



Minutes of Croquet Victoria Council Meeting 17 October 2016
held at Victorian Croquet Centre, 65 Nobel Banks Drive Cairnlea 3023

1 Attendance

1.1 Present:

1.1.1 Committee of Management;

Jim Clement (President), Kate Patrick (Vice-President), Mike Cohn (Immediate Past President) Sarina Ceva-al-Hewitt (Secretary), Brian Rowe (Treasurer), Lorraine Gutcher, James Lynch and Trish Watts (Members).

1.1.2 Regional Directors:

Brian Reither (Ballarat & District), Brian Foley (Bayside), Jim Saunders (Geelong), Lorraine Gutcher (Gippsland), Janet Richardson (Murray Valley), Sarina Ceva-al-Hewitt (North Eastern), Lyn Goodall (Northern District), Janet Leckie-Brunton (South East Metro), Barb McKean (South Western), Kate Patrick (Western Metro Croquet & Malletsports), Denise McMillan (Wimmera).

1.1.3 Alternate Regional Directors:

Wayne Worlidge (EMCA),

1.1.4 Administrator

Sandra Kastanaras

1.1.4 Observers:

Eileen Gough.

1.2 Apologies:

Patrick Hartley (EMCA), Kenn Boal (Goulburn Valley) and Ken Amoore (WMCMA).

2 Opening

The President opened the Meeting at 11.00 am, welcoming Wayne Worlidge as Alternate Director for EMCA.

A Letter of Resignation from Wilma Freeman from the position of Ordinary Member of the Committee of Management was then tabled.

The Meeting expressed appreciation for her service to VCA (with acclamation) and requested the President to forward a Letter of Appreciation.

Action President

The President sought direction from Council as to the filling of the subsequent Casual Vacancy on the Committee of Management. The Meeting agreed that nominations be called for an election for this position at the December Council Meeting.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved on the motion of Mike Cohn and Lorraine Gutcher 'that the Minutes of the VCA Council Meeting held 15 August 2016 be accepted as a true and correct record'.

3.1 Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Nil

4 Correspondence

Resolved on the motion of Sarina Ceva-al-Hewitt and Brian Rowe 'that Incoming Correspondence be accepted and Outgoing Correspondence be approved'. (attached as Annex A)

4.1 Business Arising from Correspondence:

The resignation of Graeme Gallus (1 Oct 2016-Incoming Correspondence) was noted by the Meeting.

The Meeting agreed (with acclamation) that appreciation be expressed to

Graeme Gallus for his many years liaising with the Department of Ageing to oversee Croquet Victoria's participation in Victoria Seniors Festival.

Action President

Secretary to coordinate collation of VCA Clubs activity during 2016 Seniors Festival and preparation of Report to Department of Ageing with Graeme Gallus.

Action Secretary

New Appointee to this liaison position to be advised at December or February Council Meeting.

5 Reports

5.1 Financial Report:

The Treasurer spoke to his Report, noting the reclassification of Kapstream Wholesale as a variable interest investment and requested that as preparation of the Draft 2017 Financial Budget (to be approved at the February Council Meeting) would commence in the coming months that input from Directors and Appointed Officers be sought.

Action Brian Rowe and Sandra Kastanaras

Resolved on the motion of Brian Rowe and Mike Cohn 'that the Treasurer's Report be accepted'. (Annex B).

5.2 CoM Report:

Amended Minutes of CoM Meeting held 20 September 2016 were distributed 25 September 2016.

The President spoke to the request for coaching workshops from SWCA listed in Incoming Correspondence attached to the above Minutes and advised that he would be visiting Casterton in response to this request.

5.3 Secretary's Report:

The Secretary spoke to her Report (Annex C) and was requested to again contact Wallbridge & Gilbert to seek a scope of works necessary to repair the leaks in the VCC roof and possible recommendation of a roofing contractor and obtaining quotes to repair cracks in western walls at VCC.

Action Secretary

Secretary to forward VCA Draft History (1980-2014) to all clubs for feedback.

Action Secretary

5.4 Marketing & Publicity Report:

Kate Patrick spoke to the Marketing & Publicity Report (Annex D). M & P were waiting for feedback on the Croquet Facility Guide prior to the a link to this document being published on the Victoria Sport & Recreation website.

Jim Clement spoke to the publicity that could be generated around the World Events being hosted at the VCC and other venues in Victoria in February/March 2017.

