



Minutes of Annual General Meeting

held at Victorian Croquet Centre, 65 Nobel Banks Drive, Cairnlea Vic 3023
17 June 2019

1 Opening:

The President opened the Meeting at 10.35am

2 Present:

2.1 Roll Call of Delegates:

Brian Reither (Ballarat and District Croquet Association), Brian Foley (Bayside Croquet Association), Wayne Worlidge (Eastern Metro Croquet Association), Butch Hollier (Geelong Croquet Association), Nancy Hatherell (Gippsland Croquet Association), Kenn Boal (Goulburn Valley Croquet Association), Ian Potter (Murray Valley Croquet Association), Maurice Cevaal-Hewitt (North Eastern Districts Croquet Association), Hetty Veldman (Northern Districts Croquet Association), Bevan Whelan (South East Metro Croquet Association), Margaret Kelson (South Western Croquet Association), Brian Rowe (Western Metro Croquet and Malletsports Association), Charles Rees (Wimmera Croquet Association).

2.2 Others Present:

2.2.1 Committee of Management:

Jim Clement (President), Kate Patrick (Vice-President), Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt (Secretary), Jim Saunders (Treasurer), Lynne Roberts (Member), Lorraine Gutcher (Member).

2.2.2 Observers:

Sandra Kastanaras (Administrator), David Ross (Ringwood Croquet Club), Ian Kelson (Warrnambool Croquet Club), Val Saunders (Belmont Croquet Club), John Grieve (Williamstown Croquet Club), Roger Lee (Brighton Croquet Club), Paula Hollier (Belmont Croquet Club), Eric O'Donnell (Ballarat Western Croquet Club), Mike Cohn (Kew Croquet Club), Fay O'Toole (Frankston Croquet Club), Nancy Boal.

3 Apologies:

Janet Leckie-Brunton (Member), Trish Watts (Kew), Robert Smallwood (Gippsland Regional Director) and Bruce Warlow (Auditor).

4 Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

Resolved on the motion of Kenn Boal and Maurice Cevaal-Hewitt 'that the Minutes of the VCA Annual General Meeting held 18 June 2018 be accepted as a true and accurate record of that Meeting with the following amendment:

Roll Call of Delegates:

Heather Dawn (Northern Districts Croquet Association) be replaced with Hetty Veldman (Northern Districts Croquet Association).

5 Annual Report 2018-19, Annual Financial Report 2018-2019:

Resolved on the motion of Brian Foley and Wayne Worlidge 'that the Annual Report 2018-19 and the Annual Financial Report 2018-2019 be accepted'.

(Secretarial Note: Both of these reports are available from the VCA website under the Governance/Minutes tabs).

6 Notices of Motion

6.1 Notice of Motion, proposed by Ballarat & District Croquet Association

Changes to Constitution.

1 # 24.2 (e)

Four other elected Committee Members be changed to Five other....

Rationale

When this current structure of COM was established, it was agreed that nine was a satisfactory size for the committee. As the Past President position only lasts for two years and Presidents are serving six years, it means that committee is reduced to eight members for four of the six years. As we all age, sickness prevents attendance, there by also meaning less at meetings.

2 # 24.2 (f)

Position of Past President be abolished

3 # 24.4 (c)

Be deleted

The President advised that all clauses of this motion be voted upon as one.

The motion was adopted.

6.2 Constitutional Amendment

That the Croquet Victoria Constitution be amended by adding the following paragraphs:

23.5. If the Council as described in 23.2 does not meet the Victorian Government mandated 40% quota of women members, the Council is authorised to co-opt sufficient women to the Council from within or without the members of the association to ensure that the requirement is met, such co-option being valid until the next AGM. Unless a General Meeting decides otherwise, this clause will lapse immediately prior to the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

24.3(g) If the Victorian Government decides that the Committee must meet the mandatory 40% quota of women members, and it does not do so, the Council is authorised to co-opt sufficient women to the Committee from within or without the members of the association to ensure that the requirement is met such co-option being valid until the next AGM. Unless a General Meeting decides otherwise, this clause will lapse immediately prior to the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

Rationale

This motion ensures that the Croquet Victoria Council, and the Committee of Management if necessary, meet the requirements of the Victorian Government's Mandatory Board Quotas and thus provides continued access to Victorian Government grant funding. The 'sunset clause' allows the motion, if carried, to stand only for the 2019, 2020 and 2021 AGMs.

The motion was adopted.

7 Election of Committee of Management Members

The President appointed John Grieve and Lynne Roberts as scrutineers and declared the positions of President, Treasurer and three Committee of Management Ordinary Members vacant. Declaring a conflict of interest the President vacated the Chair and Kenn Boal ((Goulburn Valley Croquet Association) assumed the Chair.

All elections were by secret ballot, requiring approval by majority resolution of the Members - Rule 24.3 (d).

6.1 President:

Jim Clement elected as President.

The President resumed the Chair.

6.2 Treasurer:

Jim Saunders was elected as Treasurer.

6.3 Ordinary Committee Member:

The President appointed John Grieve and Sandra Kastanaras as scrutineers for Ordinary Committee Member elections.

Lynne Roberts and Lorraine Gutcher were elected as Ordinary Members of Committee.

The President the called for nominations from the floor for the remaining Ordinary Member of Committee position

Charles Rees elected as an Ordinary Member of Committee..

7 Vote of Thanks

The President thanked David Johnston, Brian Foley and Trish Watts for their service as a Croquet Victoria Directors and Bruce Warlow for his services as VCA Auditor for the past year.

8 Election of Life Members:

8.1 Motion: Proposed by Goulburn Valley Croquet Association 'that Kenn Boal be elected to Life Membership of Croquet Victoria'

The motion was carried with Kenn Boal elected to Life Membership of Croquet Victoria.

8.2 Motion: Proposed by Geelong Croquet Association 'that Jim Saunders be elected to Life Membership of Croquet Victoria'.

The motion was lost.

9 Next Annual General Meeting: 10.30 am Monday 15 June 2020

10 Close: 11.14 am

Attachment:

Certificate of Submission of financial statements to Annual General Meeting – Incorporated Associations

Submission of financial statements to annual general meeting – incorporated associations
Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012
Sections 94(3), 97(3) and 100(3)

I, Sarina Jehane Cevaal-Hewitt being a member of the Committee of Management of the Victorian Croquet Association Inc. certify that –

'I attended the Annual General Meeting of the Victorian Croquet Association Inc. held 17 June 2019 and the financial statements of the Association for the financial year ending on 31 March 2019 were submitted to the members of the Association at that general meeting.'

Signed



17 June 2019