



# Camberwell Petanque Club

## Minutes of CPCI Annual General Meeting Saturday 6 September 2025

### Present

**Committee:** Coleen Cartwright (President), Bob Hutchinson (Vice President), Greg Hall (Treasurer), Marion McDonald, Kathy Barker, Paul Williams, Faye O'Sullivan

**Members:** Andrew Dexter-Springett, Barbi Solnordal, Bernadette Roach, Colin Macnamara, Di Collins, Elaine Williams, Gordon Black, Greg Harris, Guy Mercier, Helen Macnamara, John Muscat, John-Paul Ernst, Jude Hourigan, Keven Diggins, Leigh Grummisch, Mary Diggins, Mary Muscat, Myriam Parsons, Neil Williams, Noella Adams, Pam Barnes, Thi Dieu-chi Connell, Rex Barker, Rosalie Wallen, Rosie Barnes, Terry Barter, Vicki Martin, Vinz Mueller, and Wayne Adams

### Apologies

Baard Solnordal, Deidre Egan (Secretary), Maree Muir, Sue Gray, Thracy Vinga, Edward Baghdikian, Sandra Brown, Julie Hayhoe, Doug Hayhoe, Philip Lock, Gwen Simmons, Rosemary Sier, Mick Berry, Trish Ritman, Vin Massaro, Carol Dunstan, Ron Dunstan, Jenny Walford and Heinz Bansagi

### Proxies

Rex Barker for Trish Ritman and Mick Berry

### Quorum

10% of members entitled to vote are required, i.e. 12 members. With 36 members present, and two proxies, a quorum was reached.

### Business

#### 1. Welcome

The President, Coleen Cartwright welcomed all to the meeting and read the apologies and proxies.

#### 2. Minutes of the previous AGM held on 7 September 2024.

The minutes of the previous AGM on 7 September 2024 were accepted

Proposed: Rosie Barnes, Seconded: Noella Adams

#### 3. Annual Report 2024-2025

Coleen presented the Annual Report 2024-25. The club has had a successful year with increased membership, enjoyable social activities, and sound financial management. Coleen noted in particular the new intra-club competitions and *Burbs v Beaches* friendly competition with Martha Petanque Club. She thanked the Joint Management Committee for their work in maintaining the clubhouse. She also thanked all club committee members, openers, and other volunteers for their contributions to our club's success.

The Annual Report was accepted.

Proposed: Rex Barker, Seconded: Colin Macnamara

#### **4. Annual accounts for the year ending 30 June 2025**

The Treasurer, Greg Hall, presented the accounts which were circulated prior to the meeting. He noted that the major expenses were social events, prizes and player licence fees. Contributions by volunteers for social events, competitions and piste maintenance contribute to our strong financial position.

The Camberwell Petanque Club financial statements 2024-25 were accepted.

Proposed: Coleen Cartwright, Seconded: Rex Barker

#### **5. Annual membership fees 2026-27**

The fees proposal was circulated prior to the meeting. Greg noted that the current fee is \$80 for general members and associate members. Greg spoke to the proposal that fees remain the same, noting that the Petanque Federation Australia player licence fee is now shown separately.

The annual club membership fees from 1 July 2026 were set at \$80 for general members and associate members. No fee is payable for junior or life members.

The fees proposal was accepted.

Proposed: Noella Adams, Seconded: Rosie Barnes

#### **6. Election of new Committee**

Coleen advised that under our Rules of Association all committee members must stand down and are eligible for re-election. The following written nominations were received for each office holder position:

President - Coleen Cartwright

Vice President – Bob Hutchinson

Secretary - Deidre Egan

Treasurer - Greg Hall

There being the same number of vacancies as nominations, no voting was required. The above members were declared as elected to these positions.

The following written nominations were received for general member positions on the committee:

Member - Kathy Barker

Member - Faye O'Sullivan

Member – Rosie Barnes

Coleen asked the meeting to agree that there be four general members on the committee, which was accepted unanimously. There being more vacancies than nominations, no voting was required. The above members were declared as elected as general members.