M & P have drafted a position description for a Croquet Victoria Publicity/Media World Championships Officer to be employed to use the World Events to promote croquet in Victoria.

It was noted that the World Events Budget had received \$1500.00 from a sponsor of the Events, to be directed towards publicity.

5.5 Administrator's Report:

Sandra Kastanaras gave a verbal report noting that Address Books had been distributed and the Financial Auditor was due on 19 October 2016.

5.6 Sub-Committee Minutes Received:

M & P: Minutes 23 August 2016 & 6 Sept 2016 tabled

2017 World Events Working Group: Minutes 4 October 2016 tabled

11.30 am Peter and Kaye Moffat and Helen Collins entered the Meeting Room.

5.7 Regional Reports:

5.7.1 NEDCA - read by Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt

5.7.2 SWCA - read by Barb McKean

5.7.3 WMCMA - read by Kate Patrick

Regional Report to VCA Council Schedule for 2017 to be distributed to
Regional Secretaries and Regional Directors.

Action Secretary

11.44 am John Collins entered the Meeting Room.

Resolved on the motion of Brian Foley and Brian Reither 'that all Reports
with the exception of the Financial Report be accepted'.

5.8 Business Arising from Reports:

Nil

6 6.1 VCC

6.1.1 Proposed Optus Lease:

The latest draft of the Optus Lease was tabled. Jim Clement reported that
this draft had been forwarded to the Optus solicitors and we are now
awaiting feedback or amendments.

If Optus accepts this latest draft, VCA should then sign the lease
agreement.

6.1.2 VCC Sub-Committee:

Jim Clement spoke to the history of the previous VCC Sub-Committee,
noting that membership of this committee had, for the most part, comprised
of CoM members and that the present CoM could not see a new VCC
Committee being any different. Therefore, CoM could continue to manage
VCC without the formation of a committee.

However, CoM suggested that a Working Group be formed to formulate a
Business Plan to better utilise VCC.

Resolved on the motion of Lyn Goodall and Brian Rowe 'that a Working
Group be formed to formulate a Business Plan to better utilise VCC'.

12 noon Wendy Dickson and Anne Quinn entered the Meeting Room.

Resolved on the motion of Jim Clement and Janet Leckie-Brunton 'that the
Committee of Management appoint members to the VCC Working Group'.

6.1.3 VCC Roof Repairs:

Refer Secretary's Report

6.1.4 VCC Court Report:

Jim Saunders spoke to his Report attached as Annex E and the need for
temporary fencing during the World Events to protect the windows at the
VCC and his efforts to dispose of substantial waste product produced by
court scarifying.

12.05pm Maurice Cevaal-Hewitt entered the Meeting Room.

6.2 VCA

6.2.1 Strategic Plan:

The Strategic Plan was tabled and Jim Clement noted that the Board
Governance Workshop scheduled for 18 October 2016 addressed the
Governance component of the Strategic Plan.

The Secretary had requested Clubs and Regions provide information as to
the demand for coaching and refereeing accreditation within their

membership-this addressed the Capability component of the Strategic Plan.

Kate Patrick to forward Tournament Guidelines feedback to Jim Clement.

Action Vice-President

6.2.2 SRV Workplan:

Jim Clement tabled the agreed timeline for the SRV Workplan.

Kate Patrick reported that a decision was expected by the end of the year with regards to our EOI to SRV for funding for a consultant to develop infrastructure hierarchy of croquet facilities across Victoria.

6.2.3 2017 WCF Events Hosting Working Group:

Mike Cohn outlined the planning already underway to stage this event. The possibility of using an online booking service to gauge numbers attending and potentially calling upon VCA members to offer volunteer support if required to ensure the smooth running of the event.

6.2.4 Service to VCA:

Proposed badge design was circulated by Jim Clement.

Brian Reither offered to further investigate costing for a similar design.

Action Brian Reither

6.2.5 Action List:

The current Action List was tabled and amended to reflect current tasks.

6.2.6 VCA History:

Refer Secretary's Report

6.2.7 Governance Workshop

This workshop to be delivered Tuesday 18 October 2016.

6.2.8 Victorian Child Safety Standards:

Jim Clement reported that he and Sandra Kastanaras attended a Child Safety Standards Victoria information session. His recommendation (attached as Annex F) to Council was that VCA develop a Child Safety Policy that would be binding on all Clubs who have junior members or hold Junior Tournaments.

