

## **CROQUET SA BOARD MEETING HELD ON**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> of February 2025

## AT 5PM AT HUTT RD

## **MINUTES**

	WELCOME
1.1	Welcome to Jim Carter and Kim Millhouse
	PRESENT
	Anne Woodhouse
	Sally Harper
	Kevin Le Poidevin
	Paul Ensor
	Jim Carter
	Shirley Howlett
	Jess Pulford
	Mary Marsland (Guest)
	Ansi Baumanis (Guest)
	APOLOGIES
	Tracey Sincock
	Kim Milhouse
	EIRE CUP
	Mary Marsland on the committee for organising the State Players
	Championships presented an overview of the event including key dates
	and tournaments, the current hot weather policy and potential
	modifications, projected costs and catering.
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		The dates are: 5-7 <sup>th</sup> of March, Association Croquet Gold Medal 8-11 <sup>th</sup> of March, Association Croquet Men's and Women's Singles 12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> of March, Association Croquet Eire Cup		
		Jess to print state player agreements and provide to Shirley for distribution and then reconciliation.		
5.		VOTING FOR DIRECTOR		
		Shirley nominated as AC Director. Moved: Sally Seconded: Anne Woodhouse. Shirley accepts nomination as AC Director.		
6.		Confirmation of minutes from the 9 <sup>th</sup> of December 2024 and the 17 <sup>th</sup> of January 2025		
		Previous minutes were approved via email. Paul requested that in future the previous minutes be circulated by Jess prior to the board meeting.		
	6.1	Business arising from minutes		
	6.2.1	RevSport (Questions and Reports)		
		Some clubs have expressed reservations about joining RevSport. The Board agrees it is important for SACA to investigate these reservations and provide the relevant information to clubs as discussed in the General Meeting on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of January.		
	6.2.2	Cleaning contract		
		The cleaning contract for Hutt Rd has been accepted by the Board. The cleaning contract has been signed.		
7.		HEALTH AND SAFETY		
	7.1	Incident reports N/A		
	7.2	Installation of external defibrillator at Hutt Rd		

		External defibrillator is not applicable for Hutt Rd. A new battery will be needed for the current defibrillator next year. The estimated cost is \$500.
8.		REPORTS
	8.1	President Report
		A report from the President was presented. Moved: Kevin. Seconded: Voted. Passed.
	8.2	Treasurer Report
		The Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting, a report was sent via email and acknowledged at the Board meeting. Motion: The Treasurer report be accepted by the Board. Moved: Paul. Seconded: Anne. Voted. Passed.
		Paul raised a query regarding the 'Club House Expenses' section and its associated expenditures. Paul will outline some suggestions to simplify the budget and will send them to Tracey for consideration. SACA bank signatories were mentioned in Traceys report. Ansi raised a question about whether Jess, not being a board member, should have the authority to authorize financial decisions on behalf of SACA.
		Motion: Kevin Le Poidevin, Tracey Sincock, and Jess Pulford will be signatories on SACA's bank account, provided that all financial decisions require dual authorization. Moved: Anne. Seconded: Paul.
	8.3	GC Coordinator Report
		A report was presented by the GC Coordinator. Motion: The GC Coordinator report be accepted by the Board. Moved: Paul. Seconded: Sally. Voted. Passed.
	8.4	AC Director Report
		n/a
	8.5	Facility Manager Report
		A report was presented by the Facility Manager. Motion: The approval of carpet cleaning Hutt Rd is subject to a quote being provided and the treasurer's approval that this service is feasible within the budget. Moved: Jim. Seconded: Kevin. Voted. Passed.