## **7. Concluding remarks**

Coleen thanked the committee for their work, their effective engagement. She acknowledged the work of outgoing committee members Paul and Marion and welcomed new committee member, Rosie. Coleen thanked all the volunteers as this keeps the club operating well.

The meeting closed at 11.30am

# Annual Report - Camberwell Petanque Club

## 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025

### Committee

At the 2024 AGM some changes took place to the committee. Rex Barker stood down as President and committee member and Faye O'Sullivan joined as a general committee member.

The members of the 2024-25 committee are:

|                   |                                                       |
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| Coleen Cartwright | President                                             |
| Bob Hutchinson    | Vice President                                        |
| Deidre Egan       | Secretary                                             |
| Greg Hall         | Treasurer                                             |
| Paul Williams     | Enjoying the game, memberships, tournament organising |
| Faye O'Sullivan   | Club calendar, openers roster                         |
| Kathy Barker      | Social events and tournament catering                 |
| Marion McDonald   | Social events and tournament catering                 |

Communications for the club are managed by:

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| Coleen Cartwright | Facebook, CPC Monthly Newsletter |
| Deidre Egan       | PFA, VPCI, Boroondara updates    |
| Rex Barker        | Website                          |
| Jenny Walford     | Facebook                         |

### Membership

Membership continues to grow steadily with most trialists stating they heard about the club from either the website, word of mouth or they had an awareness of the club because they live locally. The club started the financial year with 117 members and ended the year with 131 members.

The Petanque Federation Australia (PFA) advised, in the final quarter of the year, that they would increase the membership fee for 2025/26 by \$5 to \$40. The committee agreed that the increase in fee for 2025/26 was to be absorbed by the club because the membership fees for the period were agreed at the 2024 AGM.

### Financial Position

The financial position of the club remains healthy. The club started the year with \$39,848 in funds and ended with \$44,813. There are a number of reasons for this, the most notable being:

- Paid catering at tournaments, which continues to be an effective fundraising activity.
- A Council grant of \$3,416 to fund our 2025 Christmas party.
- Repairs and maintenance costs are 75% less than 2024 mainly due to one off projects undertaken by Wayne Adams in 2024 for piste line marking and shade/shelter extensions.

The largest expenses incurred by the club are for funding social events, followed by PFA licenses and then wine prize purchases.

## Enjoying the game

The club actively encourages members to improve their pétanque skills and participate in tournaments. The coaching program delivered by Robert Pozzobon continues to be well attended. In addition, some new opportunities for friendly competition have been introduced:

- Intra club tournaments have been a popular innovation, giving members an opportunity to try out tournament style play in a friendly and familiar setting. Over 30 players competed at each of these competitions.
- CPC initiated a new friendly competition this year - the *Burbs v Beaches* tournament against Mt Martha. CPC hosted the inaugural tournament with nearly 50 participants. The feedback we received was very positive and Mt Martha have already invited us to their club for a reciprocal event next year.

Thanks to Bob and Paul for being the driving force behind these initiatives and to Robert Pozzobon for delivering the ever-popular coaching sessions.

The following tournaments were hosted by the club:

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| September | VPCI Triples Tournament                                       |
| November  | First Intra Club Competition                                  |
| February  | Victorian Triples Tournament                                  |
| April     | VPCI Singles<br>VPCI Doubles<br>Second Intra Club Competition |
| June      | CPC v Mt Martha <i>Burbs v Beaches</i> Competition            |

Members also participated at Mt Macedon in the annual *Jolly Roger* (CPC v Mt Macedon) Competition in August.