To this end a Policy has been drafted and forwarded to VicSport for feedback prior to implementation.

7 7.1 ACA

7.1.1 ACA Special General Meeting:

Verbal Report from Mike Cohn.

Interstate Shield Competition now on same rotation as Eire Cup, offset by three years.

7.1.2 ACA U21's Meeting:

This Report not circulated with Meeting Agenda, attached as Annex G.

8 Close:

12.50 pm

9 Next

Meetings:

CoM	10.30 am 15 November 2016
Council	11.00 am 12 December 2016
CoM	10.30 am 17 January 2017
Council	10.30 am or 11.00 am 13 February 2017- to be determined

Attachments:

Annex A	Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence
Annex B	Treasurer's Report
Annex C	Secretary's Report
Annex D	Marketing & Publicity Report
Annex E	Court Report
Annex F	Child Safe Standards Report
Annex G	Summary of U21 Meeting

VCA Council Meeting 17 October 2016 Correspondence List

4	4.1	In:	
		Email:	
	10 Aug 16	VicHealth's Active Club Grants	
	15 Aug 16	ACA SGM Agenda Version 2	
	16 Aug 16	Flucss Australia Newsletter	
		VBA request for additional information re Cairnlea roof works	
	17 Aug 16	Daly International-confirmation of acceptance of re-orientation of Optus tower site.	
		VBA Complaints team-acknowledgement of email advising that we would provide additional information	
	18 Aug 16	ACA-Susan Linge- acknowledgement of receipt of VCA new President advice	
	19 Aug 16	Our Community-Alan Matic-seeking particulars of governance workshop scheduled for 18 Oct 2016	
		Goulburn Valley request for online forms and social membership definition.	
	22 Aug 16	VBA acknowledgement of receipt of additional information	
	23 Aug 16	Confirmation of Our Community trainer booking for governance workshop	
	25 Aug 16	Our Community eBulletin	
	29 Aug 16	Bayside Region advising of amendment of change to Regions Constitution	
		Lander & Rogers Optus Mobile P/L Lease-with amendments	
	31 Aug 16	Alan Wood-advising of Facebook link providing coverage of Australian Championships at Perth	
	2 Sept 16	VBA- new deadline for required information (original plumber)	
	3 Sept 16	Doron Gunzberg - addressing confusion in Association handicaps	
	5 Sept 16	SWCA seeking suggestions how to maintain and fund junior interest in croquet.	
		VBA acknowledgement of email	
		Hon John Eren re SSA - Inquiry in Women & Girls in Sport and Active Recreation	
	6 Sept 16	VicHealth - invitations for video submissions to tackle obstacles to playing sport	
	7 Sept 16	Not-for-profit September eBulletin	
	8 Sept 16	SWCA - forwarding request from Portland Croquet Club re coaching workshops.	
	9 Sept 16	VCA - closing file on roof leaks at VCC	
	19 Sept 16	Hayball Pty Ltd - providing VCC builder name -Buildcorp Commercial Pty Ltd	
	20 Sept 16	Daly International - request for further information	
	29 Sept 16	Query re amount of Vic Seniors Festival deposited to Clubs	
	1 Oct 16	Graeme Gallus resignation as Dept of Ageing VCA liaison and request to follow up payment to Clubs for VCA Seniors Festival	

	2 Oct 16	EMCA request to establish guidelines for loan of VCA equipment, Mernda not yet established
		Graeme Gallus - outlining tasks to be completed re Dept of Ageing/Seniors Festival/VCA Clubs
	5 Oct 2016	ACA notification of New Club Grant for Howlong Golf Resort Croquet
	Hardcopy:	
	15 August 16	Resignation of Mike Cohn from position of President VCA
	20 Sept 16	Thank you card from Peter Speedie.
	17 Oct 16	Resignation of Wilma Freeman from position of Ordinary Member Committee of Management
	4.2 Out:	
	Email:	
	10 Aug 16	Advice of VicHealth's Active Club Grants to VCA Clubs
	16 Aug 16	VBA confirming receipt of request for more information, and our steps to comply
		Tom Jordan request for name of licensed plumber's name-original roof works
	17 Aug 16	ACA-notification of new VCA President-Jim Clement
		ACA Magazine-notification of new VCA President-Jim Clement
	22 Aug 16	VBA-forwarding photos of water leaks & KC Roofing invoices
	23 Aug 16	Our Community-Alan Matic- booking of governance workshop trainer
	28 Aug 16	All VCA Clubs, Council, Regional Secretaries-Victorian Child Safety Standards
	31 Aug 16	All Clubs re link to Cambridge Croquet coverage of Australian Championships
	2 Sept 16	Hayball Pty Ltd-Tom Jordan seeking name of original plumber for VCC
	4 Sept 16	Doron Gunzberg's clarification on Association Handicaps to all Clubs
	6 Sept 16	ACA- forwarding Howlong Croquet New Club Grant application
	21 Sept 16	Buildcorp Pty Ltd - request for name of roofing plumber
	27 Sept 16	VCA explanation of Social Membership to Clubs previously enquiring
	6 Oct 2016	ACA - advice that only one VCA Club may seek New Club Grant during next twelve months.
	Hardcopy:	
	16 August 16	Best wishes to Peter Speedie
	22 Sept 16	Eleanor Risstrom - acceptance of donation of badge and photo

