. Coaching Subcommittee: Met 11 September to finalise re-accreditation.

2.2.2. GC Schools Sub-Committee: Nothing to report

2.2.3. Coaching Program: Re-accreditation occurred 17 September – 6 GC and 3 AC coaches are now re-accredited. Robert reported a positive outcome and response to the course. The GC Ctee thanks Robert Weaver and Meredith Morgan for their work in this area.

2.2.4. Development Squad: No further development at this stage.

2.2.5. Coaching Badges: No further development.

2.3. Event Planning & Programming – Karen Magee

2.3.1. World Rankings:

Karen checked with other State and reported that no other States use local competitions to go into the World Rankings. Given this, the Ctee resolved not to proceed with this initiative.

2.3.2. Disputes Committee: No disputes this month. Congratulations everyone!!

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2.3.3. Ron McBride has been appointed as ACA GC High Performance Manager and ACA GC Coaching Coordinator. The GC Ctee extends its congratulations to Ron on this prestigious appointment.

2.3.4. GC Survey 2017: See Appendix A for a summary of the results.

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2.3.5. Hoop/Lawn Maintenance: Graeme T followed up with Cathy Leske regarding the proposals for lawn maintenance. **Outcome:** Ron McBride appointed as Hoops Setter at Hutt Road (5 x per Year)

2.3.6. Upcoming Events for September 2017:

- **GC Handicap Spring Singles:** October 8

2.3.7. August Results:

- **GC Gold Medal: 30 -31 August in Brisbane. Congratulation to Ron McBride for coming 4th.**
- **GC Men's Australian Championship:** Congratulations to Ron McBride for his 6th place.
- **Women's Australian Championship:** Congratulations to Virginia Arney for her 3rd place and to Kate Logan for 4th.
- **GC Spring Singles:** 6 August at Glenunga. Congratulations to the winners, Christina Fowler and Kim Millhouse.
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2.4 Handicap Coordinator : Barry Jennings

2.4.1 Standing Item – New Handicapping System: Graeme followed up with the ACA Board regarding a national design and a slight improvement to the current card. Ongoing.

2.4.2 Barry has emailed all those who have incorrectly entered finishing indices with a copy to the relevant club handicappers. It appears that the correct completion of cards is improving.

2.4.3 2017 Handicap System is to be uploaded to the website. ****Action:** Barry

2.4.4 There was a strong comment from Millswood that they would support handicap matches at Hutt Road. The GC Ctee will consider this when developing the 2018 Calendar.

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2.5 Refereeing Coordinator: Refereeing Sub-Committee

2.5.1 GC Rules Presentation: To be held at Mt Gambier 23 & 24 October. This presentation is available for all clubs in the Lower SE.

2.5.2 Meeting of the Referee Subcommittee: To be held on 4 October @ 2.00pm

2.5.3 The Ctee extends its thanks to Bernie Pfitzner for participating in the ACA GC Rules Review Committee.

2.5.4 Referee Coordinator position is still vacant.

2.5.5 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.

2.6 Chair of Selection: Shirlene McBride

2.6.1 Selection Ctee: State Team Report: Shirlene will provide a report after the State Team briefing on 29 September.

Jane West

Next meeting: Tuesday 17 October 2017

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Appendix A: Summary of GC Survey Results 2017

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Summary of Results

Days preferred: Monday, Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday in that order

Work restricting play: Yes: 20% affected No: 80% not affected:

Playing at 5.30 (9+, 6+ and Open): Generally the majority of respondents would prefer not to play at 5.30.

The majority of participants would be *willing to play on a Sunday.*

Teams running over time in Saturday Pennants:

A majority of respondents indicated that they would prefer to have a 2hr 50 min time limit.

Draws could be permitted.

Solution for the lack of entries for 6+ and 9+: There was strong support for a competition to be held over 2 or 3 consecutive weeks.

Support for 6+ and 9+ doubles: There was strong support for a competition to be held over 2 or 3 consecutive weeks

Weather Policy: The common comment was that the cut off temperature was too low.