CPC members also contribute more widely to the sport of pétanque. Many players participate in tournaments across the state and interstate. Importantly, the club also has representatives on the VPCI committee:

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| Aileen Hebblethwaite | President                |
| Bob Hutchinson       | General Committee member |
| Guy Mercier          | Victorian Umpire Manager |

## Social events

The club continues to foster social connections between members by hosting a range of social events. A band of club volunteers, always expertly led by Kathy, ensure these events are a success. This year the following events were organised by the club:

- July - Christmas in July
- September - Wine tasting and Pizza Night
- October - Crazy Whist Night
- November - Cup Day
- December - Christmas Party
- Wine and drinks after intra club Tournaments

Catering was also provided for competitions. This provides fundraising as well as a sociable and welcoming element to these events, furthering our reputation as a friendly club:

- July - Mt Martha v CPC friendly competition

- September- Victorian Triples Competition
- February - Victorian Triples
- April - Intra Club Tournaments wine, cheeses and nibbles

Of particular note is the Christmas party held in December. This event attracted over 80 guests and was fully catered by the club. The party atmosphere was enhanced by the hired disco sound system and lighting.

We hired professional party helpers and caterers, Sam and Claire, who served food and cleaned up throughout the evening. This signified a major improvement for those members who usually find themselves working in the kitchen at these events. The event still required many volunteers to organise and assist, however the workload was considerably reduced while the party was underway.

The catering, sound systems and hired party help were mostly funded by the Boroondara Community Strengthening Grant.

### **Governance**

The club again achieved Bronze Sports Club Accreditation from Council. The application and accreditation process is repeated every two years. The Sports Club Accreditation program recognises and rewards clubs that provide a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment for all players, spectators and volunteers while fulfilling their obligations. Being an Accredited sports club gives extra weight to grant applications and helps us build a positive working relationship with the Boroondara Sports and Recreation Team.

To meet the criteria for Bronze Accreditation, CPC developed a Child Safe Policy and reviewed the club's Code of Conduct. These policies are available for viewing on our website. This considerable body of work was undertaken by Deidre.

### **Facility and Maintenance**

The clubrooms continue to be upgraded by Council. This year, solar panels and a battery were installed. The Joint Management Committee's role is to ensure the clubrooms are well maintained. This year, all carpeting and hard flooring were deep cleaned, the frequency of cleaning was increased over the busy summer period and all appliances tested and tagged.

The Hartwell Probus Club became the latest regular hirer of the facility, bringing the total up to five regular hirers (not including the lessees CPC, Girl Guides and Veterans Car Club). The hiring of the hall covers maintenance and utility costs that otherwise would be passed on to the club.

The CPC members of the Lynden Park Joint Management Committee are Pam Barnes, Coleen Cartwright, Sue Grey and Marion McDonald.

We acknowledge the members of the JMC for their largely unseen work in keeping our clubhouse in excellent condition. Thanks in particular to Pam Barnes for her work as hiring coordinator.

### **Contribution of volunteers**

The work of volunteers is vital for the club's ongoing success. We are lucky to have so many members prepared to donate their time and talents for the benefit of the club. Some have already been mentioned in this report, others are noted below.

Thanks to ...

- Our openers Colin, Helen, Rex, Noella, Damien, Raffi, Ken, Rosie, Rosalie, Paul, John, Michael, Pam, Greg, Ron, Neil and Faye who organises the opener roster as well. *Without these volunteers there is no organised play.*
- Wayne for his ongoing maintenance work around the clubrooms, the gardens and the pistes and to the members who come along and assist him.
- Rex for all things sound, light and technology and for continuing to manage the website.
- Volunteers who donate their time to help out at tournaments.
- Volunteers who help out at social events by organising, setting up, scoring, catering and cleaning up afterwards.
- Leigh and Jenny for organising the very successful Crazy Whist night.
- Members who assist visitors and trialists new to the game and the club.
- Committee members who work so well as a team and do so much for the benefit of the club.

The club is entirely dependent on the work of volunteers. We encourage members who have not thought of volunteering to join in when we make requests for help. Participating in this way is rewarding because it helps build stronger connections and friendships within the club.

Coleen Cartwright  
President, Camberwell Petanque Club