FINANCE REPORT

1 VCA Financial Performance

- a. The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement as at 30 September 2016 are attached.
- b. The Budgeted VCC trading loss for the year to 1 March 2017 is \$160,085.
- c. Income – \$1.1k bar, \$1.0k premises
- d. Expenses - \$9k wages, \$14k building, \$6k courts

2 VCA Bank Accounts

- a. The bank account balances at month end are as per the Balance Sheet.
- b. The monthly change in cash held:
 - i. Total Banks accounts 31 Aug \$194,000
 - ii. Total Banks accounts 31 Aug \$172,278
- c. This represents a decrease in cash held \$ 21,722
- d. The JBWere portfolio holds:
 - i. In Domestic Cash \$225,467 (last month \$206,218)
 - ii. Fixed Interest (Dom.&Int.) \$820,939 (last month \$823,539)
- e. There are no immediate overall cash concerns.

3 JBWere Investment Portfolio

- a. JBWere reports show the portfolio has a market value of \$3,783,236 (last month \$3,766,909) as at 30 September 2016.
- b. The change from last month's report is an increase in portfolio market value of \$16,327 (last month decrease \$17,655).
- c. This is not a concern and represents the usual fluctuations in share values.

4 Investment Committee

- a. I emailed David Ross, Chair of the IAG, on 5th August and telephoned on 7th October requesting that he approach JBWere for an explanation re the change in reporting of our Kapstream Investment. I am awaiting a reply.



Brian Rowe,
Honorary Treasurer
7th October 2016

**Appendix 1 to
Annex B to
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Victorian Croquet Association Inc. <i>65 Nobel Banks Drive</i> <i>CAIRNLEA VIC 3023</i> Profit & Loss [Last Year Analysis] April 2016 through September 2016			
	This Year	Last Year	Budget 16/17
INCOME			
VCA AFFILIATIONS	\$85,985.86	\$79,241.26	\$97,306.00
ACA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$60,897.77	\$55,929.55	\$77,937.00
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,758.14	\$1,924.96	\$5,375.00
TOURNAMENTS	\$4,610.93	\$2,781.88	\$13,850.00
MSV	\$4,459.97	\$4,223.67	\$5,000.00
CATERING/BAR	\$9,974.08	\$6,147.24	\$15,500.00
PREMISES/COURTS/RENT	\$18,753.23	\$17,098.63	\$51,300.00
SRV DEP GRANTS	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DEPARTMENT OF AGING	\$5,300.00	\$6,500.00	\$0.00
INTEREST BANK/JB WERE	\$79,150.26	\$21.95	\$158,800.00
Total INCOME	\$282,890.24	\$173,869.14	\$425,068.00
EXPENSES			
ACA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$62,681.82	\$58,304.99	\$77,937.00
ADMINISTRATION VCA	\$23,955.10	\$20,847.03	\$50,940.00
COMMITTEES	\$746.25	\$969.13	\$12,900.00
MSV	\$2,141.04	\$1,987.24	\$5,000.00
COUNCIL/COM travel	\$2,235.09	\$1,749.44	\$6,000.00
SRV DEP GRANTS	\$949.26	\$1,042.64	\$1,000.00
DEPARTMENT OF AGING	\$4,272.77	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00
TOURNAMENTS	\$6,179.18	\$2,167.91	\$4,980.00
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,137.17	\$297.59	\$4,550.00
VCA CENTENARY			\$3,000.00
WAGES	\$53,279.63	\$54,461.39	\$116,200.00
VCC BUILDING	\$56,327.47	\$65,390.36	\$182,000.00
CATERING/BAR	\$3,841.56	\$2,536.77	\$12,950.00
VCC COURTS	\$28,237.87	\$23,185.38	\$96,200.00
STATE TEAMS G & A	\$6,781.82	\$4,144.72	\$9,000.00
CROQUET EQUIPMENT	\$163.64	\$0.00	\$500.00
Total EXPENSES	\$252,929.67	\$242,084.59	\$585,157.00
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$29,960.57	(\$68,215.45)	\$160,089.00

