



South Australian Veterans Cricket Association Inc.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting – Thursday 29th September 2022

Marion Sports Club

Draft version only, pending approval at the 2023 AGM

Delegates: John Rankin, John Gritzalis, Rob Hannan, Bill Kidd, Red Emmel, Stephen Brown, Gary Marshall, Ryan Burt, Tim Pellen, Graham Fielke, John de Garis, Andrew Rumbelow, Neville Ash, Colin Petersen, Graham Tomasini, Christopher Whibley, Peter Rodwell

Other Attendees: Richard Lower, Grant Chapman, Jim Curtis, Paul Thompson, Malcolm Langmaid, Robin Lutze, Albert Singh, Scott Dawson, Peter Howland, Ken Nettle, John McTier, Mike Stanley, Lee Matthews, Ken Prettejohn, Jackie Payton, Clive Wundersitz, George Healey, Scott Field, Peter Rodwell, Ross Millard, John Nash, Iain Campbell, Christopher Daw

Apologies: Brett Nitschke, Grant Humphries, Dave Benson, Graeme Oliver, Alan Reid, Kevin Shepley, Anthony Telfer, Frank Sergi, Greg Quinn, Rob Colwell, John Grove, Darren Cheek, David Crocker, Jeremy Schultz, Tony Hickey, Paul Stewart, Andrew Carver, Steve Parsons.

Documents circulated prior to AGM:

- Notice of AGM and Agenda
- Annual Report
- Audited financial report for 2021-22 and correction to Page 5
- Budget papers for 2022-23

Summary of Motions

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| • That the minutes of the 2021 AGM be accepted | CARRIED |
| • That the President's Report be accepted | CARRIED |
| • That the audited financial statement to 30 th June 2022 be accepted | CARRIED |

Summary of Actions

- Christopher Daw to invite James Orchard (current SACA Vice-President) to become Patron of SAVCA.

Other Points Raised

- The meeting thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work during a period of major change. The meeting also acknowledged Anthony Telfer's work for the Over-50's and Gary Bilney's technical support for all age-groups.

Minutes of the Meeting

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Christopher Daw (President) opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed all attendees

2. Apologies

- Apologies were noted as per the above list

3. Minutes of the 2021 AGM

- The minutes of the 2021 AGM were circulated by e-mail prior to the AGM. Michael Stanley moved and John de Garis seconded that the minutes of the 2021 AGM be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED**
- Christopher Daw provided updates on some of the actions and motions from the 2021 AGM:
 - That the new constitution was approved unanimously at an SGM earlier in September.
 - Dean Marsh was re-appointed patron as per the Action Item at the 2021 AGM but subsequently resigned. The role was then taken on by Will Rayner, who had taken over from Dean Marsh as the Vice-President of SACA. The new constitution states that, unless he or she declines, the default Patron shall be the Vice-President SACA so, following Will's recent election as SACA President and James Orchard's election as SACA Vice-President, Chris Daw will invite James to be the new patron of SAVCA.

4. President's Report

- A copy of the President's Report was circulated via e-mail prior to the AGM. Christopher Daw briefly highlighted some achievements mentioned in the report and also flagged some challenges for the new committee:
 - Veterans cricket is expanding rapidly, with 26 teams for 2022-23, from as far afield as Yorke Peninsula, Penola and the Riverland.
 - The new Over-70's competition was a great success and focused on participation
 - The consensus feedback from the age-group reviews have been incorporated into the new constitution and the draft by-laws
 - SAVCA faces challenges to develop women's cricket – we are the only state without a team in the upcoming championships and even Tasmania have 3 sides.
 - SAVCA needs to improve its income from sponsorships and grants
 - SAVCA needs to improve the linkages between the Over-50's and the older divisions.
 - Peter Rodwell moved and Graham Tomasini seconded that the President's Report be accepted.**MOTION CARRIED**

5. Treasurer's Report and Auditor's Report

- Copies of the audited financial report for 2021-22 (prior to and with correction) were circulated prior to the meeting. John de Garis tabled these reports, noting that a small correction had been made to Page 5 of the initial auditor's report and that the financial statement to 30th June 2022 has been signed off by the auditor, John Turner.
- There were no questions from the floor so John de Garis moved and Kevin Prettejohn seconded that the audited financial statement be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED.**
- Copies of the draft budget for 2022-23 were circulated prior to the meeting. John de Garis noted that:

