

South Australian Pétanque League (SAPL) Inc.
Minutes for the Meeting held on Saturday 15 April 2023
at 10am ESP Clubrooms.

Attendees:

Anthony Pietsch (Acting President)	Stan Wilson (Acting Secretary)
Ken Medhurst (Treasurer)	
Mike Read AHPC	Tina Stockley CDPA
Wendy Bensen (ESP)	Deb Rodda (ESP)
Terry Hall (FAB)	Jonathan Giddings (NGPC)
Gavin Scott (PPC)	Adrian Clements (State Coach Manager)
Glenis Wilson (Assistant State Coach)	Brett Williams (State Umpire Manager)

1. Apologies.

Colin Hill GPC, Coonawarra Petanque Club, Peter Matthews NGPC, Ian Wright NGPC

2. Interim Officer Appointments

Anthony reported to the committee that since the last meeting the elected Secretary, Allan Johnston, had resigned, Stan Wilson had stepped down as President and was assuming the role of Acting Secretary and that he, the elected Vice president, had assumed the role of Acting president. He asked the committee to ratify these interim appointments which would remain in place until the next AGM when the Officer positions would be put to the vote.

Tina proposed that the current acting positions should be ratified this was seconded by Wendy and carried unanimously.

Anthony thanked the committee and stated that he did not wish to continue in the role of President after the next AGM and encouraged the delegates to ask members of their respective clubs if anybody would be prepared to take on the role.

The Treasurer proposed that Allan Johnston should be removed from the bank signatory list and Anthony Pietsch added. This was agreed.

Action 23.8 KM

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Issue 4 of the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 2 February 2023 had previously been circulated to all clubs.

Terry Hall proposed that they be accepted as a true and accurate record, this was seconded by Deb Rodda and carried unanimously. The Acting President and Secretary signed and dated the minutes and they will be posted on the SAPL Website.

4. Actions arising

4.1 Coaching accreditation- submission to PFA

A draft of the proposed letter to PFA had been circulated to all clubs. Adrian, State Coach Manager and Chair of the National Coaching Commission, addressed the concerns of the meeting and said that the PFA Coaching Policy had been agreed by the Coach Managers of all States with an active league and the document was not due for review until 2024. The meeting expressed concern for a number of points raised by the policy, in particular the need for a coach to hold a current umpire licence.

Gavin proposed that the letter, drafted by Anthony, should be sent to PFA this was seconded by Terry Hall and carried.

Action 23.9 AP

4.2 National Ranking Proposal

Anthony reported that he had reviewed the proposed system and had a number of criticisms. Adrian reported that the proposed system was based on the one used in Victoria

and that they were reluctant to change. Anthony agreed to draft a critique of the proposal and to circulate it to all clubs prior to submission to PFA

4.3 Uniform Subsidies

Stan reported that he had submitted an application to ORSR Active Club round 51 Grant in the hope of obtaining funding to purchase State uniforms that could be used by the State team players in the future. Subsequent to posting the application he had completed another submission in response to questions from ORSR. Decisions are expected in May and funding available in June.

4.4 Interclub registration

Anthony had asked the clubs to consider if they would accept registering Interclub teams one week prior to the proposed league round to allow for possible changes due to venue capacity. He suggested that for consistency this could also apply to the State Championships.

Gavin proposed that this change be accepted, and Terry seconded. All in favour.

The acting Secretary was asked to inform the clubs.

Action 23 .10 SW

5. Treasurer's Report

Following concerns raised at the previous meeting, the Treasurer presented a shortened version of his Quarterly report which contained a Profit and Loss account for the quarter together with a Profit and Loss account for each major event (job) a Balance sheet and a Bank reconciliation summary. A total profit of \$599 was realised over the reporting period, with one event reporting a loss and the other two a profit. The Balance sheet showed a total Equity of \$5803.41. Bank balance as at 31 March 2023 was \$6846.47

The Treasurer proposed that the report be accepted, this was seconded by Tina Stockley and carried unanimously.

6. Umpire's Report.

The State Umpire Manager reported that there had been no incidents during the events held since the last meeting, namely State Shooting Championships, State Singles and Interclub Round 5. He reported that the State Umpire cohort had been increased by 2 new Club Umpires and that Mike Read had achieved State Umpire status.

7. Coach's Report.

The State Coach Manager reported that SA was well represented in the Australian team that contested the recent Trans-Tasman tournament in Auckland. Unfortunately the New Zealand team won both the Open and 60+ divisions. Since Australia defeated the NZ team in the Oceania Championships, NZ have concentrated on shooting training and both teams showed great shooting skills. Adrian thanked Glenis Wilson for stepping in as Coach for the 60+ team at short notice when the selected coach suffered a medical problem and could not fly to Auckland.

The next event involving the State team is the InterState Challenge which will be held in Newcastle on 9/10 September 2023. Adrian will shortly be asking for expressions of interest for those who wish to participate in the State team.

Although nothing has been published yet it is rumoured that PFA have decided to not run a 60+ division at this year's ISC, but instead to allow any State that wishes to field two Open teams for the event. The committee considered that this was not in the best interest of the sport and it was suggested, if the rumour is correct, that we write to PFA asking for consultation on major decisions affecting the State and for the 60+ category to be reinstated.