**Appendix 2 to
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Victorian Croquet Association Inc.

*65 Nobel Banks Drive
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Balance Sheet

As of September 2016

Assets		Liabilities	
Current Assets		Current Liabilities	
Bank Accounts		Accounts Payable	\$3,895.94
Bendigo	\$9,505.04	Total Current Liabilities	\$3,895.94
CBA	\$137,682.38	Player Insurance	(\$305.45)
CBA Online Saver	\$25,090.59	Tax Payable	
Total Bank Accounts	\$172,278.01	GST Collected	\$23,507.00
Total Current Assets	\$172,278.01	GST Paid	(\$9,099.00)
Withholding Credits		Payroll Liabilities	\$3,029.00
Accounts Receivable	\$9,032.20	Superannuation Liabilities	\$708.18
Total Withholding Credits	\$9,032.20	Total Tax Payable	\$18,145.18
Other Current Assets		Total Liabilities	\$21,735.67
JBWERE - Investment A/c	\$3,776,539.48		
Fixed Assets		Net Assets	\$9,318,337.98
Cairnlea - Land/Building	\$5,290,354.22		
Plant & Equipment		Equity	
Plant and Equipment	\$187,929.22	Reserves	
Accumulated Depreciation	(\$96,059.48)	General Reserve	\$7,703,572.44
Total Plant & Equipment	\$91,869.74	Asset Revaluation Reserve	\$460,733.35
Total Fixed Assets	\$5,382,223.96	Retained Earnings	\$1,124,071.62
		Current Earnings	\$29,960.57
Total Assets	\$9,340,073.65	Total Equity	\$9,318,337.98

Secretary's Report to VCA Council Meeting 17 October 2016

Change Bank Authorities – Bendigo Bank signatories should soon be finalised.

Club Closures: Bayside Region have advised that they will amend their Regional Constitution so that individual Club members become members of the Bayside Region.

IAG: Alan Notley now third member of this group.

VCA History: Only one Club left to forward a submission. I suggest we then forward draft to ALL Clubs, requesting that those Clubs (only 38 of 90 plus Clubs) who forwarded Histories proof read their entry. This might spur others to action. Should we place an A4 version on the website, beside the planned printed version? What size pages should the print version be?

VBA: Request for VCC roof plumbers name forwarded to Buildcorp Commercial Pty Ltd, the building company overseeing the construction of the VCC. Still awaiting a reply.

Action Items List: Please add items as required.

Regional Facility Survey: At this stage we have two Clubs from the Geelong Region (Belmont & Colac), three from Gippsland Region (Bairnsdale, Orbost & Traralgon) and two from Murray Valley (Mildura & Red Cliffs) yet to return requested information.

Governance Workshop: To date sixteen Directors and three Alternate Director have indicated attendance. Three acceptances have indicated they will be staying overnight.

Victorian Child Safety Standards: Jim Clement and Sandra Kastanaras attended information sessions. Jim Clement will provide update on VCA's requirement to comply with these standards.



Marketing and Publicity sub-committee report

As indicated in the minutes circulated with these papers, the sub-committee has been working on a range of activities.

1. *Growing Croquet*

The subcommittee continues to update the *Growing Croquet* resource.

- The most recent addition to the online material is the handout for allied health professionals entitled “Croquet: a sport worth considering”.
- A section on using social media has been drafted and will be added shortly.
- A new section on Starting a Club is also being prepared. This will include the Croquet Facility Guide – we are still waiting for feedback on this from Sport and Recreation Victoria.

The sub-committee continues to support clubs as selected by Regions.

2. Video competition

A couple of clubs have indicated interest and we are hopeful that we will at least elicit some example videos. The closing date for this competition is 1 December. It would be helpful if Directors could remind clubs in their region of the competition. Details are available online.