- The changes in the budget are due to the switch from players being the members of SAVCA (at \$90 per person annual fees), to clubs being the members. Last year's club fees were \$250 per team, which did not cover SAVCA's costs.
- This is a minimalist administration-only budget that considers SAVCA's costs minus the anticipated profit from the upcoming O50's Nationals. This assumed profit has been split across the current year plus next two budget years at \$3000 per year because an age-group National Championship is hosted in South Australia every three years.
- Events such as the presentation dinner and competitions such as the Silverbacks Premier League will each have their own budget.
- Match balls and scorebooks will be charged separately to each team and are not in the budget.
- Most sponsorship is ad hoc and with no guarantee of renewal, so cannot be included
- The proposed membership fee per team for 2022-23, which has been accepted by the Committee, is \$465 - this is expected to give SAVCA a surplus of approximately \$1300 at year-end.
- In response to questions from the floor, John de Garis and Christopher Daw confirmed that:
 - Clubs are responsible for the costs associated with the hire of ovals
 - That 30% of the net profit from each National Championships goes to Veterans Cricket Australia
- The meeting discussed what other competitions charge. Neville Ash advised that ATCA charge \$615 per senior team
- Christopher Daw acknowledged the immense amount of work done by John de Garis as the outgoing Treasurer.

6. VCA reports

- The upcoming Over-50's championships in Adelaide will have 42 teams and will be the biggest ever Vet's tournament worldwide. Anthony Telfer will need support from O60's and O70's players
- The O60's nationals will be held in Barwon and SAVCA's preparations are being lead by Frank Sergi, who has taken over from Albert Singh. The attendees thanked Albert Singh for his efforts.
- Peter Rodwell is organising the three SA teams for the O70's championships in Launceston
- Christopher Daw noted that VCA intends to reduce the size of future Nationals competitions. SAVCA will seek feedback from players and clubs as the VCA's proposal develops.

7. Election of the Committee

- Christopher Daw advised that Gary Marshall, Mike Stanley and John de Garis are stepping down as Vice-President, Cricket Co-ordinator, and Treasurer respectively and that Anthony Telfer is standing down from Over 50s Representative. He thanked them all for their hard work. John de Garis has agreed to continue as a member of the Finance Committee.

Position	Nominee(s)	Proposer	Secunder	Result
Vice-President	Rob Hannan Stephen Brown	Graham Hewitson Gary Marshall	Roy Schultz Graeme Madden	Rob Hannan elected following a secret ballot of Delegates
Secretary	Iain Campbell	Richard Lower	Peter Howland	Elected unopposed
Treasurer	William Kidd	Christopher Daw	Richard Lower	Elected unopposed
Cricket Co-ordinator	Stephen Brown	Gary Marshall	Graeme Madden	Elected unopposed

Over-50's rep's	John Rankin Colin Petersen	Iain Campbell Ross Millard	Christopher Daw John Rankin	Elected unopposed
Over-60's rep's	Frank Sergi Tim Pellen	Brenton Jarman Johan Grove	Johan Grove Brenton Jarman	Elected unopposed
Over-70's rep's	Peter Howland Richard Lower	Peter Howland Bill Kidd	Graeme Tomasini Jeff Emmel	Elected unopposed

Note 1: Two representatives are required for each age-group

Note 2: the position of President was not up for election this year

Note 3: The Vice-President, Secretary, Cricket Co-ordinator and Over-60's Rep's are appointed for 2 years. The Treasurer, Over-50's Rep's and Over-70's Rep's are appointed for one year. This is so that the next elections for each of these posts are in line with the requirements of the new constitution (i.e. elections in odd-numbered or even-numbered years).

8. Presentations

- Christopher Daw thanked Jeremy Schultz and David Crocker for their work on the new Constitution and new By-laws respectively; unfortunately, neither of them could attend the AGM but Christopher will take both of them out for lunch to thank them for their efforts.

9. Other business

- In response to questions from the floor, Christopher Daw confirmed that:
 - SAVCA has no plans to start an Over-40's competition, largely because many players in the SA state teams for this year's inaugural tournament still play on Saturdays.
 - That VCA consider veteran's cricket to be open to men over the age of 50 and women over the age of 35.
 - That the SAVCA Facebook page and new website will be re-balanced to contain info on all age-groups, rather than the current focus on the Over-50's
 - The meeting thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work during a period of major change. The meeting also acknowledged Anthony Telfer's work for the Over-50's and Gary Bilney's technical support for all age-groups.

10. Closure of meeting

The meeting was closed by Chris Daw at 8:18 pm.