8. Tournament Director's Report.

The TD reported that since the last committee meeting the State Singles Championship and the Interclub Round 5 had been held. He was particularly pleased to report that a record number of women had participated in the Women's State Singles Championships which at one time was not well supported.

The Interclub competition has been extremely competitive this season and, with one round to go, five clubs still have a reasonable chance of winning the championship.

9. Masters Games Report

The SAPL AMG project manager, Naz Saunders, submitted this report by email:

Hello Stan,
Below is a summary of AMG. All on track, cheers Naz

SAPL March Report.

Leaflets at Coonawarra competition not really embraced, may have been the wrong crowd.

Article written for PFA in February issue of the newsletter.

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Zoom meeting which introduced staff and the fact that the Festival Plaza was the AMG home ground.

Ran the report now 7 people have entered- NZ, SA, Tas.

Organised a 'Come and Try' for the AMG staff on Wednesday 25th March at Adelaide club, with Alain. Around 7 AMG staff attended for the two hours and a beautiful morning tea was provided by the club- which I truly thank them for. The feedback was positive.

Organised two players who needed partners to link up.

Have completed all tasks required by AMG management with next one due in late April.

I suggested people Book into singles to take advantage of the Gold VIP and add doubles and triples later.

10. PFA.

The Acting Secretary drew attention to the recent March newsletter. Discussion on the PGFA Insurance coverage followed with AHPC interested in changing its insurance options in favour of the coverage offered by PFA.

11. AOB

11.1 SA Selection Policy

The State Coach manager had circulated an updated State Selection policy based upon the PFA document. He has had no comments from the clubs and would like to know if the document is acceptable to the member clubs. He reminded delegates that the policy would need to be used in the near future to select a State team for the Interstate Challenge in September. The Acting Secretary was asked to recirculate the document to the clubs and ask for comments to be made urgently.

Action 23.11 SW

Terry hall was asked to look at posting an expression of interest form on the SAPL Website.

Action 23.12 TH

11.2 "How to Play" graphics

Brett Williams reported that he had been in discussion with the Secretary of the Mission Beach Petanque Club who owns the copyright to the Graphic that has been used around SA as a display to assist newcomers get into the game. He tabled an example of the preferred method of acknowledging the copyright. It was agreed that all SA clubs would be asked to acknowledge the Mission Beach Club Copyright on existing signs and that signs made in the future would not impinge upon the Mission Beach Copyright. The Acting Secretary was asked to write to Mission Beach acknowledging their request.

Terry Hall was asked to explore the possibility of producing a local design.

Action 23.13 SW

11.3 Auburn French Fest

SAPL supported the Auburn (Clare Valley) French Fest committee in 2021 with an exhibition and a "Come and Try" area. The event was a great success and the Committee have asked SAPL to support the event in 2023, scheduled for 8-10 Sept. Unfortunately, the Auburn event is on the same weekend as the Interstate challenge and Glenis and Stan Wilson who organised the first event will not be available. The Gawler Petanque Club have agreed to host activities on the Saturday and the newly formed Clare Petanque group will attend on the Sunday. The Acting President asked the other clubs to see if they had experienced members who might be able to attend and help with that event.

11.4 Next Season Calendar

Anthony asked if clubs could send a brief summary of their requirements for the 2023-24 season to enable him to prepare the Calendar.

11.5 Spicy bites

ESP have decided to move the Spicy Bites competition from the 21 May to Saturday 15 May, which has freed up the 21 May for the sponsored event that NGPC wish to hold.

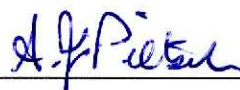

Next Meeting and Close

There were no further comments, and the meeting was closed at 12:10p.m.

Next meeting to be held at PPC, Thursday 18 May at 7:00pm.

The SAPL AGM 2023 will be held on Saturday the 8 July at 10:00a.m.

Signed:

President  Secretary 
Date 18 May 2023

**Summary of Action Items
on the 15 April 2023**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Actionee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Status</u>
23.1 (233)	2/2/23	SW/KM	Stan to liaise with Ken regarding simplified financial reporting and an update on the SAPL Asset Register.	Open
23.2 (235)	2/2/23	AJ/JG	Allan and Jonathan to shout out for volunteers for Easter Nationals competition.	Closed
23.3 (236)	2/2/23	AP	Anthony to follow up with PFA regarding the national Player Ranking system	Open
23.4 (237)	2/2/23	SW	Stan to liaise with PFA regarding the national Shooting Championship	Open
23.5 (238)	2/2/23	SW/GS	Gavin, Stan and all to determine the best way of posting information to the correct websites associated with petanque.	Open
23.6 (239)	2/2/23	All	All clubs to comment on the State Selection Policy 2023	Open
23.7 (240)	2/2/23	AP	Anthony to continue refining the Team Capacity discussion paper.	Open
23.8	15/4/23	KM	Arrange for Anthony Pietsch to be included in the bank signatory list and for Allan Johnston to be removed from that list.	Open
23.9 (234)	15/4/23	AP	Send letter concerning Coaching Policy to PFA	Open
23.10	15/4/23	SW	Inform clubs of the change in registration requirements for interclub league and State Championships	Open
23.11	15/4/23	SW	Re circulate State Selection Policy and ask for comments	Open
23.12	15/4/23	TH	Explore the possibility of including a registration of expression of interest form on SAPL website	Open
23.13	15/4/23	SW	Write to Mission Beach Petanque Club regarding Graphic copyright	Open