	8.6	Sports Development Report	
		Jess to provide Sally with a copy of the Hutt Rd lease to determine the Hutt Rd's capacity for new sponsorship signage. Moved: Sally. Seconded. Voted. Passed.	
9.		ICT	
	9.1	ICT support for SACA	
		The Board has previously spoken about the formation of an ICT	
		committee which will support SACA in its ongoing development and	
		transition into new systems and technologies. Kevin is to investigate this	
		further.	
10.		GENERAL BUSINESS	
	10.1	ACA membership fees	
		Jess to email the clubs and inform them of ACA registration fee increase.	
	10.1.2	Associate membership procedure	
		Resolved.	
	10.2	Preparation for Eire Cup	
		This was discussed in section 4.	
	10.3.1	Kim's letter	
		Changes to the tournements accented for state team calestian have	
		Changes to the tournaments accepted for state team selection have been approved by the Board. Further approval should be sought by GC	
		committee. The Board finds that the current SACA hot weather policy is	
		flexible, and changes suggested will not be implemented at this stage.	
		The decision to allow training at Hutt Rd will be deferred until SACA's	
		next board meeting when Kim is present.	
	10.3.2	AC Director and AC Committee	
		N/A	
	10.4	Grant Writer	
		The Board is in agreement that SACA is in need of a Grant Writer.	

10.5	Prospect Council and North Adelaide Croquet Club
	Jim Carter provided an update on the ongoing situation concerning the Prospect Council and the North Adelaide Croquet Club. He advised that on January 28th, 2025, Gayle Searle, President of the North Adelaide Croquet Club, delivered a deputation to the Prospect Council. The deputation focused on advocating for the retention of North Adelaide Croquet Club (NACC) in its current form within the proposed Prospect Lifestyle Precinct (PLP). Discussions among Councillors following the presentation indicated strong support for NACC to remain within the precinct. The Council has agreed that three proposals for the PLP will be put forward to the Prospect community for further consultation. The Council will set the timeline for this process and provide final approval. To strengthen its position, NACC will continue with a large-scale community awareness campaign aimed at raising its profile within the Prospect community. The club will also focus on a variety of promotional events and initiatives. Additionally, NACC is exploring opportunities to form partnerships with local and nearby businesses to secure its future. In a related development, the club has been approached by another social club to discuss the possibility of a shared partnership lease. Under this arrangement, the croquet club would retain full control of the lawns, while the social club would have access to the club room facilities. The feasibility of this proposal is still under investigation, but it is noted that such a partnership would be viewed favourably by both the Council and the PLP. The PLP proposal has highlighted the need for croquet to enhance its visibility both in the sporting community and the local area. Efforts by SACA and individual clubs to promote and increase the game's publicity have not yet achieved significant results.
10.6	Marianne Maycock's letter
	The Board has read and acknowledges Marianne's letter regarding the growth and continuation of Croquet in South Australia. The Board will take this letter into account in future decision making.
10.7	SACA Board Member Declaration Policy and Declaration Sign-off form
	Distributed to board members. To be reconciled.
10.8	Bond cleaning (Function/Private Hire)
	Private hire contract to be reviewed and cleaning bond to be implemented.
10.9	Strategic plan

	The most recent version of the strategic plan is to be obtained, updated and publicised. Jess to look into this further.
11.	GENERAL BUSINESS
	N/A
	The Board acknowledges the sad passing of Trish Fazackerley, former Administration Officer for SACA and a valued member of the croquet community. The Board expresses its condolences to Trish's family and friends.
	Meeting closed at 7pm. The next board meeting will be held on the 10 <sup>th</sup> of March at 4:30pm.

Task List Arising from Meeting February 3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Delegate	ltem No.	Task
Jess	4.	Jess to print state player agreements and provide to Shirley for distribution and then reconciliation.
Jess	6.	Jess to circulate previous minutes prior to future board meeting.
Paul	8.2	Paul to outline some suggestions to simplify the budget and send them to Tracey for consideration.
Jess	8.6	Jess to provide Sally with a copy of the Hutt Rd lease.
Kevin	9.1	Kevin to investigate the formation of a SACA ICT committee.
Jess	10.1	Jess to email the clubs and inform them of ACA registration fee increase.
	10.4	Grant Writer
Ansi	10.8	Private hire contract to be reviewed and cleaning bond

		to be implemented.
Jess	10.9	The most recent version of the strategic plan is to be obtained.