



Camberwell Petanque Club

Minutes

Committee Meeting

23 April 2025 at 9:30am at the Clubhouse

Present Bob Hutchinson, Paul Williams, Kathy Barker, Coleen Cartwright, Greg Hall, Faye O'Sullivan

1. Welcome

Coleen welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Deidre Egan, Marion McDonald

3. Confirmation of minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

(Proposed: Paul Seconded: Kathy)

4. Feedback from openers

Following feedback from openers, it was decided that some guidelines needed to be developed to remove ambiguities for players and openers alike. The following items were agreed:

- Condition of Play statement to be developed
- Guidelines to be developed for instances when there are excess players after doubles teams have been formed and these players need to be added to teams to make triples.

The Guidelines and Condition of Play statement will be developed and added to the existing openers document. Faye will action and circulate to openers. Coleen will publish both statements in the newsletter and develop an A5 desk sign to be displayed on the desk on play days. The key points agreed were:

- Openers have similar status as umpires; they have final say on play days in *all* matters of game day coordination, including formation of teams, scoring, recounts and managing technical failures. Their decisions are to be accepted and respected by all players.
- On Wednesdays and Fridays the opener will set double or triple teams at their discretion. On Saturday additional players will be added to form triple teams from the top of the screen working down

(Proposed: Paul Seconded: Faye)

5. Council inspection

Council undertook a site inspection in April. The inspection was passed. The only items raised for action were



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- a Child Safety sign to be displayed, actioned by Deidre
- a large broken tree branch needs to be removed from the lower grounds. This is for JMC to action

6. Enjoying the game

The Intraclub tournament was deemed a success. 30 members participated. A perpetual trophy was made for the event. Winners were Irene and Robert.

The club hosted 3 competitions, VPCI Triples (112 competitors), VPCI Singles (50 competitors) and Shooting competition.

The results from the PFA National Championships were tabled. Committee noted the success achieved by club members in this event.

Coaching will continue for one more session before the winter break.

Membership has grown to 131.

Bob to contact Mt Martha to arrange format for interclub tournament on 21 June.

The committee is proposing to change the Friday night format to informal play from 1 June to 31 August. This is due to the low (or no) numbers attending during winter. The goal is to encourage informal play but give Friday night openers a break from attending evenings when no one or very few players turn up. The committee also noted that in winter most players only come for one or two games and don't stay for dinner making it possible to change the format. Paul will set up a Whatsapp group to help members facilitate informal play on Fridays. Members will be asked for feedback in the May newsletter.

The committee agreed to purchase a drag mat for the pistes to assist with maintenance.
(Proposed: Paul Seconded: Greg)

7. Financial report

Greg tabled the financial report.

(Proposed: Bob Seconded: Coleen)

8. Communications

Newsletter to include tournament results, call for members to join a team to organise the 25th Anniversary celebration, changes to Friday night play, Conditions of play.

9. Joint Management Committee

No meeting has taken place since March. JMC to action obtaining a new cleaner, tree branch removal.

10. Social Enjoyment

The social team catered for 2 tournaments this month. 6 volunteers helped in the kitchen on 30th March and 4 helpers on April 6. Total takings was \$980.



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Cheese and nibbles were provided at the end of the Intraclub tournament which encouraged members to stay and chat. This worked well and will be repeated in the future.

11. Correspondence

Correspondence was noted.

12. Review of rolling actions

Actions were updated as shown in the attached table.

13. Next Meeting

Future committee meetings are Wednesdays at 9:30am on 21 May, 18 June, 16 July, 20 August, 17 September, 15 October and 19 November. AGM Saturday 30 August 2025.

Close: The meeting closed at 10:45am.

Correspondence since last meeting

Incoming

Date	Description	Action
11 Mar	City of Boroondara - Grant acquittal due 31 Dec 2025	Deidre to respond
24 Mar	Petanque Australia Annual General Meeting - Update	To committee
28 Mar	Rex Barker – new edition of A Story to Tell podcast – David Newton	Noted
28 Mar	Petanque Australia AGM – Annual Report	To committee
3 Apr	Summary report for council inspection of Lynden Park Recreation Facility	To committee
10 Apr	Petanque Australia – request for update of club contacts	Deidre replied
10 Apr	Petanque Australia AGM –request to resubmit proxy forms	Deidre replied
11 Apr	City of Boroondara Club Update e-Newsletter #192	To committee and link in newsletter
11 Apr	Rex Barker – new edition of A Story to Tell podcast- Max Thomas	Noted
17 Apr	City of Boroondara -Upgrades to booking system for sports facilities	Noted

Rolling actions

Meeting date	Description	Who	Status
24 Apr	Purchase new card table	Coleen	Open
24 Apr	Purchase drag mat	Paul	Open
24 Apr	Prepare a Conditions of Play sign	Coleen	Open
24 April	Write a condition of play statement and guidelines to insert into Openers Process document	Faye	Complete
24 April	Contact Mt Martha to finalise competition format	Bob	Open
23 Jul	Give feedback to Deidre on role statements by 31 August – found at this link	All	Open
19 Feb	Get a quote for replacing sleepers (Wayne)	Coleen	Open
19 Feb	Buy more bench seats & umbrellas (Wayne)	Coleen	Open
19 Mar	Approach clubs about an inter-club competition	Bob	Completed
19 Mar	Prepare a Child Safe Policy for committee consideration	Deidre	Open
19 Mar	Advise Deidre of nominations for Boroondara Sports Awards due 2 June 2025	All	Open