3. Publicity leaflets

We are developing a generic trifold leaflet aimed at working age adults.

4. News reports on the VCA website and Facebook

We have kept news updates flowing to the news section of the VCA website and to the VCA Facebook page.

4. Publicity campaign associated with the Worlds

As requested at the last Council meeting, we have discussed how to manage a publicity campaign associated with the forthcoming Worlds competitions. We are proposing that an experienced publicity/marketing officer be employed for the purpose. Subject to feedback from the Committee of Management, a late paper will be provided to this meeting.

Kate Patrick
Convenor, Marketing and Publicity sub-committee

8 October 2016

Courts Director Report, October, 2016

The lawns are looking good and playing well. Growth is commencing and the poa (weed) will be sprayed out shortly.

The irrigation pump that failed some months ago has been replaced and is functioning well. Timing has been good as we are now approaching the spring season when water will be required on a regular basis.

Preparations are well in hand for a busy season particularly with the WCF Championships next February/March.

- The court dividing pipes are being replaced. This will free up the existing pipes for use at the satellite venues.
- New pegs to secure the pipes are being obtained as a more effective and user friendly option.
- Temporary fencing will be required to protect spectators and property.

Jim Saunders
Courts Director
8 October, 2016

Child Safe Standards

On Thursday, 29th September 2016, Sandra Kastanaras and I attended a forum organized by Vicsport on the forthcoming Child Safe Standards. I had invited Sandra as she is the main point of contact with VCA for clubs and members and so needed to have an understanding of the requirements.

The Child Safe Standards are a result of amendments to the *Child Safety and Wellbeing Act 2005 (Vic)* and apply to organisations providing services for children.

- Category 1 organisations, those funded or regulated by government were required to work towards compliance from 1 January 2016.
- Category 2 organisations, those with limited or no funding or regulatory arrangements with government are required to work towards compliance from 1 January 2017. Category 2 organisations include “cultural, sport or recreation groups, clubs or associations providing services for children”.

The Croquet Victoria database contains six (6) members with a birthdate indicating that they are under 18 years of age and thus children for the purposes of the Act out of a total membership of 2757 (as at 8th October 2016). Four (4) of these children are members of Gippsland clubs and a survey indicated that three were always accompanied by a family member and one was an independent member of a club. This raises the question of whether Croquet Victoria does provide services for children or whether children’s membership is a side product of our target areas. Consultation with:

- Vicsport;
- Lander & Rogers, solicitors;
- Department of Health & Human Services; and
- Commission for Children and Young People

failed to gain a definitive answer on this point, but advice received was that the Standards not prescriptive and Croquet Victoria should implement them to an “appropriate level” (not further defined).

I recommend that Croquet Victoria develops and adopts a Child Safe Policy binding on clubs with junior members, covering those appropriate parts of the Standards. The policy should also cover any contact by members of Croquet Victoria away from the child’s club, such as participation in tournaments & competitions or in coaching, etc. programs.



Jim Clement
President

**Summary of U21 State Director's Meeting
23rd Sep 2016 at VCC**

Present: Jacky McDonald (NDU21C), Terry Ericson (CAQ), Bev Smith (CNSW), Jim Clement (VCA), Peter Tracey (TCA), Barry Haydon (SACA).

WWCC – Jacky commented on anomalies between State requirements and the likelihood of a national system.

Consent Forms – Jacky showed the Consent Form for ACA and CNSW events.

Should this be a requirement within VCA, both for VCA and club events?

Future Competitions – After discussion it was agreed that future ACA U21 Championships should be held in mid-January as all states have school holidays at that time. Also agreed that the next U21 Championships should be in Jan 2018, as the WCF U21 is to be held in Feb 2017.

Qld

- six U21 within CAQ – 2 GC players and 4 Gateball players
- Dept of Education schools must offer “low impact sport” which may be an in for croquet.

Tas

- Kingston CC setting up an 8 school competition with 3 per team, 7 hoop games with 30-minute limit.

SA

- SA has set up a Juniors Sub-committee of its GC Committee.
- Developing a program “Hit it!” to encourage juniors to try croquet.

NSW

- 14 juniors (10 – 20 yr old) in 10 clubs
- Use of Consent form (see above)
- “Junior’s Day”
- WWCC requirements

Vic

- 6 juniors registered across 5 clubs
- Junior scholarship program initiated, policy & procedures available from VCA website.



Jim Clement